

CS/CS/HB 787 — Child Abduction Prevention

by Policy Council and Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee; and Rep. Rouson and others (CS/SB 1862 by Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee and Senator Sobel)

The bill amends s. 61.45, F.S., by adding additional risk factors for a judge to consider when deciding whether or not a child is at risk of abduction. The bill also clearly outlines and makes additions to preventative measures that a judge may order if the judge finds credible evidence that a child is at risk of abduction. Finally, the bill provides that violation of the parenting plan may subject the party to civil or criminal penalties or a federal or state warrant under federal or state law.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect January 1, 2011.

Vote: Senate 31-0; House 115-0