

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE DEPARTMENT  
OF PUBLIC SAFETY HELD AT TALLAHASSEE  
FLORIDA ON SEPTEMBER 28, A. D. 1939.

Pursuant to call of the Governor, the Executive Board of the Department of Public Safety held a meeting at Tallahassee on September 28, A. D. 1939 with the following members and officials in attendance:

Hon. Fred P. Cone, Governor of the State of Florida,  
Hon. Arthur B. Hale, Chairman of the State Road Dept.,  
member of the Executive Board of said Department,  
Hon. D. W. Finley, State Motor Vehicle Commissioner and  
Executive Officer of the Division of State Motor  
Vehicle Driver's Licenses.

Upon the meeting being called to order by the Governor, a report was made by Mr. Finley of the progress being made in issuing operator's and chauffeur's licenses pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 19551, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1939.

Mr. Finley asked the Board to officially confirm the rules and procedure governing the issuance of the driver's licenses which he had previously formulated with the advice and counsel of the Board Members. He reviewed for the information of the Board said rules and procedure which were issued by him as Executive Officer of the License Division. Thereupon the Governor moved that the official rules and procedure heretofore adopted by Mr. Finley for governing the issuance of driver's licenses be confirmed and approved by the Department. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hale and adopted by unanimous vote of the Board.

The matter of the employment of a Director of the Florida Highway Patrol was discussed and it appearing that sufficient funds had accrued from driver's licenses fees to commence the work of setting up the Highway Patrol, the Governor moved that Mr. W. F. Reid of Lakeland, Florida be employed as Director of the Florida Highway Patrol, his employment to become effective October 1st, 1939. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hale and adopted by unanimous vote.

Mr. Reid appeared before the Board and was advised of his employment as Director, and was directed by the Board to proceed with the work of organizing the Florida Highway Patrol pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 19551, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1939. He was further directed to employ a Captain of the Highway Patrol to assist in the work.

There being no further business before the Board, motion was made and carried that the meeting adjourn.