

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House Comm: FAV 4/10/2008

The Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations (Dean) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On line 91,

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Section 1. Section 16.62, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

- 16.62 Coordinating Council on Criminal Gang Reduction Strategies. --
- (1) The Coordinating Council on Criminal Gang Reduction Strategies is established within the Department of Legal Affairs and may consist of the following 11 members:
 - (a) The Attorney General or his or her designee.
- (b) The executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement or his or her designee.
 - The Commissioner of Education or his or her designee.



18	(d) The Secretary of Children and Family Services or his or
19	her designee.
20	(e) The Secretary of Corrections or his or her designee.
21	(f) The Secretary of Juvenile Justice or his or her
22	designee.
23	(g) The director of the Office of Drug Control or his or
24	<u>her designee.</u>
25	(h) The director of the Florida Highway Patrol or his or
26	<u>her designee.</u>
27	(i) The President of the Florida Sheriffs Association or
28	his or her designee.
29	(j) The President of the Florida Police Chiefs Association
30	or his or her designee.
31	(k) The President of the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys
32	Association or his or her designee.
33	(2) The Attorney General shall serve as chair of the
34	council, and the executive director of the Department of law
35	Enforcement shall serve as vice chair of the council. In the
36	absence of the chair, the vice chair shall serve as chair.
37	(3) The council shall meet at the call of the chair. A
38	majority of the members of the council constitutes a quorum, and
39	action by a majority of the council shall be official.
40	(4) Members of the council may leave the council at any
41	time upon notification to chair.
42	(5) The council shall:
43	(a) Gather, compile, assimilate, and facilitate the
44	distribution to government agencies and community organizations

of information on criminal gangs and at-risk youth prevention and

intervention programs in this state.

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- (b) Develop a statewide strategy to stop the growth of, reduce the number of, and render ineffectual criminal gangs in this state.
- (c) Coordinate and give guidance and support to efforts by federal, state, and local government agencies; federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies; at-risk youth prevention and intervention organizations; and elected officials and community leaders to combat criminal gangs and reduce criminal gang-related crime and violence in this state, including the formation of regional task forces and local and regional coalitions whose membership and direction the council may determine.
- (d) Coordinate with any state agency, any political subdivision, or any school district of the state in the performance of its duties.
- (e) Request from any department, division, board, bureau, commission, or other agency of the state, or of any political subdivision thereof, cooperation and assistance in the performance of its duties.
- (6) (a) The business of the council shall be presented to the council in the form of an agenda. The agenda shall be set by the chair and shall include items of business requested by the council members.
- (b) The minutes for each meeting must be submitted to the chair within 14 days after each meeting.
- (7) The Department of Legal Affairs shall provide staff and administrative support to the council.
- (8) Members of the council or their designees shall serve without compensation. Notwithstanding s. 20.052, members are not entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses.



- (9) The council is subject to the provisions of chapter 119, related to public records, and the provisions of chapter 286, related to public meetings.
 - The council shall be disolved on June 30, 2009. (10)

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======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

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On line 2, after the semicolon, insert:

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creating s. 16.62, F.S.; creating the Coordinating Council on Criminal Gang Reduction Strategies within the Department of Legal Affairs; providing for membership and administration of the council; providing duties of the council; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to provide staff and administrative support to the council; providing for the expiration of the council;