

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

HIGHER EDUCATION
Senator Stargel, Chair
Senator Sachs, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Monday, March 23, 2015
TIME: 4:00 —6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

MEMBERS: Senator Stargel, Chair; Senator Sachs, Vice Chair; Senators Benacquisto, Braynon, Gaetz, Joyner, Legg, Negron, and Simmons

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 880 Ring (Compare H 837, H 1031, S 1484)	Student Loan Default Rates; Requiring certain institutions to maintain a federal student loan cohort default rate below a specified percentage; revising the minimum standards the Commission for Independent Education must use to evaluate an institution for licensure to include the institution's federal student loan cohort default rate; revising the minimum criteria for an independent postsecondary educational institution to apply for a license by accreditation to include a maximum percentage for the institution's federal student loan cohort default rate, etc. HE 03/23/2015 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
2	SB 938 Flores (Compare H 1317)	Postsecondary Education Affordability; Exempting textbooks required for a course offered by a public or nonpublic postsecondary educational institution from the sales and use tax; requiring the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education to identify strategies and initiatives to reduce the cost of higher education; prohibiting resident tuition at a Florida College System institution from exceeding a specified amount per credit hour; prohibiting resident undergraduate tuition at a state university from exceeding a specified amount per credit hour, etc. HE 03/23/2015 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
3	SB 942 Gaetz (Identical H 993, Compare S 948)	Rapid Response Education and Training Program; Establishing the Rapid Response Education and Training Program within the Complete Florida Plus Program; requiring the Complete Florida Plus Program to work with Enterprise Florida, Inc., to offer certain education and training commitments to businesses, etc. HE 03/23/2015 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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4	SB 948 Gaetz (Compare H 993, S 942, S 1252, S 1522)	Career Education and Job Training; Clarifying State Apprenticeship Advisory Council membership; revising characteristics of an apprenticeable occupation; revising funding to include career and professional academies; establishing the Rapid Response Education and Training Program within the Complete Florida Plus Program; requiring the Complete Florida Plus Program to work with Enterprise Florida, Inc., to offer education and training programs to businesses' employees, etc. HE 03/23/2015 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
5	SB 1252 Stargel (Compare S 948)	Higher Education; Deleting a provision prohibiting the State Board of Education from approving Florida College System institution baccalaureate degree program proposals during a certain timeframe; revising accountability measures for the Department of Education regarding career education to include program standards that reflect the quality components of the career and technical education programs, etc. HE 03/23/2015 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
6	SB 1522 Detert (Compare S 948)	Workforce Training; Requiring the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Economic Opportunity, to identify and recommend specified apprenticeship programs; requiring the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Economic Opportunity, to identify and recommend specified preapprenticeship programs, etc. HE 03/23/2015 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

TAB	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION
Senate Confirmation Hearing: A public hearing will be held for consideration of the below-named executive appointment to the office indicated.			
Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University			
7	Grady, Thomas R. (Naples)	01/06/2016	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
Board of Trustees, Florida Polytechnic University			
8	O'Malley, Thomas D., Sr. (Palm Beach)	06/30/2015	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0

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Board of Trustees, University of Florida			
9	Stern, Robert Gary (Tampa)	01/06/2020	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University			
10	Feingold, Jeffrey P. (Delray Beach)	01/06/2020	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0

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