SB 656 – Unlawful Possession of Firearms, Ammunition, or Electric Weapons or Devices

This bill amends s. 790.23, F.S., adjusting the wording for when it is unlawful for a delinquent to possess “any firearm, ammunition, or electric weapon or device, or to carry a concealed weapon, including a tear gas gun or chemical weapon or device.” Currently it states that this applies to a person “found, in the courts of this state, to have committed a delinquent act that would be a felony if committed by an adult and such person is under 24 years of age.” The new language states that it applies to a person “adjudicated delinquent in the courts of this state, if the delinquent act would be a felony if committed by an adult and such person is under 24 years of age.” Similar changes get made for a person “found to have committed a delinquent act in another state, territory, or country that would be a felony if committed by an adult and which was punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding 1 year and such person is under 24 years of age.” It is now changed to a person “adjudicated delinquent in another state, territory, or country for committing an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult and which was punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding 1 year and such person is under 24 years of age.” This slight change to the language is not expected to impact the prison population.

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: No Impact

Requested by: Senate