

By Senator Baker

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See HB 45

1   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to law enforcement; creating  
3           the Sunshine Security Act; creating the Law  
4           Enforcement Agency Consolidation Task Force;  
5           providing for the appointment of members;  
6           providing for duties; providing for preliminary  
7           and final reports addressing the effects of the  
8           consolidation of all sworn law enforcement  
9           functions in the state; providing for future  
10          repeal; providing an effective date.

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

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14           Section 1. This act shall be known by the popular name  
15 the "Sunshine Security Act."

16           Section 2. Law Enforcement Agency Consolidation Task  
17 Force.--

18           (1)(a) There is created within the Executive Office of  
19 the Governor the Law Enforcement Agency Consolidation Task  
20 Force. Members of the task force shall be appointed no later  
21 than July 10, 2005. The task force shall be composed of:

22           1. Two representatives from private industry who have  
23 expertise in corporate mergers, appointed by the Governor.

24           2. The Attorney General or his or her designee.

25           3. A member of the Senate, appointed by the President  
26 of the Senate.

27           4. A member of the House of Representatives, appointed  
28 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

29           (b) The first meeting of the task force shall be held  
30 no later than July 15, 2005, at which time the members shall  
31 select by majority vote a chair from among its members. All

1 other recommendations of the task force shall be by majority  
2 vote of those members in attendance. Three members of the task  
3 force shall constitute a quorum. The task force is subject to  
4 the requirements of chapter 119, Florida Statutes. All  
5 meetings of the task force shall be in accordance with section  
6 286.011, Florida Statutes, and the public in attendance at any  
7 meeting shall be given the opportunity to participate. The  
8 Executive Office of the Governor shall ensure that those  
9 persons who request notification of the time and place of any  
10 meeting of the task force, including its initial meeting,  
11 shall receive such notice in a timely fashion.

12 (c) Members of the task force shall serve without  
13 compensation. Members are entitled to reimbursement for per  
14 diem and travel expenses in accordance with section 112.061,  
15 Florida Statutes.

16 (d) The Executive Office of the Governor shall provide  
17 staff support for the task force within existing  
18 appropriations.

19 (2)(a) The task force shall meet for the purpose of  
20 studying the effects of consolidating law enforcement  
21 functions in state agencies and commissions under a unified  
22 command. The task force shall submit a preliminary report of  
23 its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the  
24 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
25 Representatives no later than 45 days prior to the first day  
26 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature. The final  
27 report shall be filed with the Governor, the President of the  
28 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no  
29 later than 30 days prior to the first day of the 2006 Regular  
30 Session of the Legislature.

31 (b) The preliminary and final report shall:

1           1. Identify all law enforcement functions and duties  
2 of personnel positions that exist in each state agency or  
3 commission.

4           2. Identify all statutory provisions assigning law  
5 enforcement duties to state agencies or commissions.

6           3. Identify the options considered by the task force  
7 for consolidation of state law enforcement functions, duties,  
8 and personnel and identify costs for consolidation under each  
9 option considered.

10           4. Determine whether consolidation of any law  
11 enforcement functions or law enforcement personnel, or both,  
12 would prove more effective and efficient. Such determination  
13 shall include a cost analysis and comparison, with supporting  
14 analysis.

15           5. If the determination is made that consolidation is  
16 more effective and efficient, recommend proposed legislation  
17 based upon the recommended best option for consolidating any  
18 law enforcement functions or law enforcement personnel, or  
19 both. Such proposed legislation shall include, but not be  
20 limited to, provision for any necessary restructuring of state  
21 agencies or commissions as a result of the recommended  
22 reorganization.

23           (3)(a) Each state agency or commission shall fully  
24 cooperate with the task force in the performance of its duties  
25 under this section.

26           (b) Each state agency or commission that has been  
27 assigned law enforcement functions or employs sworn law  
28 enforcement personnel shall provide a report to the task force  
29 that identifies each section of law upon which that agency or  
30 commission relies for authority to perform law enforcement  
31 functions and employ sworn law enforcement officers. This

1 report shall be submitted to the task force no later than  
2 August 1, 2005.  
3 (4) The task force is abolished July 1, 2006.  
4 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
5 law.  
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