Week 3 of the 2017 Legislative Session was FOP Day On Hill. Over 70 law enforcement officers from around the state gathered at the Capitol to lobby their local legislators on Criminal Justice Legislation. They held a press conference with Senator George Gainer (bill sponsor) to support his legislation dealing with protestors blocking road ways and interstates. Representative Jayer Williamson is the sponsor of the House companion
bill (HB 1419) and was also responsible for working with Representative Jamie Grant to help save the FOP Specialty License Plate, by filing and passing an amendment that exempts the FOP from the general requirements of specialty plate sales (HB 1375). Our plate is limited to who can purchase it, so we do not have the pool of 8 million potential buyers that other plates have. A quick email of thanks to them will encourage their continued work for leos around the state.

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The FOP Team worked on the following legislation.

**HB 39 by Jenne / SB 154 by Thurston** - Autism Awareness Training For LEOs

Autism Awareness Training for Law Enforcement Officers: Requires FDLE to establish continued employment training component relating to autism spectrum disorder; specifies instruction to be included in training component; provides that completion of training may count toward continued employment instruction requirements. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

This legislation is on the calendar in the House and ready for a vote for passage. The Senate bill has one last committee stop and will be ready for a floor vote.

**HB 1419 by Williamson / SB 1096 by Gainer** - Protestors

Obstruction of Traffic during a Protest or Demonstration: Prohibits person from obstructing/interfering with traffic during certain protest/demonstration; provides penalties; exempts motor vehicle operator from liability for injury/death to such person under certain circumstances; specifies burden of proof. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

**HB 107 by Cortes, B./ SB 844 by Simmons** - Memorial and Tombs

Criminal Offenses Involving Tombs and Memorials: Prohibits excavation, exposition, movement, removal, or other disturbance of contents of tomb or memorial; provides exceptions to prohibition against disturbance of contents of tomb or memorial for cemeteries exempted from certain regulation. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

**HB 111 by Stafford and McGhee/ SB 550 by Bracy** - Public Records Exemption for Witness of Murder

Public Records Pub. Rec./Identity of Witness to a Murder: Provides that personal identifying information of witness to murder remains confidential & exempt for specified period;
authorizes specified entities & parties to receive information; provides for future legislative review & repeal of exemption. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

**HB 305 by Harrison / SB 624 by Steube** - Body Camera Legislation
Law Enforcement Body Cameras: Requires law enforcement agencies to establish policies & procedures authorizing officer’s review of camera footage of incident before writing report or providing statement; provides exception. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

Opposed Legislation:

**HB 353 by Fischer / SB 428 by Brandes** - Local pension plan participation in FRS.
Local Government Participation in Florida Retirement System: Provides that employees of governing body of municipality, metropolitan planning organization, or special district that applies to participate in FRS on or after certain date may enroll only in defined contribution program; authorizes enrollment in pension plan for employees of governing bodies that have elected or applied to participate in FRS before certain date; provides for retroactive application. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

**HB 603 by Fischer / SB 632 by Brandes** - Publicly funded defined benefit retirement plans.
Publicly Funded Defined Benefit Retirement Plans: Defines term "long-range return rate"; revises requirements for actuarial reports submitted by retirement plan or system subject to part VII of ch. 112, F.S., to conform; prohibits actuarial assumed rate of return of plan or system from exceeding long-range return rate, as of specified date; specifies length of time that long-range return rate is in effect; specifies method of reducing actuarial assumed rate of return under certain conditions; provides reporting requirements for plan or system with an actuarial assumed rate of return in excess of long-range return rate; provides declaration of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

**Next Weeks Expected Legislation.**

**H Insurance & Banking Subcommittee 404 H 12:30PM-3:30PM**

**HB 0361 Bail Bonds Santiago**

Bail Bonds: Revises legislative intent; revises commitments & obligations of bail bond agent; revises circumstances ensured by surety bond & that constitute breach by agent; requires anyone charging fee to post bail bond must be licensed; revises circumstances for which surety bond must be forfeited; revises circumstances requiring discharging forfeiture; clarifies amount of forfeiture to be remitted; specifies certain provisions concerning cancellation of bond do not apply if bond forfeited within specified period; provides original appearance bond does not guarantee placement in court-ordered program. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

**H Justice Appropriations Subcommittee 17 H 12:30PM-3:30PM**

**HB 0457 Terrorism and Terrorist Activities Gonzalez**

Terrorism and Terrorist Activities: Provides that violation of specified provisions with certain intent is crime of terrorism; prohibits person from using military-type training from designated foreign terrorist organizations; prohibits providing material support or resources to or engaging in other specified actions in connection with designated foreign terrorist organizations; provides
penalties for person who willfully becomes member of designated foreign terrorist organization & serves with intent to further illegal acts; provides penalties for intentionally disseminating or spreading contagious, communicable, or infectious disease among crops, poultry, livestock, or other animals; reenacts provisions. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

HB 0575 Threats to Kill or Do Bodily Injury Plasencia

Threats to Kill or Do Bodily Injury: Prohibits person from making threat to kill or do bodily injury in writing or other record & posting or transmitting threat in specified manner; removes requirements that threat be sent to specific recipient to be prohibited. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

HB 0643 Eyewitness Identification Harrell

Eyewitness Identification: Requires law enforcement agencies that conduct lineups to follow specified procedures; requires eyewitnesses to sign acknowledgment that they have received instructions about lineup procedures; requires lineup administrators to document refusal of eyewitness to acknowledge receipt; specifies remedies for failing to adhere to procedures; requires Criminal Justice Standards & Training Commission to create educational materials & provide training. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

S Criminal Justice 37 S 1:30PM-3:30PM

SB 0260 Threats to Kill or Do Bodily Injury Steube

Threats to Kill or Do Bodily Injury: Prohibiting a person from making a threat to kill or do bodily injury in a writing or other record and transmitting that threat in any manner; deleting requirements that a threat be sent to a specific recipient to be prohibited, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

SB 1102 Criminal Offenses Rouson

Criminal Offenses; Revising threshold amounts for failure to remit taxes offenses, retail theft, dealing in stolen property by use of the Internet offenses, stopping payment offenses, offenses involving giving worthless checks, drafts, and debit card orders, and offenses involving payments to the Department of Revenue, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

SB 1670 Juvenile Justice Latvala (J)

Juvenile Justice; Revising requirements for placement of a child in detention care; providing that a child who is designated a prolific juvenile offender does not require a risk assessment to be placed in detention care; providing that a child meeting specified criteria shall be placed in secure detention care until the child’s detention hearing, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2017

S Banking and Insurance 110 S 4:00PM-6:00PM

SB 0530 Health Insurance Steube

Health Insurance; Requiring a utilization review entity or health insurer to make current prior authorization requirements, restrictions, and forms accessible in a specified manner; specifying requirements for a utilization review entity or health insurer that implements a new prior authorization requirement or that amends an existing requirement or restriction; requiring a plan to
publish on the plan’s website and provide to an insured a written procedure for requesting a protocol exception, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

S Governmental Oversight and Accountability 401 S 4:00PM-6:00PM

SB 0168 Career Development for Officers and Firefighters Latvala (J)

Career Development for Officers and Firefighters; Requiring state agencies to establish a career development plan for certain purposes; specifying circumstances under which salary increases must be awarded to officers and firefighters; prescribing duties to state agencies with respect to plan implementation, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

SB 0450 Public Records Brandes

Public Records; Requiring that a civil citation, documentation of a prearrest diversion program, and any other reports or documents concerning a civil citation or a prearrest diversion program which are held by a law enforcement agency, a public or private educational institution, or a program service provider are exempt from public record requirements; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: On the same date that SB 448 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law

SB 0550 Public Records/Murder Witness Bracy

Public Records/Murder Witness; Providing that the personal identifying information of a witness to a murder remains confidential and exempt for a specified period; providing an exemption from public records requirements for criminal intelligence or criminal investigative information that reveals the personal identifying information of a witness to a murder for a specified period; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

S Health Policy 412 K 4:00PM-6:00PM

SB 0588 Drug Overdoses Passidomo

Drug Overdoses; Requiring certain persons to report controlled substance overdoses; providing for a reporting agency in each county; providing immunity for persons who make such reports in good faith; requiring sharing of data with specified entities; prohibiting failure to make such reports, whether by omission or willfully, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2017

Tuesday Mar 28, 2017

H Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee 102 H 8:00AM-11:00AM

HB 0547 Noncriminal Traffic Infractions Grant (M)

Noncriminal Traffic Infractions: Requires specified reduction for civil penalty under certain circumstances; deletes requirement that specified percentage of civil penalty be deposited in State Courts Revenue Trust Fund; requires person to pay clerk of court specified percentage previously deducted under certain circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2017
H Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee 17 H  12:00PM-3:00PM

HB 0711 Vessel Registrations Magar

Vessel Registrations: Revises reduction of vessel registration fees for recreational vessels equipped with certain position indicating & locating beacons; deletes registration date limitation; deletes expiration date. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

H Criminal Justice Subcommittee  404 H  12:00PM-3:00PM

HB 0893 Correctional Privatization Richardson

Correctional Privatization: Transfers duties of DMS concerning private correctional facilities to DOC. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 0393 Compensation of Victims of Wrongful Incarceration DuBose

Compensation of Victims of Wrongful Incarceration: Revises circumstances under which person is disqualified from receiving compensation under Victims of Wrongful Incarceration Compensation Act; provides applicability; reenacts provisions. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

HB 0641 Criminal Justice Shaw

Criminal Justice: Requires that court sentence defendant convicted of primary offense of possession of controlled substance committed on or after specified date to nonstate prison sanction; authorizes defendant to move sentencing court to depart from mandatory minimum prison sentence & mandatory fine; creates Sentencing Commission within Supreme Court; revises circumstances under which an offender may be sentenced to nonstate prison sanction; authorizes nonstate prison sanction under prison diversion program for certain offenders who commit nonviolent felony of second degree on or after specified date; revises mitigating circumstances; requires sentencing court to place certain defendants who commit an offense on or after specified date into drug offender program. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

HB 0677 Justifiable Use of Force Byrd

Justifiable Use of Force: Specifies person who is attacked or threatened with use of force in dwelling, residence, or vehicle in which person has right to be has no duty to retreat & has right to stand his or her ground by using or threatening to use force upon reasonable belief of necessity to prevent imminent death, great bodily harm, or forcible felony; removes provisions relating to using or threatening to use force. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 1091 Arrest Warrants for State Prisoners Plakon

Arrest Warrants for State Prisoners: Authorizes prisoner in state prison who has an unserved violation of probation or an unserved violation of community control warrant to file notice of such unserved warrant in circuit court where warrant was issued; requires prisoner to serve notice on state attorney; requires state attorney to schedule status hearing within certain time; specifies procedures; provides for prosecution of violation. Effective Date: July 1, 2017
HB 6013  Breach of the Peace  Byrd

Breach of the Peace: Removes provisions providing criminal penalties for certain conduct constitution breach of peace; conforms provisions. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

S Ethics and Elections 412 K  3:00PM-5:00PM

SB 0134  Selection and Duties of County Officers/Sheriff  Artiles

Selection and Duties of County Officers/Sheriff: Proposing amendments to the State Constitution to remove authority for a county charter to provide for choosing certain county officers in a manner other than election, prohibit a special law to provide for choosing a sheriff in a manner other than election, authorize the abolition of any county office if its duties are transferred to another office by special law approved by county voters, and remove authority for a county charter to transfer certain duties of the clerk of the circuit court to another officer, etc.

S Judiciary 110 S  3:00PM-5:00PM

SB 0646  Weapons And Firearms  Steube

Weapons And Firearms: Providing that a person licensed to carry a concealed weapon or firearm who is lawfully carrying a firearm does not violate certain provisions if the firearm is temporarily and openly displayed; authorizing each member of the Florida Cabinet to carry a concealed weapon or firearm if he or she is licensed to carry a concealed weapon or firearm and does not have full-time security provided by the Department of Law Enforcement, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

H Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee 404 H  3:30PM-6:30PM

HB 0645  Involuntary Examinations Under the Baker Act  Lee Jr. (L)

Involuntary Examinations Under the Baker Act: Authorizes physician assistants & advanced registered nurse practitioners to execute certificate under certain conditions. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

H Oversight, Transparency & Administration Subcommittee 17 H  3:30PM-6:30PM

HB 0603  Publicly Funded Defined Benefit Retirement Plans  Fischer

Publicly Funded Defined Benefit Retirement Plans: Defines term "long-range return rate"; revises requirements for actuarial reports submitted by retirement plan or system subject to part VII of ch. 112, F.S., to conform; prohibits actuarial assumed rate of return of plan or system from exceeding long-range return rate, as of specified date; specifies length of time that long-range return rate is in effect; specifies method of reducing actuarial assumed rate of return under certain conditions; provides reporting requirements for plan or system with an actuarial assumed rate of return in excess of long-range return rate; provides declaration of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 1135  West Palm Beach Police Pension Fund of the City of West Pal...  Willhite
West Palm Beach Police Pension Fund of the City of West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County: Revises provisions of the West Palm Beach Police Pension Fund. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

HB 1417 Pub. Rec./Identifying Information of Human Trafficking Victims Spano

Pub. Rec./Identifying Information of Human Trafficking Victims: Provides for closed hearings in certain civil actions by victims of human trafficking in certain circumstances; provides for redaction & sealing of information identifying victims of human trafficking; provides exemption from public records requirements for such sealed & redacted information; provides statement of public necessity. Effective Date: on the same date that s. 787.061, Florida Statutes, as created by CS/HB 1165 or similar legislation takes effect

Wednesday Mar 29, 2017

S Rules 110 S 1:00PM-3:00PM

SB 0312 Eyewitness Identification Baxley

Eyewitness Identification; Citing this act as the “Eyewitness Identification Reform Act”; requiring state, county, municipal, or other law enforcement agencies that conduct lineups to follow specified procedures; requiring the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission to create educational materials and provide training programs on how to conduct lineups, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2017

SB 1052 Justifiable Use of Force Simmons

Justifiable Use of Force; Specifying that a person who is attacked or threatened with the use of force in a dwelling, residence, or vehicle in which the person has the right to be has no duty to retreat and has the right to stand his or her ground by using or threatening to use force upon a reasonable belief of necessity to prevent imminent death, great bodily harm, or a forcible felony, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

SB 0416 Use of Animals in Proceedings Involving Minors Montford

Use of Animals in Proceedings Involving Minors; Provides that judges may allow use of certain service animals, therapy animals, or facility dogs in proceedings involving abuse, abandonment, or neglect; allows such animals to be used when taking testimony of person who has an intellectual disability. Effective Date: 7/1/2017

H SESSION 2:30PM-N/A

Special Orders

HB 0039 Autism Awareness Training for Law Enforcement Officers Jenne

Autism Awareness Training for Law Enforcement Officers: Requires FDLE to establish continued employment training component relating to autism spectrum disorder; specifies instruction to be included in training component; provides that completion of training may count toward continued employment instruction requirements. Effective Date: October 1, 2017

HB 0111 Pub. Rec./Identity of Witness to a Murder Stafford
Pub. Rec./Identity of Witness to a Murder: Provides that personal identifying information of witness to murder remains confidential & exempt for specified period; authorizes specified entities & parties to receive information; provides for future legislative review & repeal of exemption. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 0305 Law Enforcement Body Cameras Harrison

Law Enforcement Body Cameras: Requires law enforcement agencies to establish policies & procedures authorizing officer's review of camera footage of incident before writing report or providing statement; provides exception. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 7021 Local Government Ethics Reform Public Integrity & Ethics Committee

Local Government Ethics Reform: Provides that contractual relationships held by business entities are deemed held by public officers or employees in certain situations; provides ethics training requirements; prohibits certain governing board members from voting in official capacity on specified matters; requires certain members of municipality governing body to file disclosure; provides for future repeal of provisions relating to local government authority to enact rule or ordinance requiring lobbyists to register with local government; provides for future repeal of provisions relating to registration & reporting for lobbying water management districts; requires Commission on Ethics to create Local Government Lobbyist Registration System; requires lobbyists to register with commission before lobbying specified governmental entities; provides responsibilities of Governor; provides civil penalties. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 7023 Trust Funds/Creation/Local Government Lobbyist Registration... Public Integrity & Ethics Committee

Trust Funds/Creation/Local Government Lobbyist Registration Trust Fund: Creates Local Government Lobbyist Registration Trust Fund within Commission on Ethics; provides for purpose of trust fund & source of funds; provides exemption from service charges; provides for future legislative review & termination or re-creation of trust fund. Effective Date: on the same date that CS/HB 7021 or similar legislation takes effect

HB 0479 Government Accountability Metz

Government Accountability: Requires Governor & Commissioner of Education, or their designees, to notify Legislative Auditing Committee of entity's failure to comply with certain auditing & financial reporting requirements; excludes water management districts from certain audit requirements; revises reporting requirements applicable to Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation; revises certain lodging rates for purpose of reimbursement to specified employees; provides requirements for statewide travel management system; revises responsibilities of specified entities to include establishment & maintenance of certain internal controls; revises auditing requirements for certain agencies, councils, & state schools; requires the Legislative Auditing Committee to determine whether governmental entity should be subject to state action under certain circumstances; requires counties & municipalities to maintain certain budget documents on entities' websites for specified period; provides annual financial audit requirements for Florida Virtual School. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 0011 Labor Organizations Plakon
Labor Organizations: Revises required information to be included in application for renewal of registration of employee organization; provides for revocation of certification under certain conditions; requires certain employee organizations to recertify as certified bargaining agents; provides nonapplicability with respect to employee organizations that represent or seek to represent certain employees. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 1141 State Employment Yarborough

State Employment: Repeals provisions relating to Florida State Employees' Charitable Campaign; prohibits organization, entity, or person from intentionally soliciting state employees for fundraising or business purposes within specified areas during specified times; provides exemptions. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 0221 Transportation Network Companies Sprowls

Transportation Network Companies: Provides that transportation network company (TNC) driver is not required to register certain vehicles as commercial motor vehicles/for-hire vehicles; requires TNC to designate & maintain agent for service of process; provides requirements re: fare collection, vehicle/driver identification, electronic receipts, TNC & driver insurance, proof of coverage, disclosure, & claims; provides conditions under which TNC drivers are independent contractors; requires zero-tolerance policy for drug/alcohol use; provides driver requirements; requires driver background checks; provides for procedures report & injunctive relief under certain circumstances; prohibits certain conduct; requires compliance with nondiscrimination laws; requires maintenance of specified records; specifies governance by state law; provides applicability & construction. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 0505 Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act Trumbull

Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act: Specifies that ioflupane I 123 is not included in Schedule II; provides that reference to ch. 893, F.S., or to any section or portion thereof, includes all subsequent amendments. Effective Date: July 1, 2017

HB 0107 Criminal Offenses Involving Tombs and Memorials Cortes (B)

Criminal Offenses Involving Tombs and Memorials: Prohibits excavation, exposition, movement, removal, or other disturbance of contents of tomb or memorial; provides exceptions to prohibition against disturbance of contents of tomb or memorial for cemeteries exempted from certain regulation. Effective Date: October 1, 2017