

**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**  
**Senator Simpson, Chair**  
**Senator Thompson, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, April 1, 2014

**TIME:** 3:00 —6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** 301 Senate Office Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Simpson, Chair; Senator Thompson, Vice Chair; Senators Bradley, Hukill, Latvala, Smith, Soto, Stargel, and Thrasher

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	<b>CS/SB 1342</b> Agriculture / Dean (Similar H 1147)	Nonresidential Farm Buildings; Exempting nonresidential farm buildings, farm fences, and farm signs that are located on lands used for bona fide agricultural purposes from any county or municipal assessment, etc.  AG 03/17/2014 Fav/CS CA 04/01/2014 Favorable AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
2	<b>SJR 916</b> Brandes (Identical HJR 825, Compare H 827, Link S 922)	Ad Valorem Assessments/Renewable Energy Source Devices; Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to revise the Legislature's authority to exempt the value of renewable energy source devices from consideration in determining the assessed value of real property by removing a restriction that limits such exemptions to property used for residential purposes and restricting such exemptions to installation by an end-use customer of a renewable energy source device that is primarily intended to offset part or all of that customer's electricity demands, etc.  CU 03/04/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Favorable JU RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
3	<b>SB 922</b> Brandes (Identical H 827, Compare HJR 825, Link SJR 916)	Renewable Energy Source Devices; Prohibiting consideration by a property appraiser of the increased value of real property due to the installation of a renewable energy source device by an end-use customer; revising the definition of the term "renewable energy source device", etc.  CU 03/04/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Favorable RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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4	<b>CS/SB 1326</b> Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security / Brandes (Compare H 7065)	Emergency Management; Specifying the availability of a cause of action with respect to a governmental entity implementing a Flood Insurance Rate Map; revising the duties of the Division of Emergency Management to conform to changes made by the act; requiring the division to contract for a flood risk analysis; exempting state employees from specified travel expense provisions when traveling under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact pursuant to a request for assistance from another state under certain circumstances; providing appropriations, etc.  MS 03/19/2014 Fav/CS CA 04/01/2014 Favorable AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
5	<b>SB 1052</b> Evers (Identical H 999)	Department of Transportation; Citing this act as the "Northwest Florida Regional Transportation Finance Authority Act"; specifying the powers and duties of a regional transportation finance authority; authorizing certain counties to form a regional finance authority to construct, maintain, or operate transportation projects in a given region of the state; authorizing the authority to issue bonds that meet certain requirements; providing that the state will not limit or alter the vested rights of a bondholder with regard to any issued bonds or other rights relating to the bonds under certain conditions, etc.  TR 03/20/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Favorable AFT AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
6	<b>SB 978</b> Evers (Identical H 841)	Crime Stoppers Trust Fund; Authorizing a county that is awarded funds from the trust fund to use such funds for promotional items; making technical changes, etc.  CJ 03/03/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Favorable AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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7	<b>SB 620</b> Detert (Identical H 627, Compare H 1177, CS/S 912)	Service of Process; Requiring sheriffs to charge a uniform fee for service of process; requiring an employer to allow an authorized individual to make service on an employee in a private area designated by the employer; providing a civil fine for employers who fail to comply with the process; requiring the person requesting service or the person authorized to serve the process to file the return-of-service form; authorizing a sheriff to apply for instructions from the court regarding the distribution of proceeds from the sale of a levied property, etc.  JU 02/11/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
8	<b>SB 910</b> Legg (Compare H 1107)	Utility Projects; Citing this act as the "Utility Cost Containment Bond Act"; authorizing certain local government entities to finance the cost of a utility project by issuing utility cost containment bonds upon application by a local agency; authorizing an authority to issue utility cost containment bonds for specified purposes related to utility projects; requiring the governing body of the authority to adopt a financing resolution and impose a utility project charge on customers of a publicly owned utility as a condition of utility project financing, etc.  CU 03/18/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
9	<b>SB 1382</b> Hays (Similar CS/H 1121)	Hazardous Walking Conditions; Revising criteria that determine a hazardous walking condition for public school students; revising procedures for inspection and identification of hazardous walking conditions; requiring a district school board to provide transportation to students who would be subjected to hazardous walking conditions; revising provisions relating to funding for the transportation of students subjected to a hazardous walking condition; providing requirements relating to a civil action for damages, etc.  ED 03/18/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0

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10	<b>CS/SB 974</b> Transportation / Abruzzo (Similar CS/CS/H 617)	Towing of Vehicles and Vessels; Authorizing an owner or lessee of real property to have a vehicle or vessel removed from the property without certain signage if the vehicle or vessel has remained on the property for a specified period; providing that the specified period does not begin until a certain notice is physically attached to the vehicle or vessel; providing requirements for the notice, etc.  TR 03/13/2014 Fav/CS CA 03/25/2014 Temporarily Postponed CA 04/01/2014 Temporarily Postponed	Temporarily Postponed
11	<b>CS/SB 1474</b> Ethics and Elections / Abruzzo (Similar CS/H 1315)	Public Officers and Employees; Authorizing the electors of a political subdivision to impose additional or more stringent standards of conduct and disclosure requirements upon the political subdivision's officers and employees; requiring a local ethics agency or commission to establish certain procedures, etc.  EE 03/17/2014 Fav/CS CA 04/01/2014 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 1
12	<b>SB 884</b> Smith (Similar H 371)	Special Assessment for Law Enforcement Services; Authorizing municipalities to levy a special assessment to fund the costs of providing law enforcement services; requiring a municipality to adopt an ordinance and reduce its ad valorem millage to levy the special assessment; providing a methodology for the apportionment of the special assessment and the reduction of the ad valorem millage; requiring the property appraiser to list the special assessment on the notice of property taxes; specifying exceptions to the reduction of the ad valorem millage by more than a certain percentage, etc.  CA 04/01/2014 Favorable CJ AFT AP	Favorable Yeas 8 Nays 1
13	<b>SB 1034</b> Latvala (Identical H 359)	Renovation of Educational Facilities; Requiring school districts, state universities and Florida College System institutions to retrofit the doors and windows of educational facilities to comply with certain Florida Building Code standards; providing funding through the capital outlay millage levy and capital outlay funds, etc.  CA 04/01/2014 Temporarily Postponed ED AED AP	Temporarily Postponed

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14	<b>CS/SB 1048</b> Transportation / Latvala (Similar CS/H 1161, Compare H 259, CS/H 345, CS/CS/CS/S 218, S 1152)	Department of Transportation; Authorizing the department to seek certain investors for certain leases; providing that a public information system is subject to the requirements of the Highway Beautification Act of 1965 and all federal laws and agreements when applicable; amending provisions relating to outdoor advertising signs; providing that an outdoor advertising license is not required solely to erect or construct outdoor signs or structures; exempting from permitting certain signs placed by tourist-oriented businesses, certain farm signs placed during harvest seasons, certain acknowledgment signs on publicly funded school premises, and certain displays on specific sports facilities, etc.  TR 03/20/2014 Fav/CS CA 04/01/2014 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
15	<b>SB 550</b> Hukill (Similar H 427)	Traveling Across County Lines to Commit a Felony Offense; Defining the terms "county of residence" and "felony offense" for the purpose of the crime of traveling across county lines with the intent to commit a felony offense; providing a criminal penalty; adding the crime of traveling across county lines with the intent to commit a felony offense to the factors a court must consider in determining whether to release a defendant on bail, etc.  CJ 03/17/2014 Not Considered CJ 03/24/2014 Favorable CA 04/01/2014 Favorable ACJ AP	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 3
16	<b>SB 1532</b> Bradley (Compare H 5305)	Juvenile Detention Costs; Revising the responsibilities of specified counties and the state relating to financial support for juvenile detention care; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to provide specified information to specified counties, etc.  CA 03/25/2014 Temporarily Postponed CA 04/01/2014 Favorable AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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17	<b>CS/SB 1632</b> Ethics and Elections / Stargel (Similar CS/H 1237)	Special Districts; Revising duties of the Legislative Auditing Committee; specifying applicability of procedures regarding suspension and removal of a member of the governing body of a special district; revising the circumstances under which the Department of Economic Opportunity may declare a special district inactive; requiring the Legislative Auditing Committee to provide notice of the failure of special districts to file certain required reports to the chair of the county legislative delegation or the chair or equivalent of the local general-purpose government, as applicable, etc.  EE 03/17/2014 Fav/CS CA 04/01/2014 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0

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