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12	offered the following:
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14	Amendment (with title amendment)
15	Remove from the bill: Everything after the enacting clause
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17	and insert in lieu thereof: Section 311.12, Florida Statutes,
18	is amended to read:
19	311.12 Seaport security standards
20	(1) The minimum standards for seaport security and the
21	expectations for security contained in such standards for each
22	seaport identified in s. 311.09, as developed by the Office of
23	Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor, in
24	consultation with the Florida Seaport Transportation and
25	Economic Development Council, and in conjunction with the
26	Florida Department of Law Enforcement and local law
27	enforcement agencies having primary authority over the
28	affected seaports, <u>are adopted by the Legislature as provided</u>
29	in this section.shall develop, by January 1, 2001, a
30	statewide security plan based upon the Florida Seaport
31	Security Assessment 2000 conducted by the Office of Drug

Control. Such plan shall establish statewide minimum standards for seaport security including the prevention of criminal activity including money laundering. The statewide seaport security plan shall identify the funding needs for security requirements of all relevant ports and shall recommend mechanisms to fund those needs including an analysis of the ability of seaports to provide funding for necessary improvements. The statewide seaport security plan shall be submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate and the chairs of the fiscal committees of the House of Representatives and Senate for review on or before January 1, 2001.

- (2) All seaports, as identified in s. 311.09 pursuant to s. 311.09(1), in conjunction with and pending review and approval by the Office of Drug Control, within the Executive Office of the Governor, and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and in consultation with the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council, shall implement no later than January 31, 2001, develop and draft individual seaport security plans particular to the specific and identifiable needs of their respective seaports which are in compliance with the security standards established by rule of the Department of Law Enforcement as authorized in this section.
- (3) The Department of Law Enforcement, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control, shall adopt rules that implement specific security standards that shall apply to seaports identified in s. 311.09 as the minimum level of security allowed at any such seaport. The rules must incorporate the statewide minimum security standards adopted by the Legislature as referred to in subsection (1) and must

include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Criteria establishing specifications for and the requirements for the issuance, use, display, renewal, and maintenance of picture-identification badges for personnel permanently employed at each seaport and those workers and laborers working at a port any more frequently than 5 days in any given 90-day period and criteria limiting access of such personnel to only authorized areas within the port;
- (b) Criteria establishing the method by which port
 management will conduct fingerprint-based criminal history
 background checks of all prospective and current seaport
 employees and personnel, including criteria for initial
 employment and name-based and fingerprint-based criminal
 history checks at intervals during ongoing employment;
- c) A list of convictions occurring within 5 years prior to proposed employment at a seaport or occurring at any time during employment, regardless of whether adjudication was withheld or not, which disqualify a person from initial or continued employment at a seaport, including, but not limited to, any felony conviction under the laws of this state for theft, robbery, burglary, possession, sale or trafficking in narcotics or controlled substances, fraud, perjury, use or possession of a firearm in the commission of a crime, any felony offense involving the actual physical injury of another, or any similar offenses under the laws of another jurisdiction;
- (d) A requirement that any seaport employee promptly notify the seaport director when the employee is arrested for any felony offense that would disqualify them for employment under subsection (c) and a requirement to promptly notify the seaport director of the disposition of the arrest;

1	(e) Criteria limiting access to a seaport for visitors
2	and vehicles, including parking and access passes or signage
3	for pedestrian and vehicular traffic at the seaport in areas
4	for which limited access is required or appropriate;
5	(f) criteria establishing parking or standing zones
6	for employee or other vehicles only in designated areas at a
7	seaport;
8	(g) Criteria for the use of gates and gatehouses at
9	each seaport and the staffing of each gate house;
10	(h) Criteria for the access and identification of
11	vendors or service and maintenance personnel and vehicles to
12	seaport property, including temporary permits, vehicular
13	signage, and designated parking or standing areas;
14	(i) Criteria for fencing at, around, and within the
15	seaports;
16	(j) Criteria for lighting at the seaports;
17	(k) Criteria for posting of signs at the seaport
18	related to security and restrictions upon access to designated
19	areas;
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21	seaport and the issuance and maintenance of keys by seaport
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23	(m) Criteria for the regularly scheduled maintenance
24	and internal inspection of security-related fences,
25	structures, equipment, and facilities at the seaport;
26	(n) Criteria for operational and procedural security
27	within each seaport, which must include as a minimum, the
28	establishment and use of security committees at each seaport,
29	master security plans and standard operating procedures,
30	definitive descriptions of the function and responsibilities
31	of each security-related employee of a seaport, and procedures

for dealing with threats to the physical security of a seaport 1 2 or threats to personnel working or present at a seaport; 3 Criteria for assuring that a routine presence and 4 patrol by sworn law enforcement personnel occurs at each 5 seaport; 6 (p) Criteria for the equipping and minimum training 7 and qualification standards applied to security personnel employed or used by each seaport, which must include as a 8 minimum, that any quard or security personnel used at a 9 10 seaport who is not a sworn law enforcement officer must 11 possess a valid Class "D" security license as defined in 12 chapter 493; 13 (q) Criteria for establishing and using formal 14 guidelines for computer security at each seaport, including 15 requirements that suspected criminal activity involving 16 computers used at a seaport be reported to a law enforcement 17 agency; 18 (r) Criteria for establishing and using procedures to 19 assure cargo security at each seaport, including, but not limited to, controlled access by commercial carriers to the 20 seaport and methods of verification of the carrier's identity 21 22 and purpose for accessing a seaport; 23 (s) Criteria for securing cargo in storage at the 24 seaport; 25 (t) Criteria for establishing video surveillance of 26 seaport property; 27 (u) For seaports in which cruise ships dock or otherwise have access, criteria for the security of cruise 28 29 operations, including the security of passengers and their

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property while on seaport property; and

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ports of Jacksonville, Port Everglades, Miami, and Tampa,
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          (4) A fingerprint-based criminal history check shall
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    employee of the seaports identified in s. 311.09, as required
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    paragraph (3)(b). The costs of such checks shall be paid by
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    the seaport or employing entity or any person so checked. The
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    Department of Law Enforcement for state processing and to the
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    Federal Bureau of Investigation for federal processing. The
    results of the checks shall be reported to the seaports.
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          (5)(a) By July 1, 2001, each seaport shall implement
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    its own individual security plan that shall be in conformance
    with the minimum statewide security standards adopted by the
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    Legislature in subsection (1).
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          (b) In developing, implementing, and maintaining its
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    security plan, each seaport shall adhere to the standards
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    established by rule by the Department of Law Enforcement
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    unless the department, in consultation with the Office of Drug
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    Control, in response to a petition for variance or waiver of
    rule filed by a seaport pursuant to s. 120.542, determines
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    that a waiver or variance of a particular standard is
    appropriate. In petitioning for any waiver or variance, a
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    seaport may include the recommendations of local law
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variance or waiver. In addition to the existing standards for variance and waiver established by s. 120.542, the department, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control, may grant a waiver or variance of standards if it determines that existing port structures, facilities, processes, requirements, or operations or proposed construction or efforts of a seaport reasonably assure a level of security equal to or exceeding the level of security promoted by the specific rule provision for which variance or waiver is sought.

- (c) Only a seaport identified pursuant to s. 311.09 shall have standing to seek a variance or waiver of a security standard established by rule of the Department of Law Enforcement under this section. An individual or other entity may not petition for variance or waiver of a seaport security standard established by rule of the Department of Law Enforcement under this section.
- (6) If funds are appropriated for seaport security, the Office of Drug Control and the Florida Seaport

 Transportation and Economic Development Council shall mutually determine the allocation of such funds for security project needs identified pursuant to subsection (1) and this subsection. Any seaport that receives state funds for security projects must enter into a joint-participation agreement with the appropriate state entity and use the seaport security plan developed pursuant to this section as the basis for the agreement. If funds are made available over more than 1 fiscal year, any such agreement must reflect the entire scope of the security plan and allow for reimbursement for projects authorized to receive state funds by the Office of Drug Control and the council over more than 1 fiscal year.
 - (7) All seaports shall make all security plans,

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    review and inspection and shall allow unimpeded access to the
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    Department of Law Enforcement or any entity selected by the
    department for any inspection, announced or unannounced, or
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    any operation designed by the department to determine whether
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    seaport security plans are being implemented effectively. The
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    department or operating on its behalf, may conduct undercover
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    or otherwise unannounced operations designed to test the
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    effectiveness of a port's security.
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          (8) By December 31, 2001, the Department of Law
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    Enforcement or any entity selected by the department shall
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    311.09 to determine the preliminary status of security
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    the Office of Drug Control, and the Florida Seaport
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    Transportation and Economic Development Council. A copy of the
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    report, including the administrator's responses, shall be
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    Speaker of the House of Representatives, the chairs of the
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    fiscal committee of the House of Representatives and the
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    Senate, and each seaport chief administrator. The observations
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    funding decisions as noted in subsection (6) or as otherwise
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    conduct not less than once annually an unannounced inspection
    of each seaport listed in s. 311.09 to determine the degree to
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by rule under this section and to determine whether changes or improvements in a seaport's security plan are recommended.

- (b) By December 31, 2002, and each year thereafter, the Department of Law Enforcement, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control, shall issue a report indicating the results of each seaport inspection and shall within the report indicate deficiencies noted, failures to comply with standards noted, and any concerns or suggestions developed by reason of individual or collective inspections. Failures of a seaport to comply with applicable standards shall be specifically noted. If a report notes deficiencies or failures or identifies concerns related to a seaport, the report must include a response from the chief administrator of the affected seaport or seaports. Each administrator's response shall include what actions, if any, have been taken or are planned to be taken to address the deficiencies, failures, or concerns noted.
- (c) A copy of the report, including the administrator's responses, shall be provided to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the chairs of the fiscal committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate, and each seaport chief administrator.
- (d) The department, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control and the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council, may use its observations and experience from inspections conducted under this section as the basis for modifying security criteria established by rule if the modifications enhance the security of seaports.
- (10) By June 30, 2004, each seaport listed in s.

 311.09 must be in compliance with the physical infrastructure improvements and minimum security standards implemented under

this section, unless the standard has been waived or a 1 2 variance has been granted as provided in this section and s. 3 120.542. The Legislature expresses its intent to annually take 4 into account each seaport's performance in implementing and 5 maintaining compliance with the security standards, as well as other information available to it related to seaport security, 6 7 criminal activity, and money laundering occurring at, or in conjunction with, seaports in determining allocations of state 8 funds to each seaport in the coming fiscal year. The 9 10 Legislature expresses its intent that failure by a seaport to 11 assure compliance with minimum seaport security standards will 12 result in a reduction of state-provided funding to the seaport 13 as a sanction for not meeting security expectations. 14 (11) The Department of Law Enforcement, in 15 consultation with the Office of Drug Control, may by rule require additional security measures for the ports of 16 17 Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, and Port Everglades. The 18 additional measures may include minimum criteria for the use of closed-circuit television cameras and the videotaping of 19 activity at entrances and exits, areas with high risk or crime 20 or endangerment, or areas at which valuable cargo is stored. 21 22 (12) This section does not prevent any seaport from implementing security measures that are more stringent, 23 24 greater than, or supplemental to the minimum security 25 standards established pursuant to rule by the Department of Law Enforcement and this section. 26 27 (13)(a) Upon completion of an inspection by the Department of Law Enforcement or entity selected by the 28 29 department in which any failure to implement, meet, or 30 maintain a security standard is noted to exist at a particular seaport listed in s. 311.09, the Department of Law Enforcement 31

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shall issue a written notification identifying each such failure to the seaport director or head of seaport management if other than a director. The written notification must indicate a date certain, not less than 30 days nor more than 45 days after the date the notification is issued, that a written response from the seaport shall be received by the Department of Law Enforcement at an address stated in the notification.

- (b) A seaport receiving notification of any failure to implement, meet, or maintain a security standard from the Department of Law Enforcement shall, by the date stated in the notice, assure receipt by the department of a written response to the notification of failure. The response must address each item specified in the department's notification and indicate with specificity the seaport's planned response to address and rectify any noted failure or failures, including a date for completion of each corrective action, the estimated cost of corrective action, the funding identified to cover the costs of the corrective action, and the date the corrective action is to be or has been initiated. If a seaport believes the department's finding on a particular standard is in error, it shall state in the written response the basis of its belief, including why it believes the department's finding may be in error, and may request that the department conduct a followup review of the particular standard and finding.
- (c) The Department of Law Enforcement shall review the written response provided under paragraph (b) and conduct a followup review to determine whether a particular finding was in error when requested to do so by a seaport in the manner provided for in paragraph (b). The department, or any entity selected by the department, may conduct additional inspections

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or make any other inquiry to assist in making this determination. The department shall state its followup review finding in writing to the seaport. If the followup review determines that the seaport continues to fail to implement, meet, or maintain the security standard about which the concern was raised, the seaport shall have 5 working days following the receipt of the written response to provide the department with a written supplemental response providing all information required in paragraph (b) regarding corrective actions to be implemented to meet the standard that was reviewed. If the followup review determines that the seaport has implemented, met, or maintained the standard, the written response must so indicate.

- (d) The Department of Law Enforcement may impose a civil penalty upon any seaport listed in s. 311.09 for any failure to respond within the time limits or in the manner and specificity required by this section. Any seaport failing to respond as noted in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) within the time periods provided and in the manner and specificity required shall be assessed by the department a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for each day the failure continues. The funds collected as civil penalties shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund.
- (e) The Department of Law Enforcement, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control, shall review all proposed corrective actions proposed by a seaport as required in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c), and shall determine whether a seaport's proposed timeline for corrective action provides for the reasonably prompt implementation, meeting, or maintenance of a particular security standard. The department shall attempt to mutually resolve with a seaport of any concern that

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the timeline for any proposed corrective action does not provide the required reasonably prompt implementation and completion of corrective action. If agreement is met, the seaport shall file an amended response with the Department of Law Enforcement stating a revised corrective-action timeline. If agreement is not met, the department may impose a revised timeline upon a seaport that provides for the reasonably prompt implementation and completion of corrective action, and shall notify the seaport in writing of the revised timeline.

- (f) Any seaport failing to initiate or complete the corrective action within the original or revised corrective-action timeline, whether agreed upon or imposed by the department, shall be assessed by the department a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for each day the corrective-action implementation is delayed and for each day the corrective action is not completed as provided by the timeline. The funds collected as civil penalties shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund.
- (g) The Department of Law Enforcement, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control, may suspend the imposition of any civil penalty authorized in this subsection conditioned upon terms the department, in its discretion, deems appropriate and consistent with the purpose of this section and the statewide seaport security plan.
- (h) The Department of Law Enforcement may adopt rules necessary to administer the civil penalties and authority provided in this section.
- (a) Each seaport security plan shall adhere to the statewide minimum standards established pursuant to subsection (1).
 - (b) All such seaports shall allow unimpeded access to

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Department of Law Enforcement as authorized by this section. (3) A fingerprint-based criminal history check shall be performed on any applicant for employment or current employee, as designated by each security plan required by subsection (2), who will be working within the property of or have regular access to any seaport listed in s. 311.09(1). The costs of such checks shall be paid by the seaport or employing entity or any person so checked. The applicant or employee shall file a complete set of fingerprints taken in a manner required by the Department of Law Enforcement and the security plan. These fingerprints shall be submitted to the Department of Law Enforcement for state processing and to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for federal processing. The results of the checks shall be reported to the seaports. (4) The affected seaports shall implement the security plans developed under this section by April 30, 2002, contingent upon legislative approval of the statewide security

plan established pursuant to subsection (1). The Department of Law Enforcement, or any entity selected by the department, shall conduct no less than once annually an unannounced inspection of each seaport listed in s. 311.09(1) to determine whether the seaport is meeting the minimum standards established under the authority of this section. The Department of Law Enforcement, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor, shall complete a report indicating the results of all such inspections conducted during the year and any suggestions or concerns developed by reason of such inspections by no later

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than December 31 of each year. A copy of the report shall be

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Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chief administrator of each seaport inspected. The report shall, to the extent possible, include responses from the chief administrator of any seaport about which suggestions have been made or security concerns raised, indicating what actions, if any, have been taken or are planned to be taken in response to the suggestions or concerns noted. (5) Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing any seaport from implementing security measures that are more stringent, greater than, or supplemental to, the minimum standards established by this section. Section 1. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. ======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows: On page 1, lines 1-10 remove from the title of the bill: all of said lines and insert in lieu thereof: A bill to be entitled An act relating to seaport security; amending s. 311.12, F.S.; providing for minimum security standards for seaports; requiring seaports to implement seaport security plans; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to adopt rules for specific security standards; providing requirements for such rules; providing requirements for criminal history checks on applicants for employment or current employees of a seaport; providing for a seaport to request a waiver or

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plans and other information be made available to the Department of Law Enforcement for review; providing for inspections of seaports; providing requirements for compliance by seaports; providing for additional security measures at specified seaports; providing for the Department of Law Enforcement to impose civil penalties if a seaport fails to initiate or take corrective action; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.