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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Judiciary Committee Representative Baker offered the following:

Amendment

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Remove lines 27-141 and insert:

of force to resist <u>any</u> an arrest <u>or detention</u> by a law enforcement officer, or to resist a law enforcement officer <u>who</u> is engaged in the performance of his or her official duties as described in s. 943.10(1), if who is engaged in the execution of a legal duty, if the law enforcement officer was acting in good faith and he or she is known, or reasonably appears, to be a law enforcement officer.

13 (2) A law enforcement officer, or any person whom the 14 officer has summoned or directed to assist him or her, is not 15 justified in the use of force if the arrest or execution of a 16 legal duty is unlawful and known by him or her to be unlawful.

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17 Section 3. Section 782.065, Florida Statutes, is amended 18 to read: 19 782.065 Murder; law enforcement officer, correctional officer, correctional probation officer.-Notwithstanding ss. 20 775.082, 775.0823, 782.04, 782.051, and chapter 921, a defendant 21 22 shall be sentenced to life imprisonment without eligibility for 23 release upon findings by the trier of fact that, beyond a 24 reasonable doubt: 25 (1)The defendant committed murder in the first degree in 26 violation of s. 782.04(1) and a death sentence was not imposed; murder in the second or third degree in violation of s. 27 28 782.04(2), (3), or (4); attempted murder in the first or second 29 degree in violation of s. 782.04(1)(a)1. or (2); or attempted 30 felony murder in violation of s. 782.051; or manslaughter in 31 violation of s. 782.07; and 32 (2)The victim of any offense described in subsection (1) was a law enforcement officer, part-time law enforcement 33 34 officer, auxiliary law enforcement officer, correctional 35 officer, part-time correctional officer, auxiliary correctional 36 officer, correctional probation officer, part-time correctional 37 probation officer, or auxiliary correctional probation officer, as those terms are defined in s. 943.10, who was engaged in the 38 39 performance of his or her official duties as described in s. 40 943.10 engaged in the lawful performance of a legal duty.

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41 Section 4. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) and subsection 42 (2) of section 784.07, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 43 784.07 Assault or battery of law enforcement officers and 44 other specified personnel; reclassification of offenses; minimum 45 sentences.-46 (1) As used in this section, the term: 47 (e) "Law enforcement officer" includes a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, a correctional probation 48 49 officer, a part-time law enforcement officer, a part-time 50 correctional officer, an auxiliary law enforcement officer, and an auxiliary correctional officer, as those terms are 51 respectively defined in s. 943.10, and any county probation 52

53 officer; an employee or agent of the Department of Corrections 54 who supervises or provides services to inmates; an officer of the Florida Commission on Offender Review; a federal law 55 56 enforcement officer as defined in s. 901.1505; and law 57 enforcement personnel of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation 58 Commission, the Department of Environmental Protection, or the 59 Department of Law Enforcement. The duties and responsibilities 60 of these respective positions are described in s. 943.10.

(2) Whenever any person is charged with knowingly
committing an assault or battery upon a law enforcement officer,
a firefighter, an emergency medical care provider, hospital
personnel, a railroad special officer, a traffic accident
investigation officer as described in s. 316.640, a nonsworn law
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66 enforcement agency employee who is certified as an agency 67 inspector, a blood alcohol analyst, or a breath test operator 68 while such employee is in uniform and engaged in processing, 69 testing, evaluating, analyzing, or transporting a person who is 70 detained or under arrest for DUI, a law enforcement explorer, a traffic infraction enforcement officer as described in s. 71 72 316.640, a parking enforcement specialist as defined in s. 73 316.640, a person licensed as a security officer as defined in 74 s. 493.6101 and wearing a uniform that bears at least one patch 75 or emblem that is visible at all times that clearly identifies 76 the employing agency and that clearly identifies the person as a 77 licensed security officer, or a security officer employed by the 78 board of trustees of a community college, while the officer, 79 firefighter, emergency medical care provider, hospital 80 personnel, railroad special officer, traffic accident 81 investigation officer, traffic infraction enforcement officer, 82 inspector, analyst, operator, law enforcement explorer, parking 83 enforcement specialist, public transit employee or agent, or 84 security officer is engaged in the performance of his or her 85 official duties is engaged in the lawful performance of his or 86 her duties, the offense for which the person is charged shall be reclassified as follows: 87

88 (a) In the case of assault, from a misdemeanor of the89 second degree to a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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90 (b) In the case of battery, from a misdemeanor of the 91 first degree to a felony of the third degree. Notwithstanding 92 any other provision of law, a person convicted of battery upon a 93 law enforcement officer committed in furtherance of a riot or an 94 aggravated riot prohibited under s. 870.01 shall be sentenced to 95 a minimum term of imprisonment of 6 months.

96 (c) In the case of aggravated assault, from a felony of
97 the third degree to a felony of the second degree.
98 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person convicted
99 of aggravated assault upon a law enforcement officer shall be
100 sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 3 years.

(d) In the case of aggravated battery, from a felony of
the second degree to a felony of the first degree.
Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person convicted
of aggravated battery of a law enforcement officer shall be
sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment of 5 years.

106 Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 843.01, Florida
107 Statutes, is amended to read:

108 843.01 Resisting, obstructing, or opposing by offering or 109 doing violence to legally authorized person, police canine, or 110 police horse.-

(1) Whoever knowingly and willfully resists, obstructs, or opposes any officer as defined in s. 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9); member of the Florida Commission on Offender Review or any administrative aide or supervisor employed by the 949497 - h1657-line 27.docx

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115	commission; parole and probation supervisor; county probation
116	officer; personnel or representative of the Department of Law
117	Enforcement; or other person legally authorized to execute
118	process in the execution of legal process or <u>engaged in the</u>
119	performance of his or her official duties as described in s.
120	943.10 in the lawful execution of any legal duty, by offering or

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