SB 1766 – Crime Stoppers Programs

This bill creates s. 90.595, F.S., adding communications with a crime stoppers organization regarding alleged criminal activity to privileged communication and protected information, so that the communication and the reporting person's identity cannot be disclosed under testimony or subpoena unless such failure to disclose would infringe on the constitutional rights of an accused person. It also provides detail on how a person charged with a criminal offense can petition the court for inspection in camera of the protected information. Finally, it adds an **unranked**, **3**rd **degree felony** for "a person who discloses any information related to privileged communication or protected information."

In FY 17-18, the incarceration rate for an unranked, 3rd degree felony was 8.7%.

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: Positive Insignificant

Requested by: Senate