



CHAMBER ACTION

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following:

Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to law enforcement officers; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; revising delinquent fee for described late renewal or extension of certain driver's licenses; providing for deposit of funds into the State Law Enforcement Officer Recruitment and Retention Trust Fund for certain purposes; creating a law enforcement accountability pay scale; providing for a pay increase for certain career service law enforcement officers; providing methods of payment; providing for appropriations; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) and subsection (5) of section 322.21, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

322.21 License fees; procedure for handling and collecting fees.--

(1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the fee for:



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29 (c) The renewal or extension of a Class D or Class E
30 driver's license or of a license restricted to motorcycle use
31 only is \$15, except that a delinquent fee of \$10 ~~\$1~~ shall be
32 added for a renewal or extension made ~~not~~ more than 60 days ~~12~~
33 ~~months~~ after the license expiration date. The fee provided in
34 this paragraph shall include the fee for driver's education
35 provided by s. 1003.48.

36 (5)(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,
37 the department shall collect and transmit all fees received by
38 it under this section to the Treasurer to be placed in the
39 General Revenue Fund of the state, and sufficient funds for the
40 necessary expenses of the department shall be included in the
41 appropriations act. The fees shall be used for the maintenance
42 and operation of the department.

43 (b) Nine dollars of the moneys received from each \$10
44 delinquent fee imposed pursuant to paragraph (1)(c) shall be
45 deposited into the State Law Enforcement Officer Recruitment and
46 Retention Trust Fund and credited to the salaries and benefit
47 category of the state agencies with eligible sworn agency law
48 enforcement officers on a pro rata, per capita basis pursuant to
49 the ratified collective bargaining agreement for the state law
50 enforcement bargaining unit then in effect. If no such ratified
51 bargaining agreement is then in effect, the amounts shall be
52 distributed on the basis of the ratified bargaining agreement
53 last in effect. The amounts collected and distributed pursuant
54 to this paragraph are supplemental to other funds provided for
55 salary increases.

56 Section 2. Law enforcement accountability pay scale.--



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57 | (1) Beginning in the year 2004, on October 1 of each year,
58 | each career service state law enforcement officer, as defined in
59 | s. 943.10(1), Florida Statutes, shall receive, in addition to
60 | salary increases provided in the General Appropriations Act, a
61 | 2.5-percent increase to his or her September 30 base rate of
62 | pay, provided the law enforcement officer has, in the previous
63 | 12 months:

64 | (a) Completed a minimum of 40 hours of job-related
65 | continuing education, including inservice education, or a
66 | minimum of 3 credit hours of college coursework;

67 | (b) Completed a minimum of 16 hours in an agency-
68 | recognized mentoring program; and

69 | (c) Received a satisfactory performance evaluation.

70 | (2) State law enforcement officers who do not complete
71 | each of the three requirements enumerated in subsection (1)
72 | remain eligible to receive any salary increases provided in the
73 | General Appropriations Act.

74 | (3) If an otherwise eligible state law enforcement
75 | officer's base rate of pay is at the maximum of the pay range,
76 | the law enforcement officer shall instead receive a lump-sum
77 | payment equal to 2.5 percent of the maximum of that range.

78 | (4) Funds sufficient to carry out the purposes of this
79 | section are hereby appropriated from the General Revenue Fund.

80 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

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