

26 | in which state prisoners are housed, worked, or kept within the
 27 | state, with reference to its physical conditions, cleanliness,
 28 | sanitation, safety, and comfort; the quality and supply of all
 29 | bedding; the quality, quantity, and diversity of food served and
 30 | the manner in which it is served; the number and condition of
 31 | the prisoners confined therein; and the general conditions of
 32 | each institution. The office of inspector general shall see that
 33 | all the rules and regulations issued by the department are
 34 | strictly observed and followed by all persons connected with the
 35 | correctional systems of the state.

36 | (2) The office of the inspector general shall coordinate
 37 | and supervise the work of inspectors throughout the state. The
 38 | inspector general and inspectors may enter any place where
 39 | prisoners in this state are kept and shall be immediately
 40 | admitted to such place as they desire and may consult and confer
 41 | with any prisoner privately and without molestation.

42 | (3) The inspector general and inspectors shall be
 43 | responsible for ~~criminal and~~ administrative investigation of
 44 | matters relating to the Department of Corrections. Any criminal
 45 | investigation concerning conduct that occurs on property owned
 46 | or leased by the department or involves matters over which the
 47 | department has jurisdiction shall be conducted by the Department
 48 | of Law Enforcement. ~~The secretary may designate persons within~~
 49 | ~~the office of the inspector general as law enforcement officers~~
 50 | ~~to conduct any criminal investigation that occurs on property~~

51 ~~owned or leased by the department or involves matters over which~~
52 ~~the department has jurisdiction. A person designated as a law~~
53 ~~enforcement officer must be certified pursuant to s. 943.1395~~
54 ~~and must have a minimum of 3 years' experience as an inspector~~
55 ~~in the inspector general's office or as a law enforcement~~
56 ~~officer.~~ The department shall maintain a memorandum of
57 understanding with the Department of Law Enforcement for the
58 notification and investigation of mutually agreed-upon predicate
59 events consistent with this subsection that shall include, but
60 are not limited to, suspicious deaths and organized criminal
61 activity.

62 (4) During investigations, the inspector general and
63 inspectors may consult and confer with any prisoner or staff
64 member privately and without molestation ~~and persons designated~~
65 ~~as law enforcement officers under this section shall have the~~
66 ~~authority to arrest, with or without a warrant, any prisoner of~~
67 ~~or visitor to a state correctional institution for a violation~~
68 ~~of the criminal laws of the state involving an offense~~
69 ~~classified as a felony that occurs on property owned or leased~~
70 ~~by the department and may arrest offenders who have escaped or~~
71 ~~absconded from custody. Persons designated as law enforcement~~
72 ~~officers have the authority to arrest with or without a warrant~~
73 ~~a staff member of the department, including any contract~~
74 ~~employee, for a violation of the criminal laws of the state~~
75 ~~involving an offense classified as a felony under this chapter~~

76 | ~~or chapter 893 on property owned or leased by the department. A~~
 77 | ~~person designated as a law enforcement officer under this~~
 78 | ~~section may make arrests of persons against whom arrest warrants~~
 79 | ~~have been issued, including arrests of offenders who have~~
 80 | ~~escaped or absconded from custody. The arrested person shall be~~
 81 | ~~surrendered without delay to the sheriff of the county in which~~
 82 | ~~the arrest is made, with a formal complaint subsequently made~~
 83 | ~~against her or him in accordance with law.~~

84 | Section 2. All powers, duties, functions, records,
 85 | offices, personnel, associated administrative support positions,
 86 | property, investigations, existing contracts, administrative
 87 | authority, and administrative rules and unexpended balances of
 88 | appropriations, allocations, and other funds relating to the
 89 | Bureau of State Investigations/Law Enforcement of the office of
 90 | inspector general of the Department of Corrections which relate
 91 | to investigation and enforcement of criminal laws, including all
 92 | bureau personnel designated as law enforcement officers under s.
 93 | 944.31, Florida Statutes, are transferred meet by a type two
 94 | transfer, as defined in s. 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, to the
 95 | Department of Law Enforcement.

96 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.