

FOR CONSIDERATION By the Committee on Budget

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to criminal justice; repealing s.  
3 16.61, F.S., relating to the Cybercrime Office within  
4 the Department of Legal Affairs; amending s. 943.13,  
5 F.S.; limiting the number of hours in the basic  
6 recruit training program required for correctional  
7 officers, unless the officer is otherwise exempt;  
8 repealing ss. 951.231(1)(c) and 958.045, F.S.,  
9 relating to the basic training program for youthful  
10 offenders within the Department of Corrections;  
11 transferring and reassigning functions and  
12 responsibilities of the Cybercrime Office from the  
13 Department of Legal Affairs to the Department of Law  
14 Enforcement; providing an 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 Section 16.61, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

19 Section 2. Subsection (9) of section 943.13, Florida  
20 Statutes, is amended to read:

21 943.13 Officers' minimum qualifications for employment or  
22 appointment.—On or after October 1, 1984, any person employed or  
23 appointed as a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary law  
24 enforcement officer or correctional officer; on or after October  
25 1, 1986, any person employed as a full-time, part-time, or  
26 auxiliary correctional probation officer; and on or after  
27 October 1, 1986, any person employed as a full-time, part-time,  
28 or auxiliary correctional officer by a private entity under  
29 contract to the Department of Corrections, to a county

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30 commission, or to the Department of Management Services shall:

31 (9) Complete a commission-approved basic recruit training  
32 program for the applicable criminal justice discipline, unless  
33 exempt under this subsection. The basic recruit training for  
34 state correctional officers and correctional officers employed  
35 by a private entity under chapter 957 is limited to 360 hours of  
36 training. An applicant who has:

37 (a) Completed a comparable basic recruit training program  
38 for the applicable criminal justice discipline in another state  
39 or for the Federal Government; and

40 (b) Served as a full-time sworn officer in another state or  
41 for the Federal Government for at least 1 year provided there is  
42 no more than an 8-year break in employment, as measured from the  
43 separation date of the most recent qualifying employment to the  
44 time a complete application is submitted for an exemption under  
45 this section,

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47 is exempt in accordance with s. 943.131(2) from completing the  
48 commission-approved basic recruit training program.

49 Section 3. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section  
50 951.231, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

51 Section 4. Section 958.045, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

52 Section 5. All powers, duties, functions, records,  
53 personnel, property, pending issues and existing contracts,  
54 administrative authority, and unexpended balances of  
55 appropriations, allocations, and other funds for the  
56 administration of the Cybercrime Office are transferred by a  
57 type two transfer, as defined in s. 20.06(2), Florida Statutes,  
58 from the Department of Legal Affairs to the Department of Law

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59 Enforcement.

60 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.