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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Criminal Justice (Brandes) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 943.13, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read

943.13 Officers' minimum qualifications for employment or
appointment.—On or after October 1, 1984, any person employed or
appointed as a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary law
enforcement officer or correctional officer; on or after October



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1, 1986, any person employed as a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary correctional probation officer; and on or after October 1, 1986, any person employed as a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary correctional officer by a private entity under contract to the Department of Corrections, to a county commission, or to the Department of Management Services shall:

(1) Be at least 19 years of age, except that any person employed as a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary correctional officer may be at least 18 years of age.

Section 2. Section 944.145, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

944.145 Correctional officers under the age of 19.—A correctional officer who is under the age of 19 years shall not supervise inmates, but may perform all of the other duties performed by a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary correctional officer.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to correctional officers; amending s. 943.13, F.S.; permitting a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary correctional officer to be employed at 18 years of age; creating s. 944.145, F.S.; prohibiting a correctional officer who is under 19 years of age from supervising inmates; permitting an officer who is



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40 under 19 years of age to perform all other tasks
41 performed by a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary
42 correctional officer; providing an effective date.