

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Dean

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to the marshal of the Supreme Court;  
3 amending s. 25.251, F.S.; revising terminology;  
4 requiring the marshal and his or her deputies to  
5 comply with specified requirements for law enforcement  
6 officers; specifying that the marshal and his or her  
7 deputies are law enforcement officers with full powers  
8 to bear arms and make arrests under certain  
9 conditions; limiting the use of those powers to  
10 performance of official duties for the Supreme Court;  
11 amending s. 25.271, F.S.; deleting provisions relating  
12 to the marshal and his or her deputies being  
13 conservators of the peace; providing an effective  
14 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 25.251, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
19 read:

20 25.251 Marshal of Supreme Court; appointment;  
21 qualification; authority ~~training~~.-

22 (1) The Supreme Court shall appoint a marshal who shall  
23 hold office during the pleasure of the court.

24 (2) The marshal and his or her deputies must comply with s.  
25 943.13 relating to requirements for law enforcement officers in  
26 this state ~~assistants shall attend and successfully complete a~~  
27 ~~minimum standards training program approved by the Criminal~~  
28 ~~Justice Standards and Training Commission within the Department~~  
29 ~~of Law Enforcement.~~

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30       (3) The marshal and his or her deputies shall be law  
31 enforcement officers as defined in s. 943.10(1), under the  
32 direction and control of the Supreme Court with full powers to  
33 bear arms and make arrests in accordance with the laws of this  
34 state. In performance of their official duties for the Supreme  
35 Court, they may apprehend without warrant a person disturbing  
36 the peace and deliver that person to the appropriate law  
37 enforcement officer of the municipality or county in which  
38 further proceedings may be held according to law. The powers  
39 granted in this section may be exercised only in furtherance of  
40 and in connection with performance of official duties for the  
41 Supreme Court.

42       Section 2. Section 25.271, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
43 read:

44       25.271 Custody of Supreme Court Building and grounds.—

45       ~~(1) The said marshal shall, under the direction of the~~  
46 ~~Supreme Court, be custodian of the Supreme Court Building and~~  
47 ~~grounds and shall keep the same clean, sanitary, and free of~~  
48 ~~trespassers and marauders and shall maintain the same in good~~  
49 ~~state of repair and cause the grounds to be beautified and~~  
50 ~~preserved against depredations and trespasses.~~

51       ~~(2) The marshal and his or her assistants shall be~~  
52 ~~conservators of the peace in the Supreme Court Building, or in~~  
53 ~~any building in which the Supreme Court is sitting, and shall~~  
54 ~~apprehend without warrant any person disturbing the peace and~~  
55 ~~deliver that person to the appropriate law enforcement officer~~  
56 ~~of the municipality or county in which further proceedings may~~  
57 ~~be held according to law.~~

58       Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.