

THE FLORIDA SENATE  
2026 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED  
**Committee on Criminal Justice**

**CS/SB 296 — Victims of Domestic Violence and Dating Violence**

by Criminal Justice Committee and Senators Berman, Smith, Sharief, Davis, and Harrell

The bill requires the Division of Telecommunications within the Department of Management Services to consult with Enhanced 911 and Next Generation 911 service providers; state, county, and municipal public safety answering points (PSAPs); and state and local public safety agencies to conduct a feasibility study regarding the creation of a web-based 911 alert system for use by victims of domestic and dating violence which is capable of:

- Ensuring real-time data-sharing between PSAPs and law enforcement agencies.
- Creating a unique telephone number for each user which will connect the user to a PSAP.
- Creating a user-generated numerical code or phrase that can be utilized by the user after contacting a PSAP and that indicated the user's need for immediate law enforcement assistance.
- Transmitting specified data to law enforcement agencies when a user calls from his or her unique telephone number and enters his or her numerical code or phrase.

The bill provides terms, requirements for such alert system, and reporting requirements for the feasibility study.

The bill defines "dating violence" to allow a victim of dating violence to apply to participate in the Attorney General's Address Confidentiality Program.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect on July 1, 2026.

*Vote: Senate 35-0; House 113-0*