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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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House

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The Committee on Community Affairs (Hutson) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Section 129.021, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
read:

129.021 County officer budget information.-

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision ~~provisions~~ of law,  
the budgets of all county officers, as submitted to the board of  
county commissioners, must be in sufficient detail and contain



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11 such information as the board of county commissioners may  
12 require in furtherance of their powers and responsibilities  
13 provided in ss. 125.01(1)(q), (r), and (v), and (6) and  
14 129.01(2)(b).

15 (2) The tentative and final budgets of each constitutional  
16 officer must be detailed and must provide:

17 (a) A separate line item for proposed expenditures for each  
18 program, division, or unit within the office.

19 (b) An identification of existing and proposed reserves.

20 (c) A separate narrative explaining:

21 1. The budget priorities of the constitutional officer.

22 2. Each budget line item that is unchanged from the budget  
23 for the prior fiscal year.

24 3. Each budget line item that is increased or decreased  
25 from the budget for the prior fiscal year, with an explanation  
26 for the increase or decrease.

27 (3) The tentative budget must be posted on the county's  
28 official website at least 2 days before the public hearing and  
29 must be identified separately from the tentative budget of the  
30 county as a whole to clearly demarcate the constitutional  
31 officers' budgets.

32 Section 2. Subsection (7) is added to section 195.087,  
33 Florida Statutes, to read:

34 195.087 Property appraisers and tax collectors to submit  
35 budgets to Department of Revenue.—

36 (7) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the  
37 tentative and final budgets of each constitutional officer must  
38 be detailed and must provide:

39 1. A separate line item for proposed expenditures for each



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- 40 program, division, or unit within the office.
- 41 2. An identification of existing and proposed reserves.
- 42 3. A separate narrative explaining:
- 43 a. The budget priorities of the constitutional officer.
- 44 b. Each budget line item that is unchanged from the budget
- 45 for the prior fiscal year.
- 46 c. Each budget line item that is increased or decreased
- 47 from the budget for the prior fiscal year, with an explanation
- 48 for the increase or decrease.
- 49 (b) The tentative budget must be posted on the
- 50 constitutional officer's official website at the same time the
- 51 tentative budget is submitted to the Department of Revenue. The
- 52 final budget must be posted on the constitutional officer's
- 53 website and remain posted for the fiscal year of that budget.

54 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

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56 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

57 And the title is amended as follows:

58 Delete everything before the enacting clause

59 and insert:

60 A bill to be entitled

61 An act relating to the budgets of county

62 constitutional officers; amending s. 129.021, F.S.;

63 providing criteria for submission of tentative and

64 final budgets by county constitutional officers;

65 requiring the tentative budget of a county

66 constitutional officer to be posted on the county's

67 website; amending s. 195.087, F.S.; providing criteria

68 for submission of tentative and final budgets by the



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69           property appraiser and tax collector; requiring the  
70           tentative and final budgets to be posted on the  
71           website of the property appraiser or tax collector;  
72           providing an effective date.