



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
02/18/2026	.	
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The Committee on Rules (Yarborough) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

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3                   Delete everything after the enacting clause  
4 and insert:

5                   Section 1. Subsection (6) is added to section 933.02,  
6 Florida Statutes, to read:

7                   933.02 Grounds for issuance of search warrant.—Upon proper  
8 affidavits being made, a search warrant may be issued under the  
9 provisions of this chapter upon any of the following grounds:

10                   (6) To recover a deceased body.



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12 This section also applies to any papers or documents used as a  
13 means of or in aid of the commission of any offense against the  
14 laws of the state.

15 Section 2. Section 933.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
16 read:

17 933.05 Issuance and return of search warrants; issuance in  
18 blank prohibited.—

19 (1) A search warrant cannot be issued except upon probable  
20 cause supported by affidavit or affidavits, naming or describing  
21 the person, place, or thing to be searched and particularly  
22 describing the property or thing to be seized. A no search  
23 warrant may not shall be issued in blank.

24 (2) A search, and any such warrant must shall be returned  
25 within 10 days after issuance, not including the date of  
26 issuance thereof, except that a search warrant issued:

27 (a) To an out-of-state provider for electronic  
28 communications data as described in s. 934.23 must be returned  
29 within 20 days.

30 (b) To search for and seize specimens from a specific  
31 person for DNA analysis and comparison, including blood and  
32 saliva samples, or to seize specimens pursuant to s. 943.325 for  
33 entry into the DNA database must be returned within 30 days.

34 (c) For a computer, a computer system, or an electronic  
35 device must be returned within 365 days, as those terms are  
36 defined in s. 815.03, that is in the actual possession of a law  
37 enforcement agency at the time such warrant is issued shall be  
38 returned to the court within 45 days after issuance thereof.

39 (3) If a search warrant is issued to search for and seize  
40 data or information contained in a computer, computer system, or



41 electronic device, such warrant is considered timely executed if  
42 the computer, computer system, or electronic device was seized  
43 by a law enforcement agency within 10 days of the issuance of  
44 the search warrant, not including the date of issuance.

45 (4) This section does not require a law enforcement agency  
46 to complete the analysis or review of data or information  
47 contained in a computer, computer system, or electronic device  
48 within the period provided in subsection (2) if such computer,  
49 computer system, or electronic device was timely seized by a law  
50 enforcement agency under subsection (3).

51 (5) For purposes of this section, the terms "computer,"  
52 "computer system," and "electronic device" have the same meaning  
53 as in s. 815.03.

54 Section 3. Subsection (5) is added to section 933.07,  
55 Florida Statutes, and subsection (1) of that section is  
56 republished, to read:

57 933.07 Issuance of search warrants.—

58 (1) The judge, upon examination of the application and  
59 proofs submitted, if satisfied that probable cause exists for  
60 the issuing of the search warrant, shall thereupon issue a  
61 search warrant signed by him or her with his or her name of  
62 office, to any sheriff and the sheriff's deputies or any police  
63 officer or other person authorized by law to execute process,  
64 commanding the officer or person forthwith to search the  
65 property described in the warrant or the person named, for the  
66 property specified, and to bring the property and any person  
67 arrested in connection therewith before the judge or some other  
68 court having jurisdiction of the offense.

69 (5) A judge may authorize a law enforcement officer



70 applying for a search warrant under subsection (1) to appear  
71 remotely using audio-video communication technology. As used in  
72 this section, the term "audio-video communication technology"  
73 has the same meaning as in s. 117.201.

74 Section 4. Section 934.025, Florida Statutes, is created to  
75 read:

76 934.025 Search warrants and court orders; remote appearance  
77 authorized.—A judge may authorize a law enforcement officer  
78 applying for a search warrant or court order pursuant to this  
79 chapter to appear remotely using audio-video communication  
80 technology. As used in this section, the term "audio-video  
81 communication technology" has the same meaning as in s. 117.201.

82 Section 5. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section  
83 934.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

84 934.50 Searches and seizure using a drone.—

85 (4) EXCEPTIONS.—This section does not prohibit the use of a  
86 drone:

87 (b) If the law enforcement agency first obtains a search  
88 warrant signed by a judge authorizing the use of a drone,  
89 including, but not limited to, a search warrant authorizing a  
90 law enforcement agency to search an area or areas where evidence  
91 that a crime was committed might reasonably be found.

92 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

93 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====  
94 And the title is amended as follows:

95 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
96 and insert:

97 A bill to be entitled



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99        An act relating to search warrants; amending s.  
100      933.02, F.S.; authorizing a search warrant to be  
101      issued to recover a deceased body; amending s. 933.05,  
102      F.S.; revising the time within which certain search  
103      warrants must be returned to the court; specifying the  
104      time period within which a search warrant issued for  
105      certain devices is considered timely executed;  
106      specifying that a law enforcement agency may review  
107      data or information contained in certain devices after  
108      specified periods if the devices were timely seized;  
109      providing definitions; amending s. 933.07, F.S.;  
110      providing that a judge may authorize a law enforcement  
111      officer applying for a search warrant to appear  
112      remotely; defining the term "audio-video communication  
113      technology"; creating s. 934.025, F.S.; providing that  
114      a judge may authorize a law enforcement officer  
115      applying for a search warrant or court order to appear  
116      remotely; defining the term "audio-video communication  
117      technology"; amending s. 934.50, F.S.; authorizing a  
118      law enforcement agency to obtain a search warrant to  
119      use a drone to conduct a search in certain  
120      circumstances; providing an effective date.