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A bill to be entitled  
 An act relating to the Department of Law Enforcement;  
 requiring the department to conduct a study regarding the  
 establishment of minimum standards for latent fingerprint  
 examiners; providing purposes of the study; requiring a  
 report; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. (1) The Department of Law Enforcement shall  
 conduct a study regarding the establishment of minimum standards  
 for latent fingerprint examiners. The study shall:

(a) Examine currently available training for latent  
 fingerprint examiners;

(b) Determine which training providers offer training and  
 instruction that meets or exceeds the standards established by  
 the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors Laboratory  
 Accreditation Board (ASCLD-LAB); and

(c) Determine whether such training can best be provided  
 through the department or through a law enforcement agency other  
 than the department.

(2) The department shall provide a written report of its  
 findings and recommendations to the Governor, the President of  
 the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
 July 1, 2004.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.