

CHAPTER 2026-19

Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 445

An act relating to dangerous crimes; providing a short title; creating s. 903.0472, F.S.; requiring a court to remand a person who pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found guilty of, a dangerous crime to custody immediately; requiring such person to remain in custody pending sentencing without the possibility of release on bond; providing applicability; amending s. 907.041, F.S.; revising the definition of “dangerous crime”; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. This act may be cited as “Missy’s Law.”

Section 2. Section 903.0472, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

903.0472 Mandatory remand to custody upon conviction of dangerous crimes.—

(1) Notwithstanding any provision in this chapter or chapter 924 to the contrary, the court shall remand a person to custody immediately, and the person shall remain in custody pending sentencing without the possibility of release on bond, if the person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, a dangerous crime as defined in s. 907.041(5)(a).

(2) This section applies regardless of whether the person intends to appeal or has filed a notice of appeal.

(3) This section does not apply if the plea or finding of guilt that required the person to be remanded to custody under subsection (1) has been:

(a) Vacated;

(b) Reversed on appeal;

(c) Set aside by judgment of acquittal; or

(d) Otherwise nullified.

Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 907.041, Florida Statutes, is reordered and amended to read:

907.041 Pretrial detention and release.—

(5) PRETRIAL DETENTION.—

(a) As used in this subsection, “dangerous crime” means any of the following:

1. Arson;
2. Aggravated assault;
3. Aggravated battery;
4. Illegal use of explosives;
5. Child abuse or aggravated child abuse;
6. Abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult, or aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult;
7. Aircraft piracy;
8. Kidnapping;
9. Homicide;
10. Manslaughter, including DUI manslaughter and BUI manslaughter;
11. Sexual battery;
12. Robbery;
13. Carjacking;
14. Lewd, lascivious, or indecent assault or act upon or in presence of a child under the age of 16 years;
15. Sexual activity with a child, who is 12 years of age or older but less than 18 years of age, by or at solicitation of person in familial or custodial authority;
16. Burglary of a dwelling;
17. Stalking and aggravated stalking;
18. Act of domestic violence as defined in s. 741.28;
19. Home invasion robbery;
20. Act of terrorism as defined in s. 775.30;
21. Manufacturing any substances in violation of chapter 893;
- ~~22. Attempting or conspiring to commit any such crime;~~
- 22.23. Human trafficking;

~~23.24.~~ Trafficking in any controlled substance described in s. 893.135(1)(c)4.;

~~24.25.~~ Extortion in violation of s. 836.05; ~~and~~

~~25.26.~~ Written threats to kill in violation of s. 836.10;

26. Any violation related to computer pornography or child exploitation as described in s. 847.0135; and

27. Attempting or conspiring to commit any such crime.

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

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