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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to offenses involving minors and vulnerable persons; amending s. 92.54, F.S.; increasing the maximum age at which a victim or witness may be allowed to testify via closed circuit television rather than in a courtroom in certain circumstances; amending s. 782.04, F.S.; including human trafficking as an underlying felony offense to support a felony murder conviction; amending s. 787.06, F.S.; providing increased criminal penalties for human trafficking offenses if the victim suffers great bodily harm, permanent disability, or permanent disfigurement; specifying that penalties for branding must be for the purpose of committing the offense of human trafficking; prohibiting certain defense to prosecution; amending s. 794.022, F.S.; including human trafficking and lewd and lascivious offenses in the rules of evidence applicable to sexually-related offenses; amending ss. 90.404, 775.21, 943.0435, 944.606, and 944.607, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Section 92.54, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 92.54 Use of closed circuit television in proceedings involving a victim or witness under the age of 18 16 or who has an intellectual disability.-
- (1) Upon motion and hearing in camera and upon a finding that there is a substantial likelihood that a victim or witness under the age of 18 16 or who has an intellectual disability

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will suffer at least moderate emotional or mental harm due to the presence of the defendant if such victim or witness is required to testify in open court, or is unavailable as defined in s. 90.804(1), the trial court may order that the testimony of the victim or witness be taken outside of the courtroom and shown by means of closed circuit television.

- (2) The motion may be filed by the victim or witness; the attorney, parent, legal guardian, or guardian ad litem of the victim or witness; the prosecutor; the defendant or the defendant's counsel; or the trial judge on his or her own motion.
- (3) Only the judge, the prosecutor, the defendant, the attorney for the defendant, the operators of the videotape equipment, an interpreter, and some other person who, in the opinion of the court, contributes to the well-being of the child or the person who has an intellectual disability and who will not be a witness in the case may be in the room during the recording of the testimony.
- (4) During the victim's or witness's testimony by closed circuit television, the court may require the defendant to view the testimony from the courtroom. In such a case, the court shall permit the defendant to observe and hear the testimony of the victim or witness, but must ensure that the victim or witness cannot hear or see the defendant. The defendant's right to assistance of counsel, which includes the right to immediate and direct communication with counsel conducting crossexamination, must be protected and, upon the defendant's request, such communication must be provided by any appropriate electronic method.

21-01365-16 20161294 62 (5) The court shall make specific findings of fact, on the 63 record, as to the basis for its ruling under this section. Section 2. Subsections (1), (3), and (4) of section 782.04, 64 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 65 66 782.04 Murder.-67 (1) (a) The unlawful killing of a human being: 68 1. When perpetrated from a premeditated design to effect 69 the death of the person killed or any human being; 2. When committed by a person engaged in the perpetration 70 71 of, or in the attempt to perpetrate, any: 72 a. Trafficking offense prohibited by s. 893.135(1), 73 b. Arson, 74 c. Sexual battery, 75 d. Robbery, 76 e. Burglary, 77 f. Kidnapping, 78 g. Escape, 79 h. Aggravated child abuse, i. Aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult, 80 81 j. Aircraft piracy, k. Unlawful throwing, placing, or discharging of a 82 83 destructive device or bomb, 84 1. Carjacking, 85 m. Home-invasion robbery, 86 n. Aggravated stalking, o. Murder of another human being, 87 p. Resisting an officer with violence to his or her person, 88 89 q. Aggravated fleeing or eluding with serious bodily injury 90 or death,

r. Felony that is an act of terrorism or is in furtherance of an act of terrorism, $\stackrel{\textstyle \cdot }{,}$ or

s. Human trafficking; or

3. Which resulted from the unlawful distribution of any substance controlled under s. 893.03(1), cocaine as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)4., opium or any synthetic or natural salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of opium, or methadone by a person 18 years of age or older, when such drug is proven to be the proximate cause of the death of the user,

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is murder in the first degree and constitutes a capital felony, punishable as provided in s. 775.082.

- (b) In all cases under this section, the procedure set forth in s. 921.141 shall be followed in order to determine sentence of death or life imprisonment.
- (3) When a human being is killed during the perpetration of, or during the attempt to perpetrate, any:
 - (a) Trafficking offense prohibited by s. 893.135(1),
- (b) Arson,
 - (c) Sexual battery,
 - (d) Robbery,
 - (e) Burglary,
 - (f) Kidnapping,
 - (g) Escape,
 - (h) Aggravated child abuse,
- 116 (i) Aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult,
 - (j) Aircraft piracy,
 - (k) Unlawful throwing, placing, or discharging of a

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- (n) Aggravated stalking,(o) Murder of another human being,
- (p) Aggravated fleeing or eluding with serious bodily injury or death,
 - (q) Resisting an officer with violence to his or her person, $\frac{\mbox{\ or\ }}{\mbox{\ or\ }}$
 - (r) Felony that is an act of terrorism or is in furtherance of an act of terrorism, or
 - (s) Human trafficking,

by a person other than the person engaged in the perpetration of or in the attempt to perpetrate such felony, the person perpetrating or attempting to perpetrate such felony commits murder in the second degree, which constitutes a felony of the first degree, punishable by imprisonment for a term of years not exceeding life or as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

- (4) The unlawful killing of a human being, when perpetrated without any design to effect death, by a person engaged in the perpetration of, or in the attempt to perpetrate, any felony other than any:
 - (a) Trafficking offense prohibited by s. 893.135(1),
- (b) Arson,
 - (c) Sexual battery,
- (d) Robbery,
- (e) Burglary,

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(f) Kidnapping,

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- (h) Aggravated child abuse,
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 - (j) Aircraft piracy,
 - (k) Unlawful throwing, placing, or discharging of a destructive device or bomb,
 - (1) Unlawful distribution of any substance controlled under s. 893.03(1), cocaine as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)4., or opium or any synthetic or natural salt, compound, derivative, or preparation of opium by a person 18 years of age or older, when such drug is proven to be the proximate cause of the death of the user,
 - (m) Carjacking,
 - (n) Home-invasion robbery,
 - (o) Aggravated stalking,
 - (p) Murder of another human being,
 - (q) Aggravated fleeing or eluding with serious bodily injury or death,
 - (r) Resisting an officer with violence to his or her person, $\frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{r}}$
 - (s) Felony that is an act of terrorism or is in furtherance of an act of terrorism, $\underline{\text{or}}$
 - (t) Human trafficking,

is murder in the third degree and constitutes a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 3. Paragraph (h) is added to subsection (3) of section 787.06, Florida Statutes, paragraph (b) of subsection (4) is amended, subsections (5) through (9) are renumbered as subsections (6) through (10), respectively, and a new subsection (5) is added to that section, to read:

787.06 Human trafficking.-

- (3) Any person who knowingly, or in reckless disregard of the facts, engages in human trafficking, or attempts to engage in human trafficking, or benefits financially by receiving anything of value from participation in a venture that has subjected a person to human trafficking:
- (h) And during the commission or attempt to commit the offense of human trafficking causes great bodily harm, permanent disability, or permanent disfigurement to the victim of the human trafficking offense or attempted offense commits a felony of the first degree, punishable for a term of years not exceeding life, as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

For each instance of human trafficking of any individual under this subsection, a separate crime is committed and a separate punishment is authorized.

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(b) Any person who permanently brands, or directs to be permanently branded, for the purpose of committing an offense under this section, a victim of an offense under this section commits a second degree felony, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. For purposes of this subsection, the term "permanently branded" means a mark on the

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individual's body that, if it can be removed or repaired at all, can only be removed or repaired by surgical means, laser treatment, or other medical procedure.

(5) A victim's lack of chastity or the willingness or consent of a victim is not a defense to prosecution under this section if the victim was under 18 years of age at the time of the offense.

Section 4. Section 794.022, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

794.022 Rules of evidence.-

- (1) The testimony of the victim need not be corroborated in a prosecution under s. 787.06, s. 794.011, or s. 800.04.
- (2) Specific instances of prior consensual sexual activity between the victim and any person other than the offender may shall not be admitted into evidence in a prosecution under s.

 787.06, s. 794.011, or s. 800.04. However, such evidence may be admitted if it is first established to the court in a proceeding in camera that such evidence may prove that the defendant was not the source of the semen, pregnancy, injury, or disease; or, when consent by the victim is at issue, such evidence may be admitted if it is first established to the court in a proceeding in camera that such evidence tends to establish a pattern of conduct or behavior on the part of the victim which is so similar to the conduct or behavior in the case that it is relevant to the issue of consent.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, reputation evidence relating to a victim's prior sexual conduct or evidence presented for the purpose of showing that manner of dress of the victim at the time of the offense incited the sexual battery may

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shall not be admitted into evidence in a prosecution under \underline{s} . 787.06, s. 794.011, or s. 800.04.

- (4) When consent of the victim is a defense to prosecution under $\underline{s.787.06}$, $\underline{s.794.011}$, or $\underline{s.800.04}$, evidence of the victim's mental incapacity or defect is admissible to prove that the consent was not intelligent, knowing, or voluntary; and the court shall instruct the jury accordingly.
- (5) An offender's use of a prophylactic device, or a victim's request that an offender use a prophylactic device, is not, by itself, relevant to either the issue of whether or not the offense was committed or the issue of whether or not the victim consented.

Section 5. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (2) of section 90.404, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

- 90.404 Character evidence; when admissible.
- (2) OTHER CRIMES, WRONGS, OR ACTS.-
- (b)1. In a criminal case in which the defendant is charged with a crime involving child molestation, evidence of the defendant's commission of other crimes, wrongs, or acts of child molestation is admissible and may be considered for its bearing on any matter to which it is relevant.
- 2. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "child molestation" means conduct proscribed by s. 787.025(2)(c), s. 787.06(3)(g), former s. 787.06(3)(h), Florida Statutes 2012, s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10), s. 794.05, former s. 796.03, former s. 796.035, s. 800.04, s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), s. 847.0145, or s. 985.701(1) when committed against a person 16 years of age or younger.
 - (c) 1. In a criminal case in which the defendant is charged

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with a sexual offense, evidence of the defendant's commission of other crimes, wrongs, or acts involving a sexual offense is admissible and may be considered for its bearing on any matter to which it is relevant.

- 2. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "sexual offense" means conduct proscribed by s. 787.025(2)(c), s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g), former s. 787.06(3)(h), Florida Statutes 2012, s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10), s. 794.05, former s. 796.03, former s. 796.035, s. 825.1025(2)(b), s. 827.071, s. 847.0135(5), s. 847.0145, or s. 985.701(1).
- Section 6. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 775.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

775.21 The Florida Sexual Predators Act.-

- (4) SEXUAL PREDATOR CRITERIA.-
- (a) For a current offense committed on or after October 1, 1993, upon conviction, an offender shall be designated as a "sexual predator" under subsection (5), and subject to registration under subsection (6) and community and public notification under subsection (7) if:
 - 1. The felony is:
- a. A capital, life, or first degree felony violation, or any attempt thereof, of s. 787.01 or s. 787.02, where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian, or s. 794.011, s. 800.04, or s. 847.0145, or a violation of a similar law of another jurisdiction; or
- b. Any felony violation, or any attempt thereof, of s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f),

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or (g); former s. 787.06(3)(h), Florida Statutes 2012; s. 294 295 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; 296 former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8)(b); s. 825.1025; s. 297 827.071; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0145; s. 298 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or a violation of a similar law 299 of another jurisdiction, and the offender has previously been 300 convicted of or found to have committed, or has pled nolo contendere or guilty to, regardless of adjudication, any 301 302 violation of s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 303 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the 304 defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g); former s. 787.06(3)(h), Florida 305 Statutes 2012; s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; 306 former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 825.1025; s. 307 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 308 309 847.0145; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or a violation of a 310 similar law of another jurisdiction; 311 2. The offender has not received a pardon for any felony or 312 similar law of another jurisdiction that is necessary for the 313 operation of this paragraph; and 314 3. A conviction of a felony or similar law of another 315 jurisdiction necessary to the operation of this paragraph has 316 not been set aside in any postconviction proceeding. 317 Section 7. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 318 319 943.0435 Sexual offenders required to register with the 320 department; penalty.-321 (1) As used in this section, the term: 322 (a)1. "Sexual offender" means a person who meets the

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criteria in sub-subparagraph a., sub-subparagraph b., sub-subparagraph c., or sub-subparagraph d., as follows:

- a.(I) Has been convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction: s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g); former s. 787.06(3)(h), Florida Statutes 2012; s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8); s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-sub-subparagraph; and
- (II) Has been released on or after October 1, 1997, from the sanction imposed for any conviction of an offense described in sub-sub-subparagraph (I). For purposes of sub-sub-subparagraph (I), a sanction imposed in this state or in any other jurisdiction includes, but is not limited to, a fine, probation, community control, parole, conditional release, control release, or incarceration in a state prison, federal prison, private correctional facility, or local detention facility;
- b. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as

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a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without regard to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender;

- c. Establishes or maintains a residence in this state who is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, any other state or jurisdiction as a result of a conviction for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes or similar offense in another jurisdiction: s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s. 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the defendant is not the victim's parent or quardian; s. 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g); former s. 787.06(3)(h), Florida Statutes 2012; s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05; former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8); s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s. 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s. 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this sub-subparagraph; or
- d. On or after July 1, 2007, has been adjudicated delinquent for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following statutes in this state or similar offenses in another jurisdiction when the juvenile was 14 years of age or

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older at the time of the offense:

- (I) Section 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10);
- (II) Section 800.04(4)(a)2. where the victim is under 12 years of age or where the court finds sexual activity by the use of force or coercion;
- (III) Section 800.04(5)(c)1. where the court finds molestation involving unclothed genitals; or
- (IV) Section 800.04(5)(d) where the court finds the use of force or coercion and unclothed genitals.
- 2. For all qualifying offenses listed in sub-subparagraph (1)(a)1.d., the court shall make a written finding of the age of the offender at the time of the offense.

For each violation of a qualifying offense listed in this subsection, except for a violation of s. 794.011, the court shall make a written finding of the age of the victim at the time of the offense. For a violation of s. 800.04(4), the court shall also make a written finding indicating whether the offense involved sexual activity and indicating whether the offense involved force or coercion. For a violation of s. 800.04(5), the court shall also make a written finding that the offense did or did not involve unclothed genitals or genital area and that the offense did or did not involve the use of force or coercion.

Section 8. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 944.606, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

944.606 Sexual offenders; notification upon release.-

- (1) As used in this section:
- (b) "Sexual offender" means a person who has been convicted of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to

410 commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following

- 411 statutes in this state or similar offenses in another
- 412 jurisdiction: s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s.
- 413 787.02, or s. 787.025(2)(c), where the victim is a minor and the
- 414 defendant is not the victim's parent or guardian; s.
- 415 787.06(3)(b), (d), (f), or (g); former s. 787.06(3)(h), Florida
- 416 Statutes 2012; s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 794.05;
- 417 former s. 796.03; former s. 796.035; s. 800.04; s. 810.145(8);
- 418 s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s.
- 419 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s.
- 420 916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed
- 421 in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute
- 1422 number to one of those listed in this subsection, when the
- 423 department has received verified information regarding such
- conviction; an offender's computerized criminal history record
- 425 is not, in and of itself, verified information.
- Section 9. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
- 427 944.607, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 944.607 Notification to Department of Law Enforcement of
- 429 information on sexual offenders.

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- 430 (1) As used in this section, the term:
 - (a) "Sexual offender" means a person who is in the custody or control of, or under the supervision of, the department or is
- 433 in the custody of a private correctional facility:
- 1. On or after October 1, 1997, as a result of a conviction
- for committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to
- 436 commit, any of the criminal offenses proscribed in the following
- 437 statutes in this state or similar offenses in another
- 438 jurisdiction: s. 393.135(2); s. 394.4593(2); s. 787.01, s.

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444 s. 825.1025; s. 827.071; s. 847.0133; s. 847.0135, excluding s.

445 847.0135(6); s. 847.0137; s. 847.0138; s. 847.0145; s.

916.1075(2); or s. 985.701(1); or any similar offense committed in this state which has been redesignated from a former statute number to one of those listed in this paragraph; or

2. Who establishes or maintains a residence in this state and who has not been designated as a sexual predator by a court of this state but who has been designated as a sexual predator, as a sexually violent predator, or by another sexual offender designation in another state or jurisdiction and was, as a result of such designation, subjected to registration or community or public notification, or both, or would be if the person were a resident of that state or jurisdiction, without regard as to whether the person otherwise meets the criteria for registration as a sexual offender.

Section 10. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.