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           An act relating to sentencing; amending s.
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           775.082, F.S.; redefining the term "prison
           releasee reoffender" to include a defendant who
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           commits certain felonies within a specified
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          period after being released from a correctional
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           institution outside the state or while escaped
           from a correctional institution outside the
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           state; providing requirements for sentencing a
          defendant if the state attorney proves by a
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          preponderance of the evidence that the
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           defendant is a prison releasee reoffender;
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          providing an effective date.
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   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (9) of section
    775.082, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
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           775.082 Penalties; applicability of sentencing
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    structures; mandatory minimum sentences for certain
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   reoffenders previously released from prison. --
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           (9)(a)1.
                     "Prison releasee reoffender" means any
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   defendant who commits, or attempts to commit:
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          a. Treason;
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          b. Murder;
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           c. Manslaughter;
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          d. Sexual battery;
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           e. Carjacking;
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           f. Home-invasion robbery;
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          g. Robbery;
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          h. Arson;
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i. Kidnapping; 1 2 j. Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon; 3 k. Aggravated battery; 4 1. Aggravated stalking; 5 m. Aircraft piracy; 6 Unlawful throwing, placing, or discharging of a 7 destructive device or bomb; 8 Any felony that involves the use or threat of 9 physical force or violence against an individual; p. Armed burglary; 10 q. Burglary of a dwelling or burglary of an occupied 11 12 structure or dwelling; or 13 r. Any felony violation of s. 790.07, s. 800.04, s. 14 827.03, or s. 827.071; 15 16 within 3 years after of being released from a state 17 correctional facility operated by the Department of 18 Corrections or a private vendor or within 3 years after being 19 released from a correctional institution of another state, the 20 District of Columbia, the United States, any possession or territory of the United States, or any foreign jurisdiction, 21 following incarceration for an offense for which the sentence 22 23 is punishable by more than 1 year in this state. "Prison releasee reoffender" also means any 24 25 defendant who commits or attempts to commit any offense listed 26 in subparagraph (a)1.a.-r. while the defendant was serving a 27 prison sentence or on escape status from a state correctional 28 facility operated by the Department of Corrections or a 29 private vendor or while the defendant was on escape status 30 from a correctional institution of another state, the District

of Columbia, the United States, any possession or territory of

the United States, or any foreign jurisdiction, following incarceration for an offense for which the sentence is punishable by more than 1 year in this state.

- 3. If the state attorney determines that a defendant is a prison releasee reoffender as defined in subparagraph 1., the state attorney may seek to have the court sentence the defendant as a prison releasee reoffender. Upon proof from the state attorney that establishes by a preponderance of the evidence that a defendant is a prison releasee reoffender as defined in this section, such defendant is not eligible for sentencing under the sentencing guidelines and must be sentenced as follows:
- a. For a felony punishable by life, by a term of imprisonment for life;
- b. For a felony of the first degree, by a term of imprisonment of 30 years;
- c. For a felony of the second degree, by a term of imprisonment of 15 years; and
- d. For a felony of the third degree, by a term of imprisonment of  $5\ \text{years}$ .

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.