HB 1503 -- Capitol Police

Sponsor: Bruns

This bill requires the Director of the Department of Public Safety to appoint a capitol police chief who will appoint capitol police officers. Currently, all capitol police officers are appointed by the department director. Capitol police officers will be authorized to apply for and to serve search warrants anywhere within their jurisdiction if the sheriff of the county in which the warrant is to be served, or his or her designee, is notified upon application of the search warrant. The authority of capitol police officers to arrest a person is expanded to include anywhere in Cole County.