

HB 1037 – Electronic Monitoring Devices (Identical SB 1286)

The bill creates s. 843.23, F.S., making it an **unranked, 3rd degree felony** for removing, destroying, or circumventing the operation of an electronic monitoring device, as well as requesting/soliciting another person to perform such an act. Given the existence of this felony in s. 948.11, F.S., this bill is seen as an expansion of prior statute with its inclusion of solicitation to commit the offense as a violation.

Per DOC, in FY 13-14, 14 (adj.) offenders were sentenced for this offense and 6 received a prison sentence (mean sentence length=32.8 m, incarceration rate: 42.9% adj-40% unadj).

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: Positive Insignificant

Requested by: House & Senate