

HB 279

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to payments to prisoners upon release;
3 creating ss. 944.6125 and 951.31, F.S.; providing that
4 Florida releasees and county and municipal prisoners
5 who receive funds in the form of payment instruments
6 upon their release may not be charged a fee for
7 cashing the instruments at specified businesses;
8 providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Section 944.6125, Florida Statutes, is created
13 to read:

14 944.6125 Florida releasee; gate money.—A Florida releasee
15 who receives funds upon his or her release in the form of a
16 payment instrument may not be charged a fee for cashing the
17 instrument at a money services business, as those terms are
18 defined in s. 560.103.

19 Section 2. Section 951.31, Florida Statutes, is created to
20 read:

21 951.31 Releasee gate money.—A county or municipal prisoner
22 who receives funds upon his or her release in the form of a
23 payment instrument may not be charged a fee for cashing the
24 instrument at a money services business, as those terms are
25 defined in s. 560.103.

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26 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022. |