

State Law Enforcement Officers, Correctional Officers and Correctional Probation Officers Joint Resolution

We, the undersigned Chapter Presidents of the Florida Police Benevolent Association, represent approximately 23,000 men and women in State Law Enforcement, Corrections and Probation throughout Florida who will be gravely impacted by the proposed layoffs and/or pay cuts.

Although we understand the current economic situation facing our state and country, public safety needs to be the number one priority of our state leaders. The proposed pay cuts and/or layoffs of law enforcement personnel is a recipe for disaster. Our agencies will not be able to protect our most vulnerable citizens, namely our children and the elderly.

Our state is undergoing serious challenges regarding crimes of fraud and violence which include but are not limited to domestic terrorism, identity theft, mortgage fraud, Medicaid fraud, foreclosure arsons, resource protection, border security, highway and transportation safety, operating correctional institutions, supervising sexual predators and offenders, violent inmate releases, community control cases (house arrestees), human trafficking, narcotics trafficking, cyber crimes, gang violence, public corruption, home invasion robberies and burglaries, crimes against children, serial murders and rapes. Whether it is dealing with the unruly inmate in the state prison or the sex offender on the street, Florida's State Law Enforcement/Correctional Officers give their all to protect the public and you. Our State Law Enforcement Officers' resources are constantly drained as with the current flooding of the Suwannee River and dealing with other natural disasters such as hurricanes and wild fires.

Although we are state employees, as state law enforcement officers and corrections officers, we are sworn to uphold the law and are entrusted to take one's freedom or life. Florida's State Law Enforcement Officers, Corrections Officers and Correctional Probation Officers risk their lives on a daily basis to protect you and your families and the citizens of Florida.

We now call on you to stand behind us and protect us by supporting law enforcement and making the security of our state your number one priority by not cutting our pay or positions. The protection and welfare of our citizens are in your hands.



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