



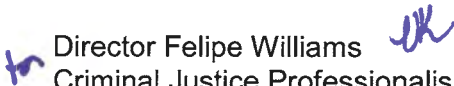
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM 2023-08

TO: Criminal Justice Agency Administrators

FROM:  Director Felipe Williams
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SUBJECT: House Bill 1285 Relating to the Florida State Guard

The Florida Legislature passed House Bill 1285 relating to the Florida State Guard. The bill creates s. 251.001(6), F.S., to establish a specialized unit within the Florida State Guard that will have the authority to bear arms, detect, and apprehend while activated. The members of the unit must meet the requirements in s. 943.13 and be full-time law enforcement officers. While activated, the members of the unit are authorized to have the same law enforcement authority as the law enforcement agency in conjunction with which they are working while activated. The members of the unit will continue to maintain their law enforcement certification through their full-time employing agency. Governor DeSantis signed SB 7064 on May 26, 2023 and the act is effective on July 1, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding this technical memorandum, please contact Training and Research Manager Terry Baker at terrybaker@fdle.state.fl.us or at (850) 410-8688.

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