

HB 201

2018

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to hate crimes reporting; amending s.
3 877.19, F.S.; requiring the collection and
4 dissemination of data concerning criminal cases that
5 evidence prejudice based on political affiliation or
6 beliefs; providing an effective date.

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

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10 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 877.19, Florida
11 Statutes, is amended to read:

12 877.19 Hate Crimes Reporting Act.—

13 (2) ACQUISITION AND PUBLICATION OF DATA.—The Governor,
14 through the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, shall collect
15 and disseminate data on incidents of criminal acts that evidence
16 prejudice based on race, religion, ethnicity, color, ancestry,
17 sexual orientation, ~~or~~ national origin, or political affiliation
18 or beliefs. All law enforcement agencies shall report monthly to
19 the Florida Department of Law Enforcement concerning such
20 offenses in such form and in such manner as prescribed by rules
21 adopted by the department. Such information shall be compiled by
22 the department and disseminated upon request to any local law
23 enforcement agency, unit of local government, or state agency.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.