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deleting the provision that requires the Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor to create a maritime domain security awareness training program; amending s. 397.333, F.S.; relocating the Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council from the Executive Office of the Governor to the Department of Health; requiring the Surgeon General or his or her designee, rather than the director of the Office of Drug Control, to be a nonvoting, ex officio member of the advisory council; requiring the department to provide staff support for the advisory council; revising the state officials that are appointed to serve on the advisory council; amending s. 893.055, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; requiring the State Surgeon General to appoint a board of directors for the direct-support organization to provide assistance, funding, and promotional support for the activities authorized for the prescription drug monitoring program; requiring the State Surgeon General or his or her designee, rather than the director of the Office of Drug Control, to provide guidance to members of the board of directors; requiring the direct-support organization to operate under written contract with the Department of Health rather than the Office of Drug Control; requiring the activities of the directsupport organization to be consistent with the goals and mission of the department rather than the Office of Drug Control; requiring the direct-support

organization to obtain a written approval from the State Surgeon General or his or her designee rather than the director of the Office of Drug Control for any activities in support of the prescription drug monitoring program before undertaking the activities; prohibiting the state from permitting use of any of its administrative services, property, or facilities by a direct-support organization under certain circumstances; amending s. 943.031, F.S.; revising the membership of the Florida Violent Crime and Drug Control Council; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 1006.07(7), F.S., relating to suicide prevention education; requesting the Division of Statutory Revision of the Office of Legislative Services to prepare a reviser's bill to conform the Florida Statutes to the changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Subsections (1), (3), and (4) of section 14.2019, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

14.2019 Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention.-

- (1) The Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention shall be located in the Department of Children and Family Services is created as a unit of the Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor.
- (3) Contingent upon a specific appropriation, the director of the Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention of Drug Control

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shall employ a coordinator for the Statewide office for Suicide Prevention who shall work under the direction of the director to achieve the goals and objectives set forth in this section.

(4) The Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention may seek and accept grants or funds from any federal, state, or local source to support the operation and defray the authorized expenses of the office and the Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council. Revenues from grants shall be deposited in the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services Executive Office of the Governor. In accordance with s. 216.181(11), the Executive Office of the Governor may request changes to the approved operating budget to allow the expenditure of any additional grant funds collected pursuant to this subsection.

Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 14.20195, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14.20195 Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council; creation; membership; duties.—There is created within the Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention a Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council. The council shall develop strategies for preventing suicide.

- (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council shall consist of 27 28 voting members and one nonvoting member.
- (a) Thirteen members shall be appointed by the director of the <u>Statewide</u> Office <u>for Suicide Prevention</u> of Drug Control and shall represent the following organizations:
 - 1. The Florida Association of School Psychologists.
 - 2. The Florida Sheriffs Association.
 - 3. The Suicide Prevention Action Network USA.

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4. The Florida Initiative of Suicide Prevention.

- 5. The Florida Suicide Prevention Coalition.
- 119 6. The American Foundation of Suicide Prevention.
- 7. The Florida School Board Association.
- 121 8. The National Council for Suicide Prevention.
- 9. The state chapter of AARP.
- 123 10. The Florida Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association.
- 124 11. The Florida Council for Community Mental Health.
 - 12. The Florida Counseling Association.
- 126 13. NAMI Florida.

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- 127 (b) The following state officials or their designees shall serve on the coordinating council:
 - 1. The Secretary of Elderly Affairs.
 - 2. The State Surgeon General.
 - 3. The Commissioner of Education.
 - 4. The Secretary of Health Care Administration.
 - 5. The Secretary of Juvenile Justice.
- 6. The Secretary of Corrections.
- 7. The executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement.
- 8. The executive director of the Department of Veterans'
 Affairs.
 - 9. The Secretary of Children and Family Services.
 - 10. The director of the Agency for Workforce Innovation.
 - (c) The Governor shall appoint four additional members to the coordinating council. The appointees must have expertise that is critical to the prevention of suicide or represent an organization that is not already represented on the coordinating council.

- (d) For the members appointed by the director of the Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention of Drug Control, seven members shall be appointed to initial terms of 3 years, and seven members shall be appointed to initial terms of 4 years. For the members appointed by the Governor, two members shall be appointed to initial terms of 4 years, and two members shall be appointed to initial terms of 3 years. Thereafter, such members shall be appointed to terms of 4 years. Any vacancy on the coordinating council shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment, and any member who is appointed to fill a vacancy occurring because of death, resignation, or ineligibility for membership shall serve only for the unexpired term of the member's predecessor. A member is eligible for reappointment.
- (e) The director of the <u>Statewide</u> Office <u>for Suicide</u>

 <u>Prevention</u> of Drug Control shall be a nonvoting member of the coordinating council and shall act as chair.
- (f) Members of the coordinating council shall serve without compensation. Any member of the coordinating council who is a public employee is entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061.
- Section 3. Section 311.115, Florida Statutes, is repealed. Section 4. Subsections (1), (3), (8), (10), and (11) of section 311.12, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 311.12 Seaport security.-

- (1) SECURITY STANDARDS. -
- (a) The statewide minimum standards for seaport security applicable to seaports listed in s. 311.09 shall be those based on the Florida Seaport Security Assessment 2000 and set forth in

the Port Security Standards Compliance Plan delivered to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate on December 11, 2000. The Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor shall maintain a sufficient number of copies of the standards at its offices for distribution to the public and provide copies to each affected seaport upon request.

- (b) A seaport may implement security measures that are more stringent, more extensive, or supplemental to the minimum security standards established by this subsection.
- (c) The provisions of s. 790.251 are not superseded, preempted, or otherwise modified in any way by the provisions of this section.
- (3) SECURITY PLAN.—Each seaport listed in s. 311.09 shall adopt and maintain a security plan specific to that seaport which provides for a secure seaport infrastructure that promotes the safety and security of state residents and visitors and the flow of legitimate trade and travel.
- (a) Every 5 years after January 1, 2007, each seaport director, with the assistance of the Regional Domestic Security Task Force and in conjunction with the United States Coast Guard, shall revise the seaport's security plan based on the director's ongoing assessment of security risks, the risks of terrorist activities, and the specific and identifiable needs of the seaport for ensuring that the seaport is in substantial compliance with the minimum security standards established under subsection (1).
- (b) Each adopted or revised security plan must be reviewed and approved by the Office of Drug Control and the Department of

Law Enforcement for compliance with federal facility security assessment requirements under 33 C.F.R. s. 105.305 and the minimum security standards established under subsection (1). Within 30 days after completion, a copy of the written review shall be delivered to the United States Coast Guard, the Regional Domestic Security Task Force, and the Domestic Security Oversight Council.

- (8) WAIVER FROM SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.—The Office of Drug Control and the Department of Law Enforcement may modify or waive any physical facility requirement or other requirement contained in the minimum security standards upon a determination that the purposes of the standards have been reasonably met or exceeded by the seaport requesting the modification or waiver. An alternate means of compliance must not diminish the safety or security of the seaport and must be verified through an extensive risk analysis conducted by the seaport director.
- (a) Waiver requests shall be submitted in writing, along with supporting documentation, to the Office of Drug Control and the Department of Law Enforcement. The office and the department has have 90 days to jointly grant or reject the waiver, in whole or in part.
- (b) The seaport may submit any waivers that are not granted or are jointly rejected to the Domestic Security Oversight Council for review within 90 days. The council shall recommend that the Office of Drug Control and the Department of Law Enforcement grant the waiver or reject the waiver, in whole or in part. The office and the department shall give great weight to the council's recommendations.
 - (c) A request seeking a waiver from the seaport law

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enforcement personnel standards established under s. 311.122(3) may not be granted for percentages below 10 percent.

- (d) Any modifications or waivers granted under this subsection shall be noted in the annual report submitted by the Department of Law Enforcement pursuant to subsection (10).
- (10) REPORTS.—The Department of Law Enforcement, in consultation with the Office of Drug Control, shall annually complete a report indicating the observations and findings of all reviews, inspections, or other operations relating to the seaports conducted during the year and any recommendations resulting from such reviews, inspections, and operations. A copy of the report shall be provided to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the governing body of each seaport or seaport authority, and each seaport director. The report must include each director's response indicating what actions, if any, have been taken or are planned to be taken pursuant to the observations, findings, and recommendations reported by the department.
 - (11) FUNDING.-
- (a) In making decisions regarding security projects or other funding applicable to each seaport listed in s. 311.09, the Legislature may consider the Department of Law Enforcement's annual report under subsection (10) as authoritative, especially regarding each seaport's degree of substantial compliance with the minimum security standards established in subsection (1).
- (b) The Legislature shall regularly review the ongoing costs of operational security on seaports, the impacts of this section on those costs, mitigating factors that may reduce costs without reducing security, and the methods by which seaports may

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implement operational security using a combination of sworn law enforcement officers and private security services.

- (c) Subject to the provisions of this chapter and appropriations made for seaport security, state funds may not be expended for security costs without certification of need for such expenditures by the Office of Ports Administrator within the Department of Law Enforcement.
- (d) If funds are appropriated for seaport security, the Office of Drug Control, the Department of Law Enforcement, and the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council shall mutually determine the allocation of such funds for security project needs identified in the approved seaport security plans. Any seaport that receives state funds for security projects must enter into a joint participation agreement with the appropriate state entity and use the seaport security plan as the basis for the agreement.
- 1. If funds are made available over more than 1 fiscal year, the agreement must reflect the entire scope of the project approved in the security plan and, as practicable, allow for reimbursement for authorized projects over more than 1 year.
- 2. The agreement may include specific timeframes for completion of a security project and the applicable funding reimbursement dates. The agreement may also require a contractual penalty of up to \$1,000 per day to be imposed for failure to meet project completion dates if state funding is available. Any such penalty shall be deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund and used for seaport security operations and capital improvements.
 - Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 311.123, Florida

Statutes, is amended to read:

311.123 Maritime domain security awareness training program.—

(1) The Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council, in conjunction with the Department of Law Enforcement and the Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor, shall create a maritime domain security awareness training program to instruct all personnel employed within a seaport's boundaries about the security procedures required of them for implementation of the seaport security plan required under s. 311.12(3).

Section 6. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of subsection (1) of section 397.333, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

397.333 Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council.-

- (1) (a) The Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council shall be located in the Department of Health is created within the Executive Office of the Governor. The Surgeon General or his or her designee director of the Office of Drug Control shall be a nonvoting, ex officio member of the advisory council and shall act as chairperson. The director of the Office of Planning and Budgeting or his or her designee shall be a nonvoting, ex officio member of the advisory council. The Department of Health or it successor agency Office of Drug Control and the Office of Planning and Budgeting shall provide staff support for the advisory council.
- (b) The following state officials shall be appointed to serve on the advisory council:
 - 1. The Attorney General, or his or her designee.
 - 2. The executive director of the Department of Law

Enforcement, or his or her designee.

- 3. The Secretary of Children and Family Services, or his or her designee.
- 4. The <u>director of the Office of Planning and Budgeting in</u>
 the Executive Office of the Governor State Surgeon General, or his or her designee.
 - 5. The Secretary of Corrections, or his or her designee.
- 6. The Secretary of Juvenile Justice, or his or her designee.
 - 7. The Commissioner of Education, or his or her designee.
- 8. The executive director of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, or his or her designee.
- 9. The Adjutant General of the state as the Chief of the Department of Military Affairs, or his or her designee.
- (c) In addition, the Governor shall appoint 7 14 members of the public to serve on the advisory council. Of the 7 11 appointed members, one member must have professional or occupational expertise in drug enforcement, one member must have professional or occupational expertise in substance abuse prevention, one member must have professional or occupational expertise in substance abuse treatment, and two members must have professional or occupational expertise in faith-based substance abuse treatment services. The remainder of the members appointed should have professional or occupational expertise in, or be generally knowledgeable about, issues that relate to drug enforcement and substance abuse programs and services. The members appointed by the Governor must, to the extent possible, equitably represent all geographic areas of the state.
 - Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and subsections

(11) and (13) of section 893.055, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

893.055 Prescription drug monitoring program.-

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(b) The department, when the direct support organization receives at least \$20,000 in nonstate moneys or the state receives at least \$20,000 in federal grants for the prescription drug monitoring program, and in consultation with the Office of Drug Control, shall adopt rules as necessary concerning the reporting, accessing the database, evaluation, management, development, implementation, operation, security, and storage of information within the system, including rules for when patient advisory reports are provided to pharmacies and prescribers. The patient advisory report shall be provided in accordance with s. 893.13(7)(a)8. The department shall work with the professional health care licensure boards, such as the Board of Medicine, the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, and the Board of Pharmacy; other appropriate organizations, such as the Florida Pharmacy Association, the Office of Drug Control, the Florida Medical Association, the Florida Retail Federation, and the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association, including those relating to pain management; and the Attorney General, the Department of Law Enforcement, and the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop rules appropriate for the prescription drug monitoring program.

(11) The Office of Drug Control, in coordination with the department, may establish a direct-support organization that has a board consisting of at least five members to provide assistance, funding, and promotional support for the activities

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authorized for the prescription drug monitoring program.

- (a) As used in this subsection, the term "direct-support organization" means an organization that is:
- 1. A Florida corporation not for profit incorporated under chapter 617, exempted from filing fees, and approved by the Department of State.
- 2. Organized and operated to conduct programs and activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and bequests of money; acquire, receive, hold, and invest, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other property, either real or personal; and make expenditures or provide funding to or for the direct or indirect benefit of the department in the furtherance of the prescription drug monitoring program.
- (b) The direct-support organization is not considered a lobbying firm within the meaning of s. 11.045.
- (c) The State Surgeon General director of the Office of Drug Control shall appoint a board of directors for the direct-support organization. The State Surgeon General director may designate employees of the Office of Drug Control, state employees other than state employees from the department, and any other nonstate employees as appropriate, to serve on the board. Members of the board shall serve at the pleasure of the State Surgeon General director of the Office of Drug Control. The State Surgeon General or his or her designee director shall provide guidance to members of the board to ensure that moneys received by the direct-support organization are not received from inappropriate sources. Inappropriate sources include, but are not limited to, donors, grantors, persons, or organizations

that may monetarily or substantively benefit from the purchase of goods or services by the department in furtherance of the prescription drug monitoring program.

- (d) The direct-support organization shall operate under written contract with the <u>department</u> Office of Drug Control. The contract must, at a minimum, provide for:
- 1. Approval of the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the direct-support organization by the <u>department</u> Office of Drug Control.
- 2. Submission of an annual budget for the approval of the department Office of Drug Control.
- 3. Certification by the Office of Drug Control in consultation with the department that the direct-support organization is complying with the terms of the contract in a manner consistent with and in furtherance of the goals and purposes of the prescription drug monitoring program and in the best interests of the state. Such certification must be made annually and reported in the official minutes of a meeting of the direct-support organization.
- 4. The reversion, without penalty, to the Office of Drug Control, or to the state if the Office of Drug Control ceases to exist, of all moneys and property held in trust by the direct-support organization for the benefit of the prescription drug monitoring program if the direct-support organization ceases to exist or if the contract is terminated.
- 5. The fiscal year of the direct-support organization, which must begin July 1 of each year and end June 30 of the following year.
 - 6. The disclosure of the material provisions of the

contract to donors of gifts, contributions, or bequests, including such disclosure on all promotional and fundraising publications, and an explanation to such donors of the distinction between the <u>department</u> Office of Drug Control and the direct-support organization.

- 7. The direct-support organization's collecting, expending, and providing of funds to the department for the development, implementation, and operation of the prescription drug monitoring program as described in this section and s. 2, chapter 2009-198, Laws of Florida, as long as the task force is authorized. The direct-support organization may collect and expend funds to be used for the functions of the direct-support organization's board of directors, as necessary and approved by the department director of the Office of Drug Control. In addition, the direct-support organization may collect and provide funding to the department in furtherance of the prescription drug monitoring program by:
- a. Establishing and administering the prescription drug monitoring program's electronic database, including hardware and software.
- b. Conducting studies on the efficiency and effectiveness of the program to include feasibility studies as described in subsection (13).
- c. Providing funds for future enhancements of the program within the intent of this section.
- d. Providing user training of the prescription drug monitoring program, including distribution of materials to promote public awareness and education and conducting workshops or other meetings, for health care practitioners, pharmacists,

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and others as appropriate.

- e. Providing funds for travel expenses.
- f. Providing funds for administrative costs, including personnel, audits, facilities, and equipment.
- g. Fulfilling all other requirements necessary to implement and operate the program as outlined in this section.
- (e) The activities of the direct-support organization must be consistent with the goals and mission of the Office of Drug Control, as determined by the office in consultation with the department, and in the best interests of the state. The direct-support organization must obtain a written approval from the State Surgeon General or his or her designee director of the Office of Drug Control for any activities in support of the prescription drug monitoring program before undertaking those activities.
- (f) The Office of Drug Control, in consultation with the department, may permit, without charge, appropriate use of administrative services, property, and facilities of the Office of Drug Control and the department by the direct-support organization, subject to this section. The use must be directly in keeping with the approved purposes of the direct-support organization and may not be made at times or places that would unreasonably interfere with opportunities for the public to use such facilities for established purposes. Any moneys received from rentals of facilities and properties managed by the Office of Drug Control and the department may be held by the department Office of Drug Control or in a separate depository account in the name of the direct-support organization and subject to the provisions of the letter of agreement with the department Office

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of Drug Control. The letter of agreement must provide that any funds held in the separate depository account in the name of the direct-support organization must revert to the <u>department Office</u> of Drug Control if the direct-support organization is no longer approved by the <u>department Office of Drug Control</u> to operate in the best interests of the state.

- (g) The Office of Drug Control, in consultation with the department, may adopt rules under s. 120.54 to govern the use of administrative services, property, or facilities of the department or office by the direct-support organization.
- (h) The <u>state</u> Office of Drug Control may not permit the use of any <u>of its</u> administrative services, property, or facilities of the state by a direct-support organization if that organization does not provide equal membership and employment opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, religion, gender, age, or national origin.
- (i) The direct-support organization shall provide for an independent annual financial audit in accordance with s.

 215.981. Copies of the audit shall be provided to the <u>department</u>

 Office of Drug Control and the Office of Policy and Budget in the Executive Office of the Governor.
- (j) The direct-support organization may not exercise any power under s. 617.0302(12) or (16).
- (13) To the extent that funding is provided for such purpose through federal or private grants or gifts and other types of available moneys, the department, in collaboration with the Office of Drug Control, shall study the feasibility of enhancing the prescription drug monitoring program for the purposes of public health initiatives and statistical reporting

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that respects the privacy of the patient, the prescriber, and the dispenser. Such a study shall be conducted in order to further improve the quality of health care services and safety by improving the prescribing and dispensing practices for prescription drugs, taking advantage of advances in technology, reducing duplicative prescriptions and the overprescribing of prescription drugs, and reducing drug abuse. The requirements of the National All Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting (NASPER) Act are authorized in order to apply for federal NASPER funding. In addition, the direct-support organization shall provide funding for the department, in collaboration with the Office of Drug Control, to conduct training for health care practitioners and other appropriate persons in using the monitoring program to support the program enhancements.

Section 8. Subsections (2) and (5) of section 943.031, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

943.031 Florida Violent Crime and Drug Control Council.-

- (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The council shall consist of 14 members, as follows:
 - (a) The Attorney General or a designate.
- (b) A designate of the executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement.
- (c) The secretary of the Department of Corrections or a designate.
 - (d) The Secretary of Juvenile Justice or a designate.
 - (e) The Commissioner of Education or a designate.
- (f) The president of the Florida Network of Victim/Witness Services, Inc., or a designate.
 - (g) The policy coordinator in the Public Safety Unit of the

Governor's Office of Planning and Budgeting director of the Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Covernor, or a designate.

- (h) The Chief Financial Officer, or a designate.
- (i) Six members appointed by the Governor, consisting of two sheriffs, two chiefs of police, one medical examiner, and one state attorney or their designates.

The Governor, when making appointments under this subsection, must take into consideration representation by geography, population, ethnicity, and other relevant factors to ensure that the membership of the council is representative of the state at large. Designates appearing on behalf of a council member who is unable to attend a meeting of the council are empowered to vote on issues before the council to the same extent the designating council member is so empowered.

(5) DUTIES OF COUNCIL.—The council shall provide advice and make recommendations, as necessary, to the executive director of the department.

 (a) The council may advise the executive director on the feasibility of undertaking initiatives which include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Establishing a program that which provides grants to criminal justice agencies that develop and implement effective violent crime prevention and investigative programs and which provides grants to law enforcement agencies for the purpose of drug control, criminal gang, and illicit money laundering investigative efforts or task force efforts that are determined by the council to significantly contribute to achieving the

state's goal of reducing drug-related crime as articulated by the Office of Drug Control, that represent significant criminal gang investigative efforts, that represent a significant illicit money laundering investigative effort, or that otherwise significantly support statewide strategies developed by the Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council established under s. 397.333, subject to the limitations provided in this section. The grant program may include an innovations grant program to provide startup funding for new initiatives by local and state law enforcement agencies to combat violent crime or to implement drug control, criminal gang, or illicit money laundering investigative efforts or task force efforts by law enforcement agencies, including, but not limited to, initiatives such as:

- a. Providing enhanced community-oriented policing.
- b. Providing additional undercover officers and other investigative officers to assist with violent crime investigations in emergency situations.
- c. Providing funding for multiagency or statewide drug control, criminal gang, or illicit money laundering investigative efforts or task force efforts that cannot be reasonably funded completely by alternative sources and that significantly contribute to achieving the state's goal of reducing drug-related crime as articulated by the Office of Drug Control, that represent significant criminal gang investigative efforts, that represent a significant illicit money laundering investigative effort, or that otherwise significantly support statewide strategies developed by the Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council established under s. 397.333.
 - 2. Expanding the use of automated fingerprint

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identification systems at the state and local level.

- 3. Identifying methods to prevent violent crime.
- 4. Identifying methods to enhance multiagency or statewide drug control, criminal gang, or illicit money laundering investigative efforts or task force efforts that significantly contribute to achieving the state's goal of reducing drug-related crime as articulated by the Office of Drug Control, that represent significant criminal gang investigative efforts, that represent a significant illicit money laundering investigative effort, or that otherwise significantly support statewide strategies developed by the Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council established under s. 397.333.
- 5. Enhancing criminal justice training programs that which address violent crime, drug control, illicit money laundering investigative techniques, or efforts to control and eliminate criminal gangs.
- 6. Developing and promoting crime prevention services and educational programs that serve the public, including, but not limited to:
- a. Enhanced victim and witness counseling services that also provide crisis intervention, information referral, transportation, and emergency financial assistance.
- b. A well-publicized rewards program for the apprehension and conviction of criminals who perpetrate violent crimes.
- 7. Enhancing information sharing and assistance in the criminal justice community by expanding the use of community partnerships and community policing programs. Such expansion may include the use of civilian employees or volunteers to relieve law enforcement officers of clerical work in order to enable the

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officers to concentrate on street visibility within the community.

- (b) The full council shall:
- 1. Receive periodic reports from regional violent crime investigation and statewide drug control strategy implementation coordinating teams which relate to violent crime trends or the investigative needs or successes in the regions, including discussions regarding the activity of significant criminal gangs in the region, factors, and trends relevant to the implementation of the statewide drug strategy, and the results of drug control and illicit money laundering investigative efforts funded in part by the council.
- 2. Maintain and use criteria for the disbursement of funds from the Violent Crime Investigative Emergency and Drug Control Strategy Implementation Account or any other account from which the council may disburse proactive investigative funds as may be established within the Department of Law Enforcement Operating Trust Fund or other appropriations provided to the Department of Law Enforcement by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act. The criteria shall allow for the advancement of funds to reimburse agencies regarding violent crime investigations as approved by the full council and the advancement of funds to implement proactive drug control strategies or significant criminal gang investigative efforts as authorized by the Drug Control Strategy and Criminal Gang Committee or the Victim and Witness Protection Review Committee. Regarding violent crime investigation reimbursement, an expedited approval procedure shall be established for rapid disbursement of funds in violent crime emergency situations.

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- (c) As used in this section, "significant criminal gang investigative efforts" eligible for proactive funding must involve at a minimum an effort against a known criminal gang that:
 - 1. Involves multiple law enforcement agencies.
- 2. Reflects a dedicated significant investigative effort on the part of each participating agency in personnel, time devoted to the investigation, and agency resources dedicated to the effort.
- 3. Reflects a dedicated commitment by a prosecuting authority to ensure that cases developed by the investigation will be timely and effectively prosecuted.
- 4. Demonstrates a strategy and commitment to dismantling the criminal gang via seizures of assets, significant money laundering and organized crime investigations and prosecutions, or similar efforts.

The council may require satisfaction of additional elements, to include reporting criminal investigative and criminal intelligence information related to criminal gang activity and members in a manner required by the department, as a prerequisite for receiving proactive criminal gang funding.

Section 9. <u>Subsection (7) of section 1006.07</u>, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 10. In accordance with s. 11.242, Florida Statutes, the Division of Statutory Revision of the Office of Legislative Services is requested to prepare a reviser's bill for consideration by the 2012 Regular Session of the Legislature to conform the Florida Statutes to the changes made by this act.

697 Section 11. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.