

By the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice;
and Senators Avila and Wright

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to security for statewide
3 constitutional office candidates; creating s. 99.122,
4 F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to
5 provide certain candidates with a protective security
6 detail for a specified time period; providing an
7 effective date.

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

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11 Section 1. Section 99.122, Florida Statutes, is created to
12 read:

13 99.122 Protective security detail for nominees and
14 officers-elect.-

15 (1) Immediately upon the adjournment of the meeting of the
16 Elections Canvassing Commission certifying the results of the
17 primary election under s. 102.111, the Department of Law
18 Enforcement must provide a protective security detail to all
19 nominees of a political party, other than the nominees of a
20 minor political party as defined in s. 97.021(20), to the
21 following offices:

22 (a) The Governor.

23 (b) The Lieutenant Governor.

24 (c) A cabinet officer.

25 (2) The protective security detail must be provided
26 immediately upon the adjournment of the meeting of the Elections
27 Canvassing Commission certifying the results of the primary
28 election under s. 102.111 until the relevant nominee concedes
29 the general election or upon adjournment of the meeting of the

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30 Elections Canvassing Commission certifying the results of the
31 general election under s. 102.111, whichever is earlier. The
32 Department of Law Enforcement must continue to provide a
33 protective security detail to the officers-elect until the
34 officers-elect assume office.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.