



26 (1) There is created a Department of Law Enforcement. The  
27 head of the department is the Governor and Cabinet. The  
28 executive director of the department shall be appointed by the  
29 Governor subject to a majority vote of the Governor and Cabinet,  
30 with the Governor on the prevailing side. The appointment is  
31 ~~with the approval of three members of the Cabinet and~~ subject to  
32 confirmation by the Senate. The executive director shall serve  
33 at the pleasure of the Governor and Cabinet. The executive  
34 director may establish a command, operational, and  
35 administrative services structure to assist, manage, and support  
36 the department in operating programs and delivering services.

37 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 20.255, Florida  
38 Statutes, is amended to read:

39 20.255 Department of Environmental Protection.—There is  
40 created a Department of Environmental Protection.

41 (1) Notwithstanding s. 20.05(2), the head of the  
42 Department of Environmental Protection shall be a secretary, who  
43 shall be appointed by the Governor, with the concurrence of  
44 three members of the Cabinet or subject to confirmation by the  
45 Senate.

46 (a) Upon making the appointment, the Governor shall, in  
47 writing, notify the Cabinet and the President of the Senate that  
48 he or she will seek either the concurrence of three members of  
49 the Cabinet or confirmation of the appointee by the Senate.

50        (b) If the Governor seeks the concurrence of three members  
 51 of the Cabinet for the appointment, such concurrence must be  
 52 obtained at the first scheduled meeting of the Cabinet following  
 53 the appointment. If the concurrence of three members of the  
 54 Cabinet is not obtained at such meeting, the appointee may be  
 55 held over until his or her successor is appointed and qualified,  
 56 but the period of such holdover may not exceed 30 days from the  
 57 date of the Cabinet meeting at which the appointment was  
 58 considered. An appointee who does not receive the concurrence of  
 59 three members of the Cabinet is not eligible for appointment to  
 60 the same office for 1 year after the date of the Cabinet meeting  
 61 at which the appointment was considered.

62        (c) If the Governor seeks confirmation of the appointee by  
 63 the Senate, s. 114.05 applies ~~The secretary shall be confirmed~~  
 64 ~~by the Florida Senate.~~

65        (d) The secretary shall serve at the pleasure of the  
 66 Governor.

67        Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 20.37, Florida  
 68 Statutes, is amended to read:

69        20.37 Department of Veterans' Affairs.—There is created a  
 70 Department of Veterans' Affairs.

71        (1) The head of the department is the Governor and  
 72 Cabinet. The executive director of the department shall be  
 73 appointed by the Governor subject to a majority vote of the  
 74 Governor and Cabinet, with the Governor on the prevailing side.

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76 | ~~Cabinet and~~ subject to confirmation by the Senate. The executive  
77 | director shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor and  
78 | Cabinet.

79 |       Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.