

By Senator Yarborough

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to sheriffs in consolidated  
3       governments; amending s. 30.49, F.S.; authorizing  
4       sheriffs in a consolidated government, as well as all  
5       other sheriffs, to transfer funds after his or her  
6       budget is approved by the board of county  
7       commissioners, city council, or budget commission;  
8       amending s. 30.53, F.S.; preserving the independence  
9       of a sheriff in a consolidated government concerning  
10      certain powers; providing an effective date.

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

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14       Section 1. Subsection (12) of section 30.49, Florida  
15       Statutes, is amended to read:

16       30.49 Budgets.—

17       (12) Notwithstanding any other law, and in order to  
18       effectuate, fulfill, and preserve the independence of sheriffs  
19       as specified in s. 30.53, a sheriff may transfer funds between  
20       the fund and functional categories and object and subobject code  
21       levels after his or her budget has been approved by the board of  
22       county commissioners, city council, or budget commission. This  
23       subsection shall apply to a sheriff in a consolidated government  
24       as described in s. 9, Art. VIII of the State Constitution of  
25       1885, as preserved by s. 6(e), Art. VIII of the State  
26       Constitution.

27       Section 2. Section 30.53, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
28       read:

29       30.53 Independence of constitutional officials.—The

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30 independence of ~~the~~ sheriffs, including a sheriff in a  
31 consolidated government as described in s. 9, Art. VIII of the  
32 State Constitution of 1885, as preserved by s. 6(e), Art. VIII  
33 of the State Constitution, shall be preserved concerning the  
34 purchase of supplies and equipment, selection of personnel, and  
35 the hiring, firing, and setting of salaries of such personnel;  
36 provided that nothing herein contained shall restrict the  
37 establishment or operation of any civil service system or civil  
38 service board created pursuant to s. 14, Art. III, of the State  
39 Constitution, provided, further that nothing contained in ss.  
40 30.48-30.53 shall be construed to alter, modify or change in any  
41 manner any civil service system or board, state or local, now in  
42 existence or hereafter established.

43 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.