



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Criminal Justice (Bradley) recommended the following:

1 **Senate Amendment**

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3 Delete lines 26 - 75

4 and insert:

5 (1) As used in this section, the term:

6 (a) “Affiliate” means a local law enforcement agency in
7 this state which has a current memorandum of understanding with
8 an established Internet crimes against children task force or
9 which has been designated by the department as being in good
10 standing.



11 (b) "Good standing" means a local law enforcement agency in
12 this state that receives CyberTips from one of the task forces
13 and follows Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program
14 standards in its investigation of Internet crimes against
15 children.

16 (c) "Internet crimes against children task force" means an
17 Internet crimes against children task force located in this
18 state which is recognized by the United States Department of
19 Justice.

20 (2) There is created within the department the Internet
21 Crimes Against Children Online Sting Operations Grant Program to
22 award grants to local law enforcement affiliates agencies to
23 support their work to combat online child exploitation and
24 ~~creation of sting operations~~ to target individuals online
25 preying upon children or attempting to do so.

26 (3) ~~(2)~~ The department shall annually award to local law
27 enforcement affiliates agencies any funds specifically
28 appropriated for the grant program to cover expenses related to
29 their work to combat Internet crimes against children. The funds
30 may be awarded to cover overtime pay, travel, investigative or
31 digital forensics training, hardware, or computers, electronics,
32 ~~software, and other related necessary supplies.~~ Grants must be
33 provided to local law enforcement agencies if funds are
34 appropriated for that purpose by law. The total amount of grants
35 awarded may not exceed funding appropriated for the grant
36 program.

37 (4) ~~(3)~~ The department may establish criteria and set
38 specific time periods for the acceptance of applications and for
39 the selection process for awarding grant funds.



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40 Section 2. Section 943.0421, Florida Statutes, is created
41 to read:

42 943.0421 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force
43 Funding Program.—

44 (1) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the “Florida
45 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Funding Program
46 Act.”

47 (2) LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS.—The Legislature finds that the
48 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program administered
49 by the United States Department of Justice helps state and local
50 law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to
51 technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet
52 crimes against children. This help encompasses forensic and
53 investigative components, training and technical assistance,
54 victim services, and community education. The program is a
55 national network of 61 coordinated task forces representing over
56 5,400 federal, state, and local law enforcement and
57 prosecutorial agencies. The