

Subject State official protective services

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Overview

This bill modifies and expands requirements for security and protective services provided by Capitol Security, and makes an associated appropriation. It is generally effective the day after enactment.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Members, powers, and duties. Removes a requirement of consultation with the governor prior to security and protection for the legislature. Makes conforming and technical changes.
2	[Adds § 299E.05] Definitions. Defines terms for the chapter of state statutes governing Capitol complex security.
3	Created; director. Revises the statutory name for the Capitol Security section within the State Patrol, to align the statute with the current Department of Public Safety organizational structure.
4	Responsibilities. Broadens the responsibilities of Capitol Security to include security and protection of legislators, supreme court justices, and state constitutional officers. Requires staffing for a protective services unit being created in the bill.
5	Powers and duties transferred. Makes technical changes.
6	Capitol complex. Makes technical changes.

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7	<p>Report.</p> <p>Requires an annual report on Capitol Security to the legislature. Specifies report contents.</p>
8	<p>[Adds § 299E.10] Protective services.</p> <p>Establishes a protective services unit, sets out its duties, and provides for agreements with local law enforcement.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Protective services unit. Establishes the unit within Capitol Security.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Staffing. Sets staffing requirements, including management and staffing by peace officers in the State Patrol, and up to two non-sworn personnel.</p> <p>Subd. 3. Duties. Specifies duties for the unit, including to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ provide immediate security to individual legislators, supreme court justices, and state constitutional officers, in response to identified threats;▪ provide security and protection for legislative proceedings or to individual legislators upon request of House or Senate leadership;▪ assess potential threats to legislators, supreme court justices, and state constitutional officers; and▪ coordinate with House and Senate sergeants-at-arms on legislative security matters. <p>Subd. 4. Agreement with local law enforcement; reimbursement. Authorizes agreements with local law enforcement agencies on security and protection activities and provides for cost reimbursement.</p>
9	<p>Implementation; protective services unit.</p> <p>Sets out a timeline for creation and hiring for the protective services unit. Requires quarterly legislative updates for the first year.</p>
10	<p>Appropriation; protective services unit.</p> <p>Appropriates \$3.98 million from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety in fiscal year 2027 for the protective services unit. Sets a \$3.25 million annual base for the unit.</p>



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