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 2 An act relating to the Florida State Guard; creating  
 3 s. 251.002, F.S.; requiring each applicant for the  
 4 Florida State Guard to submit a complete set of  
 5 fingerprints to the Division of the State Guard or to  
 6 a certain vendor, entity, or agency; requiring  
 7 fingerprints to be forwarded to the Department of Law  
 8 Enforcement for state processing and to the Federal  
 9 Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal  
 10 history record check; requiring the Department of  
 11 Military Affairs, and authorizing the division, to  
 12 review certain results and make a specified  
 13 determination; requiring the division to bear the fees  
 14 for state and federal fingerprint processing and  
 15 retention; specifying the state cost for fingerprint  
 16 processing; requiring retention of fingerprints by the  
 17 Department of Law Enforcement and enrollment of the  
 18 fingerprints in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's  
 19 national retained print arrest notification program;  
 20 requiring an identified arrest record to be reported  
 21 to the division; providing an effective date.

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

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 25 Section 1. Section 251.002, Florida Statutes, is created

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26 | to read:

27 | 251.002 Florida State Guard applicants; criminal history  
 28 | record checks.—

29 | (1) Each applicant for the Florida State Guard must submit  
 30 | a complete set of fingerprints to the Division of the State  
 31 | Guard or to the vendor, entity, or agency authorized by s.  
 32 | 943.053(13) to accept electronic fingerprints. The division,  
 33 | vendor, entity, or agency, as applicable, shall forward the  
 34 | fingerprints to the Department of Law Enforcement for state  
 35 | processing, and the Department of Law Enforcement shall forward  
 36 | the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a  
 37 | national criminal history record check.

38 | (2) The Department of Military Affairs shall, and the  
 39 | Division of the State Guard may, review the results of the state  
 40 | and national criminal history record checks and determine  
 41 | whether the applicant meets the specified qualifications to  
 42 | serve in the Florida State Guard.

43 | (3) Fees for state and federal fingerprint processing and  
 44 | retention must be borne by the Division of the State Guard. The  
 45 | state cost for fingerprint processing must be as provided in s.  
 46 | 943.053(3)(e).

47 | (4) Fingerprints submitted to the Department of Law  
 48 | Enforcement pursuant to this section must be retained by the  
 49 | Department of Law Enforcement as provided in s. 943.05(2)(g) and  
 50 | (h) along with enrollment of the fingerprints in the Federal

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51 Bureau of Investigation's national retained print arrest  
52 notification program. Any arrest record identified must be  
53 reported to the Division of the State Guard.

54       Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.