

Committee on Criminal Justice

CS/CS/HB 39 — Controlled Substances

by Judiciary Committee; Criminal Justice Subcommittee; and Rep. Adkins and others
(CS/CS/SB 204 by Health Regulation Committee; Criminal Justice Committee; and Senators
Wise and Dockery)

The bill amends ss. 893.02, 893.03, and 893.13, F.S., in order to schedule several synthetic cannabinoids or synthetic cannabinoid-mimicking compounds in Schedule I of Florida's controlled substance schedules. Because of this scheduling, Florida law enforcement officials and prosecutors will be able arrest and prosecute the possession and sale of these substances under Florida law. Possession of 3 grams or less of the scheduled substances, which is not in powdered form, is a first degree misdemeanor.

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

Vote: Senate 38-0; House 105-13