

1 3. Coordinate the efforts of this state with local, state, and
2 federal agencies to protect citizens from terrorism, threats to
3 public safety, organized crime, criminal conspiracies, or any other
4 threats of violent crime by creating a clearinghouse of crime-
5 related information for use by local, state, and federal law
6 enforcement agencies; and

7 4. Provide training to peace officers of this state concerning
8 the legal collection, preservation, and dissemination of crime-
9 related information.

10 B. The Commissioner may assign attorneys of the Department of
11 Public Safety to support such criminal analysis and investigative
12 functions, including providing assistance to the district attorney
13 in pursuing search warrants, arrest warrants, and other forms of
14 court orders and process in connection with criminal investigations
15 of the Department.

16 C. Release of information compiled pursuant to this section
17 shall be prohibited except for release of information to law
18 enforcement agencies and prosecutorial authorities for the purpose
19 of crime prevention, criminal investigation, or criminal
20 prosecution. If the Commissioner determines it necessary to do so
21 in the interest of public safety or crime prevention, the
22 Commissioner may authorize the release of information compiled
23 pursuant to this section to leadership of this state or any
24 political subdivision, critical infrastructure personnel, the target

1 of any threat, or any segment of the public. Unauthorized release
2 or unauthorized use of this information shall be a misdemeanor and
3 shall be punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for a term
4 not exceeding (1) year or a fine not exceeding Fifty Thousand
5 Dollars (\$50,000.00), or by both such fine and imprisonment. As
6 used in this section, "unauthorized release" or "unauthorized use"
7 shall include, but not be limited to, giving the information to any
8 person who is not a law enforcement officer or prosecutorial
9 authority unless necessitated by an ongoing criminal investigation,
10 or release of information to a law enforcement officer who is not
11 engaged in a criminal investigation requiring the information or who
12 is not authorized by his or her agency to receive such information,
13 or release of information without the express authority of the
14 Commissioner or in violation of any rules promulgated by the
15 Department of Public Safety. Information collected and compiled
16 under the authority of this section shall be privileged and not
17 discoverable nor subject to subpoena or order for production issued
18 by any court, other than production in a district court criminal
19 proceeding for the prosecution of crimes which are the subject of
20 the information sought.

21 D. The Commissioner shall promulgate rules to implement the
22 provisions of this section.

23 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
24 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

3

4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, dated 04/02/2024 -
5 DO PASS, As Amended.

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25