

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 627 (2026)

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED (Y/N)

ADOPTED AS AMENDED (Y/N)

ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION (Y/N)

FAILED TO ADOPT (Y/N)

WITHDRAWN (Y/N)

OTHER

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Criminal Justice
Subcommittee

Representative Berfield offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 18-35 and insert:
official law enforcement activity, may decline to accept or
process a public records request at such time.

(b) The determination of whether an officer is actively
engaged in the performance of an official duty under this
subsection shall be made by the officer. Upon such
determination, the officer must verbally inform the requestor
that he or she cannot accept or process the request, and must
direct the requestor to:

1. The custodian of records for the officer's employing
agency; or

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17 2. An official public records request portal, if
18 available.

19 (c) A person who, after being informed as required under
20 paragraph (b), knowingly and willfully persists in attempting to
21 compel an officer to accept or process a public records request
22 while the officer is actively engaged in the performance of an
23 official duty commits the offense of resisting an officer
24 without violence in violation of s. 843.02.

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27 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

28 Remove lines 3-6 and insert:

29 F.S.; authorizing certain law enforcement officers to
30 decline to accept or process public records requests;
31 providing requirements for such officers; providing a
32 penalty; providing an effective date.