

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to correctional probation officers;
3 creating s. 943.17001, F.S.; requiring the Department of
4 Corrections to provide a standardized firearm and
5 ammunition to correctional probation officers; providing
6 rulemaking authority of the department; providing an
7 appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

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11 Section 1. Section 943.17001, Florida Statutes, is created
12 to read:

13 943.17001 Correctional probation officers; provision of
14 standardized firearm and ammunition.--Upon completion of
15 training, certification, and approval as a correctional
16 probation officer, the Department of Corrections shall provide
17 to any correctional probation officer who chooses to carry a
18 firearm a standardized semiautomatic firearm as designated by
19 department rule, and, for the duration of the correctional
20 probation officer's employment, standardized ammunition as
21 designated by department rule for the semiautomatic firearm
22 issued to the correctional probation officer. If a correctional
23 probation officer elects to no longer carry a firearm or is no
24 longer employed by the department, he or she must return the
25 firearm and any unused ammunition issued by the department. The
26 department has the authority to adopt rules pursuant to ss.

27 | 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the provisions of this
28 | section.

29 | Section 2. The sum of \$1 million in nonrecurring funds is
30 | appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of
31 | Corrections for the 2006-2007 fiscal year for expenses for the
32 | purpose of providing a standardized firearm and ammunition to
33 | correctional probation officers.

34 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.