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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the immigration status of inmates;
3	amending ss. 944.17 and 951.23, F.S.; requiring the
4	Department of Corrections and the administrator of each
5	county or municipal detention facility to train personnel
6	processing inmates in identification of false or
7	fraudulent immigration status documentation and other
8	indicators of illegal presence in the United States;
9	requiring examination of each incoming inmate's
10	immigration status; requiring notification of federal
11	officials whenever it is suspected that an inmate is not
12	in the country legally; providing an effective date.
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14	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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16	Section 1. Subsection (9) is added to section 944.17,
17	Florida Statutes, to read:
18	944.17 Commitments and classification; transfers
19	(9) The department shall train appropriate personnel
20	involved in processing inmates committed to its custody in
21	identification of false or fraudulent immigration status
22	documentation and other indicators of illegal presence in the
23	United States. The department shall examine the immigration
24	status of each person committed to its custody and shall notify
25	appropriate federal officials whenever it suspects that such a
26	person is not legally present in the United States.
27	Section 2. Subsection (11) is added to section 951.23,
28	Florida Statutes, to read:

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29	951.23 County and municipal detention facilities;
30	definitions; administration; standards and requirements
31	(11) The administrator of each county or municipal
32	detention facility shall train appropriate personnel involved in
33	processing inmates committed to the custody of that facility in
34	identification of false or fraudulent immigration status
35	documentation and other indicators of illegal presence in the
36	United States. The administrator of each county or municipal
37	detention facility shall examine the immigration status of each
38	person committed to the custody of that facility and shall
39	notify appropriate federal officials whenever it suspects that
40	such a person is not legally present in the United States.
41	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

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