

SB 2313

RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Makes an appropriation for the department of public safety to perform psychological examinations for deputy sheriff recruits.

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL (SB) 2313
RELATING TO
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by
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Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
Senator Will Espero, Chair
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

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Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports** SB 2313.

SB 2313 will provide funding to PSD for pre-employment psychological screening of Deputy Sheriff candidates, in order to hire appropriate individuals who will be entrusted with the responsibilities of a law enforcement officer. Psychological examinations will help to screen out candidates who may be unsuitable to perform the essential functions of a Deputy Sheriff, and in so doing, avoid potential harm to the public and fellow law enforcement officers.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.