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Bill Analysis

HB 1976 authorizes the Commissioner of Public Safety to assign personnel to collect information concerning the activity and identity of individuals reasonably believed to be engaged in terrorism, threats to public safety, organized crime, criminal conspiracies, or any other threats of violent crime as well as analyze and disseminate such information to other agencies. The Commissioner may also authorize such personnel to coordinate security measures with other agencies and provide training to other peace officers. Attorneys may be assigned by the Commissioner to support efforts outlined in the measure. Information collected may not be released unless the Commissioner determines it necessary to do so in the interest of public safety or crime prevention. Unauthorized release of such information shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$50,000.00 and/or a term of imprisonment not to exceed 1 year.

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