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An act relating to assault or battery of law enforcement officers or firefighters; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; increasing the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for battery of a law enforcement officer or firefighter with a firearm or destructive device; increasing the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for such a battery while possessing a semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity

detachable box magazine or a machine gun; providing an

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effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 784.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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784.07 Assault or battery of law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical care providers, public transit employees or agents, or other specified officers; reclassification of offenses; minimum sentences.—

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(3) (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), any person who is convicted of a battery under paragraph (2) (b) and, during the commission of the offense, such person possessed:

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 $\frac{1.(a)}{(a)}$ A "firearm" or "destructive device" as those terms are defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 3 years.

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 $\frac{2.(b)}{(b)}$ A semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity detachable box magazine, as defined in s. 775.087(3), or a machine gun as defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a

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29 minimum term of imprisonment of 8 years.

- (b) Any person who is convicted of a battery under paragraph (2)(b) on a law enforcement officer or a firefighter and, during the commission of the offense, such person used:
- 1. A "firearm" or "destructive device" as those terms are defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 20 years.
- 2. A semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity detachable box magazine, as defined in s. 775.087(3), or a machine gun as defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 25 years.

Notwithstanding s. 948.01, adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence shall not be suspended, deferred, or withheld, and the defendant is not eligible for statutory gain-time under s. 944.275 or any form of discretionary early release, other than pardon or executive clemency, or conditional medical release under s. 947.149, prior to serving the minimum sentence.

Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2011.