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House Memorial

A memorial to the Secretary of Homeland Security urging the United States Department of Homeland Security to provide guidance and training opportunities for 287(g) agreements.

WHEREAS, President Donald J. Trump, in Executive Order 14159, titled "Protecting the American People Against Invasion", ordered the Secretary of Homeland Security to work with state and local law enforcement agencies across the United States to ensure their assistance with the protection of the American people, and

WHEREAS, President Trump ordered the Secretary of Homeland Security to enter into 287(g) agreements, under the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. s. 1357, with state and local law enforcement agencies to perform the functions of immigration officers by assisting the Federal Government with the investigation, apprehension, and detention of illegal aliens, and

WHEREAS, President Trump ordered the Secretary of Homeland Security to structure 287(g) agreements in the manner that provides the most effective model for state and local law enforcement agencies to assist the Federal Government in enforcing federal immigration laws, and

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WHEREAS, in response to the border crisis, the Legislature passed enhanced state laws to combat illegal immigration, making Florida a national leader in fighting illegal immigration, and

 WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1808 (2022) required county correctional facilities to enter into 287(g) agreements with the Federal Government, and

WHEREAS, to better assist state and local law enforcement agencies, the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Federal Government should provide such agencies with guidance and training opportunities, and

WHEREAS, Florida is ready to provide assistance, as this state is home to robust, highly qualified, strategic, year-round assets for law enforcement training, including the Camp Blanding Joint Training Center in which the taxpayers have made significant investments to establish it as the premier training facility in the Southeastern United States, and

WHEREAS, this state's training facilities are available and prepared to meet the anticipated training and operational needs of state and local law enforcement agencies entering into 287(g) agreements, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the Secretary of Homeland Security is urged to provide guidance, training opportunities, and any other necessary

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directives to ensure cooperation and coordination with 287(g) agreements and to maximize the state and local law enforcement agencies impact in assisting the Federal Government in combatting the effects of the unprecedented flood of illegal immigration to the United States.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State is directed to dispatch copies of this memorial to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.