

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2025 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Criminal Justice

CS/HB 1099 — Arrest and Detention of Individuals with Significant Medical Conditions

by Criminal Justice Subcommittee and Rep. Canady and others (CS/SB 1450 by Criminal Justice Committee and Senator Burgess)

The bill specifies that a law enforcement officer may use his or her discretion based on the totality of the circumstances when determining whether to make an immediate arrest of a person with a significant medical condition, including an arrest for an offense committed against an elderly person or disabled adult. The bill defines a “person with a significant medical condition” as a person who is a patient or resident of a hospital, nursing home facility or an assisted living facility.

A law enforcement officer may consider all lawful methods to make an arrest of such a person, including seeking an arrest warrant, but does not preclude the officer from making an arrest of such a person without a warrant.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor’s signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2025.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 108-0