

CS/SB 372 – Confidential Informants

Amends s. 914.28, F.S., providing specific penalties for a law enforcement officer or support personnel who willfully fails to comply with the requirements to adopt policies and procedures that provide reasonable protective measures for confidential informants. If this culpable negligence results in the unlawful killing of a person, the offending officer will commit the 2nd degree felony violation found in s. 782.07(1), F.S. If a victim is exposed to personal injury through culpable negligence, it will be a 2nd degree misdemeanor under s. 784.05(1), F.S.

In FY 13-14, 125 (adj.) offenders were charged and 102 (adj.) were sentenced to prison for homicide culpable negligence. It is unknown what proportion of these charged offenses are made up of incidents involving confidential informants.

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: Positive Insignificant

Requested by: Senate