1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to criminal rehabilitation; amending
3	s. 921.002, F.S.; revising the legislative intent of
4	the Criminal Punishment Code; specifying that to
5	rehabilitate the offender to transition back to the
6	community successfully is one of the primary purposes
7	of sentencing; reducing the minimum sentence that must
8	be served by a defendant from 85 percent of the
9	sentence to 65 percent; amending s. 944.275, F.S.;
10	revising provisions concerning gain time to provide
11	for outstanding deed gain-time, good behavior time,
12	and rehabilitation credits; providing requirements for
13	such gain-time and credits; providing for amounts to
14	be awarded; revising limits on the award of gain time;
15	reducing the minimum sentence that must be served by a
16	defendant from 85 percent of the sentence to 65
17	percent; amending ss. 316.027, 316.1935, 775.084,
18	775.0845, 775.0847, 775.0861, 775.0862, 775.087,
19	775.0875, 777.03, 777.04, 784.07, 794.011, 794.023,
20	817.568, 831.032, 843.22, 874.04, 944.281, 944.473,
21	944.70, 944.801, and 947.005, F.S.; conforming
22	provisions to changes made by the act; providing an
23	effective date.
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25	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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26 27 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 921.002, Florida 28 Statutes, is amended to read: 29 921.002 The Criminal Punishment Code.-The Criminal 30 Punishment Code shall apply to all felony offenses, except 31 capital felonies, committed on or after October 1, 1998. 32 (1)The provision of criminal penalties and of limitations 33 upon the application of such penalties is a matter of 34 predominantly substantive law and, as such, is a matter properly 35 addressed by the Legislature. The Legislature, in the exercise of its authority and responsibility to establish sentencing 36 37 criteria, to provide for the imposition of criminal penalties, and to make the best use of state prisons so that violent 38 39 criminal offenders are appropriately punished and rehabilitated incarcerated, has determined that it is in the best interest of 40 the state to develop, implement, and revise a sentencing policy. 41 42 The Criminal Punishment Code embodies the principles that: 43 Sentencing is neutral with respect to race, gender, (a) 44 and social and economic status. 45 (b) The duel purposes primary purpose of sentencing in the 46 criminal justice system are is to punish the offender and 47 rehabilitate the offender to transition back to the community 48 successfully. Rehabilitation is a desired goal of the criminal 49 justice system but is subordinate to the goal of punishment. 50 The penalty imposed is commensurate with the severity (C)

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51 of the primary offense and the circumstances surrounding the 52 primary offense.

(d) The severity of the sentence increases with the lengthand nature of the offender's prior record.

55 The sentence imposed by the sentencing judge reflects (e) 56 the length of actual time to be served, shortened only by the 57 application of outstanding deed incentive and meritorious gain-58 time, good behavior time, and rehabilitation credits as provided 59 by law, and may not be shortened if the defendant would 60 consequently serve less than 65 85 percent of his or her term of imprisonment as provided in s. 944.275(4). The provisions of 61 62 chapter 947, relating to parole, shall not apply to persons sentenced under the Criminal Punishment Code. 63

(f) Departures below the lowest permissible sentence established by the code must be articulated in writing by the trial court judge and made only when circumstances or factors reasonably justify the mitigation of the sentence. The level of proof necessary to establish facts that support a departure from the lowest permissible sentence is a preponderance of the evidence.

(g) The trial court judge may impose a sentence up to and including the statutory maximum for any offense, including an offense that is before the court due to a violation of probation or community control.

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(h) A sentence may be appealed on the basis that it

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76 departs from the Criminal Punishment Code only if the sentence 77 is below the lowest permissible sentence or as enumerated in s. 78 924.06(1).

(i) Use of incarcerative sanctions is prioritized toward offenders convicted of serious offenses and certain offenders who have long prior records, in order to maximize the finite capacities of state and local correctional facilities.

83 Section 2. Section 944.275, Florida Statutes, is amended 84 to read:

944.275 <u>Outstanding deed gain-time, good behavior time,</u>
and rehabilitation credits.-

(1) The department is authorized to grant deductions from
sentences in the form of <u>outstanding deed</u> gain-time, <u>good</u>
<u>behavior time</u>, <u>and rehabilitation credits</u> in order to encourage
satisfactory prisoner behavior, to provide incentive for
prisoners to participate in productive activities, and to reward
prisoners who perform outstanding deeds or services.

93 (2) (a) The department shall establish for each prisoner 94 sentenced to a term of years a "maximum sentence expiration 95 date," which shall be the date when the sentence or combined 96 sentences imposed on a prisoner will expire. In establishing 97 this date, the department shall reduce the total time to be 98 served by any time lawfully credited.

99 (b) When a prisoner with an established maximum sentence100 expiration date is sentenced to an additional term or terms

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101 without having been released from custody, the department shall 102 extend the maximum sentence expiration date by the length of 103 time imposed in the new sentence or sentences, less lawful 104 credits.

(c) When an escaped prisoner or a parole violator is returned to the custody of the department, the maximum sentence expiration date in effect when the escape occurred or the parole was effective shall be extended by the amount of time the prisoner was not in custody plus the time imposed in any new sentence or sentences, but reduced by any lawful credits.

The department shall also establish for each 111 (3)(a) 112 prisoner sentenced to a term of years a "tentative release date" which shall be the date projected for the prisoner's release 113 114 from custody by virtue of outstanding deed gain-time, good 115 behavior time, or rehabilitation credits granted or forfeited as described in this section. The initial tentative release date 116 117 shall be determined by deducting outstanding deed basic gain-118 time, good behavior time, or rehabilitation credits granted from 119 the maximum sentence expiration date. Outstanding deed Other gain-time, good behavior time, and rehabilitation credits shall 120 121 be applied when granted or restored to make the tentative 122 release date proportionately earlier; and forfeitures of good behavior time gain-time, when ordered, shall be applied to make 123 124 the tentative release date proportionately later.

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(b) When an initial tentative release date is

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126 reestablished because of additional sentences imposed before the 127 prisoner has completely served all prior sentences, any 128 outstanding deed gain-time, good behavior time, or 129 rehabilitation credits granted during service of a prior 130 sentence and not forfeited shall be applied. 131 The tentative release date may not be later than the (C) 132 maximum sentence expiration date. 133 (4) (a) As a means of encouraging satisfactory behavior and developing character traits necessary for successful reentry, 134 135 the department shall grant good behavior time basic gain-time at the rate of 10 days for each month of each sentence imposed on a 136 137 prisoner, subject to the following: 138 Portions of any sentences to be served concurrently 1. 139 shall be treated as a single sentence when determining good 140 behavior time basic gain-time. Good behavior time Basic gain-time for a partial month 141 2. shall be prorated on the basis of a 30-day month. 142 143 When a prisoner receives a new maximum sentence 3. 144 expiration date because of additional sentences imposed, good 145 behavior time basic gain-time shall be granted for the amount of 146 time the maximum sentence expiration date was extended. 147 For each month in which an inmate works diligently, (b) participates in training or education, uses time constructively, 148 or otherwise engages in positive activities, the department may 149 150 grant rehabilitation credits incentive gain-time in accordance Page 6 of 31

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151	with this paragraph. The rate of <u>rehabilitation credits</u>
152	incentive gain-time in effect on the date the inmate committed
153	the offense which resulted in his or her incarceration shall be
154	the inmate's rate of eligibility to earn <u>rehabilitation credits</u>
155	incentive gain-time throughout the period of incarceration and
156	shall not be altered by a subsequent change in the severity
157	level of the offense for which the inmate was sentenced.
158	1. For sentences imposed for offenses committed <u>before</u>
159	prior to January 1, 1994, <u>and after October 1, 1995,</u> up to 20
160	days of <u>rehabilitation credits</u> incentive gain-time may be
161	granted. If granted, such <u>rehabilitation credits</u> gain-time shall
162	be credited and applied monthly.
163	2. For sentences imposed for offenses committed on or
164	after January 1, 1994, and before October 1, 1995:
165	a. For offenses ranked in offense severity levels 1
166	through 7, under former s. 921.0012 or former s. 921.0013, up to
167	25 days of <u>rehabilitation credits</u> incentive gain-time may be
168	granted. If granted, such <u>rehabilitation credits</u> gain-time shall
169	be credited and applied monthly.
170	b. For offenses ranked in offense severity levels 8, 9,
171	and 10, under former s. 921.0012 or former s. 921.0013, up to 20
172	days of incentive gain-time may be granted. If granted, such
173	gain-time shall be credited and applied monthly.
174	3. For sentences imposed for offenses committed on or
175	after October 1, 1995, the department may grant up to 10 days
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176	per month of incentive gain-time.
177	(c) An inmate who performs some outstanding deed, such as
178	saving a life or assisting in recapturing an escaped inmate, or
179	who in some manner performs an outstanding service that would
180	merit the granting of additional deductions from the term of his
181	or her sentence may be granted <u>outstanding deed meritorious</u>
182	gain-time of from $\underline{30}$ \pm to 60 days per outstanding deed
183	performed.
184	(d) Notwithstanding the monthly maximum awards of
185	<u>rehabilitation credits</u> incentive gain-time under subparagraphs
186	(b)1. and, 2., and 3., the education program manager shall
187	recommend, and the Department of Corrections <u>shall</u> may grant
188	awards , a one-time award of 60 additional days of <u>rehabilitation</u>
189	credits for successful completion of each of the following:
190	incentive gain-time to an inmate who is otherwise eligible and
191	who successfully completes requirements for and is, or has been
192	during the current commitment, awarded a high school equivalency
193	diploma <u>, college degree, or vocational certificate, drug</u>
194	treatment program, mental health treatment program, life skills
195	program, behavioral modification program, reentry program, or
196	equivalent rehabilitative program. Additionally, the Department
197	of Corrections shall grant 5 additional days of rehabilitation
198	credits for successful completion of any other department-
199	approved program, including inmate-developed programs, or a
200	passing grade in each online or in-person educational course.

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201	Rehabilitation credits awarded herein shall be retroactive.
202	Under no circumstances may an inmate receive more than 60 days
203	for educational attainment pursuant to this section.
204	(e) Notwithstanding the monthly maximum awards of
205	rehabilitation credits under subparagraphs (b)1. and 2., the
206	department may grant 2 additional days per month of good
207	behavior time to prisoners serving sentences for violations of
208	ss. 893.13 and 893.135, and such days granted shall be
209	retroactive.
210	<u>(f)</u> Notwithstanding subparagraph <u>(b)1.</u> (b)3. , for
211	sentences imposed for offenses committed on or after October 1,
212	2014, the department may not grant rehabilitation credits
213	incentive gain-time if the offense is a violation of s.
214	782.04(1)(a)2.c.; s. 787.01(3)(a)2. or 3.; s. 787.02(3)(a)2. or
215	3.; s. 794.011, excluding s. 794.011(10); s. 800.04; s.
216	825.1025; or s. 847.0135(5).
217	(g)1.(f) An inmate who is subject to this subsection
218	subparagraph (b)3. is not eligible to earn or receive
219	outstanding deed gain-time or good behavior time under paragraph
220	(a), paragraph (b), paragraph (c), or paragraph (d) or any other
221	type of gain-time in an amount that would cause a sentence to
222	expire, end, or terminate, or that would result in a prisoner's
223	release, <u>before</u> prior to serving a minimum of 85 percent of the
224	sentence imposed. For purposes of this paragraph, credits
225	awarded by the court for time physically incarcerated shall be
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226 credited toward satisfaction of 85 percent of the sentence 227 imposed.

228 <u>2. A prisoner who is subject to this subsection may not</u> 229 <u>accumulate rehabilitation credits as described in paragraph (d)</u> 230 <u>in an amount that would allow a sentence to expire, end, or</u> 231 <u>terminate, or that would result in a prisoner's release, before</u> 232 serving a minimum of 65 percent of the sentence imposed.

233 <u>3.</u> Except as provided by this section, a prisoner may not 234 accumulate further gain-time awards at any point when the 235 tentative release date is the same as that date at which the 236 prisoner will have served <u>65</u> 85 percent of the sentence imposed. 237 State prisoners sentenced to life imprisonment shall be 238 incarcerated for the rest of their natural lives, unless granted 239 pardon or clemency.

(5) When a prisoner is found guilty of an infraction of
the laws of this state or the rules of the department, good
behavior time not yet vested gain-time may be forfeited
according to law after due process. For purposes of this
subsection, good behavior time is deemed vested 2 years after
being granted.

(6) (a) <u>Good behavior time</u> Basic gain-time under this
section shall be computed on and applied to all sentences
imposed for offenses committed on or after July 1, 1978, and
before January 1, 1994.

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(b) All outstanding deed incentive and meritorious gain-

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251 time, good behavior time, and rehabilitation credits are is 252 granted according to this section. 253 (C) All additional gain-time previously awarded under 254 former subsections (2) and (3) and all forfeitures ordered prior 255 to the effective date of the act that created this section shall 256 remain in effect and be applied in establishing an initial 257 tentative release date. 258 The department shall adopt rules to implement the (7) granting, forfeiture, restoration, and deletion of outstanding 259 260 deed gain-time, good behavior time, and rehabilitation credits. 261 Section 3. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section 262 316.027, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 263 316.027 Crash involving death or personal injuries.-264 (2) 265 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and (f) 266 determining rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time 267 eligibility under chapter 944, an offense listed in this 268 subsection is ranked one level above the ranking specified in s. 269 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 for the offense committed if the victim 270 of the offense was a vulnerable road user. 271 Section 4. Subsection (6) of section 316.1935, Florida 272 Statutes, is amended to read: 316.1935 Fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement 273 274 officer; aggravated fleeing or eluding.-275 (6) Notwithstanding s. 948.01, no court may suspend, Page 11 of 31

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defer, or withhold adjudication of guilt or imposition of 276 277 sentence for any violation of this section. A person convicted 278 and sentenced to a mandatory minimum term of incarceration under 279 paragraph (3) (b) or paragraph (4) (b) is not eligible for 280 statutory gain-time or credits under s. 944.275 or any form of 281 discretionary early release, other than pardon or executive 282 clemency or conditional medical release under s. 947.149, prior 283 to serving the mandatory minimum sentence.

284 Section 5. Paragraph (k) of subsection (4) of section 285 775.084, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

286 775.084 Violent career criminals; habitual felony 287 offenders and habitual violent felony offenders; three-time 288 violent felony offenders; definitions; procedure; enhanced 289 penalties or mandatory minimum prison terms.-

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(k)1. A defendant sentenced under this section as a habitual felony offender, a habitual violent felony offender, or a violent career criminal is eligible for <u>rehabilitation credits</u> gain-time granted by the Department of Corrections as provided in s. 944.275(4)(b).

296 2. For an offense committed on or after October 1, 1995, a 297 defendant sentenced under this section as a violent career 298 criminal is not eligible for any form of discretionary early 299 release, other than pardon or executive clemency, or conditional 300 medical release granted pursuant to s. 947.149.

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301 For an offense committed on or after July 1, 1999, a 3. 302 defendant sentenced under this section as a three-time violent 303 felony offender shall be released only by expiration of sentence 304 and shall not be eligible for parole, control release, or any 305 form of early release. 306 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection (2) of section 775.0845, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 307 308 775.0845 Wearing mask while committing offense; reclassification.-The felony or misdemeanor degree of any 309 criminal offense, other than a violation of ss. 876.12-876.15, 310 311 shall be reclassified to the next higher degree as provided in 312 this section if, while committing the offense, the offender was 313 wearing a hood, mask, or other device that concealed his or her 314 identity. 315 (1)In the case of a misdemeanor of the first degree, the 316 (b) 317 offense is reclassified to a felony of the third degree. For 318 purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining 319 rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under 320 chapter 944, such offense is ranked in level 2 of the offense 321 severity ranking chart.

322 (2) (a) In the case of a felony of the third degree, the323 offense is reclassified to a felony of the second degree.

324 (b) In the case of a felony of the second degree, the325 offense is reclassified to a felony of the first degree.

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327	For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining
328	rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under
329	chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this
330	subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under former s.
331	921.0012, former s. 921.0013, s. 921.0022, or s. 921.0023 of the
332	offense committed.
333	Section 7. Subsection (3) of section 775.0847, Florida
334	Statutes, is amended to read:
335	775.0847 Possession or promotion of certain images of
336	child pornography; reclassification
337	(3)(a) In the case of a felony of the third degree, the
338	offense is reclassified to a felony of the second degree.
339	(b) In the case of a felony of the second degree, the
340	offense is reclassified to a felony of the first degree.
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342	For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining
343	rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under
344	chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this
345	section is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 921.0022
346	or s. 921.0023 of the offense committed.
347	Section 8. Subsection (3) of section 775.0861, Florida
348	Statutes, is amended to read:
349	775.0861 Offenses against persons on the grounds of
350	religious institutions; reclassification
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351 (3) (a) In the case of a misdemeanor of the second degree, 352 the offense is reclassified to a misdemeanor of the first 353 degree. 354 In the case of a misdemeanor of the first degree, the (b) 355 offense is reclassified to a felony of the third degree. For 356 purposes of sentencing under chapter 921, such offense is ranked 357 in level 2 of the offense severity ranking chart. In the case of a felony of the third degree, the 358 (C) 359 offense is reclassified to a felony of the second degree. In the case of a felony of the second degree, the 360 (d) 361 offense is reclassified to a felony of the first degree. 362 In the case of a felony of the first degree, the (e) 363 offense is reclassified to a life felony. 364 365 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under 366 367 chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 368 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense committed. 369 370 Section 9. Subsection (3) of section 775.0862, Florida 371 Statutes, is amended to read: 372 775.0862 Sexual offenses against students by authority figures; reclassification.-373 374 In the case of a felony of the third degree, the (3)(a) 375 offense is reclassified to a felony of the second degree. Page 15 of 31

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In the case of a felony of the second degree, the 376 (b) 377 offense is reclassified to a felony of the first degree. 378 (C) In the case of a felony of the first degree, the 379 offense is reclassified to a life felony. 380 381 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining 382 rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under 383 chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 384 385 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense committed. 386 Section 10. Subsection (1) and paragraph (b) of subsection 387 (2) of section 775.087, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 775.087 Possession or use of weapon; aggravated battery; 388 389 felony reclassification; minimum sentence.-390 Unless otherwise provided by law, whenever a person is (1) 391 charged with a felony, except a felony in which the use of a 392 weapon or firearm is an essential element, and during the 393 commission of such felony the defendant carries, displays, uses, 394 threatens to use, or attempts to use any weapon or firearm, or 395 during the commission of such felony the defendant commits an 396 aggravated battery, the felony for which the person is charged 397 shall be reclassified as follows: In the case of a felony of the first degree, to a life 398 (a) felony. 399 In the case of a felony of the second degree, to a 400 (b)

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401 felony of the first degree.

402 (c) In the case of a felony of the third degree, to a403 felony of the second degree.

For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining <u>rehabilitation credit</u> incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, a felony offense which is reclassified under this section is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the felony offense committed.

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Subparagraph (a)1., subparagraph (a)2., or 411 (b) 412 subparagraph (a)3. does not prevent a court from imposing a 413 longer sentence of incarceration as authorized by law in 414 addition to the minimum mandatory sentence, or from imposing a 415 sentence of death pursuant to other applicable law. Subparagraph 416 (a)1., subparagraph (a)2., or subparagraph (a)3. does not 417 authorize a court to impose a lesser sentence than otherwise 418 required by law. 419 Notwithstanding s. 948.01, adjudication of guilt or imposition

420 of sentence shall not be suspended, deferred, or withheld, and 421 the defendant is not eligible for statutory gain-time <u>or credits</u> 422 under s. 944.275 or any form of discretionary early release, 423 other than pardon or executive clemency, or conditional medical 424 release under s. 947.149, prior to serving the minimum sentence. 425 Section 11. Subsection (2) of section 775.0875, Florida

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426 Statutes, is amended to read: 427 775.0875 Unlawful taking, possession, or use of law 428 enforcement officer's firearm; crime reclassification; 429 penalties.-430 (2) If a person violates subsection (1) and commits any 431 other crime involving the firearm taken from the law enforcement 432 officer, such crime shall be reclassified as follows: 433 (a)1. In the case of a felony of the first degree, to a 434 life felony. In the case of a felony of the second degree, to a 435 2. 436 felony of the first degree. 437 3. In the case of a felony of the third degree, to a 438 felony of the second degree. 439 440 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under 441 442 chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this 443 paragraph is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 444 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the felony offense committed. 445 In the case of a misdemeanor, to a felony of the third (b) 446 degree. For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and 447 determining rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, such offense is ranked in level 2 448 449 of the offense severity ranking chart. 450 Section 12. Subsection (3) of section 777.03, Florida

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451 Statutes, is amended to read:

777.03 Accessory after the fact.-

(3) Except as otherwise provided in s. 921.0022, for
purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining
<u>rehabilitation credit</u> incentive gain-time eligibility under
chapter 944, the offense of accessory after the fact is ranked
two levels below the ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of
the felony offense committed.

459 Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 460 777.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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777.04 Attempts, solicitation, and conspiracy.-

(4) (a) Except as otherwise provided in ss. 104.091(2), 462 463 379.2431(1), 828.125(2), 849.25(4), 893.135(5), and 921.0022, 464 the offense of criminal attempt, criminal solicitation, or 465 criminal conspiracy is ranked for purposes of sentencing under 466 chapter 921 and determining rehabilitation credit incentive 467 gain-time eligibility under chapter 944 one level below the ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense 468 469 attempted, solicited, or conspired to. If the criminal attempt, 470 criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy is of an offense 471 ranked in level 1 or level 2 under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023, 472 such offense is a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 473

474 Section 14. Subsection (3) of section 784.07, Florida 475 Statutes, is amended to read:

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476 784.07 Assault or battery of law enforcement officers, 477 firefighters, emergency medical care providers, public transit 478 employees or agents, or other specified officers; 479 reclassification of offenses; minimum sentences.-480 Any person who is convicted of a battery under (3) 481 paragraph (2) (b) and, during the commission of the offense, such 482 person possessed: A "firearm" or "destructive device" as those terms are 483 (a) 484 defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a minimum term of 485 imprisonment of 3 years. 486 A semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity (b) 487 detachable box magazine, as defined in s. 775.087(3), or a machine gun as defined in s. 790.001, shall be sentenced to a 488 489 minimum term of imprisonment of 8 years. 490 491 Notwithstanding s. 948.01, adjudication of guilt or imposition 492 of sentence shall not be suspended, deferred, or withheld, and 493 the defendant is not eligible for statutory gain-time or credits 494 under s. 944.275 or any form of discretionary early release, 495 other than pardon or executive clemency, or conditional medical 496 release under s. 947.149, prior to serving the minimum sentence. 497 Section 15. Subsection (7) of section 794.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 498 499 794.011 Sexual battery.-500 A person who is convicted of committing a sexual (7)

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battery on or after October 1, 1992, is not eligible for basic 501 502 gain-time or credits under s. 944.275. This subsection may be 503 cited as the "Junny Rios-Martinez, Jr. Act of 1992." 504 Section 16. Subsection (2) of section 794.023, Florida 505 Statutes, is amended to read: 506 794.023 Sexual battery by multiple perpetrators; reclassification of offenses.-507 (2) A violation of s. 794.011 shall be reclassified as 508 provided in this subsection if it is charged and proven by the 509 510 prosecution that, during the same criminal transaction or 511 episode, more than one person committed an act of sexual battery 512 on the same victim. 513 (a) A felony of the second degree is reclassified to a 514 felony of the first degree. 515 A felony of the first degree is reclassified to a life (b) 516 felony. 517 This subsection does not apply to life felonies or capital 518 519 felonies. For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and 520 determining rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, a felony offense that is 521 522 reclassified under this subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense 523 committed. 524 Section 17. Subsection (5) of section 817.568, Florida 525

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526 Statutes, is amended to read: 527 817.568 Criminal use of personal identification 528 information.-529 (5) If an offense prohibited under this section was 530 facilitated or furthered by the use of a public record, as defined in s. 119.011, the offense is reclassified to the next 531 532 higher degree as follows: 533 A misdemeanor of the first degree is reclassified as a (a) 534 felony of the third degree. A felony of the third degree is reclassified as a 535 (b) 536 felony of the second degree. 537 (C) A felony of the second degree is reclassified as a 538 felony of the first degree. 539 540 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and rehabilitation 541 credit incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, a 542 felony offense that is reclassified under this subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 921.0022 of the 543 544 felony offense committed, and a misdemeanor offense that is 545 reclassified under this subsection is ranked in level 2 of the 546 offense severity ranking chart in s. 921.0022. 547 Section 18. Subsection (3) of section 831.032, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 548 831.032 Offenses involving forging or counterfeiting 549 private labels.-550

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551 (3) (a) Violation of subsection (1) or subsection (2) is a 552 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 553 775.082 or s. 775.083, except that: 554 1. A violation of subsection (1) or subsection (2) is a 555 felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if the offense involves 100 556 557 or more but less than 1,000 items bearing one or more 558 counterfeit marks or if the goods involved in the offense have a 559 total retail value of more than \$2,500, but less than \$20,000. 2. A violation of subsection (1) or subsection (2) is a 560 561 felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 562 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if the offense involves 563 1,000 or more items bearing one or more counterfeit marks or if 564 the goods involved in the offense have a total retail value of 565 \$20,000 or more. 566 3. A violation of subsection (1) or subsection (2) is a 567 felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 568 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084 if, during the commission or 569 as a result of the commission of the offense, the person 570 engaging in the offense knowingly or by culpable negligence 571 causes or allows to be caused bodily injury to another. 572 4. A violation of subsection (1) or subsection (2) is a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 573 574 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084 if, during the commission or 575 as a result of the commission of the offense, the person

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576 engaging in the offense knowingly or by culpable negligence 577 causes or allows to be caused serious bodily injury to another. 5. A violation of subsection (1) or subsection (2) is a 578 felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 579 580 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084 if, during the commission or 581 as a result of the commission of the offense, the person engaging in the offense knowingly or by culpable negligence 582 causes or allows to be caused death to another. 583 For any person who, having previously been convicted 584 (b) for an offense under this section, is subsequently convicted for 585 586 another offense under this section, such subsequent offense 587 shall be reclassified as follows: 1. In the case of a felony of the second degree, to a 588 589 felony of the first degree. 590 2. In the case of a felony of the third degree, to a 591 felony of the second degree. 592 3. In the case of a misdemeanor of the first degree, to a 593 felony of the third degree. For purposes of sentencing under 594 chapter 921 and determining rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, such offense is ranked 595 596 in level 4 of the offense severity ranking chart. 597 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining 598 rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under 599 chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this 600 Page 24 of 31

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601 paragraph is ranked one level above the ranking under s.
602 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the felony offense committed.
603 (c) In lieu of a fine otherwise authorized by law, when

any person has been convicted of an offense under this section, the court may fine the person up to three times the retail value of the goods seized, manufactured, or sold, whichever is greater, and may enter orders awarding court costs and the costs of investigation and prosecution, reasonably incurred. The court shall hold a hearing to determine the amount of the fine authorized by this paragraph.

When a person is convicted of an offense under this 611 (d) 612 section, the court, pursuant to s. 775.089, shall order the 613 person to pay restitution to the trademark owner and any other 614 victim of the offense. In determining the value of the property 615 loss to the trademark owner, the court shall include expenses incurred by the trademark owner in the investigation or 616 617 prosecution of the offense as well as the disgorgement of any 618 profits realized by a person convicted of the offense.

619 Section 19. Subsection (2) of section 843.22, Florida620 Statutes, is amended to read:

621 843.22 Traveling across county lines with intent to commit 622 a burglary.-

(2) If a person who commits a burglary travels any
distance with the intent to commit the burglary in a county in
this state other than the person's county of residence, the

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626 degree of the burglary shall be reclassified to the next higher 627 degree if the purpose of the person's travel is to thwart law 628 enforcement attempts to track the items stolen in the burglary. 629 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining 630 rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under 631 chapter 944, a burglary that is reclassified under this section 632 is ranked one level above the ranking specified in s. 921.0022 633 or s. 921.0023 for the burglary committed.

634 Section 20. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection635 (2) of section 874.04, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

636 874.04 Gang-related offenses; enhanced penalties.-Upon a 637 finding by the factfinder that the defendant committed the 638 charged offense for the purpose of benefiting, promoting, or furthering the interests of a criminal gang, the penalty for any 639 640 felony or misdemeanor, or any delinquent act or violation of law 641 which would be a felony or misdemeanor if committed by an adult, 642 may be enhanced. Penalty enhancement affects the applicable 643 statutory maximum penalty only. Each of the findings required as 644 a basis for such sentence shall be found beyond a reasonable 645 doubt. The enhancement will be as follows:

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(b) A misdemeanor of the first degree may be punished as
if it were a felony of the third degree. For purposes of
sentencing under chapter 921 and determining <u>rehabilitation</u>
credit <u>incentive gain-time</u> eligibility under chapter 944, such

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651 offense is ranked in level 1 of the offense severity ranking 652 chart. The criminal gang multiplier in s. 921.0024 does not 653 apply to misdemeanors enhanced under this paragraph. 654 (2) (a) A felony of the third degree may be punished as if 655 it were a felony of the second degree. 656 A felony of the second degree may be punished as if it (b) 657 were a felony of the first degree. 658 (c) A felony of the first degree may be punished as if it 659 were a life felony. 660 661 For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining 662 rehabilitation credit incentive gain-time eligibility under 663 chapter 944, such felony offense is ranked as provided in s. 664 921.0022 or s. 921.0023, and without regard to the penalty 665 enhancement in this subsection. 666 Section 21. Section 944.281, Florida Statutes, is amended 667 to read: 944.281 Ineligibility to earn gain-time due to 668 669 disciplinary action.-The department may declare that a prisoner 670 who commits a violation of any law of the state or rule or regulation of the department or institution on or after January 671 672 1, 1996, and who is found quilty pursuant to s. 944.28(2), shall not be eligible to earn rehabilitation credits incentive gain-673 674 time for up to 6 months following the month in which the 675 violation occurred. The department shall adopt rules to Page 27 of 31

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676 administer the provisions of this section. 677 Section 22. Subsection (1) of section 944.473, Florida 678 Statutes, is amended to read: 679 944.473 Inmate substance abuse testing program.-680 RULES AND PROCEDURES.-The department shall establish (1) 681 programs for random and reasonable suspicion drug and alcohol 682 testing by urinalysis or other noninvasive procedure for inmates 683 to effectively identify those inmates abusing drugs, alcohol, or both. The department shall also adopt rules relating to fair, 684 685 economical, and accurate operations and procedures of a random inmate substance abuse testing program and a reasonable 686 687 suspicion substance abuse testing program by urinalysis or other 688 noninvasive procedure which enumerate penalties for positive 689 test results, including but not limited to the forfeiture of 690 both basic and rehabilitation credits incentive gain-time, and 691 which do not limit the number of times an inmate may be tested 692 in any one fiscal or calendar year. 693 Section 23. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 694 944.70, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 695 944.70 Conditions for release from incarceration.-696 (1)697 A person who is convicted of a crime committed on or (b) 698 after January 1, 1994, may be released from incarceration only: Upon expiration of the person's sentence; 699 1. 700 2. Upon expiration of the person's sentence as reduced by

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701 accumulated outstanding deed meritorious or rehabilitation 702 credit incentive gain-time; 703 3. As directed by an executive order granting clemency; 704 Upon placement in a conditional release program 4. 705 pursuant to s. 947.1405 or a conditional medical release program 706 pursuant to s. 947.149; or 707 5. Upon the granting of control release, including 708 emergency control release, pursuant to s. 947.146. 709 Section 24. Paragraphs (i) and (j) of subsection (3) of section 944.801, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 710 711 944.801 Education for state prisoners.-712 (3) The responsibilities of the Correctional Education 713 Program shall be to: 714 (i) Ensure that every inmate who has 2 years or more 715 remaining to serve on his or her sentence at the time that he or 716 she is received at an institution and who lacks basic and functional literacy skills as defined in s. 1004.02 attends not 717 fewer than 150 hours of sequential instruction in a correctional 718 719 adult basic education program. The basic and functional literacy 720 level of an inmate shall be determined by the average composite 721 test score obtained on a test approved for this purpose by the 722 State Board of Education. Upon completion of the 150 hours of instruction, the 723 1. 724 inmate shall be retested and, if a composite test score of 725 functional literacy is not attained, the department is

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726 authorized to require the inmate to remain in the instructional 727 program. 728 2. Highest priority of inmate participation shall be 729 focused on youthful offenders and those inmates nearing release 730 from the correctional system. 731 An inmate shall be required to attend the 150 hours of 3. adult basic education instruction unless such inmate: 732 733 Is serving a life sentence or is under sentence of a. 734 death. 735 b. Is specifically exempted for security or health 736 reasons. 737 с. Is housed at a community correctional center, road 738 prison, work camp, or vocational center. 739 d. Attains a functional literacy level after attendance in 740 fewer than 150 hours of adult basic education instruction. 741 Is unable to enter such instruction because of e. 742 insufficient facilities, staff, or classroom capacity. 743 The Department of Corrections shall provide classes to 4. 744 accommodate those inmates assigned to correctional or public 745 work programs after normal working hours. The department shall 746 develop a plan to provide academic and vocational classes on a 747 more frequent basis and at times that accommodate the increasing 748 number of inmates with work assignments, to the extent that 749 resources permit. 750 5. If an inmate attends and actively participates in the

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751 150 hours of instruction, the Department of Corrections may 752 grant a one-time award of up to 6 additional days of 753 <u>rehabilitation credit</u> incentive gain-time, which must be 754 credited and applied as provided by law. Active participation 755 means, at a minimum, that the inmate is attentive, responsive, 756 cooperative, and completes assigned work.

(j) Recommend the award of additional <u>rehabilitation</u> <u>credit</u> incentive gain-time for inmates who receive a high school equivalency diploma or a vocational certificate.

760 Section 25. Subsection (15) of section 947.005, Florida761 Statutes, is amended to read:

947.005 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, unless thecontext clearly indicates otherwise:

(15) "Tentative release date" means the date projected for the prisoner's release from custody by virtue of gain-time <u>and</u> <u>credits</u> granted or forfeited pursuant to s. 944.275(3)(a).

Section 26. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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