

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1407

An act relating to security of public buildings; amending s. 20.201, F.S.; creating the Capitol Police within the Department of Law Enforcement; transferring the powers, duties, and functions of the Division of Capitol Police relating to security within the Capitol Complex from the Department of Management Services to the Department of Law Enforcement; providing transfer of funds; creating s. 281.01, F.S.; defining the Capitol Complex; amending s. 281.02, F.S.; providing for powers and duties of the Department of Management Services with regard to firesafety and security responsibilities; amending s. 281.03, F.S.; providing for collection and retention of certain reports by the Department of Management Services; repealing s. 281.04, F.S., relating to arrest procedures of the Florida Capitol Police; repealing s. 281.05, F.S., relating to ex officio agents of the Florida Capitol Police; amending s. 281.06, F.S.; allowing contracts with the Department of Law Enforcement; authorizing the Department of Management Services to contract with counties, municipalities, or private security agencies to maintain the security of certain public premises; amending s. 281.07, F.S.; providing for adoption of parking regulations of the Department of Management Services; amending s. 281.08, F.S.; providing for the procurement of equipment by the Department of Management Services; creating s. 943.60, F.S., to define the Capitol Complex; creating s. 943.601, F.S.; providing for the preservation of legislative powers; limiting the authority of the Department of Law Enforcement to impede such powers; providing a duty of the Capitol Police to ensure such legislative powers as requested by a presiding officer of the Legislature; creating s. 943.61, F.S.; providing for the powers, duties, and functions of the Capitol Police; providing that the Capitol Police shall serve the needs of both the legislative and executive branches of state government; prohibiting the taking of resources of, or the decreasing of appropriations to, the Capitol Police without the approval of the Governor and the Legislative Budget Commission; requiring the development and approval of security plans; requiring consultation with the Governor, members of the Cabinet, and the presiding officers of the Legislature in the development of such plans; requiring biennial approval of such plans; authorizing the implementation of unapproved plans in times of emergency; establishing other powers and duties of the Capitol Police; establishing standards for officers of the Capitol Police; limiting authority of the Capitol Police with respect to certain legislative personnel and facilities; creating s. 943.611, F.S.; providing for the nomination and approval of the director of the Capitol Police; providing that the director serves at the pleasure of the executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring periodic reappointment and approval of the director; creating s. 943.62, F.S.; providing for investigations by the Capitol Police; creating s. 943.63, F.S.; providing that persons arrested by the Capitol Police shall be delivered to

the sheriff; creating s. 943.64, F.S.; providing that certain law enforcement officers may serve as ex officio agents of the Capitol Police; creating s. 943.66, F.S.; authorizing the Capitol Police to enforce certain rules of the Department of Management Services; creating s. 943.67, F.S.; providing for the procurement of equipment by the Department of Law Enforcement; renumbering and amending s. 281.20, F.S., relating to the security of the Governor and other specified persons; amending ss. 287.17 and 288.816, F.S.; correcting cross-references, to conform; providing for a security inventory, contingent upon an appropriation; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. Section 20.201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

20.201 Department of Law Enforcement.—

(1) There is created a Department of Law Enforcement. The head of the department is the Governor and Cabinet. The executive director of the department shall be appointed by the Governor with the approval of three members of the Cabinet and subject to confirmation by the Senate. The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and Cabinet. The executive director may establish a command, operational, and administrative services structure to assist, manage, and support the department in operating programs and delivering services.

(2) The following programs of the Department of Law Enforcement are established:

- (a) Criminal Justice Investigations and Forensic Science Program.
- (b) Criminal Justice Information Program.
- (c) Criminal Justice Professionalism Program.
- (d) Capitol Police.

Section 2. All statutory powers, duties, and functions of the Division of Capitol Police within the Department of Management Services related to the provision of security within the Capitol Complex, as defined in section 281.01, Florida Statutes, and the support thereof, are transferred from the Department of Management Services to the Capitol Police within the Department of Law Enforcement by a type one transfer, as defined in section 20.06, Florida Statutes.

Section 3. Funds shall be transferred quarterly, beginning July 1, 2002, by the Department of Management Services, from the Supervision Trust Fund, to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for the purpose of funding the Capitol Police program. Funds are provided from the office space rental receipts assessed to tenant agencies in the Florida Facilities Pool, based on the rental assessment mandated in section 255.51, Florida Statutes. Transfers shall be based on the existing rental rate on July 1, 2002, unless otherwise appropriated by the legislature.

Section 4. Effective July 1, 2002, section 281.01, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

281.01 Definitions.—For the purposes of ss. 281.01-281.08, the term “Capitol Complex” includes that portion of Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, commonly referred to as the Capitol, the Historic Capitol, the Senate Office Building, the House Office Building, the Knott Building, the Pepper Building, the Holland Building, and the curtilage of each, including the state-owned lands and public streets adjacent thereto within an area bounded by and including Monroe Street, Jefferson Street, Duval Street, and Gaines Street. The term shall also include the State Capital Circle Office Complex located in Leon County, Florida.

Section 5. Effective July 1, 2002, section 281.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

281.02 Powers and duties of the Department of Management Services with respect to firesafety and security, Florida Capitol Police.—The Department of Management Services, Florida Capitol Police, has the following powers and duties with respect to firesafety and security:

(1) To assist the State Fire Marshal in maintaining the firesafety of public buildings pursuant to s. 633.085 establish a comprehensive and ongoing plan for the firesafety and security of the Capitol, the Senate Office Building, the House Office Building, and the Historic Capitol, including, but not limited to, the institution of programs for the awareness and training in firesafety and security of members of the Legislature and their employees, and all other elected officials and their respective employees, who occupy such buildings. The Florida Capitol Police shall also ensure that adequate signs and personnel are in place to inform and assist the occupants of and visitors to such buildings.

(2) To make provision by rule, contract, lease, or interagency agreement for provide and maintain the firesafety and security of all state-owned property leased from the Department of Management Services, excluding state universities and custodial institutions, the Capitol Complex the Governor’s office, the Governor’s mansion and the grounds thereof, and the Supreme Court. For these purposes, security shall include the safety and security of occupants and visitors to state-owned property, appropriate law enforcement response to complaints relating to criminal activity or security threats, the development of

(3) To develop emergency procedures and evacuation routes in the event of fire or disaster, and ensuring that make such procedures and routes are known to those persons occupying such property state-owned buildings leased from the Department of Management Services.

~~(3)~~(4) To employ:

(a) Agents who hold certification as police officers in accordance with the minimum standards and qualifications as set forth in s. 943.13 and the provisions of chapter 110, who shall have the authority to bear arms, make arrests, and apply for arrest warrants; and

(b) guards and administrative, clerical, technical, and other personnel as may be required.

~~(4)(5)~~ To train employees and make provision for the training of agents, guards, and employees of tenant agencies agents and guards in security fire prevention, firesafety, and emergency medical procedures.

~~(6)~~ To respond to all complaints relating to criminal activity within state-owned buildings or state-leased property.

~~(5)(7)~~ To make provision for the enforcement of enforce rules of the Department of Management Services governing the regulation of traffic and parking on state-owned or state-leased property, including, but not limited to, issuing citations for the violation of such rules or the traffic laws of the state or any county or municipality and impounding illegally or wrongfully parked vehicles.

~~(6)(8)~~ To delegate or assign its duties and responsibilities furthering the provision of security as required and authorized by provided in this section to any state agency occupying such state-owned or state-leased property. Security requirements may be included in lease agreements or established by department rule.

Section 6. Effective July 1, 2002, section 281.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

281.03 Incident reports and record retention ~~Investigations by the Florida Capitol Police.—~~

~~(1)~~ The Department of Management Services, Florida Capitol Police, shall conduct traffic accident investigations and investigations relating to felonies and misdemeanors occurring on state-owned or state-leased property. Any matters which are deemed to involve a felony may be referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency for criminal investigation. Such referrals shall include transmittal of records, reports, statements, and all other information relating to such matters.

~~(2)~~ The Department of Management Services, Florida Capitol Police, shall make provision for the collection and retention of retain copies of all reports relating to such criminal activity or other safety-related and security-related incidents occurring on state-owned property for use in the ongoing firesafety and security planning and to fulfill its responsibilities under plan as required in s. 281.02.

Section 7. Effective July 1, 2002, sections 281.04 and 281.05, Florida Statutes, are repealed.

Section 8. Section 281.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

281.06 Contracts with counties, municipalities, or licensed private security agencies.—The Department of Management Services, Florida Capitol Police, may contract with the Department of Law Enforcement, Capitol Police, any county, municipality, or licensed private security agency to pro-

vide and maintain the security of state-owned ~~or state-leased~~ property required by ss. 281.02-281.08 upon such terms as the department may deem to be in the best interest of the state.

Section 9. Effective July 1, 2002, section 281.06, Florida Statutes, as amended by this act, is amended to read:

281.06 Contracts with counties, municipalities, or licensed private security agencies.—The Department of Management Services may contract with ~~the Department of Law Enforcement, Capitol Police,~~ any county, municipality, or licensed private security agency to provide and maintain the security of state-owned property, and the safety and security of occupants and visitors thereof, pursuant to required by ss. 281.02-281.08 upon such terms as the department may deem to be in the best interest of the state.

Section 10. Effective July 1, 2002, section 281.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

281.07 Rules; Facilities Program, ~~Florida Capitol Police;~~ traffic regulation.—

(1) The Department of Management Services shall adopt and promulgate rules to govern the administration, operation, and management of the Facilities Program, ~~Florida Capitol Police,~~ and to regulate traffic and parking on state-owned ~~or state-leased~~ property, including the Capitol Complex, which rules are not in conflict with any state law or county or municipal ordinance, and to carry out the provisions of ss. 281.02-281.08.

(2) Political subdivisions and municipalities may enact and enforce ordinances on the violation of traffic and parking rules provided in subsection (1).

Section 11. Section 281.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

281.08 Equipment.—

(1) The Department of Management Services, ~~Florida Capitol Police,~~ is specifically authorized to purchase, sell, trade, rent, lease, and maintain all necessary equipment, ~~uniforms,~~ motor vehicles, communication systems, housing facilities, and office space, and perform any other acts necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of ss. 281.02-281.08, pursuant to part I of chapter 287. ~~The department may prescribe a distinctive uniform to be worn by personnel of the Florida Capitol Police in the performance of their duties pursuant to s. 281.02(7). The department may prescribe a distinctive emblem to be worn by all officers or guards of the Florida Capitol Police.~~

(2) ~~It is unlawful for any unauthorized person to wear a uniform or emblem prescribed by the department for the Florida Capitol Police, or a similar uniform or emblem, or to impersonate, pretend, or represent himself or herself to be a police officer or guard of the Florida Capitol Police. Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.~~

Section 12. Section 943.60, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.60 Definitions.—For the purposes of ss. 943.60-943.68, the term “Capitol Complex” includes that portion of Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, commonly referred to as the Capitol, the Historic Capitol, the Senate Office Building, the House Office Building, the Knott Building, the Pepper Building, the Holland Building, and the curtilage of each, including the state-owned lands and public streets adjacent thereto within an area bounded by and including Monroe Street, Jefferson Street, Duval Street, and Gaines Street. The term shall also include the State Capital Circle Office Complex located in Leon County, Florida.

Section 13. Section 943.601, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.601 Preservation of legislative powers.—Except as may be agreed to by the presiding officers of both houses of the Legislature, nothing in this chapter shall limit or otherwise interfere with the rights and powers of the Senate or the House of Representatives, or the officers of either, to direct or command members or committees of the Legislature or legislative employees to attend any meeting or enter any area of the Capitol Complex for a legislative purpose, and the Capitol Police may, as provided by the security plans developed and approved under s. 943.61(4)(a), and upon request of the presiding officer of either house of the Legislature, ensure the ability of any member of the house presided over by such presiding officer to attend to such legislative business without wrongful interference from any person or government entity.

Section 14. Section 943.61, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.61 Powers and duties of the Capitol Police.—

(1) There is created the Capitol Police within the Department of Law Enforcement, to serve the safety and security needs of both the legislative and executive branches of state government. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Capitol Police serve as a specially trained and highly effective security and law enforcement agency serving the Capitol Complex. It shall be the primary responsibility of the Capitol Police to protect the security of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the members of the Cabinet, and the members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, and those employees assigned to assist such state officials in the performance of their official duties, and to ensure their access to buildings and premises within the Capitol Complex, thereby providing for the continuous operation of the government of the State of Florida. The provision of other law enforcement services and protection of property shall be secondary responsibilities.

(2) The Capitol Police shall also provide security and protection for other state officials, employees, and visitors to the Capitol Complex and shall maintain a reasonable degree of safety and security within the Capitol Complex while ensuring reasonable access to buildings and premises within the Capitol Complex by state officials, employees, and visitors. The Capitol Police shall also ensure that adequate signs and personnel are in place to inform and assist the occupants of and visitors to buildings within the Capitol Complex.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 216, no assets, personnel, or resources shall be taken from the Capitol Police, and no appropriation to the Capitol Police shall be reduced without the express approval of the Governor and the Legislative Budget Commission. Nothing herein limits the ability of the Capitol Police to provide mutual aid to other law enforcement agencies as authorized by law unless such a limitation is expressly included in the operational security plans provided for herein.

(4) The Capitol Police shall have the following powers and duties:

(a) To develop, in consultation with the Governor, Cabinet officers, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, written operational plans for basic and enhanced security measures and actions related to the Capitol Complex. Such plans and any changes or amendments thereto shall not be implemented unless presented in writing in final form to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and all three grant their approval in writing. The approval of any officer required herein shall expire 60 days after such officer vacates his or her office, and the written approval of the successor in office must be obtained prior to the continuation of operations under such plans. Upon the request of the Governor, a Cabinet officer, the President of the Senate, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Capitol Police shall activate previously approved enhanced security measures and actions in accordance with the approved operational plans specific to the requesting officer's responsibilities and to the facilities occupied by such officer and employees responsible to such officer. Upon an emergency threatening the immediate safety and security of occupants of the Capitol Complex, so declared by the Governor, plans not approved as required by this paragraph may be implemented for a period not to exceed 15 days, provided such plans do not substantially interfere with the ability of the Senate and the House of Representatives to assemble for any constitutional purpose.

(b) To provide and maintain the security of all property located in the Capitol Complex in a manner consistent with the security plans developed and approved under paragraph (a) and, in consultation with the State Fire Marshal, to provide for evacuations, information, and training required for firesafety on such property in a manner consistent with s. 633.085.

(c) To develop plans for reporting incidents involving buildings and property within the Capitol Complex, emergency procedures and evacuation routes in the event of fire, security threats, incidents prompting a need for evacuation, acts of terrorism, or natural or manmade disaster and to make such procedures and routes known to those persons occupying such buildings.

(d) To employ officers who hold certification as law enforcement officers in accordance with the minimum standards and qualifications as set forth in s. 943.13 and the provisions of chapter 110, and who have the authority to bear arms, make arrests, except as may be limited in the security plans established under paragraph (a), and apply for arrest warrants.

(e) To hire guards and administrative, clerical, technical, and other personnel as may be required.

(f) To train all officers and other employees in fire prevention, firesafety, emergency medical procedures, and preventing and responding to acts of terrorism.

(g) To respond to all complaints relating to criminal activity or security threats within the Capitol Complex, or against the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, a member of the Cabinet, a member of the Senate or of the House of Representatives, or an employee assisting such official.

(h) As provided by the security plans developed and approved under paragraph (a), upon request of the presiding officer of either house of the Legislature, the director may assign one or more officers for the protection of a member of the house served by such presiding officer. Per diem and subsistence allowance for department employees traveling with a member of the Legislature away from Tallahassee shall be computed by payment of a sum up to the amounts permitted in s. 112.061 for meals, plus actual expenses for lodging to be substantiated by paid bills therefor.

(i) To enforce rules of the Department of Management Services governing the regulation of traffic and parking within the Capitol Complex and to impound illegally or wrongfully parked vehicles.

(j) To establish policies for the organizational structure, principles of command, and internal operations of the Capitol Police, provided that such policies are not inconsistent with the provisions of ss. 943.61-943.68 or the security plans developed and approved under paragraph (a).

(5) Officers of the Capitol Police may make lawful arrests, consistent with the purposes, responsibilities, and limitations set forth in ss. 943.60-943.68. However, except with the prior approval of the appropriate presiding officer, officers of the Capitol Police shall have no power to prevent the convening or continuation of any meeting of the Legislature, legislative committees, or staff, nor shall they have the power to interfere with the legislative duties or rights of a member of the Legislature, or to interfere with the constitutional duties or rights of the Governor or a member of the Cabinet, except as may be necessary to protect the health and safety of any person from a clear and present danger, or as may be otherwise provided in the security plans developed and approved for fire prevention, firesafety, and emergency medical procedures under paragraph (4)(a). No employee of the Capitol Police shall be permitted in either legislative chamber without the specific permission of the presiding officer of that house of the Legislature, but may enter in the case of an emergency when the presiding officer is not able or available to consent.

Section 15. Section 943.611, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.611 Director of Capitol Police.—

(1) The executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement shall nominate, no later than 7 days prior to each organization session of the

Legislature, an individual to serve as the director of the Capitol Police, who shall serve at the pleasure of the executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement.

(2) Unless discharged by the executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement, the director shall serve until:

(a) A successor has been nominated; or

(b) The director has been nominated for reappointment and the time for obtaining reapproval has expired.

(3) In the event that a nominee is not approved or the director is discharged by the executive director of the department, or the position is otherwise vacant, a successor shall be nominated and approved as provided in subsection (4). No person who has previously been nominated and who failed to obtain approval shall be nominated to serve as the successor.

(4) Each person nominated pursuant to either subsection (1) or subsection (3) must be approved no later than 30 days after the adjournment sine die of the next session of the Legislature, whether organization, regular, or special session, by the Governor and by the House of Representatives and the Senate, in a manner determined by the presiding officer of each house unless an approval process is otherwise provided for in the rules of the respective house.

(5) A nominee shall serve as the acting director until the time for obtaining approval has expired.

Section 16. Section 943.62, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.62 Investigations by the Capitol Police.—

(1) The Capitol Police shall conduct traffic accident investigations and investigations relating to felonies and misdemeanors occurring within the Capitol Complex. Any matters may be referred to the department's special agents or inspectors or another appropriate law enforcement agency for further investigation. Such referrals shall include transmittal of records, reports, statements, and all other information relating to such matters.

(2) The Capitol Police shall retain copies of all reports relating to such criminal activity for use in the ongoing firesafety and security plan as required in s. 943.61.

Section 17. Section 943.63, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.63 Arrest by the Capitol Police.—A person arrested by an officer of the Capitol Police shall be delivered to the sheriff of the county in which the arrest takes place unless a notice to appear is issued.

Section 18. Section 943.64, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.64 Ex officio agents.—Law enforcement officers of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, special agents or inspectors of the

Department of Law Enforcement, and law enforcement officers of other state agencies, counties, and municipalities are ex officio agents of the Capitol Police, and may, when authorized by the Capitol Police, enforce rules and laws applicable to the powers and duties of the Capitol Police to provide and maintain the security required by ss. 943.61-943.68.

Section 19. Section 943.66, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.66 Rules; Facilities Program, Capitol Police; traffic regulation.—The Capitol Police may enforce rules of the Department of Management Services governing the administration, operation, and management of the Facilities Program and regulating traffic and parking on state-owned buildings or property and any local ordinance on the violation of such if such rules are not in conflict with any state law or county or municipal ordinance, and are not inconsistent with the other requirements of ss. 943.61-943.68 or any security plan developed and approved thereunder.

Section 20. Section 943.67, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

943.67 Equipment.—The department is specifically authorized to purchase, sell, trade, rent, lease, and maintain all necessary equipment, uniforms, motor vehicles, communication systems, housing facilities, and office space, and perform any other acts necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of ss. 943.61-943.68 through the Capitol Police, pursuant to part I of chapter 287. The department may prescribe a distinctive uniform to be worn by personnel of the Capitol Police in the performance of their duties pursuant to s. 943.61. The department may prescribe a distinctive emblem to be worn by all officers or guards of the Capitol Police.

Section 21. Section 281.20, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as section 943.68, Florida Statutes, and amended to read:

943.68 ~~281.20~~ Transportation and protective services.—

(1) The department of ~~Law Enforcement~~ shall provide and maintain the security of the Governor, the Governor's immediate family, and the Governor's office and mansion and the grounds thereof.

(2) The department shall employ such personnel as may be necessary to carry out this responsibility, including uniformed and nonuniformed officers or agents who shall have authority to bear arms and make arrests, with or without warrant, for violations of any of the criminal laws of the state, under the same terms and conditions as investigative personnel of the department, and who shall be considered peace officers for all purposes, including, but not limited to, the privileges, protections, and benefits of ss. 112.19, 121.051, 122.34, and 870.05.

(3) The executive director shall assign agents for the performance of the duties prescribed in this section. The assignment of such agents shall be subject to continuing approval of the Governor. Upon request of the Governor, the executive director shall reassign an agent from continued performance of such duties.

(4) Per diem and subsistence allowance for security personnel traveling with the Governor, ~~or the Governor's family, or others as authorized by this section~~ away from Tallahassee shall be computed by payment of a sum up to the amounts permitted in s. 112.061(6)(d) for meals, plus actual expenses for lodging to be substantiated by paid bills therefor.

(5) The department is authorized to provide security or transportation to visiting governors and their families upon request by the Governor.

(6) The department shall provide security or transportation services to other persons when requested by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, a member of the Cabinet, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, or the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, subject to certification by the agency head that such services are in the best interest of the state. The agency head may delegate certification authority to the executive director of the department. The agency head shall limit such services to persons:

(a) Who are visiting the state; for whom such services are requested by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, a member of the Cabinet, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, or the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; and for whom the primary purpose of the visit is for a public purpose and to promote the development of the state; or

(b) For whom the failure to provide security or transportation could result in a clear and present danger to the personal safety of such persons or could result in public embarrassment to the state.

(7) The department is authorized to coordinate transportation and protective services provided under subsections (1), (5), and (6) with other law enforcement agencies and may request the assistance of other law enforcement agencies to carry out the duties required by subsections (1), (5), and (6). The other law enforcement agencies of the state are authorized to provide such assistance as may be requested by the department under this subsection.

(8) The department shall coordinate all protective services with the United States Department of State and the United States Secret Service when requested to do so by such agencies or by the Governor or a member of the Cabinet.

(9) The department shall submit reports on July 15 and January 15 of each year to the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Governor, and members of the Cabinet, detailing all transportation and protective services provided under subsections (1), (5), and (6) within the preceding 6 months. Each report shall include a detailed accounting of the cost of such transportation and protective services, including the names of persons provided such services and the nature of state business performed.

Section 22. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 287.17, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

287.17 Limitation on use of motor vehicles and aircraft.—

(2) The following criteria shall be considered in determining appropriate uses of motor vehicles and aircraft:

(c) Whether the Department of Law Enforcement has been directed by the agency head to provide security or transportation pursuant to s. 943.68 ~~281.20~~.

Section 23. Paragraph (g) of subsection (2) of section 288.816, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.816 Intergovernmental relations.—

(2) The secretary shall be responsible for all consular relations between the state and all foreign governments doing business in Florida. The secretary shall monitor United States laws and directives to ensure that all federal treaties regarding foreign privileges and immunities are properly observed. The secretary shall promulgate rules which shall:

(g) Request the Department of Law Enforcement to provide transportation and protection services when necessary pursuant to s. 943.68 ~~281.20~~.

Section 24. The Office of Legislative Services shall contract with a qualified outside vendor for a security inventory of facilities and personnel. The security inventory shall include information with respect to:

(1) A listing of security options available.

(2) A listing of the proposed most efficient, cost-effective methods of providing security.

(3) Any other items with respect to security that the Legislature should consider.

Section 25. The security inventory contract provided for in section 23 of this act is contingent upon specific funding being appropriated in HB 1943 for such contract.

Section 26. Except as otherwise provided in this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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