CHAPTER 98-22

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 358

An act relating to controlled substances; amending s. 893.13, F.S., relating to prohibitions against selling, manufacturing, or delivering, or possessing with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, controlled substances within 200 feet of the real property comprising a public housing facility; defining "real property comprising a public housing facility"; providing penalties; amending s. 921.022, F.S.; ranking such offenses on the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Florida Supreme Court in Brown v. State, 629 So.2d 841 (Fla. 1994), held that section 893.13(1)(i), Florida Statutes, 1990 Supplement, relating to enhanced penalties for selling, manufacturing, or delivering, or possessing with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, controlled substances within 200 feet of a public housing facility, was unconstitutionally vague because the phrase "public housing facility" did not give adequate notice of what conduct was prohibited, and

WHEREAS, the court noted that although the phrase was not defined in the statutory section, the term "housing project" had been defined for purposes of a similar statute in Georgia, relating to prohibitions against drug transactions within 1,000 feet of a publicly operated housing project, and

WHEREAS, the court also noted that analogous language in s. 893.13(1)(e), providing for enhanced penalties for certain drug offenses that occur within 1,000 feet of a public or private elementary, middle, or secondary school, gave a clearer indication of the conduct prohibited, in comparison to the language of s. 893.139(1)(i), and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to deter and punish drug offenses against children or other vulnerable persons in or near housing projects with penalties equal in severity to those imposed for drug offenses against children and other victims in or near schools, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 893.13, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (f) is added to said subsection, to read:

893.13 Prohibited acts; penalties.—

(1)

(d) Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance in, on, or within 200 feet of the real property comprising a public housing facility, within 200 feet of the real property comprising a public or private college, university, or other postsecondary educational institution, or within 200 feet of any public park. Any person who violates this paragraph with respect to:

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1. A controlled substance named or described in s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), or (2)(b) commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

2. A controlled substance named or described in s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c), (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

3. Any other controlled substance, except as lawfully sold, manufactured, or delivered, must be sentenced to pay a \$500 fine and to serve 100 hours of public service in addition to any other penalty prescribed by law.

(f) Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to sell, manufacture, or deliver, or possess with intent to sell, manufacture, or deliver, a controlled substance in, on, or within 200 feet of the real property comprising a public housing facility at any time. For purposes of this section, the term "real property comprising a public housing facility" means real property, as defined in s. 421.03(12), of a public corporation created as a housing authority pursuant to part I of chapter 421. Any person who violates this paragraph with respect to:

<u>1.</u> A controlled substance named or described in s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), or (2)(b) commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

2. A controlled substance named or described in s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c), (3), or (4) commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

<u>3.</u> Any other controlled substance, except as lawfully sold, manufactured, or delivered, must be sentenced to pay a \$500 fine and to serve 100 hours of public service in addition to any other penalty prescribed by law.

Section 2. Paragraphs (c) and (e) of subsection (3) of section 921.0022, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

921.0022 Criminal Punishment Code; offense severity ranking chart.—

(3) OFFENSE SEVERITY RANKING CHART

Florida Statute	Felony Degree	Description
		(c) LEVEL 3
39.061	3rd	Escapes from juvenile facility (secure detention or residential commitment facility).
319.30(4)	3rd	Possession by junkyard of motor vehicle with identification number plate removed.
319.33(1)(a)	3rd	Alter or forge any certificate of title to a motor vehicle or mobile home.
319.33(1)(c)	3rd	Procure or pass title on stolen vehicle.

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Florida Statute	Felony Degree	Description
319.33(4)	3rd	With intent to defraud, possess, sell, etc., a blank, forged, or unlawfully obtained title or registration.
328.05(2)	3rd	Possess, sell, or counterfeit fictitious, stolen, or fraudulent titles or bills of sale of vessels.
328.07(4)	3rd	Manufacture, exchange, or possess vessel with counterfeit or wrong ID number.
376.302(5)	3rd	Fraud related to reimbursement for cleanup expenses under the Inland Protection Trust Fund.
501.001(2)(b)	2nd	Tampers with a consumer product or the container using materially false/misleading information.
697.08	3rd	Equity skimming.
790.15(3)	3rd	Person directs another to discharge firearm from a vehicle.
796.05(1)	3rd	Live on earnings of a prostitute.
806.10(1)	3rd	Maliciously injure, destroy, or interfere with vehicles or equipment used in firefighting.
806.10(2)	3rd	Interferes with or assaults firefighter in performance of duty.
810.09(2)(c)	3rd	Trespass on property other than structure or conveyance armed with firearm or dangerous weapon.
812.014(2)(c)2.	3rd	Grand theft; \$5,000 or more but less than \$10,000.
815.04(4)(b)	2nd	Computer offense devised to defraud or obtain property.
817.034(4)(a)3.	3rd	Engages in scheme to defraud (Florida Communications Fraud Act), property valued at less than \$20,000.
817.233	3rd	Burning to defraud insurer.
828.12(2)	3rd	Tortures any animal with intent to inflict intense pain, serious physical injury, or death.
831.29	2nd	Possession of instruments for counterfeiting drivers' licenses.
838.021(3)(b)	3rd	Threatens unlawful harm to public servant.
843.19	3rd	Injure, disable, or kill police dog or horse.

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Florida Statute	Felony Degree	Description
870.01(2)	3rd	Riot; inciting or encouraging.
893.13(1)(a)2.	3rd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cannabis (or other s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c), (3), or (4) drugs).
893.13(1)(d)2.	2nd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c), (3), or (4) drugs within 200 feet of university , public housing facility, or public park.
<u>893.13(1)(f)2.</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Sell, manufacture, or deliver s. 893.03(1)(c),</u> (2)(c), (3), or (4) drugs within 200 feet of public housing facility.
893.13(6)(a)	3rd	Possession of any controlled substance other than felony possession of cannabis.
893.13(7)(a)9.	3rd	Obtain or attempt to obtain controlled substance by fraud, forgery, misrepresentation, etc.
893.13(7)(a)11.	3rd	Furnish false or fraudulent material information on any document or record required by chapter 893.
918.13(1)(a)	3rd	Alter, destroy, or conceal investigation evidence.
944.47 (1)(a)12.	3rd	Introduce contraband to correctional facility.
944.47(1)(c)	2nd	Possess contraband while upon the grounds of a correctional institution. (e) LEVEL 5
316.027(1)(a)	3rd	Accidents involving personal injuries, failure to stop; leaving scene.
316.1935(3)	3rd	Aggravated fleeing or eluding.
322.34(3)	3rd	Careless operation of motor vehicle with suspended license, resulting in death or serious bodily injury.
327.30(5)	3rd	Vessel accidents involving personal injury; leaving scene.
381.0041(11)(b)	3rd	Donate blood, plasma, or organs knowing HIV positive.
790.01(2)	3rd	Carrying a concealed firearm.
790.162	2nd	Threat to throw or discharge destructive device.
790.163	2nd	False report of deadly explosive.
790.165(2)	3rd	Manufacture, sell, possess, or deliver hoax bomb.

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Florida Statute	Felony Degree	Description
790.221(1)	2nd	Possession of short-barreled shotgun or machine gun.
790.23	2nd	Felons in possession of firearms or electronic weapons or devices.
806.111(1)	3rd	Possess, manufacture, or dispense fire bomb with intent to damage any structure or property.
812.019(1)	2nd	Stolen property; dealing in or trafficking in.
812.16(2)	3rd	Owning, operating, or conducting a chop shop.
817.034(4)(a)2.	2nd	Communications fraud, value \$20,000 to \$50,000.
825.1025(4)	3rd	Lewd or lascivious exhibition in the presence of an elderly person or disabled adult.
827.071(4)	2nd	Possess with intent to promote any photographic material, motion picture, etc., which includes sexual conduct by a child.
843.01	3rd	Resist officer with violence to person; resist arrest with violence.
874.05(2)	2nd	Encouraging or recruiting another to join a criminal street gang; second or subsequent offense.
893.13(1)(a)1.	2nd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), or (2)(b) drugs).
893.13(1)(c)2.	2nd	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cannabis (or other s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c), (3), or (4) drugs) within 1,000 feet of a school.
893.13(1)(d)1.	1st	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), (2)(a), or (2)(b) drugs) within 200 feet of university, public housing facility, or public park.
<u>893.13(1)(f)1.</u>	<u>1st</u>	Sell, manufacture, or deliver cocaine (or other s. 893.03(1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(d), or (2)(a), or (2)(b) drugs) within 200 feet of public
893.13(4)(b)	2nd	<u>housing facility.</u> Deliver to minor cannabis (or other s. 893.03(1)(c), (2)(c), (3), or (4) drugs).

Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

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