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

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 185 - 225 and insert:

institution or facility as close as practicable to within 300 driving miles of the inmate’s primary residence, unless the safety of department employees or inmates requires other placement. Subject to bed availability and the inmate’s security designation, the department shall transfer an inmate to an
institution or facility that is as close as practicable to
within 300 driving miles of the inmate’s primary residence,
unless the inmate chooses to remain at his or her current
institution or facility.

(b)(a) To the extent possible, an inmate be returned, upon
release, to the same area from which the inmate was committed.

(c)(b) An inmate being released from a community work-
release program is not eligible for the provision of
transportation.

(d)(c) Transportation provided for an eligible inmate upon
release shall be to one of the following points:
1. The county where parole placement has been approved and
supervision is to commence.
2. Another state.
3. The county of employment within the state.
4. The county of legal residence within the state.
5. The county of original commitment within the state.

(e)(d) Each releasee who is eligible for the provision of
transportation shall be escorted to the site of embarkation by
an officer of the correctional facility, who shall remain until
the releasee has departed.

Section 5. Present subsections (3), (4), and (5) of section
944.705, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (4),
(5), and (6), respectively, present subsection (6) of that
section is amended, and new subsection (3) and subsections (7),
(8), (9), and (11) are added to that section, to read:

944.705 Release orientation program.—
(3) Before an inmate’s release, the department shall
provide the inmate with a comprehensive community reentry
resource directory organized by county which includes the name, address, and telephone number of each provider and a description of the services offered by each provider. The directory must also include the name, address, and telephone number of existing starting points for using such resources.

(7) A nonprofit faith-based or professional business, or a civic or community organization, may apply for registration with

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 24 - 25 and insert:

authorizing a nonprofit faith-based or professional business or a civic or community organization to