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## **Representative Kristen Arrington Issues Statement on Incident at Liberty High School**

Tallahassee, Fla. – Following the disturbing video circulating online from Liberty High School, **Representative Kristen Arrington (D-Kissimmee)** has been in contact with Osceola County **Sheriff Marco Lopez** and has expressed her concerns over the incident.

**Representative Arrington** issued the following statement:

“I am upset about what happened yesterday at Liberty High school. We’re still learning all the facts, but this kind of thing should never happen to a child at school. A school resource officer should not be using this level of violence on a student. They are there to de-escalate, not to slam students to the ground. I am pleased that Sheriff Lopez has quickly and appropriately handed off control of the investigation to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Their investigation is underway and I expect it to be thorough and impartial. And I trust Sheriff Lopez will do what is best for our community. I wish the student a speedy recovery.”

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