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The Committee on Criminal Justice (Powell) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment

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Delete lines 389 - 433

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and insert:

reasonable effort to ensure that any child who is 16 years of age or older but has not yet reached the age of 18 and <del>16 or 17</del> years of age who is convicted and sentenced under this section is <del>paragraph be</del> completely separated such that there is no physical contact with adult offenders in the facility, to the extent that it is consistent with chapter 958.

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- (2) (3) EFFECT OF PROSECUTION OF CHILDREN AS ADULTS DIRECT FILE.-
- (a) Once a child has been transferred for criminal prosecution pursuant to an information and has been found to have committed the presenting offense or a lesser included offense, the child shall be handled thereafter in every respect as if an adult for any subsequent violation of state law, unless the court imposes juvenile sanctions under s. 985.565.
- (b) When a child is transferred for criminal prosecution as an adult, the court shall immediately transfer and certify to the adult circuit court all felony cases pertaining to the child, for prosecution of the child as an adult, which have not yet resulted in a plea of quilty or nolo contendere or in which a finding of guilt has not been made. If a child is acquitted of all charged offenses or lesser included offenses contained in the original case transferred to adult court, all felony cases that were transferred to adult court as a result of this paragraph shall be subject to the same penalties to which such cases would have been subject before being transferred to adult court.
- (c) When a child has been transferred for criminal prosecution as an adult and has been found to have committed a violation of state law, the disposition of the case may be made under s. 985.565 and may include the enforcement of any restitution ordered in any juvenile proceeding.
- (3) FITNESS HEARING BEFORE A JUDGE.—A child who is transferred to adult court under this section may request, in writing, a hearing before the court to determine whether he or she shall remain in adult court. The adult court, in determining

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whether public safety would be best served by retaining jurisdiction, shall consider the seriousness of the offense; the extent of the child's alleged participation or role in the offense; the sophistication, maturity, and mental development of the child; any prior adjudications or adjudications withheld of the child; and any other consideration set forth in s. 985.556(3)(c). The adult court may, based on these considerations, transfer the case back to juvenile court. (4) TRANSFER PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any other law, a child who is eliqible for prosecution as an adult and who has a pending competency hearing in juvenile court or who has