

SB 1886 – Contraband in County Detention Facilities (Similar HB 733)

This bill amends s. 951.22, F.S., adding “any cellular telephone or other portable communication device intentionally and unlawfully introduced inside the secure perimeter of any county detention facility without prior authorization or consent from the sheriff or the officer in charge of such detention facility” as contraband subject to the current Level 6, 3rd degree felony.

Per DOC, in FY 16-17, there were 803 (adj.) offenders sentenced under s. 951.22, F.S. Of those sentenced, 244 (adj.) of these offenders were sentenced to prison (mean sentence length=27.8 m, incarceration rate: 30.4% adj.-30.4% unadj.). It is unknown how many more offenders will be included with the addition of cell phones and portable communication devices.

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: Positive Indeterminate

Requested by: House