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The Committee on State Administration recommends the following:

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Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Chief of Domestic Security Initiatives; amending s. 943.0311, F.S.; requiring the chief to conduct security assessments of buildings, facilities, and structures owned or leased by state agencies, state universities, and community colleges utilizing the personnel and resources of the state agency, state university, or community college that owns or leases the building, facility, or structure undergoing the security assessment; requiring cooperation with the Department of Law Enforcement and the chief; requiring the chief to report failure to provide such cooperation; requiring completion of initial assessments of all buildings, facilities, and structures owned or leased by a state agency, state university, or community college by a specified date; providing for subsequent security assessments; revising reporting requirements; requiring the chief to promote the importance of security assessments of public buildings, facilities, and

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structures to local governments; providing that costs of security assessments of local government buildings, facilities, and structures shall be borne by the local government; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 943.0311, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

943.0311 Chief of Domestic Security Initiatives: and the department's duties of the department with respect to domestic security.--

 $\underline{(1)}$ The executive director of the department, or a member of the department designated by the executive director, shall serve as the Chief of Domestic Security Initiatives.

(1) The Chief of Domestic Security Initiatives shall:

 (a) Coordinate the efforts of the department in the ongoing assessment of this state's vulnerability to, and ability to detect and respond to, acts of terrorism, as defined in s. 775.30, within or affecting this state.

(b) Prepare recommendations for the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which are based upon ongoing assessments to limit the vulnerability of the state to terrorism.

(c) Coordinate the collection of proposals to limit the vulnerability of the state to terrorism.



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(d) Use regional task forces to support the duties of the department set forth in this section.

- (e) Use public or private resources to perform the duties assigned to the department under this section.
 - (f) Perform other duties assigned by law.
- (2)(a) The chief shall conduct specific security assessments of buildings, and facilities, and structures owned or leased by state agencies, state universities, and community colleges or local governments. Such security assessments shall be conducted by the personnel and with the resources of the state agency, state university, or community college that owns or leases the building, facility, or structure undergoing the security assessment. Every All state agency, state university, and community college agencies and local governments shall cooperate with the department and shall provide the assistance of employees within existing resources to and provide to the chief requested information in the format requested by the chief and resources to assist the department in meeting its responsibilities under this section. The chief shall report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives should any state agency, state university, or community college substantially fail to cooperate in making a security assessment of the buildings, facilities, and structures of the state agency, state university, or community college.
- (a) The initial assessment of each building, facility, or structure owned or leased by a state agency, state university, or community college shall be completed by each state agency,

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state university, and community college, and shall be provided to the chief no later than December 1, 2003.

- (b) The chief may request followup assessments to ensure that the security assessments of buildings, facilities, and structures owned or leased by state agencies, state universities, and community colleges remain reasonably current and valid.
- (b) Based upon the security assessments, the chief shall prepare recommendations to enhance the security of buildings and facilities owned or leased by state agencies or local governments.
- (3)(c) The chief shall report to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
- (a) By November 1 of each year, prioritized suggestions for specific security enhancements of recommended minimum security standards or security-enhancement needs for any building, or facility, or structure owned or leased by a state agency, state university, or community college or local government. The report must identify and prioritize the recommended security enhancements and provide recommendations to maximize federal funding in support of building and facility security.
- (b) (3) The chief shall develop and submit to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives Recommended best practices for safety and security of buildings, facilities, and structures owned or leased by state agencies, state



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universities, community colleges, and local governments. To promote the continued safety of government buildings, facilities, and structures within the state, the best practices may be revised or enhanced by the chief as necessary. The recommended best practices are not a rule as defined in chapter 120. The chief shall review the recommended best practices as necessary, but at least once each year, and shall submit any recommended changes to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(4)The chief shall communicate to local governments the importance of conducting security assessments of buildings, facilities, and structures owned or leased by such local governments and the options local governments should consider in obtaining security assessments. The cost of any security assessment of a building, facility, or structure owned or leased by a local government shall be borne by the local government may conduct specific security assessments of a building or facility owned by a private entity upon the request of that private entity. The chief may prioritize requests, and such prioritization is not agency action that is subject to review under chapter 120. The chief may solicit private entities for the purpose of receiving requests to perform security assessments of buildings or facilities. Private entities are urged to cooperate with and assist the department in meeting its responsibilities for domestic security.

(5) By November 1 of each year, the executive director shall compile, coordinate, and prioritize recommendations and



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proposals concerning security and shall present the recommendations and proposals to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. All recommendations seeking funding shall be prioritized, with critical domestic security needs requiring immediate or top-priority funding being clearly identified. Such recommendations shall include recommendations to maximize federal funding in support of the state's domestic-security efforts.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, or July 1, 2003, whichever occurs first.