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2012

1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to possession of a firearm or
3	destructive device during the commission of an
4	offense; amending s. 775.087, F.S.; providing that an
5	exception to the 10-year minimum term for persons
6	convicted of certain offenses during which the person
7	actually possessed a firearm or destructive device
8	does not to apply to offenders convicted for
9	possession of a firearm by a felon who have certain
10	prior convictions; providing an effective date.
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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14	Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
15	775.087, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
16	775.087 Possession or use of weapon; aggravated battery;
17	felony reclassification; minimum sentence
18	(2)(a)1. Any person who is convicted of a felony or an
19	attempt to commit a felony, regardless of whether the use of a
20	weapon is an element of the felony, and the conviction was for:
21	a. Murder;
22	b. Sexual battery;
23	c. Robbery;
24	d. Burglary;
25	e. Arson;
26	f. Aggravated assault;
27	g. Aggravated battery;
28	h. Kidnapping;

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HB 947 2012 29 i. Escape; 30 j. Aircraft piracy; 31 k. Aggravated child abuse; 32 Aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled 1. 33 adult; 34 Unlawful throwing, placing, or discharging of a m. 35 destructive device or bomb; 36 n. Carjacking; 37 ο. Home-invasion robbery; 38 Aggravated stalking; р. 39 Trafficking in cannabis, trafficking in cocaine, q. 40 capital importation of cocaine, trafficking in illegal drugs, capital importation of illegal drugs, trafficking in 41 42 phencyclidine, capital importation of phencyclidine, trafficking 43 in methaqualone, capital importation of methaqualone, 44 trafficking in amphetamine, capital importation of amphetamine, trafficking in flunitrazepam, trafficking in gamma-45 hydroxybutyric acid (GHB), trafficking in 1,4-Butanediol, 46 47 trafficking in Phenethylamines, or other violation of s. 893.135(1); or 48 49 Possession of a firearm by a felon r. 50 51 and during the commission of the offense, such person actually 52 possessed a "firearm" or "destructive device" as those terms are defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a minimum term of 53 imprisonment of 10 years, except that a person who is convicted 54 for aggravated assault, possession of a firearm by a felon, or 55 56 burglary of a conveyance shall be sentenced to a minimum term of Page 2 of 3

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57 imprisonment of 3 years if such person possessed a "firearm" or 58 "destructive device" during the commission of the offense <u>unless</u> 59 <u>such a person convicted for possession of a firearm by a felon</u> 60 <u>has a previous conviction of a felony or an attempt to commit a</u> 61 <u>felony listed in s. 775.084(1)(b)1. and actually possessed a</u> 62 <u>"firearm" or "destructive device" during the commission of that</u> 63 offense.

64 2. Any person who is convicted of a felony or an attempt 65 to commit a felony listed in sub-subparagraphs (a)1.a.-q., 66 regardless of whether the use of a weapon is an element of the 67 felony, and during the course of the commission of the felony 68 such person discharged a "firearm" or "destructive device" as 69 defined in s. 790.001 shall be sentenced to a minimum term of 70 imprisonment of 20 years.

71 3. Any person who is convicted of a felony or an attempt 72 to commit a felony listed in sub-subparagraphs (a)1.a.-q., 73 regardless of whether the use of a weapon is an element of the 74 felony, and during the course of the commission of the felony 75 such person discharged a "firearm" or "destructive device" as 76 defined in s. 790.001 and, as the result of the discharge, death 77 or great bodily harm was inflicted upon any person, the 78 convicted person shall be sentenced to a minimum term of 79 imprisonment of not less than 25 years and not more than a term 80 of imprisonment of life in prison.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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