HB 677 – Justifiable Use of Force (Identical SB 1052)

Amends s. 776.013, F.S., deleting the subsection relating to justifiable use of force and adding the following to further define justifiable use of force within the statute:

"(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a person who is attacked or threatened with the use of force in a dwelling, residence, or vehicle in which the person has a right to be has no duty to retreat and has the right to stand his or her ground by using or threatening to use force, including deadly force, if he or she reasonably believes that such conduct is necessary to prevent imminent death or great bodily harm to himself, herself, or another or to prevent the imminent commission of a forcible felony."

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: No Impact

Requested by: House