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S 579 GENERAL BILL/CS by Judiciary-Criminal; Governmental Operations:
Johnson (Similar CS/H 327, Compare H 70, H 377, ENG/H 1356, H 1364, S 498, S 696, S 791, CS/S 1201, S 1325, Compare H 327, CH 934) Extends definition of term "officer" for purposes of carrying firearms off-duty; provides that machine guns are not concealed weapons for purposes of license, requires a gun license to be issued to a person who has a concealed weapon license.

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06/07/88 SENATE Died on Calendar. 

S 582 GENERAL BILL/CS by Judiciary-Criminal; Grizzle; Grant (Similar ENG/H 423, CS/H 1123, Compare CS/H 1059, ENG/S 90, ENG/S 457, S 680)

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S 583 GENERAL BILL by Weinstock (Similar H 314) DUI/Blood Alcohol Level Lowered: lowers blood alcohol level which establishes offense of driving with unlawful blood alcohol level. Amends §153, Art. X, 1984 Effective Date 10/01/88

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S 584 JOINT RESOLUTION by Johnson (Identical H 647)

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S 585 GENERAL BILL/CS/ENG by Judiciary-Criminal; Johnson (Similar H 1665, Compare H 1017)

Interception of Communications: (SEE ALSO H 1663) provides when interception & disclosure of wire, oral, & electronic communications is allowed or prohibited & provides civil remedies & criminal penalties, provides when manufacturer, distribution, or possession of such communications is allowed or prohibited, provides for secure & forfeiture of intercepting devices; provides for authorization of interception of communications, etc. Amends Ch 934. Effective Date 10/01/88

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Pollution Control, revises definitions of "petroleum product" & "pollutants" for purposes of excise taxes on fuel & other pollutants, revises rates of tax for water quality & conditions under which tax is imposed, provides limitations on expenditure of funds from Water Quality Assurance TF for water supply systems or filters for contaminated potable water wells, amends provision re authority of D E R to adopt rules regulating water wells, etc Amends F S Appropriation. $5.567.406. Effective Date 07/06/88 except as otherwise provided 05/10/88 HOUSE Filed 05/16/88 HOUSE Introduced, referred to Finance & Taxation, Appropriations - HJ 490 05/19/88 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Finance & Taxation, 05/19/88, 8:00 am, 212-HOB, Preliminary Committee Action by Finance & Taxation. Favorable with 2 amendments 05/20/88 HOUSE Comm Rep. Favorable with 2 amendment(s) by Finance & Taxation - HJ 633, Now in Appropriations - HJ 633 05/26/88 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Appropriations, 05/26/88, 3:00 pm, Morris Hall; Preliminary Committee Action by Appropriations Favorable with 13 amendments 05/31/88 HOUSE Comm Report Favorable with 13 amendment(s) by Appropriations, placed on Calendar - HJ 1086, Placed on Special Order Calendar, Read second time - HJ 1003, Amendments adopted, Read third time, Passed as amended, YEAS 116 NAYS 0 - HJ 1008 06/01/88 SENATE In Messages 06/06/88 SENATE Received, referred to Natural Resources and Conservation - S 1011, Immediately withdrawn from Natural Resources and Conservation - SJ 1016, Substituted for CS/CS/ENG/S 748 - SJ 1064, Passed, YEAS 31 NAYS 0 - SJ 1076 06/07/88 HOUSE In Messages, Was taken up - HJ 1666, Conceded; Passed as further amended, YEAS 112 NAYS 0 - HJ 1670 07/06/88 HOUSE Ordered engrossed, then enrolled 07/06/88 Signed by Officers and presented to Governor 07/06/88 Approved by Governor; Chapter No 88-393  
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Coastal & Marine Resources, specifies additional lands not subject to lease, prohibits permits for drilling & associated construction for exploration or production of oil, gas, or other petroleum products, in specified areas, creates Marine Mining Act, Fla Ocean & Coastal Law Policy Program within Fla. Sea Grant College, & Marine Resource Council, Office of Coastal Management within D E R establishes Interagency Mgmt Committee, etc Amends Chs 253, 377, 380, 390, 443
I. SUMMARY:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

On October 21, 1986, President Reagan signed into law the electronic communications Privacy Act of 1986. (Public Law 99-508). This new legislation made several far reaching revisions of the federal Wire and Oral Intercept Law, commonly referred to as "Title III." The Act became effective on January 20, 1987. There is a special 2-year delayed effective date measured from the date of enactment, October 21, 1986, governing state authorizations of interceptions. As a result, by October 21, 1988, Florida must have in effect a revised Chapter 934, F.S., that complies with the requirements of the federal Act.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Current Florida law only recognizes and protects oral communications conducted over "wire", i.e., telephones. The changes proposed would extend the protection provided oral communications to communications using new technologies, such as cellular phones, voice mail, and computer-to-computer data transfer. Because the Federal Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986 will become effective October 21, 1988, current Florida statutes will only be applicable to those portions of the amended Federal law that deal with oral and wire communications. In the absence of new Florida statutes all electronic communications would be subject to federal law, and the resulting federal protections and procedures.

This bill would enact the minimum changes required to conform with the federal law but uses Florida language when necessary to protect the cause and meaning of the federal statute.
Several sections of this bill are not required for conformance to federal law. Section 6 provides language, similar to SB 585, which would allow evidence from intercepts to be made available to the Department of Legal Affairs for use in civil RICO proceedings. Section 7 authorizes the use of non-law enforcement personnel for the purpose of monitoring and translating foreign language or coded communications. Although this provision is not strictly necessary, it parallels federal law and addresses the use of new technology and foreign languages by persons engaging in criminal activities. Section 10 of the bill establishes statutory procedures governing the issuance of court orders for the use of pen registers and trap and trace devices.

Although the federal law does not preempt any existing state law regulating the installation and use of pen registers or trap and trace devices, Florida has no statutes addressing the use of these devices.

This section would adopt the federal requirements for application and issuance of a court order authorizing the installation and use of these devices.

C. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS:

Section 1: Definitions - 934.02, F.S. Because of changes in the federal law and the addition of "electronic communications" to the law, the term "electronic" is added to many sections for the definitions and substantive law, frequently in the phrase: "wire, electronic, or oral communication."

(1) Change from "communication" to "aural transfer" limits the definition in recognition of new sections regarding electronic communication, with a new definition of "electronic transfer" added at a later point; deletion of "common carrier" term expands the applicability of this section to "in house" communications systems; "electronic storage is defined later; exempts the radio portion of a cordless telephone conversation but not cellular phones -- those are "wire communications."

(2) Specifically excludes the later defined term of "electronic communication" from an "oral communication."

(3) The words "or other" were added in recognition of the distinctions between wire, oral, and electronic communications and will now include the interception of computer communications. Previous to the federal change, one was able to intercept beeps, chirps, etc., generated by computer transmissions without an intercept order. Now, those beeps, etc., are within the scope of a protected communication to which access is allowed only by an intercept order or by consent of a party.

(4) The term "provider of wire or electronic communication service" was added to expand the scope beyond "communications
common carrier" and includes computer mail systems, internal telephone systems, etc.

(5) No change made to Florida's definition.

(6) No change made to Florida's definition.

(7) Revised to the federal definition.

(8) No change made to Florida's definition; similar to federal one already.

(9) Added "electronic" communication section to meet federal change.

(10) No changes made to Florida's definition.

(11) Although not used by new federal version, this definition referring to federal Code is provided to make it clear that if referred to in federal cases, Florida's intent is to rely on the federal definition, too.

(12) Added definition taken directly from federal law; added to include all types of "electronic" transfers of communication but specifically excludes four types of communication: excludes radio part of a cordless telephone conversation, the interception of the non-radio portion would be interception of a wire communication; excludes interception of "tone-only" beepers, interception of voice pager would be an oral interception and the interception of a digital readout pager would be a wire interception; excludes wire and oral communications from "electronic communication" definition; excludes communications from a "tracking device."

(13) Added new definition taken directly from federal law relating to the authorized use of electronic communication service.

(14) Added new definition from federal law; relating to the transmission and storage of electronic communications.

(15) Added new definition from federal law, relating to the sending or receiving of wire or electronic communications.

(16) Added new definition from federal law; excludes "clear" broadcasts which are generally accessible to the public. Otherwise, the use of any radio receiver would be criminal under the federal law and Florida's counterpart.

(17) Added new definition from federal law which relates to Part II. Includes temporary or backup storage of wire or electronic communications incidental to the electronic transmission of those types of communications. While concept of stored electronic communication is new, emphasize is on "communication" which is in temporary or intermediate storage incidental to its transmission.
from the communicator to the intended recipient, or which is stored as a "backup protection" as a service on behalf of the service's customer. Not all stored electronic data will be stored electronic communication. It must first be a communication, then must be in "electronic storage" as defined in this section.

(18) Added new definition from federal law; needed because of change of definition of "wire communication."

(19) Added new definition from federal law; utilized in access to stored electronics communication sections of the law.

(20) Added new definition from federal law; excludes devices used by telephone companies, etc., for billing, cost accounting, or business purposes.

(21) Added new definition from federal law.

(22) Added definition from federal law; was not in prior Florida law although it has been in the federal law for some time.

(23) Added definition of "subpoena" which includes administrative or investigative subpoenas. Term not directly defined in federal law, however, definition takes into account the applications in which "subpoenas" may be used under Florida law and is consistent with the concept of subpoena reflected in federal law.

PART I: INTERCEPTION OF WIRE, ORAL, OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION CONSISTS OF SECTIONS (2) THROUGH (8).

Section 2: Section 934.03, F.S. In general this section lists the criminal violations of the intercept law and includes circumstances under which interceptions are legal without obtaining a court order. References to "this chapter" are replaced with references to specific sections since Chapter 934 is being expanded into three sections, with ss. 934.03-934.09 representing what would be Part I.

(1) Changes the burden of proof from showing "willful" interception, disclosure, or use to that of an "intentional" nature. Change to "intentional" language appears to show a higher degree of culpability. Penalty for violation listed in subsection (4).

(2) Section lists what persons or entities may lawfully intercept conversations. Also includes unique Florida language referring to Governor, Attorney General, or State Attorney.

(2)(b) No change from prior law except addition of "electronic" and substitution of specific section for "this chapter".
(2)(c) The proposed revision makes required substitution of specific sections for "this chapter" and adds required "electronic" language. In addition, includes within Florida's provision "investigative" officers such as investigators of the Comptroller's Officer, Division of Insurance Fraud, or other state departments having investigative function but not having full law enforcement officer status to intercept wire, oral or electronic communication when the investigative officer is a party to the communication or when one party has given consent and the interception is to obtain evidence of a criminal act. In practice, investigative or law enforcement officers could record conversations, phone calls, electronic communications if a party to the conversation, call, or communication, or when a party is cooperating with an investigation. Such power should not be confused with an intercept ("wiretap" type) order, which may be sought only by full law enforcement officers.

(2)(d) Retains Florida's "all party" criteria (In contrast to federal's one party criteria).

(2)(e),(f), and (g). Only changes are to make present version conform to new sections of proposed 934.

(2)(h) Is an all new section from federal law--provides that it is not unlawful to engage in the listed activities, including interception of readily accessible communications, including AM and FM radio broadcasts. Also states that it is not a violation of this law to engage in conduct which is prohibited by specifically mentioned federal laws--improper conduct is still prohibited by those listed sections, but such conduct cannot be made criminal by this Florida law or its federal counterpart.

(2)(i) Includes a Florida "hybrid" of the federal language in subsections 6 and 7 which refers to the interception of satellite communication. This section defines activities which are not unlawful under chapter 934 (or the federal counterpart). Language in subsection (h) is taken from federal law, section 2511(5){a} and {b}, creating a "hybrid" for inclusion in Chapter 934. The manner in which 18 U.S.C. 2511(a) and (b) is written made it very difficult to apply to Florida statutory provisions. As a result, a determination of what was not deemed unlawful under the federal law was made, and the conduct was added to the "it shall not be unlawful" list. The federal law does provide a detailed method by which suit or sanction by the federal government can be done to address satellite interceptions. This scheme was deemed inappropriate for Florida to parallel, so Florida counterparts are not provided. Adequate remedies for such conduct are available through the federal forum via U.S.C. 2511(5){a}(I) and (II).

(2)(i) Is an all new section from federal law and parallel Florida section provides that use of pen register/trap and trace devices is not a s. 934.03 violation as these are covered by
later sections of the law. Lists other lawful activities included to protect service provider.

(3) All new from federal law—lists exceptions under which a provider of electronic communication service to the public may release the contents of the communication to others, including release to law enforcement personnel when the contents were inadvertently obtained and appeared to be related to a crime.

(4) Punishment section is revised—It is a third degree felony to violate section (1), excluding certain conduct relating to new offense established by the federal law and listed in subsection (b). Subsection (b) is similar to federal subsection 2511(4)(b)(I) and (II). While the punishment scheme seems complex, it was deemed necessary to "decriminalize" or reduce the criminal impact of certain conduct. If Florida does not specify the lower penalties, certain types of activity would be considered felony level violations. It is clear the federal counterpart intended that certain activity not carry with it a felony penalty. This proposed section reflects that same intent.

Section 3: Section 934.04—Revised to adopt federal language "knowing or having reason to know that the design of such device renders.") Violation retains punishment as felony. "Provider" language substituted for "communications common carrier" as done in federal statute. "Intrastate" added along with present language to allow Florida to punish pure in-state activity. Federal law does not contain "intrastate" since "interstate" activity is the federal concern.

Section 4: Section 934.05—Added "electronic" to conform Florida law.

Section 5: Section 934.07—Proposal limits those who can seek intercept authorization to the Department of Law Enforcement or any law enforcement agency "as defined in s. 934.02(10)". This limitation is provided to make it clear that only full "law enforcement agencies" are authorized to seek and obtain intercept orders.

Presently, Florida allows intercepts for crimes listed in a "menu" provided in 934.07. Proposal adds to the "menu" the following: any violation of Chapter 893 (drug offenses) instead of the dated language in present version.

Section 6: Section 934.08—Revised language to make Florida law consistent with federal law. No change in subsections (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5) other than the addition of "electronic" communication term. Also, provides language, similar to SB 585, which would allow evidence from intercepts to be made available to the Department of Legal Affairs for use in civil RICO proceedings.
Section 7: Section 934.09--Extensive listing of requirements which must be met in order to obtain an intercept order, as well as those requirements that must be followed in carrying out such an order.

(1) Added "electronic" communication term.

(2) No change.

(3) Added "electronic" communication term.

(4) Added "electronic" communication term.

(5) Added "electronic" communication term.

When a code or foreign language is used and an expert in the code or foreign language is not reasonably available, the entire conversation may be intercepted and minimized at a later time. This is commonly referred to as "after the fact minimization". This is a federal change.

Intercepts may also be conducted by non-sworn personnel who are employees of, or are under contract with, authorized governmental entities as long as they are acting under the supervision of an authorized investigative or law enforcement officer. This will allow experts (for example, interpreters, computer experts, accountants, etc.) who are not sworn law enforcement officers to assist in intercepts, but only under the supervision of a law enforcement officer. This language appears in federal act.

(6) No major change.

(7) Added "electronic" communication term.

(8) Added "electronic" communication term.

(9) Added "electronic" communication term. Added new subsection (c) which limits the remedies and sanctions for violations involving electronic communications (similar to federal act).

Section 8: Section 934.10--Changes are based on federal law, but retains much of the present law. Adds "preliminary or equitable or declaratory relief" as an option.

PART II OF CHAPTER 934, CONSISTS OF SECTION 9

Section 9: creates ss. 934.21, 934.22, 934.23, 934.24, 934.25, 934.26, 934.27, and 934.28, F.S.

Section 934.21: 18 USC 2701 verbatim through subsection (1). Subsection (2) revised to fit Florida's punishment schemes, utilizing the federal statute's imprisonment sanctions as a guide to determining whether the offense is misdemeanor or felony.
Section 934.22: Tracks 18 USC 2702 except references to subsection changed to refer to Florida statutes.

Section 934.23: Sets standards for governmental access to such material.

934.23(1) substitutes "warrant issued by a judge of competent jurisdiction" for federal language: "warrant issued under the Rules of Criminal Procedure or equivalent state warrant." Established a 180 DAY RULE for determining what level of judicial approval is necessary for access. If the contents of an electronic communication which is in electronic storage for 180 days or less is sought, it must be based on warrant (based upon probable cause) issued by a judge of competent jurisdiction. Electronic communication which is in storage for more than 180 days may be accessed by subpoena or by an order issued upon certification that the information sought is "relevant to a criminal investigation."

Section 934.23(2): Same comment regarding "judge of competent jurisdiction" as above.

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(5) No change made to Florida's definition.

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(7) Revised to the federal definition.

(8) No change made to Florida's definition; similar to federal one already.

(9) Added "electronic" communication section to meet federal change.

(10) No changes made to Florida's definition.

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PART I: INTERCEPTION OF WIRE, ORAL, OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION CONSISTS OF SECTIONS (2) THROUGH (8).

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(2)(b) No change from prior law except addition of "electronic" and substitution of specific section for "this chapter".

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PART II OF CHAPTER 934, CONSISTS OF SECTION 9

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934.34 is new and is very similar to the federal law. It obligates providers of service, landlords, custodians or other persons to furnish all information, facilities and assistance necessary to accomplish the installation and/or obligates such persons to install the device IF the court order makes such a direction (see: 934.34(1) and (2).

934.34(2) further requires results of the trap and trace to be furnished to an officer "at reasonable intervals during regular business hours for the duration of the order."

934.34(3) allows reasonable compensation for reasonable expenses for providing facilities or assistance. Again it appears that "profit" is not contemplated as something to be reimbursed.

934.34(4) provides immunity to providers who provide information, facilities, or assistance in accordance with the terms of an order. This section is apparently added in recognition of the providers' concerns regarding civil lawsuits by aggrieved customers upon whose facilities pens or traps were placed. Tracks federal language except "under this chapter" changed to read "under ss. 934.31-934.34" since "chapter" as used by federal version is limited to Part III of Florida's statute.

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II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE AGENCIES/STATE FUNDS:

1. Non-recurring or First Year Start-Up Effects:
   Indeterminate

2. Recurring or Annualized Continuation Effects:
   Indeterminate
3. **Long Run Effects Other Than Normal Growth:**
   Indeterminate

4. **Appropriations Consequences:**
   Indeterminate

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   Indeterminate

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C. **DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:**

1. **Direct Private Sector Costs:**
   Indeterminate

2. **Direct Private Sector Benefits:**
   Indeterminate

3. **Effects on Competition, Private Enterprise, and Employment Markets:**
   Indeterminate

D. **FISCAL COMMENTS:**

III. **LONG RANGE CONSEQUENCES:**

IV. **COMMENTS:**

V. **SIGNATURES:**

**SUBSTANTIVE COMMITTEE:**
Prepared by: _____________________ Staff Director: _____________________
Karen E. Mann, Staff Analyst _____________________ Bill Ryan

**FINANCE & TAXATION:**
Prepared by: _____________________ Staff Director: _____________________
TO: Chairman, Committee on Criminal Justice

Subcommittee on Crime Prevention and Management
Date of Meeting April 28, 1988
Time 9:00 a.m.
Place 16 HOS

BILL NO. PCB CJ 88-15

FINAL ACTION:  X Favorable
                Favorable with Amendments
                Favorable with Proposed Substitute
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COMMITTEE INFORMATION RECORD
House of Representatives

Committee on Criminal Justice
Date of Meeting May 3, 1988
Time 8:00 a.m.
Place 21 HOB

Bill No.: PCB CJ 88-15

FINAL ACTION: X Favorable
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If Rep. Titone had been present he would have voted yes.

Chairman

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Florida House of Representatives
Jon Mills, Speaker
Committee on Criminal Justice

Tom Gustafson
Chairman
S. L. "Spud" Clements, Jr.
Vice Chairman
April 29, 1988

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representatives Gustafson, Mackenzie, and Canady
FROM: Karen Mann, Staff Analyst
RE: PCB 15 -- Wire and Electronic Communications

The following is a brief explanation of PCB 15 and a status report regarding the positions of interested parties. The Florida Legislature needs to pass this legislation in its current form in order to comply with the federal Wire and Oral Intercept Law which takes effect October 21, 1988. The changes made to the current Chapter 934, F.S., were made with the intention to minimize deviation from tracking the federal language, while maintaining Florida language and meaning when possible. This PCB expands current law regulating wire and oral communications to cover the new technology with electronic communications. However, there are a few instances in which provisions were added based on an expressed need from the Statewide Prosecutor and FDLE legal counsel. Here is a brief explanation of those sections:

Section 6: (1), Page 17, lines 29 - 31
The underlined language was picked up from SB 585, by Senator Johnson, and provides that the Department of Legal Affairs can have access (shared to them by law enforcement) to the intercept information for use in civil RICO proceedings which may occur concurrently with law enforcement activity. The Statewide Prosecutor, Pete Antanocci, feels strongly that this language should be included. All other parties have bought off on this issue. This language does not track federal language, nor is it necessary for conformance with the federal Act.

Section 7: (5), Page 23, lines 12 - 22
The underlined language here tracks federal language, however, it is not considered as a necessary provision to comply with the federal Act. This language addresses the use of technology by those persons engaging in criminal activity subject to action under this chapter, in that many interceptions involve persons speaking in a foreign language other than one anticipated (i.e., Spanish) or the interception is in a computer coded message. This language would allow for an interpreter to listen to the interception and perform minimization after the fact. That is, the confidential or protected portions of the conversation or interception (husband/wife conversations, etc.) would be cut out after the determination has been made as to what portion of that interception was valuable. This provision has not been identified as a problem.

Section 10: entire section, Page 41, line 26 through the end of the bill.

Currently, Florida has no statutes addressing the application and issuance of a court order authorizing the installation and use of "pen registers" and "trap and trace devices." These instruments are investigative tools. The pen register is a device which displays only the phone number of outgoing calls. Trap and trace devices display only the phone number of incoming calls. These devices are currently being utilized by law enforcement but there are statutes regulating their use. These new sections attempt to adopt the federal requirements for the application and issuance of a court order authorizing the installation of these devices. If Florida did not adopt this language, without current statutory provisions, law enforcement would be subject to the federal requirements and this is undesirable to law enforcement.

At the subcommittee meeting, a GTE representative indicated some concern with two provisions of the bill. One provision is current law and has been for several years. This is at the bottom of page 10 and top of page 11, Section 2, s. 934.03(1)2, F.S. This involves the communication providers (phone companies) who are requested by a citizen to trace a phone call for law enforcement purposes (obscene, harassing, or threatening phone calls). This can only be conducted after the individual makes a complaint to law enforcement and provides the case number to the phone company, at this point an interception proceeds. The current law provides that the phone company must notify law enforcement within 48 hours after the interception. GTE asserts that this is not enough time for them to notify law enforcement. In an effort to compromise on this issue, a meeting took place involving the Statewide Prosecutor, FDLE legal counsel, John Fuller (Sheriff's Assoc.), Willis Booth (Police Chiefs Assoc.), representatives from GTE, AT&T, and Southern Bell, Ed Levine (Staff for Joint Committee on Information, Technology and Resources), and myself. GTE agreed to wait on this issue and address it during the interim since it is current law and our bill does not alter that provision. AT&T has also agreed to hold off on this issue. The Southern Bell representative wanted to check with his legal counsel and would get back to either Ed Levine or myself by Monday. The other parties (law enforcement, etc.) did
not want this provision altered at this point. I believe the PCB in its current form is okay regarding this issue.

Regarding this same section, another issue surfaced which had not previously been considered. Currently, Southern Bell is providing a mechanism by which a customer's phone will display the number of origin on incoming calls. This is being conducted in the Orlando area on an experimental basis. However, some State offices such as Ed Levine's have this capability through Suncom. The federal law permits one-party consent on traces such as these. However, Florida law provides for two-party consent unless the trace is for law enforcement purposes as mentioned previously. After further discussion it was felt that because the phone company is not being requested to trace these calls and the customer is initiating it, that it is not in violation of this section. However, we are checking with the Public Service Commission regarding how this would be affected by the new provisions. It was felt that since this technology is readily available, the phone companies must have considered the liability previously and that there is no problem with it.

Finally, Section 10, s. 934.26, F.S., bottom of page 39 through page 40, dealing with cost reimbursement has also been identified as a problem for phone companies. Previously, there were no provisions for phone companies to be reimbursed by law enforcement for phone companies to provide them with requested toll records (paragraph (3)). This new provision states that if a court determines that the information is unusually voluminous or causes undue burden, the company can be reimbursed. This cost is apparently quite extensive. The phone companies wanted this paragraph deleted which allow them to be reimbursed for these records regardless of the nature. This would place an extremely costly burden on law enforcement that can not be absorbed in their current budget. The federal people are trying to resolve this very issue right now with an amendment to the Wire and Electronic Communications Act. However, in the absence of a compromise, GTE agreed with law enforcement that this could be resolved during the interim with the benefit of a resolution at the federal level. However, AT&T's position is for this language to come out and allow for complete reimbursements for toll record expenses. The Southern Bell representative is checking with his legal counsel and will let us know his position by Monday. Ed Levine and myself feel like this is another issue we could look at during the interim, because this added cost for phone companies is reflected in customer charges (the public has been absorbing this cost, so to speak). Law enforcement definitely does not want this provision removed.

To conclude, when Ed Levine and myself (Senate staff was also included) were scaling this bill down (at the request of Rep. Mackenzie) to the bare essentials, we omitted almost all of the "extra" provisions wanted by law enforcement on the basis of our recommending to our respective chairpersons that we examine all of these issues when there is more time to properly address them. We
feel like this bill conforms Florida Statutes with the federal law and adds new language only when necessary.
BILL VOTE SHEET

(VS-88: File with Secretary of Senate) BILL NO. SB 585

COMMITTEE ON: Judiciary-Criminal

DATE: May 16, 1988 ACTION:

TIME: 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. — Favorably with ____ amendments

PLACE: Room C Senate Office Building — Favorably with Committee Substitute

OTHER COMMITTEE REFERENCES: Unfavorably

(in order shown)

None Submitted as a Committee Bill

THE VOTE WAS:

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Although not required for compliance with federal law, this legislation would authorize investigative and law enforcement officers who obtain evidence derived from an intercepted wire, oral, or electronic communication to disclose it to the Department of Legal Affairs for use in certain investigations and proceedings, especially involving RICO violations. As a result, investigative and law enforcement officers would be able to share wiretap evidence with the department prior to the actual arrest. This disclosure would, therefore, facilitate the department's timely coordination of seizure of property under the Florida RICO Act (Chapter 895) with arrests made by law enforcement agencies.

In effect, enactment of this legislation would result in a substantial revision of Chapter 934 in the following areas: (1) interception of wire, oral, and electronic communications; (2) stored wire and electronic communications and transactional records access; and (3) pen registers and trap and trace devices.
II. ECONOMIC IMPACT AND FISCAL NOTE:
   A. Public:
      None.
   B. Government:
      According to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Office of The Attorney General, the fiscal impact of CS/SB 585 is indeterminable. It is suggested, however, that any impact would be minimal.

III. COMMENTS:
      None.

IV. AMENDMENTS:
      None.
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**NOTE:** Consult the *Final Legislative Bill Information* (from Joint Legislative Management Committee, Division of Legislative Information, 1988) for more detailed bill history data. If prime bill number above is followed by an asterisk (*), it was amended on the floor, and the staff analysis for that bill may not be in accordance with the enacted law. The analyses reproduced here were supplied by the appropriate committee, who is solely responsible for their accuracy and completeness.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

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