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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary;  
 3           amending s. 321.24, F.S.; incorporating a definition of  
 4           "auxiliary law enforcement officer"; conforming text;  
 5           authorizing the director of the Florida Highway Patrol to  
 6           issue certain items to a retiring auxiliary officer;  
 7           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. Subsection (1) of section 321.24, Florida  
 12   Statutes, is amended, and subsection (6) is added to that  
 13   section, to read:

14           321.24 Members of an auxiliary to Florida Highway  
 15   Patrol.--

16           (1) The director of the Florida Highway Patrol is hereby  
 17   authorized to establish an auxiliary to the Florida Highway  
 18   Patrol to be composed of such persons who may volunteer to serve  
 19   as members of an auxiliary to the Florida Highway Patrol as  
 20   defined in s. 943.10(8). ~~Such service to be without compensation~~  
 21   ~~to the individual so volunteering.~~

22           (6) The director of the Florida Highway Patrol may present  
 23   to an officer who retires from the Florida Highway Patrol  
 24   Auxiliary after a minimum of 20 years of service one complete  
 25   uniform, including the badge worn by that officer; the officer's  
 26   service handgun, if one was issued as part of the officer's  
 27   equipment; and an identification card clearly marked "RETIRED."

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28           Section 2. Subsection (8) of section 943.10, Florida  
29 Statutes, reads:

30           943.10 Definitions; ss. 943.085-943.255.--The following  
31 words and phrases as used in ss. 943.085-943.255 are defined as  
32 follows:

33           (8) "Auxiliary law enforcement officer" means any person  
34 employed or appointed, with or without compensation, who aids or  
35 assists a full-time or part-time law enforcement officer and  
36 who, while under the direct supervision of a full-time or part-  
37 time law enforcement officer, has the authority to arrest and  
38 perform law enforcement functions.

39           Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.