## Florida Senate - 2005

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Siplin

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to dart-firing stun guns;
3	creating s. 943.1717, F.S.; providing
4	parameters within which law enforcement,
5	correctional probation and correctional
6	officers may employ dart-firing stun guns;
7	requiring that the Criminal Justice Standards
8	and Training Commission establish standards for
9	instruction in the use of dart-firing stun guns
10	in self defense and in the use of deadly force;
11	requiring that a minimum number of hours in
12	such training be included in the basic-skills
13	course required for certification; providing an
14	effective date.
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16	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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18	Section 1. Section 943.1717, Florida Statutes, is
19	created to read:
20	943.1717 Use of dart-firing stun gunsLaw
21	enforcement officers', correctional probation officers' and
22	correctional officers' decision to employ the dart-firing stun
23	gun shall involve an arrest or custodial situation wherein the
24	subject is escalating resistance from passive physical
25	resistance towards active physical resistance and the subject:
26	(1) Has the apparent ability to physically challenge
27	the officer, or
28	(2) Is preparing to or is attempting to flee or
29	escape.
30	(3) The Criminal Justice Standards and Training
31	Commission shall establish standards for instructing law
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1	enforcement officers in the use of dart-firing stun guns in
2	self defense and in the use of deadly force. Each basic-skills
3	course required for certification as a law enforcement
4	officer, correctional probation officer, or correctional
5	officer must include instruction on the potential effect of
6	dart-firing stun guns on persons under the influence of
7	alcohol or drugs and must be a minimum of 4 hours in duration.
8	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
9	law.
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11	STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
12	COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR <u>Senate Bill 2240</u>
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14	<ul> <li>Requires law enforcement, correctional probation and correctional officers to take certain conditions into</li> </ul>
15	consideration as they make a decision whether to use a dart-firing stun gun.
16	- Requires that the training established by the Criminal
17	Justice Standards and Training Commission include instruction on the potential effect of dart-firing stun
18	guns on persons under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
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