

HB 219 – Victims of Human Trafficking (Similar CS/SB 370)

This bill amends s. 796.07, F.S., adding that if a person solicits, induces, entices, or procures another to commit prostitution, lewdness, or assignation, and the person solicited, induced, enticed, or procured is a victim of human trafficking, in addition to any other penalty imposed, the person shall be sentenced to a mandatory minimum period of incarceration of 30 days.” This incarceration would be in county jail. Furthermore, the current 10 day mandatory period of incarceration for a person convicted of a second or subsequent violation of soliciting will be served consecutively with the 30 days if the one solicited is a victim of human trafficking.

Per FDLE, in FY 17-18, there were 62 people arrested for a solicitation violation, with 17 people arrested for a second or subsequent violation.

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: No Impact

Requested by: House