

Bill No. CS for SB 2278

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Senator Bullard moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 2, before line 1,

insert:

Section 2. It is the intent of the Legislature to reduce the number of arrests for people with serious mental illnesses and reduce the use of force-related injuries involving people with serious mental illnesses. Therefore, the Department of Law Enforcement is authorized to adopt the Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) program as a pilot program to provide lessons for its statewide use by other law enforcement agencies.

Section 3. The Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute at the University of South Florida shall conduct a study of the Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.) program being used by the members of the Florida C.I.T. Coalition, which is a coalition of several counties involving law enforcement agencies, community providers, and families and consumers developing the core standards for a consistent C.I.T. program

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1 for the state. The purpose of the study is to look at the
 2 effectiveness of the C.I.T. program related to a reduction in
 3 arrests for people with serious mental illnesses as well as an
 4 increase in jail diversion activities, a reduction in the use
 5 of force-related injuries, and identification of those core
 6 elements of the C.I.T. program that make it an effective
 7 police response. The institute, in conjunction with the
 8 Florida C.I.T. Coalition, shall submit a report of the
 9 findings of its study, which shall include recommendations as
 10 to whether the C.I.T. program should be adopted by all law
 11 enforcement agencies as a best practice, recommendations as to
 12 the resources necessary to assist communities in adopting the
 13 C.I.T. program, and recommendations as to other training needs
 14 for law enforcement agencies related to people with serious
 15 mental illnesses, to the Legislature and the Department of Law
 16 Enforcement by July 1, 2006.

17 Section 4. The Department of Law Enforcement is
 18 authorized to use up to \$175,000 to contract with the Louis de
 19 la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute to implement this
 20 act.

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22 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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25 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

26 And the title is amended as follows:

27 Delete everything before the enacting clause

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29 and insert:

30 A bill to be entitled

31 An act relating to law enforcement; amending s.

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1 493.6115, F.S.; revising the types of firearms
2 that a security officer is authorized to carry;
3 providing for adoption of the program as a
4 pilot program; directing the Louis de la Parte
5 Florida Mental Health Institute at the
6 University of South Florida to conduct a study
7 of the Crisis Intervention Team (C.I.T.)
8 program; providing the purpose of the study;
9 providing for a report; providing an effective
10 date.

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