

By Senator Bullard

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to use of deadly force; creating s.  
3       943.087, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law  
4       Enforcement to collect information on the use of  
5       deadly force by law enforcement officers; specifying  
6       information to be reported; requiring that information  
7       be reported in a standardized form; specifying a  
8       minimum retention period for such information;  
9       providing an effective date.

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

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13       Section 1. Section 943.087, Florida Statutes, is created to  
14 read:

15       943.087 Information on use of deadly force.-

16       (1) For an instance in which deadly force was used by a law  
17 enforcement officer, as that term is defined in s. 943.10, the  
18 information in subsection (2) must be reported to the department  
19 within 15 days after the end of each calendar quarter.

20       (2) The following information concerning each incident  
21 shall be reported:

22       (a) Characteristics of, and other information pertaining  
23 to, the person on whom deadly force was used that resulted in  
24 serious injury or death, including:

25       1. Race or ethnicity.

26       2. Gender.

27       3. Approximate age.

28       4. Actual or perceived religious affiliation, if any.

29       5. The date, time, and location of such use of deadly

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30 force.

31 (b) A description of the alleged criminal activity of the  
32 person against whom deadly force was used.

33 (c) The nature of the deadly force used.

34 (d) An explanation, if any, from the employer of the law  
35 enforcement officer as to why deadly force was used.

36 (e) A copy of the relevant employer's use of deadly force  
37 guidelines in effect at the time deadly force was used, unless a  
38 copy has previously been submitted, in which case the report  
39 shall so state.

40 (f) A description of nonlethal efforts or techniques that  
41 were used to apprehend or subdue the person against whom the  
42 deadly force was used before the deadly force was used.

43 (3) The department shall require the information reported  
44 under this section to be submitted in a standardized form by law  
45 enforcement agencies.

46 (4) The information collected under this section shall be  
47 retained by the department for at least 10 years.

48 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.