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A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; creating s. 775.08701, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing for the retroactive applicability of s. 775.087, F.S.; prohibiting certain persons from being sentenced to mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for aggravated assault or attempted aggravated assault committed before a specified date; requiring resentencing for persons who committed such violations before a specified date and are serving mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment; specifying procedures for such resentencing; providing eligibility for gain-time for such sentenced or resentenced persons; creating s. 893.13501, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing for the retroactive applicability of s. 893.135, F.S.; requiring the initial sentencing and the resentencing of certain persons who committed certain violations before a specified date which involved trafficking in hydrocodone or codeine; providing criminal penalties for such violations that are subject to an initial sentencing or a resentencing; providing legislative intent; providing for the retroactive applicability of s. 893.135, F.S.; requiring the initial sentencing and the resentencing of certain persons who committed certain violations before a specified date which involved trafficking in oxycodone; providing criminal penalties for such violations that are subject to an initial sentencing or a resentencing; specifying procedures for such

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resentencing; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 775.08701, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

775.08701 Retroactive application relating to s. 775.087; legislative intent; prohibiting mandatory minimum sentencing for certain offenses; resentencing procedures.—

- (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to retroactively apply chapter 2016-7, Laws of Florida, only as provided in this section, to persons who committed aggravated assault or attempted aggravated assault before July 1, 2016, the effective date of chapter 2016-7, Laws of Florida, which amended s.

 775.087 to remove aggravated assault and attempted aggravated assault from the list of predicate offenses for mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment under that section.
- (2) As used in this section, a reference to "former s.

 775.087" is a reference to s. 775.087 as it existed at any time before its amendment by chapter 2016-7, Laws of Florida.
- (3) (a) A person who committed aggravated assault or attempted aggravated assault before July 1, 2016, but was not sentenced under former s. 775.087 before October 1, 2022, may not be sentenced for that violation to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment under former s. 775.087.
- (b) A person who committed aggravated assault or attempted aggravated assault before July 1, 2016, who was sentenced before October 1, 2022, to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment pursuant to former s. 775.087, and who is serving such mandatory

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minimum term of imprisonment on or after October 1, 2022, must be resentenced in accordance with paragraph (c) to a sentence without such mandatory minimum term of imprisonment. The new sentence must be as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

- (c) Resentencing under this section must occur in the following manner:
- 1. The Department of Corrections shall notify the person described in paragraph (b) of his or her eligibility to request a sentence review hearing.
- 2. The person seeking sentence review under this section may submit an application to the court of original jurisdiction requesting that a sentence review hearing be held. The sentencing court retains original jurisdiction for the duration of the sentence for this purpose.
- 3. A person eligible for a sentence review hearing under this section is entitled to be represented by counsel, and the court shall appoint a public defender to represent the person if he or she cannot afford an attorney.
- 4. Upon receiving an application from an eligible person, the court of original sentencing jurisdiction shall hold a sentence review hearing to determine if the eligible person meets the criteria for resentencing under this section. If the court determines at the sentence review hearing that the eligible person meets the criteria in this section for resentencing, the court must resentence the person as provided in this section; however, the new sentence may not exceed the person's original sentence with credit for time served. If the court determines that such person does not meet the criteria for

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resentencing under this section, the court must provide written reasons why such person does not meet such criteria.

(d) A person sentenced or resentenced pursuant to this section is eligible to receive any gain-time pursuant to s. 944.275 which he or she was previously ineligible to receive because of the imposition of the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment pursuant to former s. 775.087.

Section 2. Section 893.13501, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

893.13501 Retroactive application relating to s. 893.135; legislative intent; sentencing or resentencing for trafficking in hydrocodone, codeine, or oxycodone; penalties; resentencing procedures.—

- (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to retroactively apply changes to gram-weight thresholds and ranges and to penalties for trafficking in hydrocodone or codeine which are applicable to offenders who committed these offenses on or after October 1, 2019, the effective date of amendments to s. 893.135 by chapter 2019-167, Laws of Florida.
- (a) If a violation of s. 893.135(1)(c) involving trafficking in hydrocodone, as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)1.k.; trafficking in codeine, as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)1.g.; or trafficking in any salt of hydrocodone or of codeine or any mixture containing any such substance, as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)2., was committed before October 1, 2019, and was punishable as a felony of the first degree at the time the violation was committed, the changes must be retroactively applied as provided in this subsection.
 - (b) A person who committed a trafficking violation

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described in paragraph (a) before October 1, 2019, but who was

not sentenced for such violation before October 1, 2022, must be

sentenced as provided in paragraph (d).

- (c) A person who committed a trafficking violation described in paragraph (a) before October 1, 2019, and who is serving a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for such violation on or after October 1, 2022, must be resentenced as provided in paragraph (d) and in accordance with subsection (3).
- (d)1. A violation described in paragraph (a) for which the person is to be sentenced or resentenced pursuant to this subsection is a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- 2. If the quantity of hydrocodone, as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)1.k., codeine, as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)1.g., any salt thereof, or any mixture containing any such substance involved in the violation of s. 893.135:
- a. Was 4 grams or more, but less than 28 grams, such person must be sentenced or resentenced as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- b. Was 28 grams or more, but less than 50 grams, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 3 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$50,000.
- c. Was 50 grams or more, but less than 100 grams, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 7 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$100,000.
- d. Was 100 grams or more, but less than 300 grams, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum

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term of imprisonment of 15 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$500,000.

- e. Was 300 grams or more, but less than 30 kilograms, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 25 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$500,000 if the trafficking involves hydrocodone, any salt thereof, or any mixture containing hydrocodone; or to pay a fine of \$750,000 if the trafficking involves codeine, any salt thereof, or any mixture containing codeine.
- (2) It is the intent of the Legislature to retroactively apply the changes to gram-weight thresholds and ranges and to penalties for trafficking in oxycodone which are applicable to offenders who committed this offense on or after July 1, 2014, the effective date of amendments to s. 893.135 by chapter 2014-176, Laws of Florida.
- (a) If a violation of s. 893.135(1)(c) involving trafficking in oxycodone, as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)1.q., any salt thereof, or any mixture containing any such substance was committed before July 1, 2014, and was punishable as a felony of the first degree at the time the violation was committed, the changes must be retroactively applied as provided in this subsection.
- (b) A person who committed a trafficking violation described in paragraph (a) before July 1, 2014, but who was not sentenced for such violation before October 1, 2022, must be sentenced as provided in paragraph (d).
- (c) A person who committed a trafficking violation described in paragraph (a) before July 1, 2014, and who is serving a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for such

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violation on or after October 1, 2022, must be resentenced as provided in paragraph (d) and in accordance with subsection (3).

- (d) 1. A violation described in paragraph (a) for which the person is to be sentenced or resentenced pursuant to this subsection is a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- 2. If the quantity of oxycodone, as described in s. 893.03(2)(a)1.q., any salt thereof, or any mixture containing any such substance involved in the violation of s. 893.135:
- <u>a. Was 4 grams or more, but less than 7 grams, such person</u>
 <u>must be sentenced or resentenced as provided in s. 775.082, s.</u>
 <u>775.083, or s. 775.084.</u>
- b. Was 7 grams or more, but less than 14 grams, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 3 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$50,000.
- c. Was 14 grams or more, but less than 25 grams, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 7 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$100,000.
- d. Was 25 grams or more, but less than 100 grams, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 15 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$500,000.
- e. Was 100 grams or more, but less than 30 kilograms, such person must be sentenced or resentenced to a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 25 years and ordered to pay a fine of \$500,000.
- (3) Resentencing under this section must occur in the following manner:

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(a) The Department of Corrections shall notify the person described in paragraph (1)(c) or paragraph (2)(c) of his or her eligibility to request a sentence review hearing.

- (b) The person seeking sentence review under this section may submit an application to the court of original jurisdiction requesting that a sentence review hearing be held. The sentencing court retains original jurisdiction for the duration of the sentence for this purpose.
- (c) A person eligible for a sentence review hearing under this section is entitled to be represented by counsel, and the court shall appoint a public defender to represent the person if he or she cannot afford an attorney.
- (d) Upon receiving an application from the eligible person, the court of original sentencing jurisdiction shall hold a sentence review hearing to determine if the eligible person meets the criteria for resentencing under this section. If the court determines at the sentence review hearing that the eligible person meets the criteria in this section for resentencing, the court must resentence the person as provided in this section; however, the new sentence may not exceed the person's original sentence with credit for time served. If the court determines that such person does not meet the criteria for resentencing under this section, the court must provide written reasons why such person does not meet such criteria.
 - Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2022.