

Unified Police Service in the State of Florida

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This study proposes that the total law enforcement effort within the state of Florida be combined into one large multifaceted agency having statewide powers, and under the direction of a supervisor at the cabinet level. The study is divided into theory for discussion purposes, and into statistical and numerical groupings for data support. It is important to explore the concept of a combined law enforcement effort in this state for several reasons. The increasing burden of law enforcement on taxpayers could be significantly altered by the application of this theory. Additionally, replication of work responsibilities could be eliminated; there would be a clearer and more concise viewpoint of management philosophy. Employees should enjoy this theory as it would allow them diversity of assignment; for many, it would mean a pay raise which might otherwise be unattainable.