

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA
COMMUNICATIONS, ENERGY, AND PUBLIC UTILITIES
Senator Flores, Chair
Senator Garcia, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, January 14, 2014
TIME: 10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon
PLACE: 301 Senate Office Building

MEMBERS: Senator Flores, Chair; Senator Garcia, Vice Chair; Senators Abruzzo, Bean, Evers, Gibson, Hukill, Simpson, and Smith

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	CS/SB 218 Transportation / Grimsley (Similar H 259, Identical H 345)	Transportation; Providing an exception for payment of certain utility work necessitated by a project on the State Highway System for municipally owned utilities or county-owned utilities located in rural areas of critical economic concern and authorizing the Department of Transportation to pay for such costs under certain circumstances; exempting from permitting certain signs placed by tourist-oriented businesses, certain farm signs placed during harvest seasons, certain acknowledgement signs on publicly funded school premises, and certain displays on specific sports facilities, etc. TR 11/07/2013 Fav/CS CU 01/14/2014 Favorable CM AP	Favorable Yeas 8 Nays 0
2	SB 294 Hays (Identical H 175, Compare H 177, Link S 292)	Emergency Communication System; Revising provisions relating to oversight of certain fees by the Technology Program within the Department of Management Services; revising provisions for administration, distribution, and use of the E911 fee; providing that fees collected may not be included in the base for measuring any tax, fee, surcharge, or other charge; providing that the Department of Revenue is the agent for the E911 Board for purposes of collecting the prepaid wireless E911 fee; revising provisions for accounting, distribution, use, and auditing of the Emergency Communications Number E911 System Fund, etc. CU 01/14/2014 Favorable AFT AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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3	SB 292 Hays (Identical H 177, Compare H 175, Link S 294)	Public Records/Prepaid Wireless E911 Fee; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for specified information received by the Department of Revenue relating to the prepaid wireless E911 fee; authorizing the department to share such information with the Secretary of Management Services and the E911 Board; including the Department of Revenue as an additional recipient of specified confidential information relating to wireless service; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity, etc. CU 01/14/2014 Favorable GO RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
4	SB 288 Richter (Identical H 213)	Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety; Requiring all member operators including those with state-owned underground facilities located within the right-of-way of a state highway to be notified through the free-access notification system of a proposed excavation or demolition; creating an additional noncriminal infraction for the failure of an excavator to notify the member operator in certain circumstances; requiring an excavator to provide notice through the free-access notification system before beginning certain excavations, demolitions, or maintenance activities, etc. CU 01/14/2014 Temporarily Postponed EP	Temporarily Postponed
5	SB 272 Simpson (Compare H 229, H 357)	Water and Wastewater Utilities; Limiting the rates that may be charged by a public water and wastewater utility; requiring the Public Service Commission to adjust public water or wastewater utilities rates under certain circumstances; requiring the commission to consider the value and quality of water or wastewater service provided by a utility when fixing rates; providing criteria that the commission must consider in making its determination, etc. CU 01/14/2014 Fav/CS CA	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 0

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