

By Senator Sebesta

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to seaports; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to develop a program to survey the underwater areas of certain deepwater seaports; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. On or before July 1, 2006, the Department of Law Enforcement shall develop and implement a program to conduct, at least biennially, a survey, using a sonar scanning system that generates highly detailed two- and three-dimensional maps and charts, of the underwater areas of each deepwater seaport in this state which serves cargo or passenger vessels.

Section 2. The sum of \$1.5 million is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Law Enforcement to administer this act.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Requires the Department of Law Enforcement to develop a program to survey the underwater areas of certain deepwater seaports using a specific type of equipment. Provides an appropriation.