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Beginning the Forty-fifth Regular Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Florida Constitution as revised in 1968, and subsequently amended, and the 115th Regular Session since Statehood in 1845, at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, Florida, on Tuesday, the 5th of March, A.D., 2013, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for convening the Legislature.

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CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President Gaetz at 10:00 a.m. A quorum present—40:

Mr. President	Flores	Negron
Abruzzo	Galvano	Richter
Altman	Garcia	Ring
Bean	Gardiner	Sachs
Benacquisto	Gibson	Simmons
Bradley	Grimsley	Simpson
Brandes	Hays	Smith
Braynon	Hukill	Sobel
Bullard	Joyner	Soto
Clemens	Latvala	Stargel
Dean	Lee	Thompson
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Evers	Montford	

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Bishop A.J. Richardson, A.M.E., 11th Episcopal District, comprising the State of Florida and the Commonwealth of the Bahamas:

Awesome God, known to us by many names under many creeds, yet we acknowledge that you are creator of the universe—in all of its vastness, as far as the limitations of our finitude will allow us to imagine—and yet here and now among us on the opening day of the Florida Legislature and in the Senate Chamber. Some of us sense your presence even now—with thoughts of taking off our shoes—knowing that when we leave you out, we leave out too much.

We are grateful for the good fortune to be citizens of a great nation, living and serving in Florida in the richness of its diversity. We value it as a thing to be celebrated.

So, too, we pause to celebrate and reflect upon the sainted memory of Araminta Harriet Ross Tubman. We are grateful that this Senate would honor her memory and her heroic contributions to our beloved state and nation—at great personal sacrifice and not without enormous and deadly opposition. While we reflect upon her dying 100 years ago, it is her exemplary life that continues to inspire us: to act with courage, to serve with humility, and to report for duty with uncommon valor. A century is too short a time to stamp out the memory of a remarkable life. We are grateful for her brilliant example of womanhood and her extraordinary example of a selfless human being who breathed her last breath with her dignity intact.

Holy God, we invoke your presence in this sacred space of representative government that the common good may be sought and that those elected to serve here will aspire to excellence with holiness as the only real standard with the outcomes revealing honor, integrity, and a spirit of good will to all and malice towards none.

Bless our leaders, our nation, and our state as we also pray for the least, the last, and the lost among our neighbors—often existing without an advocate, but citizens all, and still your children. May your name be glorified in all that is achieved here in these days of vigorous deliberations. May your great Shalom be the order of the day.

It is in your revered and awesome name that we pray. Amen.

PLEDGE

Senator Brandes, from the 22nd District, and Senator Abruzzo, from the 25th District, led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Senator Brandes served in the U.S. Army Reserves as a Transportation Officer from 1996-2007, including service in Iraq from 2003-2004.

Senator Abruzzo currently serves in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves as a Port Security Specialist. He has served since 2005.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

The President recognized Dr. Stuart A. Sobel of Hollywood, husband of Senator Eleanor Sobel, as doctor of the day. Dr. Sobel specializes in Dermatology.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Senate recognized the service of former Senator Ken Plante to the people of the State of Florida. On motion by Senator Margolis, the members' conference room in the President's office in 409 The Capitol will from this moment forward be known as the Senator Ken Plante Conference Room in tribute to this great Floridian and this great Senator.

SPECIAL GUESTS

President Gaetz introduced the following guests: Governor Rick Scott; Lieutenant Governor Jennifer Carroll, former Representative; Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam, former Congressman; Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater, former Senate President; and Attorney General Pam Bondi.

President Gaetz recognized the following Supreme Court Justices: Chief Justice Ricky Polston, Justice Charles Canady, Justice Jorge Labarga, and Justice Barbara Pariente.

President Gaetz announced that in addition to former Senate Presidents Gwen Margolis and Tom Lee, who still serve in the Senate, the Senate was honored by the presence of the following former Senate Presidents: Ken Pruitt, Jim Scott, and John Vogt. President Gaetz also announced the presence of former Senators Steve Geller, former Democratic Leader; John Grant; Ron Silver; Gary Siplin; Victor Crist, Hillsborough County Commissioner; Van Poole, former Florida Republican Party Chair; Larcenia Bullard; and Dave Aronberg, Palm Beach County State Attorney.

President Gaetz introduced his wife, the first lady of the Florida Senate, Vicky Gaetz, and welcomed all the other Senate spouses and family members who were present in the chamber.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

On motion by Senator Thrasher that a committee be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the session, the President appointed Senator Legg, Chair, and Senators Bean, Hukill, Soto, Brandes, Abruzzo, and Bullard. The committee was excused.

COMMITTEE RECEIVED

A committee from the House of Representatives composed of Representative Ray, Chair; and Representatives Mayfield, McBurney, Roberson, Rogers, Taylor, Clarke-Reed, and Stafford was received and informed the Senate that the House of Representatives was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the session. The committee then withdrew from the chamber.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Honorable Don Gaetz February 20, 2013
President of the Senate

Dear President Gaetz:

The Committee on Rules met on February 19, 2013, and after due consideration respectfully recommends a revision to Rule 2.1(1)(p) as follows:

(p) Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

The change and vote sheet are attached hereto and by reference made a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

John Thrasher, Chair

On motion by Senator Thrasher, the report was read and adopted by two-thirds vote.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Honorable Don Gaetz, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted HCR 8003 and requests the concurrence of the Senate.

Robert L. "Bob" Ward, Clerk

By Representative(s) Schenck—

HCR 8003—A concurrent resolution providing that the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session for the purpose of receiving a message from the Governor.

—was read the first time in full. On motion by Senator Thrasher, by two-thirds vote HCR 8003 was read the second time by title, unanimously adopted and immediately certified to the House.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED

The committee appointed to notify the House of Representatives appeared at the bar of the Senate and reported to the President that its duty had been performed. The committee was thanked for its service and discharged.

RECESS

On motion by Senator Thrasher, the Senate recessed at 10:55 a.m. to reconvene at 2:00 p.m. or upon call of the President.

(See remainder of Senate business following the joint session.)

JOINT SESSION

Pursuant to **HCR 8003**, the Senate formed in processional order and marched in a body to the chamber of the House of Representatives where they were received in due form. The joint session was called to order by The Honorable Will Weatherford, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Lieutenant Governor, members of the Cabinet, and Justices of the Supreme Court were received and seated.

The Speaker invited President Gaetz, President of the Senate, to the rostrum, and requested that the President preside over the joint session.

THE PRESIDENT PRESIDING

The President declared a quorum of the joint session present.

Representative Larry Lee delivered the prayer.

Senate President Pro Tempore Garrett Richter and House Speaker Pro Tempore Marti Coley led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

On motion by Representative Gaetz that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the joint session was assembled to receive his message, the President appointed Senator Stargel, Co-chair; Senators Bradley, Thompson, Simpson, and Clemens; and on behalf of the Speaker, appointed Representative Crisafulli, Co-chair; Representatives Corcoran, Oliva, Rouson, Mia Jones, and Williams. The committee withdrew from the chamber.

The committee appointed to wait upon the Governor subsequently returned to the chamber escorting His Excellency, The Honorable Rick Scott, Governor, who was escorted to the rostrum.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President recognized the following guests: First Lady of the Senate, Vicky Gaetz; First Lady of the House of Representatives, Courtney Weatherford; and spouses of the House and Senate members.

The President presented the Governor to the joint assembly.

ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT

Thank you so much for being here today. I especially want to thank President of the Senate, Don Gaetz, and Speaker of the House, Will Weatherford. These are men of faith devoted to helping Florida families. Like everyone in this chamber, they are committed to helping our state and investing in future generations. They are my partners. They are my friends, and they are dedicated public servants.

Lieutenant Governor Jennifer Carroll, thank you for your work on behalf of our state. Thank you also to Supreme Court Chief Justice Ricky Polston and members of the Court. Attorney General Pam Bondi, Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater, and Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam, thank you for your service. Thank you, senators and representatives, for your focus on Florida families.

I want to thank the love of my life and beautiful wife of 40 years, Ann, for being here. My daughters, Allison and Jordan, and my son-in-law, Jeremy, are also here. I am proud to say that both of our daughters are expecting new additions to our family. My little grandson, Auguste, is about to be a big brother. I love being a grandpa.

This is now the third time I have addressed you to report on the state of the great State of Florida. After two years of hard work, this update can be summed up in two words: It's working. Two years ago, we met together facing crippling debt, record-high unemployment, and a downward spiral of job losses.

Today, because of the tireless work of the men and women in this room, our businesses are creating hundreds of thousands of jobs, our unemployment rate is nearly down to the national average, and we aren't stopping there. It's working.

Two years ago, we knew we had been called here to make the difficult choices to help Florida families get back to work. Together we faced these challenges head on. We cut taxes, we eliminated thousands of regulations on job creators, we paid down state debt for two years in a row, and we invested in priorities like education. Now our economy is on the rebound. It's working.

Because we made the hard choices over the last two years, we are able to make the smart choices to keep our economy growing this year. We have a projected budget surplus for the first time in six years. Our challenges are different in this budget, but our goal is absolutely the same. That goal is economic growth and job creation.

This year, we have two priorities to keep our economy growing: first—remove the sales tax on manufacturing equipment, and second—invest in our teachers by providing them a well-deserved pay raise.

Our Florida Families First budget supports these priorities while maintaining substantial reserves. This is responsible stewardship of taxpayer money. Washington, D.C., could learn a few budget lessons from Florida. The contrast between our state and the nation's capital is remarkable. Now is not the time to turn back to the legacy of taxing and borrowing that crippled the economy we inherited two years ago. We must stay the course for economic growth and job creation.

When I ran for Governor, it was the first time I ever ran for any elected office. I spent a career in business, not politics. From my experience, I knew that our primary job was to move Florida's economy out of the red and into the black. We needed to cut spending, pay down debt, and support job creators. What we needed to do then was simple and in many ways remains the same today. Why we need to do it is more clear and personal to me now more than ever.

As many of you know, Ann and I both lost parents in the last year. My mom, Esther, was one of the only constants in my life. Even after I moved away from home and joined the Navy, we communicated every week. We would write letters and talk on the phone if we could, but we never let a week go by without being in touch. I am grateful for the lessons I learned from my parents' sacrifices. They often had trouble making ends meet, so we moved for them to find work. I remember my mom would sometimes take on second jobs, like ironing, just so we could buy groceries.

In spite of my mom's own struggles, including getting a divorce from my birth father at a young age and almost giving me up for adoption after I was born, my mom was an incredible optimist. She was an encourager. She told us to dream big.

My mom never went to college, but for her own children, getting a great education was not an option. Our education was so important to my mom, she didn't just talk about it; she showed up. Mom somehow made it to every one of my graduations even when it meant she had to travel far away. I don't know how she found the money, but she came to freezing Chicago for my boot camp graduation and Dallas for law school graduation.

My mom, the wife of a World War II veteran, had a simple formula for raising kids. We had to go to church a lot, do well in school, and get a job. She taught us that, in America, hard work plus sacrifice means you could make your dreams come true.

The longer I live, the more I am convinced that my mom was right, not just for our family, but for every family. Why are we so focused on creating jobs and improving education? Why do we focus on putting Florida families first in our budget? Because every Florida family wants not just to dream, but to have the opportunity to make those dreams come true.

Like my mom's formula, our formula this session is simple. We must invest in our education system, support our teachers, and cut taxes to help create more jobs.

EDUCATION INVESTMENT

Our work to cut spending and live within our means over the last two years has allowed us to once again invest in education. The workers of tomorrow are in Florida classrooms today. When I first stood before you in 2011, I said, "The single most important factor in student learning is the quality of teaching." Since that time, we eliminated teacher tenure and we signed performance pay into law, which will take effect in 2014.

Florida's education system is making tremendous progress due in large part to our great teachers and the work begun by Governor Bush and many in this legislature. Our students and teachers were recently ranked sixth for educational quality, and our fourth-graders scored among the highest in the world on a recent reading evaluation. Accountability is working. The best way we can build on this progress is to reward our hard-working teachers with a $2,500 pay raise.

Some say they are afraid that giving raises to all teachers may mean that a teacher doing a bad job gets rewarded. But, thanks to our work, we are now in a better position than ever before to reward good teachers and move bad teachers out of the classroom. We don't want a war on teachers; we want a war on failure. An investment in Florida teachers is an investment in Florida's future. Teachers change lives.

Greco Middle School teacher, Elizabeth Heli, is here today from Tampa. Will you please stand? Elizabeth began her career as an engineer, but decided she wanted to share her passion for science by teaching it. Please join me in a round of applause to honor her service. Orange County School District Superintendent Barbara Jenkins is also here. Barbara will you please stand so we can honor your commitment to the teachers in your district and your dedication to student achievement? Thank you, Elizabeth and Barbara, for the work you do to help make dreams come true for the next generation of Floridians.

I want to ask all of you to stop and think of your favorite teacher. Like me, you all are probably here today thanks to a great teacher who believed in you. Will you please stand now in honor of that great teacher? Please join me in a round of applause to honor the teachers represented here and every teacher across our state.

In total, our budget increases K-12 education funding by more than $1.2 billion. This billion-dollar commitment builds on our billion-dollar investment in K-12 education last year. Our total education investment of $10.7 billion in state funding for K-12 schools this year is the highest state funding level in Florida history. This represents an increase of more than $400 in per student funding over the current fiscal year. I am asking for your help to make this historic commitment to education funding a reality for Florida families.

JOB CREATION

Getting a great education helps dreams come true, and those dreams are almost always jobs. That is why our formula for success focuses on education and jobs.

Two years ago, Florida was losing jobs and many families were losing their dreams. In the four years before I took office, Florida lost more than 825,000 jobs. Unemployment more than tripled from 3.5% to 11.1% over those four years. State debt increased over those four years by $5.2 billion. Our housing market had collapsed. Our economy was off track, and our families were hurting. The shortsighted policies of borrowing on our future had led to disaster. Together, we fought to cut spending, cut taxes, and pay down debt.

Our unemployment rate has now dropped by more than 3 percentage points from two years ago–the second biggest drop in the country. We are now at 7.9 percent unemployment-–a 4-year low, and we aren't stopping there. We have cut state debt by $2 billion. Housing starts are up again, and consumer confidence is rebounding. Our economy has created around 200,000 new private sector jobs in the last two years, meaning that thousands of Florida families now have the opportunity to pursue their dreams. It's working.

We came into office saying we wanted to create an environment that would encourage businesses to add 700,000 jobs over 7 years. When I took office two years ago, the debate was about whether or not this goal was even possible. Now, there is a debate about how to count all the jobs being created, and who should get credit for it. Maybe it is because I am not a politician, but I think this is a great debate to have. It celebrates the fact that our economy is once again creating jobs. And, as Ronald Reagan said, there is no limit to what you can accomplish if you don't care about who gets the credit.

ELIMINATE MANUFACTURING TAX

As long as even one Florida family needs a job, our work is not done. That is why we are committed to removing the sales tax on manufacturing equipment. Florida is one of only a few states with this tax, and we lag behind the nation in per capita manufacturing jobs. We need to level the playing field to compete for manufacturing jobs.

Some great Florida manufacturing leaders are here with us today. We are honored to have Wes Bush, Chairman and CEO of Northrop Grumman, here. Less than 24 hours ago, his company made a major announcement that they will be adding more than 1,000 new jobs in Florida. Thank you for your great confidence in our state and our workers.

President of Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Dave Brown, is also here from Jacksonville, and Goya Foods President Frank Unanue is here from Miami. Manufacturing has a major impact on our economy. Every manufacturing job supports two to three other jobs in our state. Companies like Northrop Grumman, Johnson & Johnson, and Goya show how manufacturing businesses, combined with Florida's great location and 15 seaports, mean more jobs.

Bill Johnson, Director of the Port of Miami and Chairman of the Florida Ports Council, is also here. When the Miami port dredge project is completed, along with the Panama Canal expansion, thousands of new jobs will be created. Wes, Dave, Frank, and Bill, will you all please stand? Please join me in honoring these great leaders in job creation here today and all the manufacturing leaders and port directors in Florida.

Not having a job is devastating to a family. I remember when my parents couldn't find work. I remember when my dad had his car repossessed. The most important thing to a family is having a job. Everything we have done together over the last two years has been geared toward job creation and I want to stress again, it's working.

This year, we are also proposing that we continue to roll back the business tax by exempting 2,000 more small businesses from having to pay it. If we are successful this year, we will have removed the business tax from 70 percent of businesses since taking office. I am committed to getting rid of this tax entirely. That means more jobs for Florida families.

FORMULA FOR FLORIDA FAMILY SUCCESS

Thanks to the hard choices we have made over the last two years, we can afford to cut taxes and also invest in critical areas that have gone without increased funding for several years. Our budget increases operating funds for Florida state colleges by more than $70 million and increases funding for Florida universities by more than $390 million. Much of this increase will be tied to performance measures to ensure schools are preparing students to get a job. I want to especially thank University of Florida President Bernie Machen for being so helpful in coming up with performance measurements for success. Dr. Machen worked with his colleagues across the university system to form measurements and continue to make Florida's universities the best in the country. Dr. Machen, please stand so we can thank you and all of our university leaders.

I also want to thank Randy Hanna, Chancellor of Florida State Colleges, for working to make college more affordable. Thank you for your role in enlisting all 23 state colleges offering four-year degree programs in our $10,000 Degree Challenge to graduate students in high-demand job fields at a low cost. Please join me in thanking Randy and all state college leaders for stepping up to the plate on the $10,000 Degree Challenge.

For the first time in eight years, our budget also increases funding for persons with disabilities by $36 million to help more disabled people receive community-based services and $2.5 million for job training. Betty Kay Clements is here today. She is an advocate for persons with disabilities in the Orlando area. I was honored to meet Betty recently and hear her story about her daughter, Laura Lynne, who has overcome many obstacles with her disability to get a job at Target. Betty Kay, please stand so we can thank you for sharing your victory.

Our Florida Families First budget also invests $1.5 million to provide safe houses for victims of human trafficking. Ann and I had the privilege of meeting Allison Good in Miami last month. Allison was first trafficked when she was only five years old. She eventually came to Florida where she continued to be a victim of trafficking into her early 20s. Today, Allison is a warrior in the battle to end this horrific crime. Allison could not be here today, but we are grateful for the God-given bravery she has to share her story and give a voice to the millions of victims who suffer in silence. Please join me in a round of applause to thank Allison and all of those working to raise awareness against this evil and stop this crime from claiming even *one* more victim.

We have some other heroes here today. Annette Kirk, will you please stand in honor of your son, Private First Class Paul Cuzzupe? Paul lost his life while fighting for our freedom in Afghanistan. Annette, it was an honor to meet your family in Tampa and to hear about Paul's bravery in combat. Please join me in thanking Annette and every military family for their sacrifice and their service.

To our troops, our firefighters, and police officers-–you are the true definition of heroism. St. Lucie County Sheriff's Officer Gary Morales, whose life was taken tragically just last week, was a profile of courage. We are forever grateful to Sergeant Morales and all of our first responders who live for something larger than self. Thank you.

I also want to recognize Representative Cary Pigman from Highlands County who will be deploying to Kuwait with the U.S. Army Reserve right after session ends. Representative Pigman, please stand so we can thank you for your service not only to our state, but to our country.

CONCLUSION: IT'S WORKING

Two years ago, we began the hard work to get our state's economy back on track. Today, we know it's working. We could have chosen a different course. We could have continued to drive up taxes and borrowed to increase spending. That would have been the easy way out. California raised their top income tax rate to 13.3 percent–the highest in the na-

tion. But, it isn't working in California. People are leaving that state, and it has the second highest unemployment rate in the country.

More taxes and more spending aren't working in New York either. More than 3.4 million New Yorkers fled for other states from 2000 to 2009. Florida was their number-one destination. Taxing and spending aren't working in Illinois either. After raising its personal income tax rate by nearly 70 percent in 2011, it is still running one of the worst budget deficits in the country.

Here in Florida, our work to reduce spending and cut taxes, along with making critical investments in priorities, like education, is working. Top CEOs now rank Florida the second best state in the nation for business. The National Chamber Foundation said Florida has the number one talent pipeline.

Just recently, we made a major announcement with Verizon in the Orlando area which will result in a new facility and hundreds of jobs. Michelle Robinson, Verizon's Region President, is here today. Michelle, will you please stand? Thank you for investing in Florida and helping to create more opportunities for Florida families.

We didn't win every battle over the last two years. After a long fight, we lost in the Supreme Court over the President's healthcare law and we lost a presidential election along with the promise of the law's full repeal.

Now, our options are either having Floridians pay to fund this program in other states while denying healthcare to our citizens or using federal funding to help some of the poorest in our state with the Medicaid program as we explore other healthcare improvements. As I wrestled with this decision, I thought about my mom and her struggles to get my little brother the care he needed with very little money.

I concluded that for the three years the federal government is committed to paying 100 percent of the cost of new people in Medicaid, I cannot, in good conscience, deny the uninsured access to care. Of course, the best way for any family to access great healthcare is to have a great job. Like my mom, I am an optimist. I believe in big dreams.

I believe Florida will be the number one place in the world for job creation, the number one place in the world to get a great education, and the number one place in the world where families can afford to live. I believe that as we all continue to work together, Florida's job growth will outpace the nation and our unemployment rate will drop below the national average.

I hope Texas Governor Rick Perry is listening. As Governor Perry found out when he came here to go fishing and came in second place, Florida won't stop until we are number one. Florida will soon unseat Texas as the top job creator in the nation, and we plan to beat them in how we brag about our state also.

The hard work done over the last two years has set us up with a simple formula for success this year. We must remove the sales tax on manufacturers and invest in future generations of Floridians by investing in Florida teachers.

President Gaetz, Speaker Weatherford, Senators and Representatives: I look forward to joining with all of you as we put Florida families first and send a message to the world that Florida is serious about job creation. It's working. Thank you.

DISSOLUTION OF JOINT SESSION

Following the Governor's address, the previously appointed committee escorted the Governor from the rostrum and from the House chamber, followed by the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Cabinet, and Justices of the Supreme Court.

On motion by Senator Thrasher, the joint session was dissolved at 12:08 p.m. and the Senators were escorted from the House chamber by the Senate Sergeant at Arms.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Senate was called to order by President Gaetz at 2:00 p.m. A quorum present—40:

Mr. President	Flores	Negron
Abruzzo	Galvano	Richter
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ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

On motion by Senator Thompson—

By Senators Thompson, Gaetz, Abruzzo, Altman, Bean, Benacquisto, Bradley, Brandes, Braynon, Bullard, Clemens, Dean, Detert, Diaz de la Portilla, Evers, Flores, Galvano, Garcia, Gardiner, Gibson, Grimsley, Hays, Hukill, Joyner, Latvala, Lee, Legg, Margolis, Montford, Negron, Richter, Ring, Sachs, Simmons, Simpson, Smith, Sobel, Soto, Stargel, and Thrasher

SR 430—A resolution remembering the selfless sacrifice of Harriet Ross Tubman in Florida and beyond on the 100th anniversary of her passing.

WHEREAS, Harriet Ross Tubman was born into slavery in Bucktown, Maryland, in or about the year 1820, and

WHEREAS, in 1849, Harriet Ross Tubman escaped slavery and, as a "conductor" on the Underground Railroad, made as many as 19 harrowing trips involving great personal hardship and grave danger to lead hundreds of slaves to freedom, and

WHEREAS, Harriet Ross Tubman became an eloquent and effective speaker on behalf of the movement to abolish slavery, and

WHEREAS, Harriet Ross Tubman served in the Civil War as a soldier, spy, nurse, scout, and cook, including honorable service in Fernandina Beach sometime between 1863 and 1865, where she was recognized for her ability to cure illnesses using native herbs, and

WHEREAS, after the Civil War, Harriet Ross Tubman continued to fight for human dignity, human rights, opportunity, and justice for all Americans, and

WHEREAS, Harriet Ross Tubman died in old age on Monday, March 10, 1913, at her home in Auburn, New York, of pneumonia, leaving behind one of her most treasured possessions, a small medal given to her by Queen Victoria in recognition of her heroism, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That, on this, the 100th anniversary of her passing, we recognize the extraordinary life of Harriet Ross Tubman and celebrate her work and sacrifice in this state.

—was introduced out of order and read the second time in full. On motion by Senator Thompson, **SR 430** was adopted.

On motion by Senator Sachs—

By Senators Sachs, Gaetz, Abruzzo, Altman, Bean, Benacquisto, Bradley, Brandes, Braynon, Bullard, Clemens, Dean, Detert, Diaz de la Portilla, Evers, Flores, Galvano, Garcia, Gardiner, Gibson, Grimsley, Hays, Hukill, Joyner, Latvala, Lee, Legg, Margolis, Montford, Negron, Richter, Ring, Simmons, Simpson, Smith, Sobel, Soto, Stargel, Thompson, and Thrasher

SR 900—A resolution designating this state a Purple Heart State in honor of the service and sacrifices of our nation's men and women in

uniform who have been wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans.

WHEREAS, General George Washington, as the leader of the Continental Army, first introduced the "Badge of Military Merit" in 1782, instructing that it be awarded "not only in instances of unusual gallantry, but also of extraordinary fidelity and essential service in any way," and

WHEREAS, General Washington described the badge as a figure of a heart in purple cloth, which eventually became known as the Purple Heart, and is the nation's oldest military award, and

WHEREAS, the badge was not awarded for some years after the Revolutionary War, and was awarded only intermittently during the late 1920's, on February 22, 1932, the 200th anniversary of George Washington's birth, General Douglas MacArthur announced the reestablishment of the Purple Heart Medal, in memory and honor of George Washington's military achievements, and

WHEREAS, veterans have paid the high price of freedom by leaving their families and communities and placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all, and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from this state who have served and are serving in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by its residents, and

WHEREAS, many men and women in uniform have given their lives while serving in the Armed Forces, and

WHEREAS, many residents of this state have earned the Purple Heart Medal as a result of being wounded while engaged in combat with an enemy force, which is recognized as a singularly meritorious act of essential service, and

WHEREAS, the people of this state have a great admiration and the utmost gratitude for the sacrifices made by the men and women who have selflessly served their country and this state in the Armed Forces, and

WHEREAS, it is a privilege to honor those whose service and sacrifice was recognized with the award of a Purple Heart Medal, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Florida Senate proclaims this state a Purple Heart State, honoring the service and sacrifices of our nation's men and women in uniform who were wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Department of Veterans Affairs as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed in this resolution.

—was taken up out of order and read the second time in full. On motion by Senator Sachs, **SR 900** was adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER CALENDAR

MOTION

On motion by Senator Thrasher the rules were waived and all bills on the Special Order Calendar were read the first, second, and third time and immediately certified to the House.

On motion by Senator Latvala, by two-thirds vote—

CS for SB 2—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; amending s. 112.312, F.S.; revising definitions; creating s. 112.3125, F.S.; defining the term "public officer"; prohibiting public officers from accepting additional employment with the state or any of its political subdivisions under specified conditions; amending s. 112.313, F.S.; providing that a member of the Legislature may not personally represent another person or entity for compensation before any state agency for a period of 2 years following vacation of office; providing exceptions; providing that no member of the Legislature may associate as a partner, principal, or employee of a firm whose primary purpose is lobbying the Legislature within the first 2 years after vacation of office under specified conditions; establishing filing requirements for a sworn statement; specifying applicability of amendments made by the act; creating s. 112.3142, F.S.; defining the term "constitutional officers"; requiring constitutional officers to complete annual ethics training; specifying requirements for ethics training; requiring the commission to adopt rules to establish minimum course content; requiring each house of the Legislature to provide for ethics training pursuant to its rules; creating s. 112.31425, F.S.; providing legislative findings; providing that holding an economic interest in a qualified blind trust is not a prohibited conflict of interest; providing that a public officer may not attempt to influence, exercise control of, or obtain information regarding the holdings of the qualified blind trust; prohibiting communication regarding the qualified blind trust between a public officer or a person having a beneficial interest in the trust and the trustee; providing exceptions; requiring a public officer to report the qualified blind trust and its value on his or her financial disclosure form under specified circumstances; establishing requirements for creation of a qualified blind trust; requiring a public officer who holds a qualified blind trust to file a notice with the Commission on Ethics; requiring a covered public official to file an amendment to his or her most recent financial disclosure statement under specified conditions; amending s. 112.3143, F.S.; providing definitions for "principal" and "special gain or loss"; requiring state public officers to abstain from voting on any matter that the officer knows would inure to his or her special private gain or loss; requiring that a memorandum filed after a vote be filed no later than 15 days after the vote; providing that a member of the Legislature satisfies the disclosure requirement by filing a form created pursuant to the rules of his or her respective house; providing that confidential or privileged information need not be disclosed; amending s. 112.3144, F.S.; requiring the qualifying officer to electronically transmit a full and public disclosure of financial interests of a qualified candidate to the commission; providing timeframes for the filing of certain complaints; authorizing filing individuals to file an amended statement during a specified timeframe under specified conditions; authorizing the commission to immediately follow complaint procedures under specified conditions; prohibiting the commission from taking action on complaints alleging immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis errors or omissions; providing what constitutes an immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis error or omission; authorizing an individual required to file a disclosure to have the statement prepared by a certified public accountant; requiring a certified public accountant to sign the completed disclosure form to indicate compliance with applicable requirements and that the disclosure is true and correct based on reasonable knowledge and belief; requiring the commission to determine if a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; providing that the failure of the certified public accountant to accurately transcribe information provided by the filing individual does not constitute a violation; authorizing an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay a certified public accountant for preparing a disclosure; creating s. 112.31445, F.S.; providing a definition for "electronic filing system"; requiring all disclosures of financial interests filed with the commission to be scanned and made publicly available on a searchable Internet database beginning with the 2012 filing year; requiring the commission to submit a proposal to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives for a mandatory electronic filing system by a specified date; establishing minimum requirements for the commission's proposal; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; revising the definitions of "local officer" and "specified state employee"; revising procedures for the filing of a statement of financial interests with a candidate's qualifying papers; requiring a person filing a statement of financial interest to indicate the method of reporting income; providing timeframes for the filing of certain complaints; authorizing filing individuals to file an amended statement during a specified timeframe under specified conditions; authorizing the commission to immediately follow complaint procedures under specified conditions; prohibiting the commission from taking action on complaints alleging immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis errors or omissions; providing what constitutes an immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis error or omission; authorizing an individual required to file a disclosure to have the statement prepared by a certified public accountant; requiring a certified public accountant to sign the completed disclosure form to indicate compliance with applicable requirements and that the disclosure is true and correct based on reasonable knowledge and belief; requiring the commission to determine if a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the

filed statement; providing that the failure of the certified public account to accurately transcribe information provided by the filing individual does not constitute a violation; authorizing an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay a certified public accountant for preparing a disclosure; creating s. 112.31455, F.S.; requiring the commission to attempt to determine whether an individual owing certain fines is a current public officer or public employee; authorizing the commission to notify the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district of the total amount of any fine owed to the commission by such individuals; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district begin withholding portions of any salary payment that would otherwise be paid to the current public officer or public employee; requiring that the withheld payments be remitted to the commission until the fine is satisfied; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to retain a portion of payment for administrative costs; authorizing collection methods for the commission or the Department of Financial Services for individuals who are no longer public officers or public employees; authorizing the commission to contract with a collection agency; authorizing a collection agency to utilize collection methods authorized by law; authorizing the commission to collect an unpaid fine within a specified period of issuance of the final order; amending s. 112.3147, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that all forms be prescribed by the commission; amending s. 112.3148, F.S.; revising the definition of "procurement employee"; creating a definition for "vendor"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee from soliciting or knowingly accepting a gift from a vendor; deleting references to political committees and committees of continuous existence; creating s. 112.31485, F.S.; providing definitions for "gift" and "immediate family"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee or a member of his or her immediate family from soliciting or knowingly accepting any gift from a political committee or committee of continuous existence; prohibiting a political committee or committee of continuous existence from giving any gift to a reporting individual or procurement employee or a member of his or her immediate family; providing penalties for a violation; requiring that individuals who violate this section be held personally liable; amending s. 112.3149, F.S.; revising the definition of "procurement employee"; creating a definition for "vendor"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee from knowingly accepting an honorarium from a vendor; prohibiting a vendor from giving an honorarium to a reporting individual or procurement employee; amending s. 112.317, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 112.3215, F.S.; authorizing the commission to investigate sworn complaints alleging a prohibited expenditure; authorizing the commission to investigate a lobbyist or principal upon a sworn complaint or random audit; authorizing the Governor and Cabinet to assess a fine on a lobbyist or principal under specified conditions; providing a civil penalty; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; authorizing specified parties to submit written referrals of a possible violation of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees or other possible breaches of the public trust to the Commission on Ethics; establishing procedures for the receipt of written referrals by the commission; extending the period in which the disclosure of the intent to file or the filing of a complaint against a candidate is prohibited; providing exceptions; requiring the commission to dismiss a complaint of a de minimis violation; providing exceptions; defining a de minimis violation; reenacting s. 120.665, F.S., relating to disqualification of agency personnel, to incorporate the amendments to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 286.012, F.S., relating to voting requirements at meetings of governmental bodies, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 287.175, F.S., relating to penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.324, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 288.901, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 445.007, F.S., and reenacting subsection (1) of that section, relating to regional workforce boards, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; correcting cross-references; reenacting s. 627.311(5)(m), F.S., relating to joint underwriters and joint reinsurers, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 627.351(6)(d), F.S., relating to Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Senators Latvala and Thrasher offered the following amendment which was moved by Senator Latvala and adopted:

Amendment 1 (355398) (with title amendment)—Delete lines 412-415.

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 18 and 19 and insert: statement; creating s. 112.3142, F.S.; defining the

Senator Latvala moved the following amendment which was adopted:

Amendment 2 (675632)—Delete lines 622-624 and insert: *officer shall forward an electronic copy of the full and public disclosure of financial interests to the commission no later than July 1. The electronic*

Senator Joyner moved the following amendments which were adopted:

Amendment 3 (350372) (with title amendment)—Delete lines 675-690 and insert: *to this section may have the disclosure prepared by an attorney in good standing with The Florida Bar or by a certified public accountant licensed under chapter 473. After preparing a disclosure form, the attorney or certified public accountant must sign the form indicating that he or she prepared the form in accordance with this section and the instructions for completing and filing the disclosure forms and that, upon his or her reasonable knowledge and belief, the disclosure is true and correct. If a complaint is filed alleging a failure to disclose information required by this section, the commission shall determine whether the information was disclosed to the attorney or certified public accountant. The failure of the attorney or certified public accountant to accurately transcribe information provided by the individual required to file is not a violation of this section.*

(b) An elected officer or candidate who chooses to use an attorney or a certified public accountant to prepare his or her disclosure may pay for the services of the attorney or certified public accountant from

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 71-85 and insert: disclosure to have the statement prepared by an attorney or a certified public accountant; requiring an attorney or certified public accountant to sign the completed disclosure form to indicate compliance with applicable requirements and that the disclosure is true and correct based on reasonable knowledge and belief; requiring the commission to determine if an attorney or a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; providing that the failure of the attorney or certified public accountant to accurately transcribe information provided by the filing individual does not constitute a violation; authorizing an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay an attorney or certified public

Amendment 4 (933218)—Delete lines 721-723 and insert:

(e) Provide a method for an attorney or certified public accountant licensed in this state to sign the disclosure form to indicate that he or she prepared the form in accordance with s. 112.3144

Amendment 5 (665866) (with title amendment)—Delete lines 947-963 and insert: *pursuant to this section may have the disclosure prepared by an attorney in good standing with The Florida Bar or by a certified public accountant licensed under chapter 473. After preparing a disclosure form, the attorney or certified public accountant must sign the form indicating that he or she prepared the form in accordance with this section and the instructions for completing and filing the disclosure forms and that, upon his or her reasonable knowledge and belief, the disclosure is true and correct. If a complaint is filed alleging a failure to disclose information required by this section, the commission shall determine whether the information was disclosed to the attorney or certified public accountant. The failure of the attorney or certified public accountant to accurately transcribe information provided by the individual who is required to file the disclosure does not constitute a violation of this section.*

(b) An elected officer or candidate who chooses to use an attorney or a certified public accountant to prepare his or her disclosure may pay for the services of the attorney or certified public accountant from

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 114-128 and insert: disclosure to have the statement prepared by an attorney or a certified public accountant; requiring an

attorney or certified public accountant to sign the completed disclosure form to indicate compliance with applicable requirements and that the disclosure is true and correct based on reasonable knowledge and belief; requiring the commission to determine if an attorney or a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; providing that the failure of the attorney or certified public accountant to accurately transcribe information provided by the filing individual does not constitute a violation; authorizing an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay an attorney or certified public

Senator Latvala moved the following amendment which was adopted:

Amendment 6 (928480)—In title, delete line 47 and insert: private gain or loss"; requiring state public officers to

On motion by Senator Latvala, by two-thirds vote **CS for SB 2** as amended was read the third time by title, passed, ordered engrossed and immediately certified to the House. The vote on passage was:

Yeas—40

Mr. President	Flores	Negron
Abruzzo	Galvano	Richter
Altman	Garcia	Ring
Bean	Gardiner	Sachs
Benacquisto	Gibson	Simmons
Bradley	Grimsley	Simpson
Brandes	Hays	Smith
Braynon	Hukill	Sobel
Bullard	Joyner	Soto
Clemens	Latvala	Stargel
Dean	Lee	Thompson
Detert	Legg	Thrasher
Diaz de la Portilla	Margolis	
Evers	Montford	

Nays—None

CO-INTRODUCERS

All Senators voting yea, not previously shown as co-introducers, were recorded as co-introducers of **CS for SB 2**.

On motion by Senator Latvala, by two-thirds vote—

CS for SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for written referrals and related records held by the Commission on Ethics, the Governor, the Department of Law Enforcement, or a state attorney; creating an exemption for records relating to a preliminary investigation held by the Commission on Ethics; creating an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of proceedings of the Commission on Ethics in which the referrals are discussed or acted upon; providing for future repeal and legislative review of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was read the second time by title. On motions by Senator Latvala, by two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, **CS for SB 4** was read the third time by title, passed and immediately certified to the House. The vote on passage was:

Yeas—40

Mr. President	Bullard	Garcia
Abruzzo	Clemens	Gardiner
Altman	Dean	Gibson
Bean	Detert	Grimsley
Benacquisto	Diaz de la Portilla	Hays
Bradley	Evers	Hukill
Brandes	Flores	Joyner
Braynon	Galvano	Latvala
Lee	Ring	Soto
Legg	Sachs	Stargel
Margolis	Simmons	Thompson
Montford	Simpson	Thrasher
Negron	Smith	
Richter	Sobel	

Nays—None

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Ethics and Elections; and Senators Latvala, Gardiner, Thrasher, Legg, Lee, Benacquisto, Flores, and Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; amending s. 112.312, F.S.; revising the definition of "gift" to exclude specified expenditures of a political committee or committee of continuous existence; creating s. 112.3125, F.S.; defining the term "public officer"; prohibiting public officers from accepting additional employment with the state or any of its political subdivisions; providing exceptions; amending s. 112.313, F.S.; providing that a member of the Legislature may not personally represent another person or entity for compensation before any state agency for a period of 2 years following vacation of office; providing exceptions; providing that no member of the Legislature may associate as a partner, principal, or employee of a firm whose primary purpose is lobbying the Legislature within the first 2 years after vacation of office under specified conditions; establishing filing requirements for a sworn statement; creating s. 112.3142, F.S.; defining the term "constitutional officers"; requiring constitutional officers to complete annual ethics training; specifying requirements for ethics training; requiring each house of the Legislature to provide for ethics training pursuant to its rules; creating s. 112.31425, F.S.; providing legislative findings; providing that holding an economic interest in a qualified blind trust is not a prohibited conflict of interest; providing that a public officer may not attempt to influence, exercise control of, or obtain information regarding the holdings of the qualified blind trust; prohibiting communication regarding the qualified blind trust between a public officer or a person having a beneficial interest in the trust and the trustee; providing exceptions; requiring a public officer to report the qualified blind trust and its value on his or her financial disclosure form under specified circumstances; establishing requirements for creation of a qualified blind trust; requiring a public officer who holds a qualified blind trust to file a notice with the Commission on Ethics; requiring a covered public official to file an amendment to his or her most recent financial disclosure statement under specified conditions; amending s. 112.3143, F.S.; providing definitions for "principal" and "special gain or loss"; requiring state public officers to abstain from voting on any matter that the officer knows would inure to his or her special private gain or loss; requiring that a memorandum filed after a vote be filed no later than 15 days after the vote; providing that a member of the Legislature satisfies the disclosure requirement by filing a form created pursuant to the rules of his or her respective house; amending s. 112.3144, F.S.; requiring the qualifying officer to electronically transmit a full and public disclosure of financial interests of a qualified candidate to the commission; authorizing the commission or the Department of Financial Services to collect an unpaid fine within a specified period of the initial report of the automatic fine; providing timeframes for the filing of certain complaints; authorizing filing individuals to file an amended statement during a specified timeframe under specified conditions; authorizing the commission to immediately follow complaint procedures under specified conditions; prohibiting the commission from taking action on complaints alleging immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis errors or omissions; providing what constitutes an immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis error or omission; authorizing an individual required to file a disclosure to have the statement prepared by a certified public accountant; requiring a certified public accountant to attest to the veracity of the disclosure; requiring the commission to determine if a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; providing that the filing individual is not in violation of the section if a certified public accountant was in custody of such information but failed to disclose it on the statement; authorizing

an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay a certified public accountant for preparing a disclosure; creating s. 112.31445, F.S.; providing a definition for "electronic filing system"; requiring all disclosures of financial interests filed with the commission to be scanned and made publicly available on a searchable Internet database beginning with the 2012 filing year; requiring the commission to submit a proposal to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives for a mandatory electronic filing system by a specified date; establishing minimum requirements for the commission's proposal; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; revising the definitions of "local officer" and "specified state employee"; requiring the qualifying officer to electronically transmit a statement of financial interests of a qualified candidate to the commission; requiring a person filing a statement of financial interest to indicate the method of reporting income; authorizing the commission or the Department of Financial Services to collect an unpaid fine within a specified period of the initial report of the automatic fine; providing timeframes for the filing of certain complaints; authorizing filing individuals to file an amended statement during a specified timeframe under specified conditions; authorizing the commission to immediately follow complaint procedures under specified conditions; prohibiting the commission from taking action on complaints alleging immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis errors or omissions; providing what constitutes an immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis error or omission; authorizing an individual required to file a disclosure to have the statement prepared by a certified public accountant; requiring a certified public accountant to attest to the veracity of the disclosure; requiring the commission to determine if a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; providing that the filing individual is not in violation of the section if a certified public accountant was in custody of such information but failed to disclose it on the statement; authorizing an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay a certified public accountant for preparing a disclosure; creating s. 112.31455, F.S.; requiring the commission to determine whether an individual owing certain fines is a current public officer or public employee or is currently receiving public contract payments; requiring the commission to notify the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district of the total amount of any fine owed to the commission by such individuals; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district begin withholding 10 percent of any payment from public moneys that would otherwise be paid to the current public officer, public employee, or individual currently receiving public contract payments; requiring that the withheld payments be remitted to the commission until the fine is satisfied; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to retain a percentage of payment for administrative costs; authorizing collection methods for the commission or the Department of Financial Services for individuals who are no longer public officers or public employees or who are no longer receiving public contract payments; amending s. 112.3147, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that all forms be prescribed by the commission; amending s. 112.3148, F.S.; revising the definition of "procurement employee"; creating a definition for "vendor"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee from soliciting or knowingly accepting a gift from a vendor; deleting references to political committees and committees of continuous existence; creating s. 112.31485, F.S.; providing definitions for "gift" and "immediate family"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee or a member of his or her immediate family from soliciting or knowingly accepting any gift from a political committee or committee of continuous existence; prohibiting a political committee or committee of continuous existence from giving any gift to a reporting individual or procurement employee or a member of his or her immediate family; providing penalties for a violation; requiring that individuals who violate this section be held personally liable; amending s. 112.3149, F.S.; revising the definition of "procurement employee"; creating a definition for "vendor"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee from knowingly accepting an honorarium from a vendor; prohibiting a vendor from giving an honorarium to a reporting individual or procurement employee; reenacting s. 112.317(1)-(5), F.S., relating to civil penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., and the creation of s. 112.31485, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 112.3215, F.S.; authorizing the commission to investigate sworn complaints alleging a prohibited expenditure; authorizing the commission to investigate a lobbyist or principal upon a sworn complaint or random audit; providing a civil penalty; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; authorizing specified parties to submit written referrals of a possible violation of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees or other possible breaches of the public trust to the Commission on Ethics; establishing procedures for the receipt of written referrals by the commission; extending the period in which the disclosure of the intent to file or the filing of a complaint against a candidate is prohibited; providing exceptions; requiring the commission to dismiss a complaint of a de minimis violation; providing exceptions; defining a de minimis violation; reenacting s. 120.665, F.S., relating to disqualification of agency personnel, to incorporate the amendments to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 286.012, F.S., relating to voting requirements at meetings of governmental bodies, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 287.175, F.S., relating to penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.324, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 288.901(1)(c), F.S., relating to Enterprise Florida, Inc., to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 445.007, F.S., and reenacting subsection (1) of that section, relating to regional workforce boards, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; correcting cross-references; reenacting s. 627.311(5)(m), F.S., relating to joint underwriters and joint reinsurers, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 627.351(6)(d), F.S., relating to Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Rules.

By the Committee on Ethics and Elections—

SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for written referrals and related records held by the Commission on Ethics, the Governor, the Department of Law Enforcement, or state attorneys; creating an exemption for records relating to a preliminary investigation held by the Commission on Ethics; creating an exemption from public meetings requirements for proceedings of the Commission on Ethics in which the referrals are discussed or acted upon; extending the period in which the disclosure of the intent to file or the filing of a complaint against a candidate is prohibited; providing an exception; prohibiting the disclosure of the intent to file or the filing of a referral against a candidate on the day of an election or within a specified time period immediately preceding such election; providing an exception; providing for future repeal and legislative review of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

Senate Bills 6-10—Not used.

By Senator Montford—

SB 12—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Mark T. Sawicki and his wife, Sharon L. Sawicki, individually, by the City of Tallahassee; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for injuries sustained by Mark T. Sawicki as a result of the negligence of the City of Tallahassee; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 14—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Dennis Darling, Sr., and Wendy Smith, parents of Devaughn Darling, deceased; providing an appropriation from the General Revenue Fund to compensate the parents for the loss of their son, Devaughn Darling, whose death occurred while he was engaged in football preseason training on the Florida State University campus; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 16—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Jennifer Wohlgemuth by the Pasco County Sheriff's Office; providing for an appropriation to compensate Jennifer Wohlgemuth, whose injuries were due to the negligence of an employee of the Pasco County Sheriff's Office; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 18—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Yvonne Morton; providing an appropriation to compensate her for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Department of Health; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 20—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Marcus Button by the Pasco County School Board; providing for an appropriation to compensate Marcus Button for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Pasco County School Board; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Negron—

SB 22—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Carl Abbott by the Palm Beach County School Board; providing for an appropriation to compensate Carl Abbott for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of the Palm Beach County School District; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 24—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of L.T., a minor; providing an appropriation to compensate L.T., a minor, by and through Vicki McSwain, the Permanent Custodian for L.T., for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of employees of the Department of Children and Families, formerly known as the Department of Children and Family Services; providing a limitation of the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Altman—

SB 26—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa; providing an appropriation to compensate the Estate of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa for Dr. Aversa's death as result of the negligence of the Department of Transportation; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to establish spending authority from unappropriated trust fund balances of the department for compensation to the Estate of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa; providing for attorney fees and costs; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Transportation; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 28—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Charles Pandrea by the North Broward Hospital District; providing for an appropriation to compensate Charles Pandrea, husband of Janet Pandrea, for the death of Janet Pandrea as a result of the negligence of the North Broward Hospital District; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Flores—

SB 30—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Altavious Carter by the Palm Beach County School Board; providing for an appropriation to compensate Altavious Carter for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of a bus driver of the Palm Beach County School District; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Flores—

SB 32—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Melvin and Alma Colindres by the City of Miami; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for the wrongful death of their son, Kevin Colindres, sustained as a result of the negligence of police officers of the City of Miami; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 34—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Thomas and Karen Brandi by the city of Haines City; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of the city of Haines City; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

SB 36—Not introduced.

By Senator Flores—

SB 38—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Amie Draiemann Stephenson, individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Christian Darby Stephenson, deceased, and for the relief of Hailey Morgan Stephenson and Christian Darby Stephenson II, as surviving minor children of the decedent; providing an appropriation to compensate them for the wrongful death of Christian Darby Stephenson, which

was due in part to the negligence of the Department of Transportation; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Transportation; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 40—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Javier Soria by Palm Beach County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Javier Soria for injuries sustained as a result of negligence by an employee of Palm Beach County; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 42—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Ramiro Companioni by the City of Tampa; providing for an appropriation to compensate Ramiro Companioni for injuries sustained as a result of negligence by an employee of the City of Tampa; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

SB 44—Not introduced.

SB 46—Not used.

SB 48—Not introduced.

By Senators Negron and Evers—

SB 50—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; creating s. 286.0114, F.S.; requiring that a member of the public be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard before a board or commission takes official action on a proposition before a board or commission of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of any county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision; providing that the opportunity to be heard is subject to rules or policies adopted by the board or commission; specifying certain exceptions; providing requirements for rules or policies governing the opportunity to be heard; providing that compliance with the requirements of the act is presumed under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to assess reasonable attorney fees in actions filed against a board or commission; providing that any action taken by a board or commission which is found in violation of the act is not void; providing that circuit courts have jurisdiction to issue injunctions for purposes of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Detert, Montford, Margolis, Richter, Latvala, and Abruzzo—

SB 52—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices while driving; creating s. 316.305, F.S.; creating the "Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law"; providing legislative intent; prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while using a wireless communications device for certain purposes; defining the term "wireless communications device"; providing exceptions; specifying information that is admissible as evidence of a violation; providing penalties; providing for enforcement as a secondary action; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; providing for points to be assessed against a driver license for the unlawful use of a wireless communications device within a school safety zone or resulting in a crash; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Judiciary.

By Senators Joyner, Margolis, Soto, Ring, Sachs, and Thompson—

SCR 54—A concurrent resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to equal rights for men and women.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 56—A bill to be entitled An act relating to infant death; amending s. 383.3362, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent with respect to the sudden unexpected death of an infant under a specified age; defining the term "sudden unexpected infant death"; revising provisions relating to training requirements for first responders; revising requirements relating to autopsies performed by medical examiners; requiring the Medical Examiners Commission to provide for the development and implementation of a protocol for the medicolegal investigation of sudden unexpected infant deaths; deleting references to the SIDS hotline and local SIDS alliances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Children, Families, and Elder Affairs.

By Senators Hays and Evers—

SB 58—A bill to be entitled An act relating to application of foreign law in certain cases; creating s. 45.022, F.S.; providing intent; defining the term "foreign law, legal code, or system"; clarifying that the public policies expressed in the act apply to violations of a natural person's fundamental liberties, rights, and privileges guaranteed by the State Constitution or the United States Constitution; providing that the act does not apply to a corporation, partnership, or other form of business association, except when necessary to provide effective relief in proceedings under or relating to chapters 61 and 88, F.S.; specifying the public policy of this state in applying the choice of a foreign law, legal code, or system under certain circumstances in proceedings brought under or relating to chapters 61 and 88, F.S., which relate to dissolution of marriage, support, time-sharing, the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, and the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act; declaring that certain decisions rendered under such laws, codes, or systems are void; declaring that certain choice of venue or forum provisions in a contract are void; providing for the construction of a waiver by a natural person of the person's fundamental liberties, rights, and privileges guaranteed by the State Constitution or the United States Constitution; declaring that claims of forum non conveniens or related claims must be denied under certain circumstances; providing that the act may not be construed to require or authorize any court to adjudicate, or prohibit any religious organization from adjudicating, ecclesiastical matters in violation of specified constitutional provisions or to conflict with any federal treaty or other international agreement to which the United States is a party to a specified extent; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 60—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain identifying information of specific current and former personnel of the Department of Health and the spouses and children of such personnel, under specified circumstances; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open

Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 62—A bill to be entitled An act relating to low-speed vehicles; amending s. 319.14, F.S.; authorizing the conversion of a vehicle titled or branded and registered as a low-speed vehicle to a golf cart; providing procedures; providing for a fee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Sachs and Margolis—

SB 64—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial parasailing; providing a short title; amending s. 327.02, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 327.375, F.S.; requiring the owner of a vessel engaged in commercial parasailing to obtain and carry an insurance policy; providing minimum coverage requirements for the insurance policy; providing requirements for proof of insurance; specifying the insurance information that must be provided to each rider; prohibiting commercial parasailing unless certain conditions are met; providing for the launch from and recovery of riders to a towing vessel; authorizing up to three persons to be tethered to the towing vessel; prohibiting commercial parasailing in certain areas, during certain hours, and under certain weather conditions; requiring that a weather log be maintained and made available for inspection; requiring a safety briefing for passengers and parasail riders; providing a penalty; amending ss. 320.08, 327.391, 328.17, 342.07, 713.78, and 715.07, F.S.; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; Transportation; and Environmental Preservation and Conservation.

By Senators Altman, Soto, Clemens, Benacquisto, Sobel, and Thompson—

SB 66—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child safety devices in motor vehicles; amending s. 316.613, F.S.; providing child restraint requirements for children age 7 years or younger who are less than a specified height; providing exceptions; redefining the term "motor vehicle" to exclude certain vehicles from such requirements; providing a grace period; requiring that a law enforcement officer issue a warning and give educational literature to an operator of a motor vehicle during the grace period, under certain circumstances; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

SCR 68—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 70—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment discrimination; creating the Helen Gordon Davis Fair Pay Protection Act; making legislative findings relating to equal pay for equal work for women; recognizing the importance of the Department of Economic Opportunity and the Commission on Human Relations in ensuring fair pay; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to conduct studies and provide information to employers, labor organizations, and the public concerning the means available to eliminate pay disparities between men and women; creating the Governor's Recognition Award for Pay Equity in the Workplace; requiring that the award be made annually to businesses in this state which have engaged in activities that eliminate the barriers to equal pay for equal work for women; requiring the executive director of the department and the chairperson of the commission to work cooperatively with the Executive Office of the Governor to create eligibility criteria for employers to receive the award; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 72—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment discrimination against the unemployed; creating the "Fair Employment Opportunity Act"; setting forth the purpose of the act; defining terms; prohibiting an employer from refusing to consider for employment, or refusing to offer employment to, a person because the person is or was unemployed; prohibiting an employer from publishing in print, on the Internet, or in any other medium an advertisement or announcement for a job which states or indicates that an unemployed person is disqualified from consideration for the job; prohibiting an employer from directing or requesting an employment agency to take a person's status as unemployed into account in screening or referring applicants for employment; prohibiting an employment agency from refusing to consider or refer a person for employment based on the person's status as unemployed; prohibiting an employment agency from publishing in print, on the Internet, or in any other medium an advertisement or announcement for any job vacancy which states or indicates that an unemployed person is disqualified from consideration for the job; prohibiting an employment agency from limiting, segregating, or classifying a person in any manner that may limit the person's access to information about jobs or referral for consideration for jobs because the person is or was unemployed; prohibiting an employer or employment agency from interfering with, restraining, or denying the exercise of, or the attempt to exercise, any right provided by the act or refusing to hire, discharging, or in any other manner discriminating against a person because the person engaged in certain specified lawful activities; providing an exception for a bona fide occupational qualification; authorizing the Attorney General to commence a civil action for damages, injunctive relief, civil penalties, and other appropriate relief if the Attorney General has reasonable cause to believe that an employer or employment agency has violated the act; authorizing the Attorney General to file an action in the circuit court in the county where the cause of action arises or in the Circuit Court for the Second Judicial Circuit in Leon County; providing procedures; providing that the prevailing party in such action is entitled to an award of reasonable attorney fees and costs; providing that damages recovered under the act accrue to the injured party; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 74—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of hand-held wireless communications devices while driving; creating s. 316.305, F.S.; creating the "Florida Ban on Communicating While Driving Law"; providing legislative intent; defining the term "hand-held wireless communications device"; prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while using a hand-held wireless communications device for certain purposes; providing exceptions; specifying information that is admissible as evidence of a violation; providing penalties; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; providing for points to be assessed against a driver license for the unlawful use of a hand-held wireless communications device within a school safety zone or unlawful use resulting in a crash; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Judiciary.

By Senator Flores—

SB 76—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workforce education programs; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; authorizing a Florida College System institution or a school district to report a student as enrolled in an adult education program for purposes of funding if the student is coenrolled in a K-12 education program and an adult education program; deleting an obsolete provision; authorizing a Florida College System

institution or a school district to report a student for funding for up to two courses if the student is coenrolled in core program areas, rather than curricula courses, and meets certain additional criteria; requiring that the Department of Education develop a list of courses to be designated as core courses for purposes of coenrollment; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SM 78—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to repeal all taxes on income and enact a national retail sales tax as specified in H.R. 25, the Fair Tax Act of 2011.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 80—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; expanding the list of available sites at which early voting may be held to include specified facilities or any other location designated by a supervisor of elections as meeting the requirements of state law; deleting a requirement that an early voting site be designated and used as such for at least 1 year before an election; requiring that each county operate a certain total number of voting sites; revising the beginning and ending dates of early voting; revising the hours of early voting to 12 hours per weekday and 12 hours in the aggregate each weekend at each site during the applicable periods; deleting provisions that authorize the supervisor of elections to provide early voting for certain elections and to determine the hours of operation of early voting sites in those elections; amending s. 101.045, F.S.; permitting an elector to change his or her residence at a polling place and vote a regular ballot at that polling place; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 82—A bill to be entitled An act relating to early voting; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; expanding the list of available sites at which early voting may be held to include specified facilities or any other location designated by a supervisor of elections as meeting the requirements of state law; deleting a requirement that an early voting site be designated and used as such for at least 1 year before an election; requiring that each county operate a certain total number of voting sites; revising the beginning and ending dates of early voting; requiring a specified number of preprinted ballots to be provided to each early voting site; revising the hours of early voting to 12 hours per weekday and 12 hours in the aggregate each weekend at each site during the applicable periods; deleting provisions that authorize the supervisor of elections to provide early voting for certain elections and to determine the hours of operation of early voting sites in those elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 84—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public-private partnerships; creating s. 287.05712, F.S.; providing definitions; providing legislative findings and intent relating to the construction or improvement by private entities of facilities used predominantly for a public purpose; providing procurement procedures; providing requirements for project approval; providing project qualifications and process; providing for notice to affected local jurisdictions; providing for comprehensive agreements between a public and a private entity; providing for use fees; providing for financing sources for certain projects by a private entity; providing powers and duties for private entities; providing for expiration or termination of agreements; providing for the applicability of sovereign immunity for public entities with respect to qualified projects; providing for construction of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Flores and Benacquisto—

SB 86—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the distribution of materials harmful to minors; amending s. 847.012, F.S.; prohibiting an adult from knowingly distributing to a minor or posting on school property certain specified materials harmful to minors; providing that it is a third-degree felony for any person to knowingly distribute to a minor or post on school property certain materials harmful to minors; defining the term "school property"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 88—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mail order sales; amending s. 212.0596, F.S.; revising the term "mail order sale" to specifically include sales of tangible personal property ordered by Internet; deleting certain provisions that specify dealer activities or other circumstances that subject mail order sales to this state's power to levy and collect the sales and use tax; providing that certain persons who make mail order sales and who have a substantial nexus with this state are subject to this state's power to levy and collect the sales and use tax if they engage in certain enumerated activities; specifying that a dealer is not required to collect and remit sales and use tax unless certain circumstances exist; creating a rebuttable presumption that a dealer is subject to the state's power to levy and collect the sales or use tax under specified circumstances; specifying evidentiary proof that may be submitted to rebut the presumption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Smith and Margolis—

SB 90—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state contracts; amending s. 287.058, F.S.; requiring all state contracts of more than a certain amount to require call-center services to be staffed by persons located within the United States; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Negron, Brandes, and Evers—

SB 92—A bill to be entitled An act relating to searches and seizures; creating the "Freedom from Unwarranted Surveillance Act"; defining the terms "drone" and "law enforcement agency"; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from using a drone to gather evidence or other information; providing an exception; authorizing an aggrieved party to initiate a civil action in order to prevent or remedy a violation of the act; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from using in any court of law in this state evidence obtained or collected in violation of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 94—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disabled parking permits and license plates; amending s. 320.0843, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to automatically renew

and issue a license plate stamped with the international wheelchair user symbol to persons who have certain disabilities; amending s. 320.0848, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to automatically renew and issue a disabled parking permit to persons who have certain disabilities; amending s. 316.1955, F.S.; deleting a cross-reference to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 96—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Citizens Property Insurance Corporation rates; reordering and amending s. 627.351, F.S.; providing that any restrictions on annual rate increases apply to both new and renewal policies; deleting obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senators Richter, Abruzzo, and Soto—

SB 98—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the New Markets Development Program; amending s. 288.9914, F.S.; revising limits on tax credits that may be claimed by qualified community development entities under the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment practices; prohibiting an employer from using a job applicant's credit report or credit history to make certain hiring, compensation, or other employment decisions; providing specific situations where an employer may use such information; providing definitions; providing exemptions for certain types of employers; providing remedies for aggrieved persons; providing for attorney fees and court costs; providing for a plaintiff to post a bond in certain situations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Detert—

SB 102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charitable contributions; amending s. 726.102, F.S.; defining the terms "charitable contribution" and "qualified religious or charitable entity or organization"; amending s. 726.109, F.S.; providing that a transfer of a charitable contribution that is received in good faith by a qualified religious or charitable entity or organization is not a fraudulent transfer; providing exceptions; amending ss. 213.758, 718.704, and 721.05, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Detert—

SB 104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mobile home parks; amending s. 723.071, F.S.; requiring a mobile home park owner who receives a bona fide offer for purchase of the park to provide certain notice to the homeowners' association; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Detert—

SB 106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mobile home park tenancies; amending s. 723.012, F.S.; requiring that additional information be provided in the prospectus or offering brochure which advises the customer of consequences if the land use is changed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Detert—

SB 108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facilities; amending s. 402.302, F.S.; revising a definition; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to adopt rules to include specified requirements within minimum standards relating to a written plan for the daily provision of varied activities at a child care facility; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Education; and Rules.

By Senator Flores—

SB 110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to involuntary examinations under the Baker Act; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; authorizing physician assistants and advanced registered nurse practitioners to initiate involuntary examinations under the Baker Act of persons believed to have mental illness; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Policy; and Judiciary.

By Senator Dean—

SB 112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property fraud; creating s. 817.535, F.S.; prohibiting a person from filing or causing to be filed, with intent to defraud another, a document relating to the ownership, transfer, or encumbrance of or claim against real or personal property, or any interest in real or personal property, which the person knows contains a material misstatement, misrepresentation, or omission of fact; providing criminal penalties; providing that a person who fraudulently records a construction lien is subject to specified fraud provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 104.271, F.S.; revising the provision concerning false or malicious statements about a candidate; prohibiting certain parties from making any statement or sponsoring political advertising or electioneering communications with actual malice; providing a penalty; defining the term "libel or defamation per se"; amending s. 106.143, F.S.; requiring a candidate to file an oath with his or her filing officer within a specified time after the original publication of a political advertisement; reenacting s. 106.265(1), F.S., relating to civil penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 104.271, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to carbon monoxide alarms; amending s. 1013.03, F.S.; providing that it is a function of the Department of Education to require K-12 public school facilities to install carbon monoxide alarms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Benacquisto and Evers—

SB 118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funerals, burials, and memorial services; creating s. 871.015, F.S.; providing a definition; prohibiting picketing or engaging in other protest activities within a specified distance of the property line of the location of a funeral, burial, or memorial service for certain persons; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominiums; amending s. 718.104, F.S.; allowing condominium units to come into existence regardless of requirements or restrictions in a declaration; amending s. 718.105, F.S.; extending the amount of time that a clerk may hold a sum of money before notifying the registered agent of an association that the sum is still available and the purpose for which it was deposited; amending s. 718.110, F.S.; changing the requirements relating to the circumstances under which a declaration of condominium or other documents are effective to create a condominium; making technical changes; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; revising the conditions under which unit owners may vote on issues related to the preparation of financial reports; making technical changes; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a developer may vote to waive or reduce the funding of reserves; making technical changes; amending s. 718.114, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a developer may acquire leaseholds, memberships, or other possessory or use interests; making technical changes; amending s. 718.301, F.S.; revising the conditions under which unit owners other than the developer are entitled to elect at least a majority of the members of a board of administration; revising requirements related to the documents that the developer must deliver to the association; making technical changes; amending s. 718.403, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a developer may amend a declaration of condominium governing a phase condominium; providing for an extension of the 7-year period for the completion of a phase; providing requirements for the adoption of an amendment; providing that an amendment adopted pursuant to this section is exempt from other requirements of law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sales tax exemptions; amending s. 212.031, F.S.; exempting from the sales tax certain separately stated charges imposed on a lessee or licensee of leased or licensed premises; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Ring and Clemens—

SB 124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to newborn screening for critical congenital heart disease; creating s. 383.146, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for screening newborns for critical congenital heart disease; providing an exception; requiring that the physician, midwife, or other person attending the newborn maintain a record if the screening has not been performed and attach a written objection signed by the parent or guardian; requiring appropriate documentation of the screening completion in the medical record; requiring that each hospital and each licensed birth center designate a lead physician and a licensed health care provider, respectively, to provide programmatic oversight for the screening; requiring that the screening for critical congenital heart disease be conducted on all newborns in hospitals and birth centers in this state; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt rules to administer the screening program; providing powers and duties of the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mammogram reports; amending ss. 627.6418, 627.6613, and 641.31095, F.S.; requiring that mammography reports include a statement regarding breast density; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to autism; creating s. 381.986, F.S.; requiring that a physician refer a minor to an appropriate specialist for screening for autism spectrum disorder under certain circumstances; defining the term "appropriate specialist"; amending ss. 627.6686 and 641.31098, F.S.; defining the term "direct patient access"; requiring that certain insurers and health maintenance organizations provide direct patient access to an appropriate specialist for screening for or evaluation or diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder; requiring that certain insurance policies and health maintenance organization contracts provide a minimum number of visits per year for screening for or evaluation or diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Braynon, Flores, and Ring—

SB 130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unemployment compensation; amending s. 443.036, F.S.; updating and revising definitions; amending s. 443.101, F.S., relating to disqualification for benefits; revising the definition of the term "good cause"; amending ss. 443.1216 and 443.131, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Braynon and Margolis—

SB 132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Sun, Sea, and Smiles license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for the distribution of use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Rules; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to meetings of district school boards; amending s. 1001.372, F.S.; requiring district school boards to hold at least one regular meeting each quarter during a school year after school hours or during the evening hours and to create criteria for holding such meeting; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Smith—

SB 136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to self-defense; amending s. 776.031, F.S.; authorizing a person to use force, except deadly force, in the defense of property; authorizing a person to use deadly force, in the defense of property, to prevent the imminent commission of a forcible felony; providing that a person does not have a duty to retreat if the person is in a certain place; amending s. 776.032, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "criminal prosecution"; requiring, rather than authorizing, a law enforcement agency to investigate the use of force under certain circumstances; deleting the provision that prohibits a law enforcement agency from arresting a person for using force under certain circumstances; authorizing, rather than requiring, the court to award attorney fees, court costs, and other expenses to a defendant who used force under certain circumstances; amending s. 776.041, F.S.; deleting the provisions that make justifiable use of force available to an aggressor who initially provokes the use of force against himself or herself; providing additional circumstances in which justifiable use of force is not available; creating s. 776.09, F.S.; providing legislative findings; directing the Department of Law Enforcement to collect, process, maintain, and disseminate information and data on all incidents concerning the alleged justifiable use of force in this state; requiring the department to annually report to the Legislature the information and data in a format and manner determined by the Legislature; requiring each law enforcement agency within the state to monthly report to the department all incidents and cases in which a claim regarding the justifiable use of force is raised; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Brandes, Dean, and Benacquisto—

SB 138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children; repealing s. 3 of ch. 2010-52, Laws of Florida; abrogating the future repeal of ss. 1000.36, 1000.37, 1000.38, and 1000.39, F.S., relating to the compact; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the compact; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rental car sales and use tax surcharges; amending s. 212.0606, F.S.; defining the term "car-sharing service;" exempting the provision of vehicles by such services from the rental car surcharge; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to intellectual disabilities; amending s. 39.502, F.S.; substituting the Arc of Florida for the Association for Retarded Citizens for purposes of certain proceedings relating to children; amending ss. 40.013, 86.041, 92.53, 92.54, and 92.55, F.S.; substituting the term "intellectual disability" for the term "mental retardation"; amending s. 320.10, F.S.; substituting the Arc of Florida for the Association for Retarded Citizens; amending ss. 383.14, 393.063, 393.11, and 394.455, F.S.; substituting the term "intellectual disability" for the term "mental retardation"; clarifying in s. 393.063, that the meaning of the terms "intellectual disability" or "intellectually disabled" is the same as the meaning of the terms "mental retardation," "retarded," and "mentally retarded" for purposes of matters relating to the criminal laws and court rules; amending s. 400.960, F.S.; revising definitions relating to intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled to delete unused terms; amending s. 408.032, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; substituting the term "intellectually disabled" for the term "mentally retarded"; amending ss. 413.20, 440.49, and 499.0054, F.S.; substituting the term "intellectual disability" for the term "mental retardation"; amending s. 514.072, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference and deleting obsolete provisions; amending ss. 627.6041, 627.6615, 641.31, 650.05, 765.204, 849.04, 914.16, 914.17, 916.105, and 916.106, F.S.; substituting the term "intellectual disability" for the term "mental retardation"; amending s. 916.107, F.S.; substituting the term "intellectual disability" for the term "retardation"; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; amending ss. 916.301, 916.3012, 916.302, 916.3025, 916.303, 916.304, 918.16, 921.137, 941.38, 944.602, 945.025, 945.12, 945.42, 947.185, 984.19, 985.14, 985.145, 985.18, 985.19, 985.195, and 985.61, F.S.; clarifying in s. 921.137, F.S., that the terms "intellectual disability" or "intellectually disabled" are interchangeable with and have the same meaning as the terms "mental retardation," or "retardation" and "mentally retarded," as defined before the effective date of the act; substituting the term "intellectual disability" for the term "mental retardation"; expressing legislative intent; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Altman—

SB 144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to payment for services provided by licensed psychologists; amending ss. 627.6131 and 641.3155, F.S.; adding licensed psychologists to the list of health care providers who are protected by a limitations period from claims for overpayment being sought by health insurers or health maintenance organizations; adding licensed psychologists to the list of health care providers who are subject to a limitations period for submitting claims to health insurers or health maintenance organizations for underpayment; amending s. 627.638, F.S.; adding licensed psychologists to the list of health care providers who are eligible for direct payment for medical services by a health insurer under certain circumstances; making technical and grammatical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human papillomavirus vaccination; requiring that information regarding human papillomavirus, its effects, and available vaccines be provided to parents or guardians of all children entering grade 6; requiring that the Department of Health approve information for dissemination by the Department of Education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Altman and Soto—

SB 148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing in capital felonies; amending ss. 921.141 and 921.142, F.S.; requiring that an advisory sentence of death be made by a unanimous recommendation of the jury after a defendant's conviction or adjudication of guilt for a capital felony or capital drug-trafficking felony; requiring the court to instruct the jury that, in order for the jury to recommend to the court that the death penalty be imposed, the jury must find that sufficient aggravating circumstances exist which outweigh any mitigating circumstances found to exist; requiring the court to instruct the jury that each aggravating circumstance used to support the jury's recommendation of death be proven beyond a reasonable doubt by a unanimous vote; requiring that the court provide a special verdict form for each aggravating circumstance found; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deaf and hard-of-hearing children; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and purpose; encouraging certain state agencies, institutions, and political subdivisions to develop recommendations ensuring that the language and communication needs of deaf and hard-of-hearing children are addressed; requiring the purposes of the act to be expeditiously implemented; requiring the Department of Education to develop a communication model addressing communication considerations to be included in the individual education plan for deaf and hard-of-hearing students; requiring the department to disseminate the model to each school district and provide training as it determines necessary; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; providing a short title; creating s. 316.3035, F.S.; prohibiting a person younger than 18 years of age from operating a motor vehicle while using a wireless communications device or telephone; providing exceptions; providing a penalty; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; providing procedures for a citation issued following a violation of certain restrictions, to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 318.1451, F.S.; requiring that the course content of driver improvement schools include awareness training about using certain electronic devices while driving; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to update course content requirements; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; providing for a voluntary check-off on motor vehicle registration forms to make a contribution to the Auto Club South Traffic Safety Foundation; amending s. 322.0261, F.S.; requiring course content of driver improvement schools to include awareness training about using certain electronic devices while driving; authorizing the department to update course content requirements; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; providing for a voluntary check-off on driver license application forms to make a contribution to the Auto Club South Traffic Safety Foundation; amending s. 322.095, F.S.; requiring traffic law and substance abuse education program content to include awareness of using certain electronic devices while driving; authorizing the department to update course content requirements; amending s. 322.16, F.S.; restricting the number of passengers under the age of 18 permitted in a vehicle operated by a person under the age of 18 unless accompanied by a driver at least 21 years of age; providing exceptions; providing for applicability; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Rules.

By Senator Detert—

SB 154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certified school counselors; requiring each school district to have an overall ratio of at least one certified school counselor for a specified number of students; requiring each elementary, middle, and high school within the school district to have a specified minimum ratio of certified school counselors to students; requiring each school to have a minimum of one full-time certified school counselor and assign additional half-time or full-time certified school counselors only after reaching the maximum ratio; requiring each school district to include the ratio of certified school counselors to students in its annual audit and to adopt rules; providing the duties of certified school counselors; amending ss. 322.091, 381.0057, 1002.3105, 1003.21, 1003.43, 1003.491, 1004.04, 1006.025, 1007.35, 1008.42, 1009.53, 1012.71, and 1012.98, F.S.; revising provisions to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 1012.01, F.S.; prohibiting certified school counselors from being used as support staff for administrative duties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to swimming pools and spas; amending s. 489.105, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms "contractor," "commercial pool/spa contractor," "residential pool/spa contractor," and "swimming pool/spa servicing contractor" to include the cleaning, maintenance, and water treatment of swimming pools and spas; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 489.111, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements to take the swimming pool/spa servicing contractors' examination; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway safety; prohibiting stopping a bus in a manner that impedes traffic while the bus is loading or unloading passengers; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Transportation; and Judiciary.

By Senators Richter and Dean—

SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure fee exemptions for military veterans; requiring that the Department of Health waive certain licensure fees for veterans; requiring the department to prescribe the format of the fee waiver; limiting the time period a veteran can apply to 24 months from discharge; requiring applying veterans to be honorably discharged; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school grades; amending ss. 1003.435 and 1008.34, F.S.; requiring that high schools be given a minimum percentage of credit for students who receive high school equivalency diplomas for purposes of calculating the school's graduation rate, beginning with the 2013-2014 school year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children in foster care; creating the "Quality-Parenting for Children in Foster Care Act"; creating s. 39.409, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; establishing and providing for the application of a "reasonable and prudent parent" standard; directing the Department of Children and Families to adopt rules; amending s. 39.522, F.S.; specifying that the standard for reunification from "endangerment" to "the best interest of the child" in certain circumstances; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; providing for the application of the reasonable and prudent parent standard to independent living transition services; specifying that department rules must reflect the considerations of the reasonable and prudent parent standard; directing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to annuities; amending s. 627.4554, F.S.; providing that recommendations relating to annuities made by an insurer or its agents apply to all consumers not just to senior consumers; revising and providing definitions; providing exemptions; revising the duties of insurers and agents; providing that recommendations must be based on consumer suitability information; revising the information relating to annuities that must be provided by the insurer or its agent to the consumer; revising the requirements for monitoring contractors that are providing certain functions for the insurer relating to the insurer's system for supervising recommendations; revising provisions relating to the relationship between this act and the federal Financial Industry Regulatory Authority; deleting a provision providing a cap on surrender or deferred sales charges; prohibiting specified charges for annuities issued to persons 65 years of age or older; amending s. 626.99, F.S.; increasing the period of time that an unconditional refund must remain available with respect to certain annuity contracts; making such unconditional refunds available to all prospective annuity contract buyers without regard to the buyer's age; revising requirements for cover pages of annuity contracts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

SR 168—Not referenced.

By Senator Soto—

SB 170—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Barney Brown, who was wrongfully incarcerated for 38 years; providing an appropriation to compensate Barney Brown for his wrongful incarceration; directing the Chief Financial Officer to draw a warrant; providing that the act does not waive certain defenses or increase the state's liability; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

SB 172—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senators Bullard, Smith, and Braynon—

SB 174—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Brian Pitts; directing the Division of Administrative Hearings to appoint an administrative law judge or special master to determine a basis for equitable relief for the purpose of compensating Mr. Pitts for the wrongful acts or omissions of the State of Florida or officials thereof; requiring a report to the Legislature; authorizing compensation to Mr. Pitts upon a determination by an administrative law judge; providing an appropriation to compensate Mr. Pitts for injuries and damages sustained; providing a limitation on attorney fees and costs; directing that certain court orders and judgments be declared null and void; specifying the limited circumstances under which Mr. Pitts may represent himself or others in judicial or administrative proceedings; directing the Department of Law Enforcement to investigate certain illegal acts committed by certain persons; authorizing the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Governor to sever portions of this act under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; expanding the early voting period for elections that contain state or federal races; providing that supervisors of elections may provide early voting for no more than 14 hours per day for general election early voting; requiring supervisors of elections to submit a report to the Secretary of State at least 3 months before a general election; specifying the content of the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 178—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Donald Brown by the District School Board of Sumter County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Donald Brown for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the District School Board of Sumter County; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senators Flores and Latvala—

SB 180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying certain dependent children as residents for tuition purposes; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules and the Board of Governors of the State University System to adopt regulations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the homestead exemption; authorizing a person to report to a local property appraiser a possible homestead exemption violation under certain circumstances; requiring the property appraiser to certify to the tax collector the name and address of the person who reports a violation; requiring that the tax collector pay a specified maximum reward to the reporting individual after the recovery of any back taxes, interest, or penalties; requiring that funds for such reward be taken from a specified source; providing that a reward may be paid to only one person for each verified violation; providing for the determination of the recipient of a reward if more than one resident reports a violation; requiring associations for condominiums and cooperatives to provide a list of rented units to the property appraiser's office; requiring that the Department of Revenue create a form for reporting the violations and provide the form by specified means; requiring that each submitted form contain certain information; requiring that the property appraiser stamp each submitted form with the current date and time upon receipt; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 184—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of J.D.S.; providing an appropriation from the General Revenue Fund to compensate J.D.S. for injuries and damages sustained as a result of negligence by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, as successor agency of the Department of Children and Family Services; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the jurisdiction of the courts; amending s. 48.193, F.S.; providing that a person submits to the jurisdiction of the courts of this state by entering into a contract that specifies that the law of this state governs the contract and that the

person agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of this state; amending s. 55.502, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "foreign judgment" for purposes of the Florida Enforcement of Foreign Judgments Act; amending s. 684.0002, F.S.; clarifying the circumstances under which an arbitration is international; amending s. 684.0003, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 684.0019, F.S.; limiting the application of certain provisions to instances in which an arbitral tribunal orders a party to preserve evidence that may be relevant and material to the resolution of a dispute; amending s. 684.0026, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference in the Florida International Commercial Arbitration Act; creating s. 684.0049, F.S.; providing that the initiation of arbitration in this state, or the making of a written agreement to arbitrate which provides for arbitration in this state, constitutes a consent to exercise in personam jurisdiction by the courts of this state; amending s. 685.101, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which the parties to a contract, agreement, or undertaking may agree that the law of this state governs the contract, agreement, or undertaking; revising application dates of provisions relating to the jurisdiction of the courts; amending s. 685.102, F.S.; revising application dates of provisions relating to the jurisdiction of the courts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Legg—

SB 188—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Monica Cantillo Acosta and Luis Alberto Cantillo Acosta, surviving children of Nhora Acosta, by Miami-Dade County; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for the wrongful death of their mother, Nhora Acosta, due to injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of a Miami-Dade County bus driver; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 190—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Angela Sozzani; requiring that the Department of Children and Families request up to a certain amount in its annual legislative budget request each fiscal year to compensate Angela Sozzani for injuries and damages she sustained as a result of the negligence of employees of the Department of Children and Families; authorizing the department to request additional funds under extraordinary circumstances; providing for the reversion of funds; providing that Angela Sozzani's attorneys have represented her pro bono and fees and costs have not been awarded; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Legg—

SB 192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to targeted economic development; creating s. 288.126, F.S.; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to create economic development zones for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; authorizing a STEM zone in counties with a state university classified as having very high research activity located in its jurisdiction; requiring the county to apply to the department for a STEM zone designation; requiring the application to appoint a STEM zone development agency; providing criteria for the agency; requiring the STEM zone development agency to appoint a STEM zone development board; providing criteria for the board; providing that the incentives and benefits provided for enterprise zones are available to the STEM zones; specifying the incentives and benefits available in the STEM zones; requiring the department to develop a grant program that applies to a STEM zone; providing criteria for the awarding of a grant; directing the STEM zone development agency to perform certain functions; requiring the department to work with the STEM zone development agency, the Department of Education, and Workforce Florida, Inc., to develop accountability requirements and measurable objectives; providing criteria; requiring that all incentives and benefits provided for enterprise zones be made available to STEM zones by a specified date; assigning duties for the administration of STEM zones to the local governing bodies that have jurisdiction over such zones; providing for boundaries of the zones, eligibility criteria for the incentives, and benefits provided in the zones; requiring that the applicable requirements for employee residency for higher refund or credit thresholds be based on employee residency in the STEM zone or an enterprise zone; establishing priorities for funding certain projects; limiting the annual amount of such incentives; authorizing the carry-forward of any unused amount of incentives for a specified period; providing for the issuance of certificates to eligible businesses; requiring the local governing body to certify to the Department of Revenue or the Department of Economic Opportunity which businesses or properties are eligible for the incentives; requiring the Department of Revenue to send written instructions to eligible businesses on claiming the credit on a sales and use tax return initiated through an electronic data interchange; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 194—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of James Joseph Richardson by the State of Florida; providing for an appropriation to compensate James Joseph Richardson for the length of time in prison sustained as a result of his wrongful conviction by the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Sobel, Abruzzo, Clemens, and Soto—

SB 196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to families first; amending ss. 28.101 and 28.24, F.S.; setting forth fees and costs to be applied when petitioning for a dissolution of a domestic partnership or registering a domestic partnership, respectively; amending s. 97.1031, F.S.; providing notice to the supervisor of elections concerning a change of name due to participation in a domestic partnership; amending s. 382.002, F.S.; defining the term "dissolution of a domestic partnership" for purposes of vital records; including domestic partnerships and dissolution of domestic partnership as vital records in this state; conforming cross-references; amending s. 382.003, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to examine all certificates of domestic partnership forms and dissolution of domestic partnership reports sent from the courts; amending s. 382.0085, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 382.021, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to transmit all original declarations of domestic partnership to the Department of Health by a specified date each month; amending s. 382.022, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to collect a fee after registering a domestic partnership; amending s. 382.023, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to collect a fee upon filing a final judgment for a dissolution of domestic partnership; amending s. 382.025, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to issue a certified copy of certain vital records to a domestic partner; amending s. 382.0255, F.S.; providing that the Department of Health is entitled to a specified fee for the issuance of a commemorative certificate of domestic partnership; amending s. 446.50, F.S.; requiring that certain fees relating to declarations of domestic partnership and dissolution of domestic partnership filings be deposited in the Displaced Homemaker Trust Fund; amending s. 741.28, F.S.; redefining the term "family or household member" in the context of domestic violence to include a domestic partnership; creating s. 741.501, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating s. 741.502, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 741.503, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to create and distribute the Declaration of Domestic Partnership and Certificate of Registered Domestic Partnership forms to each clerk of the circuit court; requiring the department and each clerk of the circuit court to make the Declaration of Domestic Partnership form available to the public; creating s. 741.504, F.S.; providing that the circuit court has jurisdiction over domestic partnership proceedings; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to maintain a domestic partnership registry; providing that the registry is a public record; creating s. 741.505, F.S.; requiring two individuals who wish to become partners in a domestic partnership to complete and file a Declaration of Domestic Partnership

form with the clerk of the circuit court; specifying the required contents of the completed form; providing that each partner who signs the form consents to the jurisdiction of the circuit court for certain purposes; providing that if a person files an intentionally and materially false form, he or she commits a misdemeanor of the first degree; providing criminal penalties; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to register the Declaration of Domestic Partnership in a domestic partnership registry and issue a Certificate of Registered Domestic Partnership; creating s. 741.506, F.S.; authorizing the domestic partners to retain surnames; creating s. 741.507, F.S.; providing that any privilege or responsibility granted or imposed by statute, administrative or court rule, policy, common law, or any other law to an individual because the individual is or was related to another by marriage, or is a child of either of the spouses, is granted on equivalent terms to domestic partners or individuals similarly related to domestic partners; providing that the act does not require or permit the extension of any benefit under a retirement, deferred compensation, or other employee benefit plan, if the plan administrator reasonably concludes that the extension of benefits to partners would conflict with a condition for tax qualification of the plan, or a condition for other favorable tax treatment of the plan, under the Internal Revenue Code; creating s. 741.508, F.S.; specifying prohibited or void domestic partnerships; creating s. 741.509, F.S.; requiring that the clerk of the circuit court collect certain fees for receiving a Declaration of Domestic Partnership; authorizing the clerk of the circuit court to accept installment payments from individuals who are unable to pay the fees in a lump sum; creating s. 741.510, F.S.; providing methods to prove the existence of a registered Declaration Domestic Partnership when the certificate document has been lost or is otherwise unavailable; creating s. 741.511, F.S.; providing for termination of a domestic partnership; providing for notice; providing for the effective date of the termination; providing for registration of the termination; requiring records of certain terminations to be maintained; providing for automatic termination of partnership if either party enters into a valid marriage; providing for a reasonable fee for termination; reenacting ss. 921.0024(1)(b) and 943.171(2)(b), F.S., relating to the worksheet form for the Criminal Punishment Code and the basic skills training for domestic violence cases, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 741.28, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SJR 198—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article IX of the State Constitution to establish minimum salaries for full-time public school teachers.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Transportation Revenue Bond Trust Fund within the Department of Transportation without modification; repealing s. 339.0815(4), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Transportation Governmental Bond Trust Fund within the Department of Transportation without modification; repealing s. 339.0816(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the termination of trust funds within the Department of Transportation; terminating the Everglades Parkway Construction Trust Fund; terminating the Jacksonville Transportation Authority Project Construction Trust Fund; providing for the transfer of any balances or revenues in the trust funds; requiring that the department pay outstanding debts or obligations of the trust funds; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer close out and remove the terminated funds from the state accounting systems; terminating the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund within the Department of Transportation; providing for the transfer of any balances or revenues in the trust fund; requiring that the department pay outstanding debts or obligations of the trust fund; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer close out and remove the terminated fund from the various state accounting systems; repealing s. 339.082, F.S., relating to the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund; repealing s. 932.7055(6)(j), F.S., relating to an exception to proceeds deposited into the General Revenue Fund by the Department of Transportation; repealing s. 2(2)(b) and (f) of ch. 2004-235, L.O.F., relating to an exemption from termination for the Everglades Parkway Construction Trust Fund and the Jacksonville Transportation Authority Project Construction Trust Fund within the Department of Transportation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; repealing s. 20.105(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Economic Opportunity without modification; repealing s. 20.181(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Clearing Funds Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; repealing s. 20.104(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; amending s. 379.204, F.S.; providing that the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission may return certain cash balances transferred for cash flow needs when they are no longer needed for that purpose; amending s. 379.207, F.S.; deleting a restriction on an expenditure from the Lifetime Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund; amending s. 379.212, F.S.; renaming the Fish and Wildlife Habitat Program as the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; creating s. 379.213, F.S.; providing for the administration and funding of the Save the Manatee Trust Fund; creating s. 379.214, F.S.; providing for the administration and funding of the Invasive Plant Control Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the disposition of balances in and revenues of the trust fund; prescribing procedures for the termination of the trust fund; repealing s. 380.5115, F.S., relating to the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 259.101, F.S.; revising the designation of revenues from the disposal of lands in the Preservation 2000 program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Management Services without modification; repealing s. 20.221(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Mortgage Guaranty Trust Fund within the Office of Financial Regulation without modification; repealing s. 494.00173(4), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Capital Collateral Regional Counsel Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission without modification; repealing s. 27.715(2), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the scheduled termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reemployment assistance; transferring the functions of the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission to the Department of Economic Opportunity; providing legislative intent with respect to the transfer of programs and administrative responsibilities; providing for a transition period; requiring the department to coordinate the development and implementation of a transition plan; authorizing the Governor to transfer funds and positions between agencies upon approval from the Legislative Budget Commission to implement the act; requiring that the Governor submit information and obtain waivers as required by federal law; providing that a transfer includes the transfer of any records and unexpended balances of certain funds; requiring the successor organization to be the custodian of certain property; amending s. 443.012, F.S.; deleting reference to the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission and replacing it with the Regional Appeal Offices; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to create a regional appeal office at each regional workforce board; requiring the regional workforce board to appoint appeals referees; providing that alternates may be used if a conflict of interest arises; requiring each regional workforce board to appoint a review panel; providing for membership; providing for a general counsel; providing for certain staggered terms for members; requiring the department to establish a central appeals office for recordkeeping; requiring the department to post final orders online; requiring the department to create a seal; providing for job performance appraisals; amending ss. 443.151, 120.80, 443.0315, 443.041, 443.101, 443.141, and 443.171, F.S.; revising references to the commission; deleting duplicative language; providing for appeals to be filed at the regional appeal office located at the regional workforce board servicing the claimant's last principal place of business; providing for electronic filing of appeals; providing that an appeal of an appeals referee decision be made at the review panel located at the same regional appeal office; providing that an appeal of a review panel decision be made at the district court of appeal where the order was issued; requiring the department to enter an order in accordance with decisions of the district court of appeal; amending s. 20.60, F.S.; deleting a subsection relating to the department's power over the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission; amending ss. 110.205 and 443.036, F.S.; deleting references to the commission; providing examples of misconduct; amending s. 443.091, F.S.; limiting a claimants use of the same prospective employer to meet work search requirements; providing an exception; providing that work search requirements do not apply to individuals required to participate in reemployment services; amending s. 443.131, F.S.; requiring the tax collection service provider to calculate a certain additional rate; providing for when an assessment may not be made; requiring assessments to be available to pay interest on federal advances; requiring certain excess funds to be transferred to the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund after a certain time period; deleting the provision referring to crediting employer accounts; providing an expiration date; amending s. 443.1317, F.S.; providing that the department shall have ultimate authority over administration of the Reemployment Assistance Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Small Business Development Center Network; amending s. 288.001, F.S.; providing that the network's statewide director is subject to the approval of the Board of Governors of the State University System; providing for removal for cause; requiring the statewide director to regularly update the Board of Governors and the Department of Economic Opportunity with certain information; providing that the Board of Governors, the department, and the network's statewide advisory board are jointly responsible for establishing certain policies and goals; providing for advisory board membership; providing for terms of membership; providing for certain member reimbursement; requiring the statewide director to work with regional small business development centers to establish and approve budgets; requiring the statewide director to establish certain accountability measures; requiring the statewide director to coordinate with the Board of Governors to establish an innovative incentive program; providing for funds to be disbursed to regional small business development centers that meet certain standards; providing that match funding may not be reduced for regional small business development centers receiving funds from the innovative incentive program; requiring the statewide director and the network to operate the program in compliance with federal laws and regulations; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; providing the Board of Governors with certain powers and duties relating to the network; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disability awareness; amending s. 1003.4205, F.S.; requiring that each district school board provide disability history and awareness instruction in all K-12 public schools; requiring that the Department of Education assist in creating the curriculum for the disability history and awareness instruction; providing for individual presenters who have disabilities to augment the disability history and awareness instruction; creating the Disability History and Awareness Advisory Council within the Department of Education; providing for certain individuals to apply to the department for membership on the council; providing that the Commissioner of Education, the member of the Senate, and the member of the House of Representatives are ex officio, nonvoting members of the council; requiring that the department provide a liaison to assist the council; requiring that the department act as the fiscal agent for all financial transactions required by the council; providing responsibilities of the

council; providing meeting times for the council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to presuit discovery in medical negligence actions; amending s. 766.1065, F.S.; revising the authorization form for release of protected health information which clarifies that the authorization only permits health care providers to furnish copies of written and electronic medical records; clarifying provisions in the authorization form which relate to the use of the patient's health information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 230—A bill to be entitled An act relating to flag etiquette; creating s. 256.015, F.S.; requiring that the Governor adopt a protocol on flag display; requiring the protocol to have guidelines for proper flag display and for lowering the state flag to half-staff on certain occasions; authorizing the Governor to adopt, repeal, or modify any rule or custom as the Governor deems appropriate which pertains to the display of the state flag; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

SB 232—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter registration; amending s. 97.057, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to automatically register to vote or update a voter registration record of an eligible individual; requiring the department to notify the individual that certain information gathered for the completion of a driver license or identification card application, renewal, or change of address is automatically transferred to a voter registration application or used to update a voter registration record; requiring a driver license examiner to notify an applicant that, by applying for, renewing, or updating a driver license or identification card, the applicant is consenting to automatically register to vote or update his or her voter registration record; authorizing an applicant to revoke consent to automatically register to vote or update a voter registration record; requiring that an applicant who fails to designate party affiliation be registered without party affiliation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax refund programs; amending ss. 288.1045 and 288.106, F.S.; deleting caps on tax refunds for qualified defense contractors and space flight businesses and for qualified target industry businesses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public-private partnerships; creating s. 287.05712, F.S.; providing definitions; providing legislative findings and intent relating to the construction or upgrade of facilities by private entities which are used predominately for a public purpose; requiring public entities to develop and adopt guidelines governing procedures and criteria for the selection of projects and public-private agreements; providing procurement procedures; providing requirements for project approval; providing project qualifications and process; providing for notice to affected local jurisdictions; providing for interim and comprehensive agreements between the public and private entities; providing for user fees; providing for financing from private sources and public entities; providing powers and duties for private entities; providing for expiration or termination of agreements; providing for the applicability of sovereign immunity for public entities with respect to qualified projects; providing for construction of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 240—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protest activities; creating s. 871.015, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting engaging in protest activities within a specified distance of the property line of the location of a funeral, burial, or memorial service; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 242—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact; providing legislative findings and intent; providing purposes; providing definitions; providing for establishment of an Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission; providing responsibilities of the commission; specifying the commission as an instrumentality of the compacting states; providing for venue; specifying the commission as a separate, not-for-profit entity; providing powers of the commission; providing for organization of the commission; providing for membership, voting, and bylaws; designating the Commissioner of Insurance Regulation as the representative of this state on the commission; providing for a management committee, officers, and personnel of the commission; providing authority of the management committee; providing for legislative and advisory committees; providing for qualified immunity, defense, and indemnification of members, officers, employees, and representatives of the commission; providing for meetings and acts of the commission; providing rules and operating procedures; providing rulemaking functions of the commission; providing for opting out of uniform standards; providing procedures and requirements; providing for commission records and enforcement; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; providing for disclosure of certain information; specifying that certain records, data, or information of the commission in possession of the Office of Insurance Regulation is subject to ch. 119, F.S.; requiring the commission to monitor for compliance; providing for dispute resolution; providing for product filing and approval; requiring the commission to establish filing and review processes and procedures; providing for review of commission decisions regarding filings; providing for finance of commission activities; providing for payment of expenses; authorizing the commission to collect filing fees for certain purposes; providing for approval of a commission budget; exempting the commission from all taxation; prohibiting the commission from pledging the credit of any compacting states without authority; requiring the commission to keep complete accurate accounts, provide for audits, and make annual reports to the Governors and Legislatures of compacting states; providing for effective date and amendment of the compact; providing for withdrawal from the compact, default by compacting states, and dissolution of the compact; providing severability and construction; providing for binding effect of compact and other laws; authorizing the office to exercise the state's right to prospectively opt out of all uniform standards in the compact involving long-term care insurance products; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dean—

SB 244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water management districts; amending s. 373.042, F.S.; requiring water management districts to include certain reservations and water bodies in priority lists and schedules; providing for the adoption of certain reservations and minimum flows and levels by the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring water management districts to apply, without adopting by rule, the reservations, minimum flows and levels, and recovery and prevention strategies adopted by the department; amending s. 373.046, F.S.; authorizing water management districts to enter into interagency agreements for resource management activities under specified conditions; providing applicability; amending s. 373.171, F.S.; exempting cooperative funding programs from certain rulemaking requirements; amending s. 373.709, F.S., relating to regional water supply planning; removing a reference to the Southwest Florida Water Management District; requiring a regional water supply authority and the applicable water management district to jointly develop the water supply component of the regional water supply plan; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Dean—

SB 246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assistance for persons whose primary residences were damaged by Tropical Storm Debby or Hurricane Isaac; providing for reimbursement of a portion of the ad valorem tax levied on a house or other residential building if the building was rendered uninhabitable due to Tropical Storm Debby or Hurricane Isaac; requiring that application for such reimbursement be made with the property appraiser; providing application requirements; requiring that the property owner provide documentation that the property was uninhabitable; requiring each property appraiser to determine an applicant's entitlement to reimbursement and the reimbursement amount; providing a formula for calculating the reimbursement amount; limiting the reimbursement amount; requiring property appraisers to submit reimbursement lists to the Department of Revenue by a specified date; requiring the Department of Revenue to determine the total reimbursement payments; providing a definition; authorizing an applicant to file a petition with the value adjustment board if the application for reimbursement is not fully granted; requiring that the department retain funds for the purpose of paying claims that are subsequently granted by a value adjustment board; providing a penalty for giving false information; requiring that undeliverable reimbursement checks be forwarded to the certifying property appraiser; providing for reimbursement of the state sales tax paid on the purchase of a mobile home to replace a mobile home that experienced major damage from Tropical Storm Debby or Hurricane Isaac; requiring that application for such reimbursement be made with the property appraiser; providing application requirements; requiring that a property owner provide documentation of damage to the mobile home; requiring each property appraiser to determine an applicant's entitlement to reimbursement and the reimbursement amount; limiting the reimbursement amount; requiring property appraisers to submit reimbursement lists to the Department of Revenue by a specified date; requiring the Department of Revenue to determine the total reimbursement payments; providing definitions; authorizing an applicant to file a petition with the value adjustment board if the application for reimbursement is not fully granted; requiring that the department retain funds for the purpose of paying claims that are subsequently granted by a value adjustment board; providing a penalty for giving false information; requiring that undeliverable reimbursement checks be forwarded to the certifying property appraiser; providing appropriations; providing for certifying forward unexpended funds; providing that the Legislature intends for payments made under the act to be considered disaster relief for purposes of the Internal Revenue Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to treatment programs for impaired licensees and applicants; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to require a person licensed by or applying for a license from the department to comply with provisions governing treatment programs for impaired practitioners as if the licensee or applicant were under the jurisdiction of the Division of Medical Quality Assurance within the Department of Health; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to exercise the powers granted to the Department of Health with respect to such programs; amending s. 456.076, F.S.; exempting an entity retained by the Department of Health as an impaired practitioner consultant from certain licensure requirements; authorizing impaired practitioner consultants to contract with schools or programs to provide services to impaired students who are enrolled for the purpose of preparing for licensure as a specified health care practitioner or as a veterinarian; limiting the liability of those schools or programs when they refer a student to an impaired practitioner consultant; providing that if the Department of Health receives a complaint alleging that an applicant is impaired, such information does not constitute grounds for discipline under certain circumstances; providing that if the department does not receive a legally sufficient complaint and the applicant agrees to withdraw his or her application until the applicant has completed a treatment program, the probable cause panel or the department is prohibited from becoming involved in the applicant's case; providing that certain inquiries against an applicant do not constitute a complaint; providing procedures for when the department receives a legally sufficient complaint alleging that an applicant is impaired; providing that the impaired practitioner consultant is the official custodian of records relating to the referral of the licensee or applicant to the consultant and any other interaction between them; clarifying the circumstances under which an impaired practitioner consultant may disclose certain information concerning an impaired licensee or applicant; authorizing the Department of Health and others that contract with an impaired practitioner consultant to have administrative control over the consultant to the extent necessary to receive disclosures allowed under federal law; authorizing an impaired licensee or applicant to obtain confidential information from the department regarding a pending disciplinary proceeding; amending ss. 458.331 and 459.015, F.S.; conforming cross-references; creating s. 468.315, F.S.; providing that radiological personnel are subject to a treatment program for impaired licensees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Regulated Industries.

By Senator Ring—

SB 250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Law Enforcement Officers' Hall of Fame; creating s. 265.004, F.S.; establishing the Florida Law Enforcement Officers' Hall of Fame; providing for administration by the Department of Law Enforcement; designating location; providing procedures for selection, nomination, and induction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cigarette products of nonsettling manufacturers; creating s. 210.23, F.S.; providing the purpose of the act; creating s. 210.232, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 210.234, F.S.; imposing a fee on the sale, receipt, purchase, possession, consumption, handling, distribution, and use of nonsettling manufacturer cigarettes that are required to have a stamp affixed or stamp insignia applied to the package of cigarettes on which tax is otherwise required to be paid; providing that the fee imposed is in addition to any other privilege, license, fee, or tax required or imposed by state law; prescribing methods to affix a stamp or insignia to the tobacco products; creating s. 210.236, F.S.; providing the fee rate for nonsettling manufacturers; creating s. 210.238, F.S.; requiring the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to post a directory listing of all settling manufacturers that have provided accurate certifications of their products in order to calculate their payments under the tobacco settlement agreement for the relevant year on the Internet website of the division; providing that any cigarette of a brand family not on the directory list be presumptively

considered a nonsettling manufacturer product; creating s. 210.240, F.S.; requiring each dealer, agent, and distributing agent to file a report; requiring the report to include certain specified information; creating s. 210.245, F.S.; providing penalties for a nonsettling manufacturer that fails to pay the mandated fees; creating s. 210.246, F.S.; providing for application of the act; creating s. 210.248, F.S.; authorizing the division to adopt rules; creating s. 210.249, F.S.; providing conditions for imposing the fee on subsequent participating manufacturers who already make payments on Florida sales of cigarettes pursuant to the master settlement agreement; defining terms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SJR 254—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article XI of the State Constitution to limit the number of amendments to the State Constitution that the Legislature may submit to the electorate at the same election to three; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 256—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state debtors; directing the Department of State to publish on its website a list of persons owing money to the state; requiring state agencies to forward such information to the department; requiring the department to publish such information in state newspapers; requiring that the Department of State notify the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district of any unpaid debt or fines levied against a person who has been elected to a state, county, municipal, or special district office; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district withhold salary payments that would otherwise be paid to an elected official when that official owes a debt or fine to the state; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to retain a percentage of payment for administrative costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Community Affairs.

By Senators Bradley, Dean, and Hays—

SB 258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act; amending s. 386.209, F.S.; authorizing municipalities and counties to restrict smoking on certain properties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Health Policy; and Community Affairs.

By Senators Latvala and Dean—

SB 260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing criteria for veterans of the Armed Services of the United States, including reserve components thereof, to qualify as residents for tuition purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the delivery of insurance policies; amending s. 627.421, F.S.; providing that an insurance policy may be delivered by electronic means; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoke detectors; amending s. 633.025, F.S.; requiring a battery-operated smoke detector installed on or after a specified date to contain a built-in battery capable of powering it for at least 10 years; providing exemptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 266—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lotteries; amending s. 24.105, F.S.; authorizing the Department of the Lottery to create and administer a program that provides for the sale of lottery tickets online; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Gaming; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; prohibiting a dependent child who is a United States citizen from being denied classification as a resident for tuition purposes based solely upon the citizenship status of his or her parent; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules and the Board of Governors of the State University System to adopt regulations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 270—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; creating s. 290.00791, F.S.; authorizing the City of Lake Worth to apply to the Department of Economic Opportunity for designation of an enterprise zone; providing an application deadline and requirements for the area of the enterprise zone; requiring the department to establish the effective date of the enterprise zone; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; amending s. 112.3143, F.S.; defining the term "special private gain or loss"; providing an exception to provisions relating to voting conflicts, to conform to changes made by the act; creating s. 112.31435, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a member of the Legislature from voting upon or participating in any legislation inuring to the personal gain or loss of the member or his or her relative; prohibiting a member of the Legislature from participating in any legislation inuring to the personal gain or loss of a business associate, employer, board on which the member sits, principal by whom the member is retained, or parent corporation or subsidiary of such principal; requiring that a member disclose all such interests to the applicable legislative body or committee before the legislation is considered; requiring that the member disclose the specific nature of any such interests within a specified period after the date on which a vote on the legislation occurs; requiring that such disclosure be made by written memorandum and filed with the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of Representatives; requiring that the memorandum be recorded in the journal of the house of which the legislator is a member; requiring that members of the Legislature vote on

the General Appropriations Act and disclose conflicts of interest with any line-item appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senators Dean and Evers—

SB 274—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Freemasonry license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for the distribution of use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Rules; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 276—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state university fee exemptions; providing a short title; amending s. 1009.25, F.S.; providing an exemption from the payment of tuition for students enrolled in certain foreign language courses offered at a state university; providing for repeal unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to optometry; amending s. 463.002, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 463.005, F.S.; revising a reference to ocular pharmaceutical agents; amending and reordering s. 463.0055, F.S.; revising references to ocular pharmaceutical agents; requiring certified optometrists to complete a course and examination on general and ocular pharmaceutical agents; requiring the Florida Medical Association and the Florida Optometric Association to jointly administer, develop, and determine the course site for the course and examination; requiring the associations to present the first course and examination by a specified date and to administer the course and examination at least annually; requiring two optometrists appointed to the formulary committee to be licensed and certified; requiring that the formulary consist of pharmaceutical agents that are appropriate to treat and diagnose ocular diseases and disorders; amending s. 463.0057, F.S.; revising reference to ocular pharmaceutical agents; adding a cross-reference to changes made by the act; amending s. 463.006, F.S.; revising reference to ocular pharmaceutical agents; incorporating mandating language that was removed from the definitions; amending s. 463.0135, F.S.; providing that a certified optometrist is authorized to perform any eye examination required or authorized by chapter 548; amending s. 463.014, F.S.; making technical and grammatical changes; amending s. 483.035, F.S., relating to licensure and regulation of clinical laboratories operated by practitioners for exclusive use; providing applicability to clinical laboratories operated by practitioners licensed to practice optometry; amending s. 483.041, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "licensed practitioner" to include a practitioner licensed under ch. 463, F.S.; amending s. 483.181, F.S.; requiring clinical laboratories to accept human specimens submitted by practitioners licensed to practice under ch. 463, F.S.; amending s. 893.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "practitioner" to include certified optometrists for purposes of the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act; amending s. 893.05, F.S.; prohibiting a certified optometrist from administering and prescribing certain controlled substances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 280—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal prosecution of juveniles; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; providing additional circumstances for the discretionary direct filing of charges against certain juveniles; providing criteria for determining when a case against a juvenile should be recommended to the court to be transferred for criminal prosecution; providing criteria for consideration of a child's request to an adult court to return a criminal case to the juvenile justice system; reenacting s. 985.556(3), F.S., relating to involuntary mandatory waiver of juvenile court jurisdiction, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 985.557, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 282—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer finance charges; amending s. 516.031, F.S.; increasing the proportionate loan amounts that are subject to descending maximum rates of interest; increasing the maximum delinquency charge that may be imposed for each loan payment in default for not less than a specified time; reenacting and amending s. 516.19, F.S., relating to penalties, for the purpose of incorporating the amendment made to s. 516.031, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing penalties; making technical and grammatical changes; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce and Tourism.

By Senator Negron—

SB 284—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student safety; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; requiring district school board policies to list the emergency response agencies that are responsible for notifying the school district of emergencies; amending s. 1002.42, F.S.; requiring the emergency response agencies to notify private schools in the school district under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security.

By Senator Negron—

SB 286—A bill to be entitled An act relating to design professionals; amending s. 558.002, F.S.; providing and renumbering definitions; creating s. 558.0035, F.S.; providing that certain contracts executed by a business entity may specify that certain architects, interior designers, landscape architects, engineers, and surveyors may not be held individually liable for negligence in the performance of professional services provided under those contracts; specifying that a contract that prohibits individual liability must meet certain requirements; amending ss. 471.023, 472.021, 481.219, and 481.319, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 288—A bill to be entitled An act relating to costs of prosecution, investigation, and representation; amending s. 903.286, F.S.; providing for the withholding of unpaid costs of prosecution and representation from the return of a cash bond posted on behalf of a criminal defendant; requiring a notice on bond forms of such possible withholding; amending s. 938.27, F.S.; clarifying the types of cases that are subject to the collection and dispensing of cost payments by the clerk of the court; amending s. 985.032, F.S.; providing for assessment of costs of prosecution against a juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent or has adjudication of delinquency withheld; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 290—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxes on prepaid calling arrangements; amending ss. 202.11 and 212.05, F.S.; revising the definition of "prepaid calling arrangement" to clarify and update which services are included under that definition; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Richter, Flores, Bean, and Brandes—

SB 292—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deceptive and unfair trade practices; amending s. 501.975, F.S.; conforming provisions; creating s. 501.98, F.S.; requiring a claimant to provide a demand letter to the motor vehicle dealer as a condition precedent to initiating civil litigation against such dealer under the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act; providing for the tolling of applicable time limitations for initiating actions; providing requirements for the demand letter; providing that a dealer and its employees, agents, principals, sureties, and insurers are not required to pay attorney fees in certain circumstances; providing that payment or offer of payment of the damages does not constitute an admission of wrongdoing or liability, is protected from introduction as evidence in a civil litigation, and releases the dealer from any claim, suit, and action; providing for applicability; requiring that a specified notice be provided to consumers before provisions may apply; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 294—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substances; amending s. 893.03, F.S.; adding to the list of Schedule I controlled substances certain specified materials, compounds, mixtures, or preparations that contain hallucinogenic substances, or any of their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, if the existence of such salts, isomers, and salts of isomers is possible within the specific chemical designation; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; providing reduced penalties for possession of 3 grams or less of specified controlled substances; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for a person who knowingly sells, purchases, manufactures, delivers, or brings into this state, or who is knowingly in actual or constructive possession of, a specified quantity of specified controlled substances; reenacting ss. 893.13(1)-(6) and 921.0022(3)(b)-(e), F.S., relating to prohibited acts involving controlled substances and the Criminal Punishment Code, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 893.03, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Dean and Bradley—

SB 296—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending s. 25.073, F.S.; providing for a former justice or judge to be qualified to serve as a retired justice or judge under certain conditions; providing circumstances under which such justice or judge may not serve as a retired justice or judge; amending s. 121.053, F.S.; exempting retired judges who consent to temporary duty from certain termination and reemployment limitations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 298—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Citrus; amending s. 601.152, F.S.; deleting an obsolete reference; amending ss. 601.9918 and 601.992, F.S.; reverting certain references to the Department of Citrus that were changed to references to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services by chapter 2012-182, Laws of Florida; providing for retroactive application; providing for the transfer of certain rules of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to the Department of Citrus; providing for retroactive application of such rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Detert—

SB 300—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Community Affairs.

By Senators Altman, Evers, and Ring—

SB 302—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation training in public schools; amending s. 1003.453, F.S.; requiring school districts to provide training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation to students at least one time before they graduate from high school; requiring students to study and practice the psychomotor skills associated with performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation before graduating from high school; providing an exception for students who have a disability under the Enhanced New Needed Opportunity for Better Life and Education for Students with Disabilities Act; making a technical change; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice—

SB 304—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 741.313, F.S., which provides a public records exemption for certain records submitted to an agency by an employee who is a victim of domestic violence or sexual violence; eliminating the scheduled repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Braynon and Abruzzo—

SB 306—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional sports facilities; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; providing that tourist development tax revenues may also be used to pay the debt service on bonds that finance the renovation of a professional sports facility that is publicly owned, or that is on land publicly owned, which is publicly operated or operated by the owner of a professional sports franchise or other lessee; requiring that the renovation costs exceed a specified amount; allowing certain fees and costs to be included in the cost for renovation; requiring private contributions to the professional sports facility as a condition for the use of tourist development taxes; authorizing the use of certain tax revenues to pay for operation and maintenance costs of the renovated facility; providing for nonapplication of the prohibition against levying such tax in certain cities and towns under certain conditions; restricting certain counties from levying the tax; providing for controlling application notwithstanding conflicting provisions; authorizing the use of tourist development tax revenues for financing the renovation of a professional sports franchise facility; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; authorizing a tax rebate for a renovated professional sports facility; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 218.64, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 288.1162, F.S.; authorizing a professional sports franchise renovation facility to apply for certain state funds; defining the term "professional sports franchise renovation facility"; authorizing a professional sports franchise renovation facility to receive additional funding;

requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to make a determination that certain criteria are met before certifying a professional sports franchise renovation facility; limiting the use of certain funds by a professional sports franchise renovation facility; prohibiting the department from certifying more than one professional sports franchise renovation facility; clarifying that the limitations for certification apply to new or retained professional sports franchise facilities; amending s. 288.11621, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 308—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abusive workplace environments; creating the "Abusive Workplace Environment Act"; providing legislative findings and purposes for the act; defining terms; prohibiting a public employer from subjecting his or her employee to an abusive workplace environment; declaring that an employer violates the act if he or she subjects an employee to an abusive workplace environment or has knowledge that any person has subjected an employee of the employer to an abusive workplace environment and has failed to exercise reasonable care to prevent and promptly correct the abusive conduct; prohibiting an employer from retaliating in any manner against an employee because the employee has opposed an unlawful employment practice or has made a charge, testified, assisted, or participated in any manner in an investigation or proceeding; providing that an employer may assert an affirmative defense against the employee under certain circumstances; providing that an employee may be individually liable if he or she commits an unlawful employment practice; providing that an employee may assert an affirmative defense against an employee or employer under certain circumstances; providing that a violation of the act may be enforced solely by a private right of action; requiring that a civil action filed under the act must be commenced no later than 1 year after the date of the last incident that is part of the alleged unlawful employment practice; providing that if a person is found to have committed an unlawful employment practice that culminated in an adverse employment action, the court may enjoin the person from engaging in the unlawful employment practice and may order any other relief that it deems appropriate, including punitive damages and attorney fees; providing that if an employer has been found to have committed an unlawful employment practice, but the act did not culminate in an adverse employment action, the employer is liable for damages for emotional distress but is not subject to punitive damages; providing that the remedies provided by the act are cumulative to other laws; providing for an exception for workers' compensation awards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 310—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fair housing; amending s. 760.35, F.S.; providing that an aggrieved person may file a civil action without first filing an administrative complaint for a discriminatory housing practice; providing that, if the Florida Commission on Human Relations or local agency has obtained a conciliation agreement with the consent of the aggrieved person, the filing of a civil action is prohibited, except to enforce the terms of the agreement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 312—A bill to be entitled An act relating to family support personnel policies; amending s. 110.1522, F.S.; requiring the model rule establishing family support personnel policies to provide for a specified amount of leave for an employee who has a family member with a serious health condition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 314—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the privacy of firearm owners; repealing s. 790.338, F.S., relating to medical privacy concerning firearms; amending s. 381.026, F.S.; deleting a provision providing that unless the information is relevant to the patient's medical care or safety, or the safety of others, inquiries regarding firearm ownership or possession should not be made by licensed health care providers or health care facilities; deleting a provision providing that a patient may decline to provide information regarding the ownership or possession of firearms; deleting a provision clarifying that a physician's authority to choose his or her patients is not altered by the act; deleting a provision prohibiting discrimination by licensed health care providers or health care facilities based solely upon a patient's firearm ownership or possession; deleting a provision prohibiting harassment of a patient regarding firearm ownership during an examination by a licensed health care provider or health care facility; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senators Detert and Margolis—

SB 316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.0596, F.S.; revising the term "mail order sale" to specifically include sales of tangible personal property ordered through the Internet; deleting certain provisions that specify dealer activities or other circumstances that subject mail order sales to this state's power to levy and collect the sales and use tax; providing that certain persons who make mail order sales and who have a substantial nexus with this state are subject to this state's power to levy and collect the sales and use tax when they engage in certain enumerated activities; specifying that dealers are not required to collect and remit sales and use tax unless certain circumstances exist; creating a rebuttable presumption that a dealer is subject to the state's power to levy and collect the sales or use tax under specified circumstances; specifying evidentiary proof that may be submitted to rebut the presumption; amending s. 212.06, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "dealer"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 318—A bill to be entitled An act relating to background screening for noninstructional contractors on school grounds; amending s. 1012.467, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to create a uniform, statewide identification badge to be worn by noninstructional contractors signifying that a contractor has met specified requirements; requiring school districts to issue the identification badge to a qualified contractor; providing that the identification badge shall be recognized by all school districts; providing that the identification badge is valid for 5 years; establishing conditions for return of an identification badge; requiring the department to determine a uniform cost a school district may charge a contractor for receipt of the identification badge, which shall be borne by the contractor; providing an exception for certain contractors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 320—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Renewable Fuel Standard Act; repealing ss. 526.201-526.207, F.S., the Florida Renewable Fuel Standard Act, to remove the requirement that all gasoline

offered for sale in this state include a percentage of ethanol, subject to specified exemptions, waivers, suspensions, extensions, enforcement, and reporting; amending s. 206.43, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Environmental Preservation and Conservation.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to eminent domain proceedings; amending s. 74.051, F.S.; revising the distribution of interest on certain deposits held by clerks of court in eminent domain proceedings; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 324—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Insurance Guaranty Association; amending s. 631.52, F.S.; revising the list of kinds of insurance exempted from the guarantee of payments; reordering and amending s. 631.57, F.S.; revising the duties of the association; authorizing the association to collect regular assessments directly from policyholders; authorizing the association to collect emergency assessments from insurers under certain circumstances; making technical and grammatical corrections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 326—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the powers and duties of the Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 253.7827, F.S.; removing an obsolete reference for purposes of calculating the reimbursement for transportation and utility crossings of greenways lands in Marion County; repealing s. 253.783(2), F.S., relating to additional powers and duties of the department to dispose of surplus lands that were for the construction, operation, or promotion of a canal across the peninsula of the state and refund payments to counties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 328—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public accountancy; amending s. 473.3065, F.S.; revising provisions for the distribution of scholarships under the Certified Public Accountant Education Minority Assistance Program; revising the annual maximum expenditures and frequency of distribution of moneys for the scholarships; amending s. 473.311, F.S.; providing a peer review requirement for the license renewal of certain firms engaged in the practice of public accounting; creating s. 473.3125, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Board of Accountancy to adopt rules for peer review programs; authorizing the board to establish a peer review oversight committee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to qualified portable consumer fuel containers; creating s. 768.1258, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that manufacturers, sellers, and suppliers of qualified portable consumer fuel containers are not liable for injury, death, or loss, subject to specified actions, and not responsible for other relief relating to misuse of qualified portable consumer fuel containers; providing exceptions; providing for award of attorney fees in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Judiciary.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 332—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school instruction; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; requiring that instructional staff of public schools provide instruction to students about the terrorist attacks occurring on September 11, 2001, and the impact of those events; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security.

SR 334—Not referenced.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; clarifying that the proceeds of the tax may be used for the benefit of certain museums or aquariums; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 338—A bill to be entitled An act relating to theft of utility services; amending s. 812.14, F.S.; providing additional criminal penalties for utility services wrongfully taken; providing that the person who unlawfully took utility services is liable to the utility for an increased civil penalty subject to the amount of the utility services unlawfully obtained; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

SR 340—Not referenced.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 342—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the rental of homestead property; amending s. 196.061, F.S.; revising criteria under which rental of such property is allowed for tax exemption purposes and not considered abandoned; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault or battery on a utility worker; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; defining the term "utility worker"; providing for reclassification of certain offenses committed against a utility worker; amending ss. 901.15, 943.051, 985.11, and 985.644, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting and amending s. 921.0022(3)(d), (f), and (g), F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 784.07, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 346—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electrical contracting; amending s. 489.537, F.S.; authorizing municipalities and counties to require that the electrical journeyman who is present on certain industrial or commercial construction sites possess a certificate of competency; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Soto—

SB 348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program; creating s. 163.2524, F.S.; establishing the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program; providing a program for grants to counties and municipalities with urban infill and redevelopment areas; authorizing transfer of unused funds between grant categories under the program; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to administer the program; requiring the department to adopt rules establishing grant review criteria; amending ss. 163.065, 163.2511, and 163.2514, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 350—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the allocation and expenditure of state lottery revenues; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; requiring a percentage of unencumbered funds to be allocated to the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; providing for use of the funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Gaming; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 352—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Lake-Sumter Community College; amending ss. 288.8175 and 1000.21, F.S.; renaming Lake-Sumter Community College as "Lake-Sumter State College"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem tax exemptions; amending s. 196.199, F.S.; providing that certain leasehold interests and improvements to land owned by the United States, a branch of the United States Armed Forces, or any agency or quasi-governmental agency of the United States are exempt from ad valorem taxation under specified circumstances; providing that such leasehold interests and improvements are entitled to an exemption from ad valorem taxation without an application being filed for the exemption or the property appraiser approving the exemption; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 356—A bill to be entitled An act relating to financial guaranty insurance corporations; amending ss. 627.971 and 627.972, F.S.; providing that such corporations include licensed mutual insurers as well as licensed stock insurers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce and Tourism.

By Senators Simmons, Soto, Stargel, and Thompson—

SB 358—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional sports franchises; amending s. 288.1162, F.S.; adding Major League Soccer to the meaning of the term "league"; providing that a previously certified applicant is not eligible for an additional certification under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to reserve two new facility certifications for new Major League Soccer franchises; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 360—A bill to be entitled An act relating to surgical assistants and surgical technologists; providing definitions; prohibiting a health care facility from employing, contracting with, or granting surgical privileges to a person who does not hold a current and valid certification as a surgical assistant; prohibiting a health care facility from employing or contracting with a person who has not completed a nationally and programmatically accredited surgical technology program and who does not have the credential of certified surgical technologist; providing that certain persons are exempt from having a certification as a surgical assistant or surgical technologist; providing a definition; authorizing a person who completes a training program to become a surgical assistant or a surgical technologist before a specified date to continue to practice as a surgical assistant or surgical technologist for 1 year after completing such program; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to accept, in lieu of its own periodic inspections for licensure, the survey or inspection of an accrediting organization under certain circumstances; requiring the agency to adopt rules; amending s. 627.419, F.S.; requiring a health insurance policy, health care services plan, or other contract to provide for payment to a certified surgical assistant or to an employer of a certified surgical assistant if the policy, plan, or contract provides for payment for surgical first assisting benefits or services and reimbursement for a physician assistant is covered; providing that reimbursement to a certified surgical assistant is not required under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bullard and Thompson—

SB 362—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of deadly force; amending s. 776.013, F.S.; requiring an overt act to support a belief that the use of deadly force for specified purposes is necessary; defining the term "unlawful activity" for specified purposes; amending s. 776.032, F.S.; providing that immunity from civil and criminal liability for certain uses of deadly force does not apply to injuries to children and bystanders who are not affiliated with the overt act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumptive use permits for development of alternative water supplies; amending s. 373.236, F.S.; revising conditions for issuance of permits; providing for the issuance, extension, and review of permits approved on or after a certain date; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 366—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the State Poet Laureate; amending s. 265.285, F.S.; assigning duties to the Florida Council on Arts and Culture relating to the promotion of poetry and recommendations for the appointment of the State Poet Laureate; creating s. 265.2863, F.S.; creating the honorary position of State Poet Laureate within the Department of State; establishing procedures for the acceptance of nominations, the qualifications and recommendation of nominees, and the appointment of the State Poet Laureate; providing terms and the process for filling vacancies; specifying that any former poet laureate becomes a State Poet Laureate Emeritus or State Poet Laureate Emerita; providing that the State Poet Laureate, the State Poet Laureate Emeritus and the State Poet Laureate Emerita shall serve without compensation; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Education; and Rules.

By Senator Smith—

SB 368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment of felons; creating s. 220.197, F.S.; providing a tax credit for employment of a person previously convicted of a felony; providing requirements to receive the credit; providing exceptions for certain felons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 370—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disposition of human remains; amending s. 382.002, F.S.; revising definitions for purposes of the Florida Vital Statistics Act; amending s. 382.006, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to issue burial-transit permits; amending s. 382.008, F.S.; revising procedures for the registration of certificates of death or fetal death and the medical certification of causes of death; providing a definition; amending s. 382.011, F.S.; extending the time by which certain deaths must be referred to the medical examiner for investigation; creating s. 406.49, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 406.50, F.S.; revising procedures for the reporting and disposition of unclaimed remains; prohibiting certain uses or dispositions of the remains of deceased persons whose identities are not known; limiting the liability of licensed funeral directors who authorize the embalming of unclaimed remains under certain circumstances; amending s. 406.51, F.S.; requiring that local governmental contracts for the final disposition of unclaimed remains comply with certain federal regulations; amending s. 406.52, F.S.; revising procedures for the anatomical board's retention of human remains before their use; providing for claims by, and the release of human remains to, legally authorized persons after payment of certain expenses; authorizing county ordinances or resolutions for the final disposition of the unclaimed remains of indigent persons; limiting the liability of certain licensed persons for cremating or burying human remains under certain circumstances; amending s. 406.53, F.S.; revising exceptions from requirements for notice to the anatomical board of the death of indigent persons; deleting a requirement that the Department of Health assess fees for the burial of certain bodies; amending ss. 406.55, 406.56, and 406.57, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 406.58, F.S.; requiring audits of the financial records of the anatomical board; conforming provisions; amending s. 406.59, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 406.60, F.S.; authorizing certain facilities to dispose of human remains by cremation; amending s. 406.61, F.S.; revising provisions prohibiting the selling or buying of human remains or the transmitting or conveying of such remains outside the state; providing penalties; excepting accredited nontransplant anatomical donation organizations from requirements for the notification of and approval from the anatomical board for the conveyance of human remains for specified purposes; requiring that nontransplant anatomical donation organizations be accredited by a certain date; requiring that human remains received by the anatomical board be accompanied by a burial-transit permit; requiring approval by the medical examiner and consent of certain persons before the dissection, segmentation, or disarticulation of such remains; prohibiting the offer of any monetary inducement or other valuable consideration in exchange for human remains; providing a definition; deleting an expired provision; conforming provisions; amending s. 497.005, F.S.; revising a definition for purposes of the Florida Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services Act; amending s. 497.382, F.S.; revising certain reporting requirements for funeral establishments, direct disposal establishments, cinerator facilities, and centralized embalming facilities; amending s. 497.607, F.S.; providing requirements for the disposal of unclaimed cremated remains by funeral or direct disposal establishments; limiting the liability of funeral or direct disposal establishments and veterans' service organizations related to the release of information required to determine the eligibility for interment in a national cemetery of the unclaimed cremated remains of a veteran; providing definitions; amending s. 765.513, F.S.; revising the list of donees who may accept anatomical gifts and the purposes for which such a gift may be used; repealing s. 406.54, F.S., relating to claims of bodies after delivery to the anatomical board; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Health Policy; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; amending s. 561.57, F.S.; authorizing a licensed vendor to transport alcoholic beverages from a distributor's place of business in vehicles owned or leased by the vendor's authorized employees; revising permit requirements for such vehicles; revising permit fees; providing for cancellation of vehicle permits; authorizing the inspection and search of such vehicles without a search warrant; providing requirements for the use and storage of vehicle permits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Braynon and Sachs—

SB 374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed weapons and firearms; amending s. 790.33, F.S.; creating an exception to the preemption of the regulation of firearms to the Legislature to allow a state agency or local government to prohibit the possession of a concealed firearm and ammunition at specified publicly sanctioned or sponsored events conducted in public buildings or at government-sponsored outdoor public venues; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 376—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for the names of the spouses and children of active or former sworn or civilian law enforcement personnel, including children and spouses of correctional and correctional probation officers, personnel of the Department of Children and Families whose duties include the investigation of abuse, neglect, exploitation, fraud, theft, or other criminal activities, personnel of the Department of Health whose duties are to support the investigation of child abuse or neglect, and personnel of the Department of Revenue or local governments whose responsibilities include revenue collection and enforcement or child support enforcement; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 378—A bill to be entitled An act relating to manufactured and mobile homes; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; requiring the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation to provide coverage for mobile homes and

related structures; amending s. 723.06115, F.S.; specifying the procedure for requesting and obtaining funds from the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Trust Fund to pay for the operational costs of the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Corporation and the relocation costs of mobile home owners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 380—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public assistance fraud investigations by the Department of Financial Services; amending s. 414.411, F.S., relating to department investigations of public assistance fraud; authorizing the department to administer oaths and affirmations and issue subpoenas; providing for court enforcement of subpoenas; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

SB 382—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to grandparent visitation rights; creating s. 752.011, F.S.; authorizing the grandparent of a minor child to petition a court for visitation under certain circumstances; providing a rebuttable presumption in favor of the minor child's parent; requiring a preliminary hearing on harm to the minor child resulting from denial of visitation; providing for the payment of attorney fees and costs by a petitioner who fails to make a prima facie showing of harm; authorizing appointment of a guardian ad litem and mediation after a prima facie showing of harm; providing for a psychological evaluation of the minor child if mediation fails; authorizing grandparent visitation if the court makes specified findings; requiring clear and convincing evidence of demonstrable significant mental or emotional harm to the minor child resulting from a denial of visitation; prohibiting grandparent visitation that materially harms the parent-child relationship; providing factors for court consideration in determining whether there is harm to the minor child or to the parent-child relationship; providing for application of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act; encouraging the consolidation of certain concurrent actions; providing for modification of an order awarding grandparent visitation; limiting the frequency of actions seeking visitation; limiting application to a minor child placed for adoption; providing for application of sanctions for unsupported claims or defenses; providing for venue; amending s. 752.015, F.S.; conforming references; creating s. 752.071, F.S.; providing conditions under which a court may terminate a grandparent visitation order upon adoption of a minor child by a stepparent or close relative; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; revising the definition of "next of kin" to include great-grandparents for purposes of various proceedings relating to children; amending s. 39.509, F.S.; providing for visitation rights of great-grandparents; amending ss. 39.801 and 63.0425, F.S.; providing for a great-grandparent's right to notice of adoption; amending s. 63.172, F.S.; conforming provisions; repealing s. 752.01, F.S., relating to actions by a grandparent for visitation rights; repealing s. 752.07, F.S., relating to the effect of adoption of a child by a stepparent on grandparent visitation rights; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 386—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; amending s. 20.055, F.S.; requiring the corporation to have an inspector general; conforming a definition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Soto—

SB 388—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 97.0575, F.S.; revising provisions regulating third-party voter registration organizations; prescribing information that must be submitted to the Division of Elections before voter registration activities may be conducted; providing that the failure to submit the required information does not subject an organization to civil or criminal penalties; deleting a provision that requires the delivery of voter registration applications within a specified time period; providing fines; providing for reduction and waiver of fines; providing for the investigation of violations and the enforcement of fines; providing for appropriation and use of collected fines; authorizing the division to adopt rules; amending s. 99.021, F.S.; revising the oath that a candidate must sign when seeking to qualify for nomination as a candidate of any political party; reducing the amount of time that a candidate must state that he or she has not been a registered member or candidate for nomination for any other political party before qualifying for office; amending s. 101.045, F.S.; permitting an elector to vote a regular ballot at the polling place in the precinct to which he or she has moved by completing an affirmation containing certain information; deleting a requirement that the elector's change of residence must occur within the same county for the elector to be able to vote in the new precinct; amending s. 101.161, F.S.; revising provisions relating to ballot statements; deleting a provision that authorizes the placement of the full text of a proposed constitutional amendment or revision on a ballot; requiring a court to remove a proposed amendment from the ballot once all ballot statements are determined to be defective and all other appeals are declined, abandoned, or exhausted; deleting authority granted to the Attorney General to revise a ballot title or ballot summary; deleting a court's authority to retain jurisdiction over certain ballot challenges; deleting a legal presumption for a ballot statement; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; revising provisions relating to early voting; expanding the list of available early voting sites; providing requirements for determining the number of early voting sites each county must operate; increasing the number of days and hours that early voting must be available; amending s. 102.168, F.S.; increasing the evidence that a circuit court may consider when reviewing a canvassing board's decision concerning the legality of an absentee ballot that involves an elector's signature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Dean—

SB 390—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterans' organizations; defining the terms "business entity," "veteran," and "veterans' organization"; prohibiting a business entity from holding itself out as a veterans' organization under certain circumstances; providing for criminal penalties; authorizing an affected party to bring a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction against the offending business entity; authorizing the court to impose a civil penalty of up to $500 and payment of court costs and reasonable attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Brandes and Bradley—

SB 392—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the joint use of public school facilities; creating s. 1013.105, F.S.; providing legislative findings; encouraging each district school board to adopt written policies to promote public access to outdoor recreation and sports facilities on school property, to increase the number of joint-use agreements, and to develop and adopt policies and procedures for an appeal process if negotiations for a joint-use agreement fail; providing duties of district school boards and the Department of Education; creating s. 768.072, F.S.; providing immunity from liability for a district school board that adopts public access policies or enters into a joint-use agreement except in instances of gross negligence or intentional misconduct; providing application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Hays—

SB 394—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ticketholders' rights; creating s. 501.166, F.S.; declaring that an event or admission ticket purchased by an individual consumer is the consumer's personal property; providing that certain restrictions on the transfer or resale of event or admission tickets are void; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 396—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices or telephones by persons younger than 18 years of age while operating a motor vehicle; creating s. 316.3035, F.S.; prohibiting a person younger than 18 years of age from operating a motor vehicle while using a wireless communications device; providing exceptions; providing a penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bean—

SB 398—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physician assistants; amending ss. 458.347 and 459.022, F.S.; authorizing a physician assistant to execute all practice-related activities delegated by a supervisory physician unless expressly prohibited; deleting provisions to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 458.3475, 458.348, 459.023, and 459.025, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; and Judiciary.

By Senator Dean—

SB 400—A bill to be entitled An act relating to false reports to law enforcement officers; amending s. 837.05, F.S.; increasing criminal penalties for a second or subsequent conviction of providing false information to a law enforcement officer concerning the alleged commission of a crime; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 402—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homelessness; amending ss. 320.02, 322.08, and 322.18, F.S.; requiring the motor vehicle registration form and registration renewal form, the driver license application form, and the driver license application form for renewal issuance or renewal extension to include an option to make a voluntary contribution to aid the homeless; providing for such contributions to be deposited into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund of the Department of Children and Families and used by the State Office on Homelessness for certain purposes; providing exemption from certain application fee requirements; providing that voluntary contributions for the homeless are not income of a revenue nature for the purpose of applying certain service charges; creating s. 414.161, F.S.; establishing a homelessness prevention grant program; requiring grant applicants to be ranked competitively; providing preference for certain grant applicants; providing eligibility requirements; providing grant limitations and restrictions; requiring lead agencies for local homeless assistance continuums of care to track, monitor, and report on assisted families for a specified period; amending s. 420.622, F.S.; limiting the percentage of funding that lead agencies may spend on administrative costs; amending s. 420.625, F.S.; deleting a cross-reference to conform; repealing s. 414.16, F.S., relating to the emergency assistance program for families with children that have lost shelter or face loss of shelter due to an emergency; transferring emergency assistance program funds to the homelessness prevention grant program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 404—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real property liens and conveyances; amending s. 689.02, F.S.; deleting a requirement that blank spaces be included on a warranty deed to allow for entry of social security numbers of grantees on the deed; conforming provisions; amending s. 695.01, F.S.; providing that certain types of governmental or quasi-governmental liens on real property are valid and effectual against certain creditors and purchasers only if recorded in a specified manner; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Gardiner and Benacquisto—

SB 406—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; establishing the Economic Development Programs Evaluation; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to present the evaluation; requiring the offices to develop and submit a work plan for completing the evaluation by a certain date; requiring the offices to provide an analysis of certain economic development programs and specifying a schedule; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to make certain evaluations in its analysis; limiting the office's evaluation for the purposes of tax credits, tax refunds, sales tax exemptions, cash grants, and similar programs; requiring the office to use a certain model to evaluate each program; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to make certain evaluations in its analysis; providing the offices access to all data necessary to complete the evaluation; amending s. 20.60, F.S.; revising the date on which the Department of Economic Opportunity and Enterprise Florida, Inc., are required to report on the business climate and economic development in the state; specifying reports and information that must be included; amending s. 220.194, F.S.; requiring the annual report for the Florida Space Business Incentives Act to be included in the annual incentives report; deleting certain reporting requirements; amending s. 288.005, F.S.; providing a definition; amending s. 288.012, F.S.; requiring each State of Florida international office to submit a report to Enterprise Florida, Inc., for inclusion in its annual report; deleting a reporting date; amending s. 288.061, F.S.; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to analyze each economic development incentive application; amending s. 288.0656, F.S.; requiring the Rural Economic Development Initiative to submit a report to supplement the Department of Economic Opportunity's annual report; deleting certain reporting requirements; repealing s. 288.095(3)(c), F.S., relating to the annual report by Enterprise Florida, Inc., of programs funded by the Economic Development Incentives Account; amending s. 288.106, F.S.; deleting and adding provisions relating to the application and approval process of the tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to include information on qualified target industry businesses in the annual incentives report; deleting certain reporting requirements; amending s. 288.1081, F.S.; requiring the use of loan funds from the Economic Gardening Business Loan Pilot Program to be included in the department's annual report; deleting certain reporting requirements; amending s. 288.1082, F.S.; requiring the progress of the Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Pilot Program to be included in the department's annual report; deleting certain reporting requirements; amending s. 288.1088, F.S.; requiring the department to validate contractor performance for the Quick Action Closing Fund and include the performance validation in the annual incentives report; deleting certain reporting requirements; amending s. 288.1089, F.S.; requiring that certain projects in the Innovation Incentive Program provide a cumulative break-even economic benefit; requiring the department to report information relating to the Innovation Incentive Program in the annual incentives report; deleting certain reporting requirements; deleting provisions that require the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability and the Auditor General's Office to report on the Innovation Incentive Program; amending s. 288.1253, F.S.; revising a reporting date; requiring expenditures of the Office of Film and Entertainment to be included in the annual entertainment industry financial incentive program report; amending s. 288.1254, F.S.; revising a reporting date;

requiring the annual entertainment industry financial incentive program report to include certain information; amending s. 288.1258, F.S.; revising a reporting date; requiring the report detailing the relationship between tax exemptions and incentives to industry growth to be included in the annual entertainment industry financial incentive program report; amending s. 288.714, F.S.; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity's annual report to include a report on the Black Business Loan Program; deleting certain reporting requirements; amending s. 288.7771, F.S.; requiring the Florida Export Finance Corporation to submit a report to Enterprise Florida, Inc.; amending s. 288.903, F.S.; requiring Enterprise Florida, Inc., with the Department of Economic Opportunity, to prepare an annual incentives report; repealing s. 288.904(6), F.S., relating to Enterprise Florida, Inc., which requires the department to report the return on the public's investment; amending s. 288.906, F.S.; requiring certain reports to be included in the Enterprise Florida, Inc., annual report; amending s. 288.907, F.S.; requiring Enterprise Florida, Inc., with the Department of Economic Opportunity, to prepare the annual incentives report; requiring the annual incentives report to include certain information; deleting a provision requiring the Division of Strategic Business Development to assist Enterprise Florida, Inc., with the report; amending s. 288.92, F.S.; requiring each division of Enterprise Florida, Inc., to submit a report; amending s. 288.95155, F.S.; requiring the financial status of the Florida Small Business Technology Growth Program to be included in the annual incentives report; amending s. 290.0056, F.S.; revising a reporting date; requiring the enterprise zone development agency to submit certain information for the Department of Economic Opportunity's annual report; amending s. 290.014, F.S.; revising a reporting date; requiring certain reports on enterprise zones to be included in the Department of Economic Opportunity's annual report; amending s. 331.3051, F.S.; revising a reporting date; requiring Space Florida's annual report to include certain information; amending s. 331.310, F.S.; requiring the Board of Directors of Space Florida to supplement Space Florida's annual report with operations information; deleting certain reporting requirements; amending s. 446.50, F.S.; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity's annual report to include a plan for the displaced homemaker program; deleting certain reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

SB 408—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Bean—

SB 410—A bill to be entitled An act relating to money services businesses; amending s. 560.103, F.S.; providing a definition; amending s. 560.309, F.S.; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to use a portion of the fees that licensees may charge for the direct costs of verification of payment instruments cashed for certain purposes; amending s. 560.310, F.S.; requiring licensees engaged in check cashing to submit certain transaction information to the Office of Financial Regulation related to the payment instruments cashed; requiring the office to maintain the transaction information in a centralized database; providing liability protection for licensees relying on database information; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SB 412—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

SR 414—Not referenced.

By Senator Ring—

SB 416—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the inspection of licensed child care facilities; requiring that the Department of Children and Families or a local licensing agency give a copy of the inspection report to each parent whose child attends that licensed child care facility; requiring that the department or local licensing agency give a copy of the report, at no cost, to the parent within 72 hours after the report is completed and accepted by the department or local licensing agency; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 418—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; amending s. 627.421, F.S.; authorizing the posting of specified types of insurance policies and endorsements on an insurer's Internet website in lieu of mailing or delivery to the insured if the insurer complies with certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce and Tourism.

By Senators Sachs, Joyner, and Soto—

SB 420—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing for controlled substance violations; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; providing for an exception to mandatory minimum sentencing requirements for certain violators of specified controlled substance provisions; specifying criteria to qualify for an exception; providing criteria that may be considered by a court in departing for the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment; requiring a court to make certain statements if it departs from the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Benacquisto, Hays, Bradley, Simpson, Bullard, Soto, Gibson, Detert, Ring, Clemens, Negron, Evers, Margolis, Abruzzo, Stargel, Thompson, Flores, Sobel, Hukill, Altman, Smith, Diaz de la Portilla, and Braynon—

SB 422—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cancer treatment; providing a short title; creating ss. 627.42391 and 641.313, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring that an individual or group insurance policy or contract or a health maintenance contract that provides coverage for cancer treatment medications provide coverage for orally administered cancer treatment medications on a basis no less favorable than that required by the policy or contract for intravenously administered or injected cancer treatment medications; prohibiting insurers, health maintenance organizations, and certain other entities from engaging in specified actions to avoid compliance with this act; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; and Appropriations.

SB 424—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

SR 426—Not referenced.

By Senator Detert—

SB 428—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school student participation in fine arts courses; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; requiring annual reporting of participation in fine arts courses and compliance with standards for curricular content; revising the basis for the designation of school grades to include the participation rate of students who are enrolled in fine arts courses; correcting terminology; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

SR 430—Not referenced.

By Senator Altman—

SB 432—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax exemptions; amending s. 212.08, F.S., relating to exemptions from the sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, and storage tax; establishing a lower takeoff weight threshold for rotary wing aircraft qualifying for certain tax exemptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 434—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community colleges; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; revising the name of Brevard Community College; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Altman—

SB 436—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential properties; amending s. 399.02, F.S.; exempting certain elevators from specific code update requirements; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the terms of condominium board of administration members; revising condominium unit owner meeting notice requirements; providing for nonapplicability to associations governing timeshare condominiums of certain provisions relating to elections of board members; revising recordkeeping requirements of a condominium association board; requiring commencement of challenges to an election within a specified period; providing requirements for challenging the failure of a board to duly notice and hold the required board meeting or to file the required petition for a recall; providing requirements for recalled board members to challenge the recall; prohibiting the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation from accepting recall petitions for filing under certain circumstances; amending s. 718.113, F.S.; providing requirements for a condominium association board relating to the installation of hurricane shutters, impact glass, code-compliant windows or doors, and other types of code-compliant hurricane protection under certain circumstances; amending s. 718.115, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 718.303, F.S.; revising provisions relating to imposing remedies against a noncompliant or delinquent condominium unit owner or member; revising voting requirements under certain conditions; amending s. 718.403, F.S.; providing requirements for the completion of phase condominiums; creating s. 718.406, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for condominiums created within condominium parcels; providing for the establishment of primary condominium and secondary condominium units; providing requirements for association declarations; authorizing a primary condominium association to provide insurance and adopt hurricane shutter or hurricane protection specifications under certain conditions; providing requirements relating to assessments; providing for resolution of conflicts between primary condominium declarations and secondary condominium declarations; providing requirements relating to common expenses due the primary condominium association; amending s. 718.5011, F.S.; revising the restriction on officers and full-time employees of the ombudsman from engaging in other businesses or professions; amending s. 719.104, F.S.; specifying additional records that are not accessible to unit owners; amending s. 719.1055, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the amendment of cooperative documents; providing legislative findings and a finding of compelling state interest; providing criteria for consent or joinder to an amendment; requiring notice regarding proposed amendments to mortgagees; providing criteria for notification; providing for voiding certain amendments; amending s. 719.106, F.S.; revising applicability of certain board of administration meeting requirements; requiring commencement of challenges to an election within a specified period; providing requirements for challenging the failure of a board to duly notice and hold the required board meeting or to file the required petition for a recall; providing requirements for recalled board members to challenge the recall; prohibiting the division from accepting recall petitions for filing under certain circumstances; amending s. 719.303, F.S.; revising provisions relating to imposing remedies against a noncompliant or delinquent cooperative unit owner or member; revising voting requirements under certain conditions; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; revising the types of records that are not accessible to homeowners' association members and parcel owners; providing requirements for challenging the failure of a board to duly notice and hold the required board meeting or to file the required petition for a recall; providing requirements for recalled board members to challenge the recall; prohibiting the division from accepting recall petitions for filing under certain circumstances; amending s. 720.305, F.S.; revising provisions relating to imposing remedies against a noncompliant or delinquent homeowners' association member and parcel owner; revising voting requirements under certain conditions; amending s. 720.306, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the amendment of homeowners' association declarations; providing legislative findings and a finding of compelling state interest; providing criteria for consent or joinder to an amendment; requiring notice to mortgagees regarding proposed amendments; providing criteria for notification; providing for voiding certain amendments; revising provisions relating to right to speak at a homeowners' association meeting; requiring commencement of challenges to an election within a specified period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 438—A bill to be entitled An act relating to memory disorder clinics; amending s. 430.502, F.S.; revising provisions for the establishment of memory disorder clinics in the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 440—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to contract with certain organizations to provide services under the federal Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly in Citrus, Hernando, and Pasco Counties; providing an exemption from ch. 641, F.S., for the organizations; authorizing, subject to appropriation, enrollment slots for the program in such counties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 442—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Black Cultural Tourism Enhancement Commission; creating the commission within the Department of State; directing the commission to independently exercise its powers and duties; requiring the department to provide administrative and staff support services to the commission; providing the powers and duties of the commission; providing for the appointment of commission members; providing for the reimbursement of per diem and travel expenses for commission members; authorizing the commission to establish or designate a direct-support organization for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 444—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic wastewater discharged through ocean outfalls; amending s. 403.086, F.S.; revising the measurement standard for the wastewater flow; revising the re-

quirements for installation of a functioning reuse system by a utility that had a permit for a domestic wastewater facility on a specified date to discharge through ocean outfall; revising the definition of the term "functioning reuse system"; changing the term "facility's actual flow on an annual basis" to "baseline flow"; revising plan requirements for the elimination of ocean outfalls; providing that certain utilities that shared a common ocean outfall on a specified date are individually responsible for meeting the reuse requirement; requiring that the Department of Environmental Protection approve certain apportionment of reuse if a facility contracts with another facility to install a functioning reuse system; revising provisions authorizing the backup discharge of domestic wastewater through ocean outfalls; requiring a holder of a department permit authorizing the discharge of domestic wastewater through an ocean outfall to submit certain information; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection, the South Florida Water Management District, and affected utilities to consider certain information for the purpose of adjusting reuse requirements; requiring the department to submit a report to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 446—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the economic development incentive application process; amending s. 288.061, F.S.; requiring an applicant to provide a surety bond to the Department of Economic Opportunity before the applicant receives incentive awards through the Quick Action Closing Fund or the Innovation Incentive Program; requiring the contract or agreement to provide that the bond remain in effect until all conditions have been satisfied; providing that the department may require the bond to cover the entire contracted amount or allow for bonds to be renewed upon completion of certain performance measures; requiring the contract or agreement to provide that funds are contingent upon receipt of the surety bond; requiring the contract or agreement to provide that up to half of the premium payment on the bond may be paid from the award up to a certain amount; requiring an applicant to notify the department of premium payments; providing for certain notice requirements upon cancellation or nonrenewal by a bonding or insurance company; providing that the cancellation of the surety bond violates the contract or agreement; providing an exception; providing for a waiver if certain information is provided; providing that if the department grants a waiver, the contract or agreement must provide for securing the award in a certain form; requiring the contract or agreement to provide that the release of funds is contingent upon satisfying certain requirements; requiring the irrevocable letter of credit, trust, or security agreement to remain in effect until certain conditions have been satisfied; providing that the state may bring suit upon default or upon a violation of this section; providing that the department may adopt rules to implement this section; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Dean and Simpson—

SB 448—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; amending s. 327.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "navigation rules" for purposes of provisions relating to vessels; amending s. 379.101, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "resident" or "resident of Florida" for purposes of provisions relating to recreational and nonrecreational activity licenses; providing for certain evidence of residence; revising the definition of the term "resident alien" to remove a county residency requirement; amending s. 379.353, F.S.; exempting individuals participating in certain outdoor recreational events from requirements for a hunting or fishing license or permit; amending s. 379.354, F.S.; revising the number of days the commission may designate as free fishing days each year; amending s. 379.361, F.S.; revising requirements for a restricted species endorsement on a saltwater products license; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 450—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; creating s. 220.1945, F.S.; providing definitions; providing tax credits for use by a corporation against the state corporate income tax in an amount equal to a specified percentage of the corporation's payments to a small business providing goods or services to the corporation pursuant to a contract; providing qualification criteria; requiring a business to submit an application to the Department of Economic Opportunity for approval to earn credits; providing application requirements; providing procedures and requirements for department approval; specifying the amount of the tax credit; prohibiting tax credits from being carried forward or backward or being transferred or sold; providing criminal and administrative penalties for fraudulently claiming tax credits; authorizing the Department of Economic Opportunity and the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; amending s. 220.02, F.S.; revising the order in which credits against the corporate income tax or franchise tax may be taken to include certain credits relating to a corporation's execution of a business contract with a small business; amending s. 220.13, F.S.; redefining the term "adjusted federal income" to include the amount of such tax credits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Health Policy—

SB 452—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 765.51551, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information of a donor held in the Joshua Abbott Organ and Tissue Registry; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Benacquisto—

SB 454—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Florida College System police officers; amending s. 23.1225, F.S.; providing for mutual aid agreements involving Florida College System police officers; amending s. 316.640, F.S.; providing for enforcement of traffic laws in certain areas by Florida College System police officers; amending s. 1012.88, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the jurisdictional authority of Florida College System police officers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 456—A bill to be entitled An act relating to foreign-trained medical professionals; amending s. 456.022, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Health from issuing a license to, or renewing the license of, certain persons who travel to the Republic of Cuba to obtain medical training or a medical degree; providing an exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Education.

By Senator Ring—

SB 458—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighter and police officer pension plans; amending s. 175.032, F.S.; revising definitions to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 175.091, F.S.; providing for an additional mandatory payment by the municipality or special fire control district to the firefighters' pension trust fund; amending s. 175.351, F.S., relating to municipalities and special fire control districts that have their own pension plans and want to parti-

cipate in the distribution of a tax fund; revising definitions; specifying a payment that must be made by the municipality or district to the defined benefit plan; revising how income from the premium tax and other revenues must be used; amending s. 185.02, F.S.; revising definitions to conform to changes made by the act; deleting a provision allowing a local law plan to limit the amount of overtime payments which can be used for retirement benefit calculations; amending s. 185.07, F.S.; providing for an additional mandatory payment by the municipality to the municipal police officers' retirement trust fund; amending s. 185.35, F.S., relating to municipalities that have their own pension plans for police officers and want to participate in the distribution of a tax fund; revising definitions; specifying a payment that must be made by the municipality into the defined benefit plan; revising how income from the premium tax and other revenues must be used; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 460—A bill to be entitled An act relating to political party executive committee candidates; amending ss. 97.021 and 106.011, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "candidate" to include a candidate for a political party executive committee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 462—A bill to be entitled An act relating to death certificates; amending s. 28.222, F.S.; providing for a service charge for the recording of certain death certificates; amending s. 382.008, F.S.; requiring each permanent certificate of death or fetal death, excluding any information that is confidential and exempt from public records requirements, to be recorded in the public records of the county in which it is issued; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 464—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disposition of unclaimed property; amending s. 717.124, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules that allow an apparent owner of unclaimed property to submit a claim to the department electronically; providing for applicability with respect to specified property reported and remitted to the Chief Financial Officer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Altman—

SB 466—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lands; amending s. 253.42, F.S.; authorizing individuals and corporations to submit requests to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund to exchange state-owned land for conservation easements over privately held land; providing criteria for consideration of such requests; encouraging certain operations on such lands; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 468—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial insurance rates and forms; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; exempting medical malpractice insurance that covers certain providers and practitioners from specified rate filing requirements; amending s. 627.410, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 627.4102, F.S.; providing for an informational filing of certain forms that are exempt from the Office of Insurance Regulation's approval process; requiring an informational filing to include a notarized certification from the insurer and providing a statement that must be included in the certification; authorizing the office to impose sanctions for false certifications; requiring a Notice of Change in Policy Terms form to be filed with a changed renewal policy; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Judiciary.

By Senator Altman—

SB 470—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Association; amending s. 766.303, F.S.; requiring the association to administer the Florida Birth-Related Neurological Injury Compensation Plan in a manner that promotes and protects the interests of children who have birth-related neurological injuries; amending s. 766.315, F.S.; revising the membership of the association board; revising the process for recommending new directors; authorizing the Governor or the Chief Financial Officer to remove a director from office for specified reasons; revising the powers of the directors; providing that meetings of the board of directors are subject to public meetings requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 472—A bill to be entitled An act relating to developmental disabilities; establishing the Developmental Disabilities Savings Program to allow for the advance payment of services for children who have developmental disabilities and who will be ineligible for certain services due to age; providing legislative intent; defining terms; requiring the program to provide certain information; providing that the program may not be implemented until certain legal opinions are obtained; establishing the Developmental Disabilities Savings Program Board to administer the savings program; providing for board membership; specifying the powers, duties, and goals of the board; authorizing the board to adopt rules; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security—

SB 474—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 292.055, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for all identifying information of a donor or prospective donor to the direct-support organization of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, and an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of meetings of the direct-support organization at which identifying information of a donor or prospective donor is discussed; saving the exemptions from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 476—A bill to be entitled An act relating to American Founders' Month; providing a short title; creating s. 683.1455, F.S.; designating the month of September as "American Founders' Month"; authorizing the Governor to annually issue a proclamation designating the month and urging participation; amending s. 1003.44, F.S.; requiring district school boards to celebrate the American Founders and the principles inherent

in the country's founding documents by observing American Founders' Month; providing guidelines for instruction; providing that instruction may be integrated into the existing school curriculum; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 478—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the student assessment program for public schools; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; requiring each school district to establish and approve testing schedules for district-required assessments and publish the schedules on its website; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 480—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; creating s. 290.0079, F.S.; authorizing Polk County, the City of Auburndale, the City of Bartow, the City of Eagle Lake, the City of Fort Meade, the City of Frostproof, the City of Lake Wales, the City of Mulberry, and the City of Polk City to apply, individually or jointly, to the Department of Economic Opportunity for designation of a specified number of enterprise zones; providing application requirements; requiring the department to establish the effective dates of the enterprise zones; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dean—

SB 482—A bill to be entitled An act relating to other-personal-services employment; defining the term "other-personal-services employee"; authorizing the governing body of a county to employ other-personal-services employees; providing conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 484—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state employee salaries; providing a short title; providing a competitive pay adjustment for state employees; requiring an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SJR 486—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article I of the State Constitution, to protect the rights of all persons to acquire and possess real property.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 488—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid dental services; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to reimburse a health access setting operating as a Medicaid provider for dental services under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 490—A bill to be entitled An act relating to landlords and tenants; amending s. 83.42, F.S.; revising exclusions from application of part II of ch. 83, F.S., relating to residential tenancies; amending s. 83.48, F.S.; providing that the right to attorney fees may not be waived in a lease agreement; providing that attorney fees may not be awarded in a claim for personal injury damages based on a breach of duty of premises maintenance; amending s. 83.49, F.S.; revising the requirements of landlord disclosure relating to deposit money and advance rent; authorizing the landlord or the landlord's agent to disburse advance rent under certain circumstances; prohibiting the landlord from seeking a setoff against a security deposit, but authorizing the landlord to file an action, under certain circumstances; providing that a tenant who fails to make a timely objection to a landlord's claim on a security deposit does not waive any right to a separate action; providing a limited rebuttable presumption of receipt of security deposits; providing that certain changes to disclosure requirements made by this act are conditional; amending s. 83.50, F.S.; removing certain landlord disclosure requirements relating to fire protection; amending s. 83.51, F.S.; revising a landlord's obligation to maintain premises with respect to screens and to mobile homes or other structures owned by a tenant; amending s. 83.56, F.S.; authorizing a landlord to commence an eviction action without notice, under certain circumstances; providing that a landlord does not waive the right to terminate the rental agreement or to bring a civil action for noncompliance by accepting partial rent, under certain circumstances; providing that the period to institute an action before an exemption involving rent subsidies is waived begins within a specified period after actual knowledge of a noncompliance; amending s. 83.575, F.S.; revising requirements for the termination of a tenancy having a specific duration to provide for reciprocal notice provisions in rental agreements; amending ss. 83.58 and 83.59, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 83.60, F.S.; requiring that a landlord be given an opportunity to cure a deficiency in any notice or pleading before dismissal of an eviction action, under certain circumstances; requiring that a tenant pay into the registry of the court the accrued rent if the tenant uses certain defenses in an action by a landlord for possession; amending s. 83.62, F.S.; providing that weekends and holidays do not stay the applicable notice period in an action by a landlord for possession, under certain circumstances; amending s. 83.63, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 83.64, F.S.; prohibiting a landlord from retaliating against a tenant for certain conducts; amending s. 723.063, F.S.; requiring that a mobile home park owner be given an opportunity to cure a deficiency in any notice or pleading before dismissal of an eviction action, under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 492—A bill to be entitled An act relating to estates; amending s. 717.101, F.S.; providing a definition; amending s. 717.112, F.S.; providing an exception to property held by agents and fiduciaries; creating s. 717.1125, F.S.; providing that property held by fiduciaries under trust instruments is presumed unclaimed under certain circumstances; amending s. 731.110, F.S.; specifying that a certain subsection does not require a caveator to be served with formal notice of its own petition for administration; amending s. 732.703, F.S.; revising language regarding instruments governed by the laws of a different state; creating s. 732.806, F.S.; providing provisions relating to gifts to lawyers and other disqualified persons; amending s. 732.901, F.S.; requiring the custodian of a will to supply the testator's date of death or the last four digits of the testator's social security number upon deposit; providing that an original will submitted with a pleading is considered to be deposited with the clerk; requiring the clerk to retain and preserve the original will in its original form for a certain period of time; amending s. 736.0103, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 736.0202, F.S.; providing for in rem jurisdiction and personal jurisdiction over a trustee, beneficiary, or other person; deleting a provision referring to other methods of obtaining jurisdiction; creating s. 736.02025, F.S.; providing provisions for methods of service of process in actions involving trusts and trust bene-

ficiaries; repealing s. 736.0205, F.S., relating to trust proceedings and the dismissal of matters relating to foreign trusts; repealing s. 736.0807(4), F.S., relating to delegation of powers by a trustee; amending s. 736.0813, F.S.; clarifying the duties of a trustee to provide a trust accounting; amending ss. 607.0802, 731.201, 733.212, 736.0802, 736.08125, and 738.104, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 494—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community development block grants; amending s. 290.0411, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 290.402, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 290.044, F.S.; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to adopt a rule pertaining to the distribution of funds under the block grant program; requiring the department to define community development objectives in accordance with federal law and regulations; amending s. 290.0455, F.S; requiring approved Section 108 loan applicants to enter into an agreement with the department; requiring the department to review all applications received from local governments; requiring that each application be deemed financially feasible by a loan underwriter approved by the department; allowing the department to submit applications to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development under certain conditions; reducing the maximum amounts of loan guarantee commitments; removing requirement that the applicant's past performance must be evaluated; requiring that a local government's future community development block grant be reduced in the event of default; requiring a local government that has received a Section 108 loan through the Small Cities Community Block Grant Program but is granted entitlement community status to pledge its block grant allocation as guarantee to its previous loan and release the department as a guarantor; amending s. 290.046, F.S.; granting rulemaking authority to the department; allowing local governments to submit one grant application per funding cycle with the exception of economic development projects; providing criteria for applications for economic development grants; prohibiting the department from awarding a grant until a site visit has been completed; providing conditions for the ranking of grant applications; establishing procedures for citizen input and participation; amending s. 290.047, F.S.; granting rulemaking authority to the department; providing restrictions on the expenditure of block grant funds by local governments; amending s. 290.0475, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the rejection of grant applications; amending s. 290.048, F.S.; removing requirements pertaining to written descriptions of service areas; repealing a requirement for establishment of an advisory committee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dean—

SB 496—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the marshal of the Supreme Court; amending s. 25.251, F.S.; revising terminology; requiring the marshal and his or her deputies to comply with specified requirements for law enforcement officers; specifying that the marshal and his or her deputies are law enforcement officers with statewide authority to bear arms and perform official duties and apprehend without warrant under certain conditions; amending s. 25.271, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the marshal and his or her deputies being conservators of the peace; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 498—A bill to be entitled An act relating to renewable energy producers; amending s. 366.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "public utility" to exclude certain producers of renewable energy; amending s. 366.91, F.S.; requiring public utilities to purchase electricity from renewable energy producers at a certain rate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 500—A bill to be entitled An act relating to massage establishments; amending s. 480.047, F.S.; revising penalties; creating s. 480.0475, F.S.; providing legislative intent; prohibiting the operation of a massage establishment during specified times; providing exceptions; prohibiting the use of a massage establishment as a principal domicile unless the establishment is zoned for residential use under a local ordinance; providing penalties; amending s. 823.05, F.S.; declaring that a massage establishment operating in violation of specified statutes is a nuisance that may be abated or enjoined; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; Health Policy; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 502—A bill to be entitled An act relating to game promotion; amending s. 849.094, F.S.; adding and revising definitions; providing for the registration of electronic devices and computer terminals used to conduct electronic game promotions; prohibiting the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services from accepting a filing from certain entities; establishing requirements for electronic game promotions; requiring certification of game promotion software; requiring that an operator of an electronic game production pay to the department an annual nonrefundable terminal fee per electronic device or computer terminal; requiring the department to remit the fees to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund; prohibiting certain conduct; limiting the applicability of the act; authorizing a county or municipality to adopt an ordinance, code, plan, rule, resolution, or other measure to regulate an operator that provides electronic devices or computer terminals for electronic game promotion or to prohibit the future operation of game promotions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Gaming; Regulated Industries; Agriculture; and Appropriations.

By Senators Brandes and Gardiner—

SB 504—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal cruelty; amending s. 828.12, F.S.; specifying that a person who commits multiple acts of animal cruelty against one animal or acts of animal cruelty against multiple animals may be charged with a separate offense for each such act of animal cruelty; amending s. 828.122, F.S.; specifying certain equipment and paraphernalia that are illegal to own, possess, or sell for use in animal fighting or baiting; providing criminal penalties; providing factors that may be used in determining whether an object is animal-fighting or animal-baiting paraphernalia; amending s. 895.02, F.S.; including illegal animal fighting or baiting as an offense within the definition of the term "racketeering activity" for purposes of the Florida RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization) Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administration of county and municipal delinquency programs and facilities; amending s. 985.688, F.S.; removing the criteria for determining whether a county was in compliance with specified policies and procedures relating to administering county and municipal juvenile programs and facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 508—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the termination of gas or electric service; prohibiting any utility from terminating a senior citizen's or low-income family's gas or electric service for nonpayment on any day, or on the following 2 calendar days, during which the National Weather Service forecasts extreme temperatures in the area of the utility in which the senior citizen or low-income family resides; prohibiting any utility from terminating a senior citizen's or low-income family's gas or electric service for nonpayment on any day preceding a holiday or weekend during which the National Weather Service forecasts extreme temperatures in the area of the utility in which the senior citizen or low-income family resides; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Children, Families, and Elder Affairs.

By Senator Legg—

SB 510—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance; amending ss. 627.6471 and 641.31, F.S.; requiring health insurers and health maintenance organizations to allow an insured to continue to use the services of preferred providers or network providers on the list of preferred providers or network providers at the time of the insured's enrollment for a minimum period of time; requiring health maintenance organizations to provide subscribers with a current list of network providers and make the list available for public inspection at certain times and places; requiring health insurers and health maintenance organizations to pay certain providers who have been terminated from a panel for health services provided to insureds under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SJR 512—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 3 of Article III and the creation of Section 34 of Article XII of the State Constitution, relating to sessions of the Legislature, to change the date of convening and the length of regular sessions of the Legislature and to remove the requirement that the Legislature meet in organization sessions.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 514—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school safety; providing a short title; authorizing each county to create an independent special district by ordinance to provide funding for public school security and mental health services; requiring elector approval to annually levy ad valorem taxes; requiring the district to comply with statutory requirements related to levying and fixing millage and filing financial or compliance reports; providing for the dissolution of the district; requiring the governing body of the county to periodically submit to the electorate the question of retention or dissolution of the district; creating a governing council for the district; basing the size of the council on the population of the county; specifying criteria for council membership; providing terms of office; requiring the council to appoint a chair and vice chair and elect other officers; providing procedures for filling a vacancy on the council; requiring council members to serve without compensation; requiring members to follow certain financial disclosure, noticing, and reporting procedures; specifying the powers and functions of the council; authorizing two or more districts to enter into cooperative agreements; requiring the district to provide an annual report to the school board and county governing body; providing for the content of the report; requiring the council to prepare a tentative annual budget and compute a millage rate to fund the district; requiring that all tax moneys collected be paid directly to the council by the county tax collector and be deposited in qualified public depositories; requiring certain members to file a surety bond; specifying expenditures of funds; requiring the council to prepare and file quarterly financial reports with the county governing body; prohibiting the council from requiring certain matching funds; providing that all district financial records be subject to audit; providing legislative intent with respect to the use of funds collected by the council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 516—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential tenancies; creating s. 83.675, F.S.; requiring the owner of a residential property that is in foreclosure proceedings or for which mortgage payments are in arrears for a specified period to provide notice to tenants within a specified period; providing criminal penalties; providing that for properties with multiple dwelling units, a failure to comply with requirements as to each separate unit constitutes a separate offense; prohibiting a person from knowingly leasing such residential property unless the tenant signs a notarized statement containing certain waivers; providing for the contents and form of the statement; requiring the landlord to provide a copy of the statement to the mortgage holder; providing that leases which violate the notice requirements are presumed fraudulent and voidable within a specified period; providing requirements for a landlord to overcome such presumption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 518—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic business incentives; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising the sales tax exemption from the sales tax for certain business purchases of industrial machinery and equipment and spaceport activities; deleting certain limitations on, and procedural requirements relating to, the exemption; conforming cross-references; amending s. 288.1045, F.S.; deleting the limitation on the maximum amount of tax refunds a business may receive under the qualified defense contractor and space flight business tax refund program; amending s. 288.106, F.S.; deleting the limitation on the maximum amount of tax refunds a business may receive under the tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses; amending s. 288.1089, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the review, approval, and award of funds under the Innovation Incentive Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 520—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency medical services; amending s. 381.0034, F.S.; deleting a requirement that emergency medical technicians, paramedics, and 911 public safety telecommunicators complete an educational course on HIV and AIDS; amending s. 401.23, F.S.; redefining the terms "basic life support" and "advanced life support" for purposes of the Raymond H. Alexander, M.D., Emergency Medical Transportation Services Act; amending s. 401.24, F.S.; revising the period for review of the comprehensive state plan for emergency medical services and programs; amending s. 401.27, F.S.; revising requirements for the certification and recertification of emergency medical technicians and paramedics; revising requirements for the certification of emergency medical technicians and paramedics trained outside the state; revising the time limit by which applicants trained outside the state must complete the certification examination without having to submit a new application and meet all eligibility and fee requirements; amending s. 401.2701, F.S.; revising requirements for institutions that conduct approved programs for the education of emergency medical technicians and paramedics; revising requirements that students must meet in order to receive a certificate of completion from an approved program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 522—A bill to be entitled An act relating to biodiesel fuel; amending s. 206.02, F.S.; exempting municipalities, counties, and school districts manufacturing biodiesel fuel for internal use from certain reporting, bonding, and licensing requirements applicable to biodiesel manufacturers; amending s. 206.874, F.S.; requiring such entities to pay a tax on such biodiesel fuel; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 524—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Common Core State Standards; requiring the standards adopted by the State Board of Education to be implemented and assessed in the public schools beginning in the 2016-2017 school year; requiring implementation and assessment of the standards to be phased in and aligned with current accountability measures; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 526—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; revising student eligibility requirements for receipt of a Florida Medallion Scholars award with respect to national examination scores; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 528—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Community Planning Act; amending s. 163.3167, F.S.; authorizing a local government to retain an existing initiative or referendum process relating to a local comprehensive plan amendment or map amendment in certain circumstances; providing legislative intent; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 530—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dispute resolution; amending s. 682.01, F.S.; revising the short title of the "Florida Arbitration Code" to the "Revised Florida Arbitration Code"; creating s. 682.011, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 682.012, F.S.; specifying how a person gives notice to another person and how a person receives notice; creating s. 682.013, F.S.; specifying the applicability of the revised code; creating s. 682.014, F.S.; providing that an agreement may waive or vary the effect of statutory arbitration provisions; providing exceptions; creating s. 682.015, F.S.; providing for petitions for judicial relief; providing for service of notice of an initial petition for such relief; amending s. 682.02, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the making of arbitration agreements; requiring a court to decide whether an agreement to arbitrate exists or a controversy is subject to an agreement to arbitrate; providing for determination of specified issues by an arbitrator; providing for continuation of an arbitration proceeding pending resolution of certain issues by a court; revising provisions relating to applicability of provisions to certain interlocal agreements; amending s. 682.03, F.S.; revising provisions relating to proceedings to compel and to stay arbitration; creating s. 682.031, F.S.; providing for a court to order provisional remedies before an arbitrator is appointed and is authorized and able to act; providing for orders for provisional remedies by an arbitrator; providing that a party does not waive a right of arbitration by seeking provisional remedies in court; creating s. 682.032, F.S.; providing for initiation of arbitration; providing that a person waives any objection to lack of or insufficiency of notice by appearing at the arbitration hearing; providing an exception; creating s. 682.033, F.S.; providing for consolidation of separate arbitration proceedings as to all or some of the claims in certain circumstances; prohibiting consolidation if the agreement prohibits consolidation; amending s. 682.04, F.S.; revising provisions relating to appointment of an arbitrator; prohibiting an individual who has an interest in the outcome of an arbitration from serving as a neutral arbitrator; creating s. 682.041, F.S.; requiring certain disclosures of interests and relationships by a person before accepting appointment as an arbitrator; providing a continuing obligation to make such disclosures; providing for objections to an arbitrator based on information disclosed; providing for vacation of an award if an arbitrator failed to disclose a fact as required; providing that an arbitrator appointed as a neutral arbitrator who does not disclose certain interests or relationships is presumed to act with partiality for specified purposes; requiring parties to substantially comply with agreed-to procedures of an arbitration organization or any other procedures for challenges to arbitrators before an award is made in order to seek vacation of an award on specified grounds; amending s. 682.05, F.S.; requiring that if there is more than one arbitrator, the powers of an arbitrator must be exercised by a majority of the arbitrators; requiring all arbitrators to conduct the arbitration hearing; creating s. 682.051, F.S.; providing immunity from civil liability for an arbitrator or an arbitration organization acting in that capacity; providing that this immunity is supplemental to any immunity under other law; providing that failure to make a required disclosure does not remove immunity; providing that an arbitrator or representative of an arbitration organization is not competent to testify and may not be required to produce records concerning the arbitration; providing exceptions; providing for awarding an arbitrator, arbitration organization, or representative of an arbitration organization with reasonable attorney fees and expenses of litigation under certain circumstances; amending s. 682.06, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the conduct of arbitration hearings; providing for summary disposition, notice of hearings, adjournment, and rights of a party to the arbitration proceeding; requiring appointment of a replacement arbitrator in certain circumstances; amending s. 682.07, F.S.; providing that a party to an arbitration proceeding may be represented by an attorney; amending s. 682.08, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the issuance, service, and enforcement of subpoenas; revising provisions relating to depositions; authorizing an arbitrator to permit discovery in certain circumstances; authorizing an arbitrator to order compliance with discovery; authorizing protective orders by an arbitrator; providing for applicability of laws compelling a person under subpoena to testify and all fees for attending a judicial proceeding, a deposition, or a discovery proceeding as a witness; providing for court enforcement of a subpoena or discovery-related order; providing for witness fees; creating s. 682.081, F.S.; providing for judicial enforcement of a preaward ruling by an arbitrator in certain circumstances; providing exceptions; amending s. 682.09, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the record needed for an award; revising provisions relating to the time within which an award must be made; amending s. 682.10, F.S.; revising provisions relating to requirements for a motion to modify or correct an award; amending s. 682.11, F.S.; revising provisions relating to fees and expenses of arbitration; authorizing punitive damages and other exemplary relief and remedies; amending s. 682.12, F.S.; revising provisions relating to confirmation of an award; amending s. 682.13, F.S.; revising provisions relating to grounds for vacating an award; revising provisions relating to a motion for vacating an award; providing for a rehearing in certain circumstances; amending s. 682.14, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the time for moving to modify or correct an award; deleting references to the term "umpire"; revising a provision concerning confirmation of awards; amending s. 682.15, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a court order confirming, vacating without directing a rehearing, modifying, or correcting an award; providing for award of costs and attorney fees in certain circumstances; repealing s. 682.16, F.S., relating to judgment roll and docketing of certain orders; repealing s. 682.17, F.S., relating to application to court; repealing s. 682.18, F.S., relating to the definition of the term "court" and jurisdiction; creating s. 682.181, F.S.; providing for jurisdiction relating to the revised code; amending s. 682.19, F.S.; revising provisions relating to venue for actions relating to the code; amending s. 682.20, F.S.; providing that an appeal may be taken from an order denying confirmation of an award unless the court has entered an order under specified provisions; providing that all other orders denying confirmation of an award are final orders; repealing s. 682.21, F.S., relating to the previous code

not applying retroactively; repealing s. 682.22, F.S., relating to conflict of laws; creating s. 682.23, F.S.; specifying the relationship of the code to the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act; providing for applicability; creating s. 682.25, F.S.; providing that the revised code does not apply to any dispute involving child custody, visitation, or child support; amending ss. 440.1926, 489.1402, and 731.401, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 532—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discrimination in employment; creating s. 760.105, F.S.; providing legislative findings; prohibiting an employer, municipality, or county from inquiring into or considering an applicant's criminal history or to include any inquiry about criminal history on any initial employment application; providing that an employer, municipality, or county may consider an applicant's criminal history after the applicant's qualifications have been screened and the employer, municipality, or county has determined the applicant meets the minimum employment requirements; providing applicability; providing that the act does not require that an employer, municipality, or county conduct a criminal history background check; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 534—A bill to be entitled An act relating to publicly-funded defined benefit retirement plans; amending s. 112.66, F.S.; providing that the state is not liable for shortfalls in local government retirement systems or plans; creating s. 112.664, F.S.; requiring a defined benefit system or plan to report certain information to the Department of Management Services and specifying the assumptions and methods to be used in determining the information submitted; requiring the plan sponsor to make the information available on certain websites; providing a time certain for submission of the information; providing consequences for failure to submit the required information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 536—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physical therapy; amending s. 486.021, F.S.; authorizing physical therapists to implement physical therapy treatment plans of a specified duration which are provided by advanced registered nurse practitioners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senators Ring and Negron—

SB 538—A bill to be entitled An act relating to special districts; creating s. 189.414, F.S.; requiring public facilities projects of independent special districts with taxing authority to be approved by the appropriate local general-purpose government; requiring a local government representative to serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the district; providing exemptions; amending s. 189.415, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dean—

SB 540—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory supervision of specified offenders by the Department of Corrections; providing legislative findings; amending s. 944.291, F.S.; requiring that persons convicted on or after a specified date of crimes in specified categories be released only under mandatory supervision; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; renaming the conditional release program as the "mandatory supervision program"; amending ss. 20.316, 216.136, 394.926, 394.927, 775.084, 775.16, 775.21, 775.261, 893.11, 943.0435, 943.325, 944.171, 944.28, 944.606, 944.607, 944.608, 944.70, 945.36, 947.071, 947.13, 947.141, 947.16, 947.22, 947.24, 948.09, 948.32, and 957.06, F.S.; revising provisions to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 542—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for certain criminal intelligence information and criminal investigative information that might reveal the identity of a person who is a victim of human trafficking or a photograph, videotape, or image of any part of the body of the victim of human trafficking; amending s. 794.024, F.S.; prohibiting a public employee or officer who has access to identifying information of a person who is alleged to be the victim of human trafficking from willfully and knowingly disclosing the information to a person who is not assisting in the investigation or prosecution of the alleged offense; reenacting s. 92.56(1)(a), F.S., relating to judicial proceedings and court records involving sexual offenses, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 119.071, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing for review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 544—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exemption from legislative lobbying requirements; amending s. 11.045, F.S.; revising the term "expenditure" to not include the use of a public facility or public property that is made available by one governmental entity to another governmental entity for a public purpose, to exempt such government-to-government use from legislative lobbying requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 546—A bill to be entitled An act relating to targeted economic development; amending s. 288.9625, F.S.; expanding the purpose of the Institute for the Commercialization of Public Research to include the commercialization of products developed by an innovation business; authorizing the institute to create corporate subsidiaries; providing conditions under which the institute may develop or accrue certain interests in companies or products; specifying conditions under which the institute may deliver and charge for services; expanding the institute's reporting requirements to include information on assistance given to an innovation business; creating s. 288.96255, F.S.; requiring that the institute create the Florida Technology Seed Capital Fund; providing for the purpose of the fund; providing for certain administrative costs of the fund; requiring professional managers to manage the fund; providing for an investor advisory board to advise and guide the managers and to make funding recommendations; requiring the institute to administer the fund and providing criteria for its administration; providing for responsibilities of the institute; providing for an annual evaluation of the activities and results of funding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 548—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 409.814, F.S.; requiring certain children applying for eligibility for a component of Kidcare to be offered the opportunity to be made presumptively eligible for the Kidcare program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 550—A bill to be entitled An act relating to worthless checks, drafts, or orders of payment; amending s. 68.065, F.S.; permitting recovery of worthless checks, drafts, or orders of payment without the sending of a specified written demand if the payee has a specified notice posted at the point of sale or on an invoice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Judiciary.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 552—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human trafficking; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "sexual abuse of a child"; amending s. 92.54, F.S.; authorizing the court to order that the testimony of a child younger than 18 years of age who is a victim or witness be taken outside the courtroom and shown by means of closed circuit television; amending s. 92.56, F.S.; authorizing the state to use a pseudonym instead of the victim's name to designate the victim of human trafficking; reenacting s. 847.01357(3), F.S., relating to exploited children's civil remedy, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 92.56, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Altman—

SB 554—A bill to be entitled An act relating to brownfield areas; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; modifying definitions; amending s. 376.78, F.S.; identifying areas in which brownfield redevelopment may be especially effective; amending s. 376.80, F.S.; requiring a local government to comply with certain provisions when designating brownfield areas; providing procedures for adopting a resolution; providing that a property owner may request that his or her property be removed from the proposed designation before adoption of a resolution; providing notification requirements and procedures for public notice; requiring a local government to designate a brownfield area if certain criteria are met; amending s. 376.82, F.S.; narrowing the liability of a person who successfully completes a brownfield site rehabilitation agreement; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 556—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clerks of the court; amending s. 28.13, F.S.; providing requirements for the storage of papers and electronic filings and requiring that they be stamped with the date and time of submission; requiring the clerk to retain control and custody of filed documents; amending s. 28.222, F.S.; authorizing the clerk to remove certain court records from the Official Records; amending s. 28.24, F.S.; deleting provisions exempting specified persons from service fees; amending s. 28.244, F.S.; increasing the threshold amount for automatic repayment of overpayments; amending s. 28.345, F.S.; requiring that the clerk provide access to public records without charge to certain persons, subject to a limitation and an exception; authorizing the clerk to provide public records in an electronic format under certain circumstances; amending s. 57.081, F.S.; clarifying that, with the exception of charges for issuance of a summons, the prepayment of costs is not required upon a certification of indigence; amending s. 57.082, F.S.; providing for the inclusion of certain filing fees in payment plans; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; clarifying when the office title "Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller" may be used; amending s. 119.0714, F.S.; requiring that certain requests for maintenance of a public record exemption specify certain information; amending s. 194.032, F.S.; requiring that the property appraiser, rather than the clerk, provide the property record card to a petitioner regardless of whether the petitioner initiates evidence exchange; amending s. 197.502, F.S.; providing for the payment of fees for initial and subsequent title searches and specifying that they must be added to the opening bid; specifying that the opening bid on an individual certificate must include accrued delinquent taxes; specifying that the opening bid on a county-held or individual certificate must include interest and costs related to service of notice; authorizing the clerk to collect from the certificateholder all amounts included in the opening bid before the sale, subject to certain exceptions; providing for the accrual of interest and for calculation of the opening bid for individual certificates placed on the list of lands available for taxes; deleting a requirement that fees collected be refunded to the certificateholder if a tax deed sale is canceled; making technical changes; amending s. 197.542, F.S.; specifying the bid process for tax deed sales at public auction; providing for the accrual of interest and calculation of the opening bid; requiring the clerk to notify the certificateholder of any amounts that must be paid; requiring the certificateholder to remit payment within a specified time; authorizing the clerk to issue a refund to the depositor if a property is redeemed before the clerk receives full payment for the issuance of a tax deed; providing for cancelation of a tax deed application within a specified timeframe; amending s. 197.582, F.S.; providing a procedure for the disbursement of proceeds from a tax deed sale if delinquent or current taxes are due; amending s. 938.30, F.S.; providing that the state is not required to pay fees to enforce judgment for costs and fines; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 558—A bill to be entitled An act relating to letters of credit issued by a Federal Home Loan Bank; amending s. 280.13, F.S.; revising circumstances under which letters of credit issued by a Federal Home Loan Bank are eligible as collateral; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Judiciary.

By Senators Simpson, Bean, Bradley, Stargel, Latvala, Grimsley, Evers, Soto, Ring, Gibson, Hays, Lee, and Altman—

SB 560—A bill to be entitled An act relating to natural gas motor fuel; amending s. 206.86, F.S.; deleting definitions for the terms "alternative fuel" and "natural gasoline"; amending s. 206.87, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; repealing s. 206.877, F.S., relating to the annual decal fee program for alternative fuel powered motor vehicles; repealing s. 206.89, F.S., relating to the requirements for alternative fuel retailer licenses; amending s. 206.91, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 206.9951, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 206.9952, F.S.; establishing requirements for natural gas fuel retailer licenses; creating s. 206.9955, F.S.; providing calculations for a motor fuel equivalent gallon; providing for the levy of the natural gas fuel tax; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 206.996, F.S.; establishing requirements for monthly reports of natural gas fuel retailers; providing that reports are made under the penalties of perjury; allowing natural gas fuel retailers to seek a deduction of the tax levied under specified conditions; creating s. 206.9965, F.S.; providing exemptions and refunds from the natural gas fuel tax; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 206.879, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the State Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund; terminating the Local Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund within the Department of Revenue; prescribing procedures for the termination of the trust fund; creating s. 206.9975, F.S.; establishing the Natural Gas Fuel Vehicle Investment Program; providing for funding of the program; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to

initiate rulemaking by a specified date; providing a repeal date; creating s. 206.998, F.S.; providing for the applicability of specified sections of parts I and II of ch. 206, F.S.; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 562—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax-exempt income; amending s. 220.14, F.S.; revising the amount of income that is exempt from the corporate income tax; amending s. 220.63, F.S.; revising the amount of income that is exempt from the franchise tax imposed on banks and savings associations; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 564—A bill to be entitled An act relating to neighborhood improvement districts; amending ss. 163.2511, 163.2517, 163.3182, 163.3246, and 163.387, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 163.501, F.S.; renaming the "Safe Neighborhoods Act" as the "Neighborhoods Improvement Act"; amending s. 163.502, F.S.; revising legislative findings and purpose; amending s. 163.503, F.S.; revising and deleting definitions; amending s. 163.5035, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 163.504, F.S.; authorizing the governing body of any municipality or county to form a neighborhood improvement district through the adoption of an ordinance rather than by a planning ordinance; removing provisions pertaining to the creation and funding of safe neighborhood improvement districts; amending s. 163.5055, F.S.; deleting the requirement that each neighborhood improvement district authorized under law notify the Department of Legal Affairs of its existence; removing the requirement that a local governing body notify the Department of Legal Affairs of a dissolution of a district; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 163.506, F.S.; revising provisions authorizing a local governing body to create a local government neighborhood improvement district by the enactment of an ordinance; specifying that the ordinance may authorize the improvement district to borrow money, contract loans, and issue bonds or other evidence of indebtedness; authorizing the governing body of the improvement district to levy ad valorem taxes upon real and tangible personal property within the district; authorizing the district to make and collect special assessments; conditioning the exercise of power by the local government neighborhood improvement district to borrow money, contract loans, issue bonds, charge, collect, and enforce fees, make and collect special assessments, and levy ad valorem taxes upon real and tangible personal property within the district upon the approval of a referendum by the freeholders of the district; providing ballot requirements; removing provisions allowing an alternative organization for the board of directors; revising requirements for dissolving a district; amending s. 163.508, F.S., relating to property owners' association neighborhood improvement districts; revising the requirements for creating a property owners' association neighborhood improvement district by the enactment of a separate ordinance for each district; authorizing the governing body to request grants; requiring that the property owners form an association or use an existing property owners' association that is a not-for-profit corporation; amending s. 163.511, F.S., relating to special neighborhood improvement districts; revising provisions to conform to changes made by the act; revising the method of appointing and removing directors of the district; amending s. 163.512, F.S.; revising provisions authorizing a municipality or county to create a community redevelopment neighborhood improvement district; authorizing the district to receive grants and other funding; providing that the local governing body may dissolve the district under certain circumstances; repealing s. 163.513, F.S., relating to crime prevention through community policing innovations; amending s. 163.514, F.S.; revising the powers of neighborhood improvement districts; authorizing the district to contract with legal counsel and other needed professionals; authorizing the district to improve, plan, design, construct, operate, provide, and maintain certain facilities; authorizing the district to collect special assessments under certain circumstances and following implementation of designated procedures; amending s. 163.5151, F.S.; requiring a local government and a special neighborhood improvement district levying an ad valorem tax on real or personal property to prepare a budget in a specified manner; amending s. 163.516, F.S.; requiring that neighborhood improvement plans be created for each improvement district; revising the contents of the neighborhood improvement plan; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 163.517, F.S., relating to the Safe Neighborhoods Program; repealing s. 163.519, F.S., relating to the duties of the Department of Legal Affairs relating to neighborhood improvement districts; repealing s. 163.521, F.S., relating to funding for a neighborhood improvement district inside an enterprise zone; repealing s. 163.5215, F.S., relating to the effect and construction of existing laws relating to neighborhood improvement districts; repealing s. 163.522, F.S., relating to state redevelopment programs; repealing s. 163.523, F.S., relating to cooperation and involvement of community organizations in the creation of safe neighborhood improvement districts; repealing s. 163.524, F.S., relating to participation in the Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement Program; repealing s. 163.526, F.S., relating to powers and duties of the Neighborhood Councils and the designated agency of the local government; amending ss. 376.84, 775.083, and 932.7055, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 566—A bill to be entitled An act relating to security of protected consumer information; creating s. 501.0051, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing the representative of a protected consumer to place a security freeze on the protected consumer's consumer record; requiring a consumer reporting agency to establish a record if the protected consumer does not have an existing consumer report; requiring a consumer reporting agency to provide written confirmation of a security freeze within a specified period; prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from stating or implying that a security freeze reflects a negative credit history or rating; requiring a consumer reporting agency to remove a security freeze under specified conditions; providing for applicability; authorizing a consumer reporting agency to charge a fee for placing or removing a security freeze and for reissuing personal identification information; prohibiting a fee under certain circumstances; requiring written notification to change specified information in a protected consumer's record; providing exemptions; requiring a consumer reporting agency to notify a representative and provide specified information if the consumer reporting agency violates a security freeze; providing penalties and civil remedies; amending s. 501.005, F.S.; revising written disclosure requirements for consumer reporting agencies pertaining to consumer rights associated with a security freeze; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Judiciary.

SR 568—Not referenced.

By Senators Bradley and Simmons—

SJR 570—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 8 of Article V and the creation of a new section to Article XII of the State Constitution to increase the age after which a justice or judge may no longer serve in a judicial office, to provide for the amendment to apply to justices and judges appointed on or after a specified date, and to provide an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 572—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reporting requirements for economic development programs; creating s. 288.076, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to publish on a website specified information concerning state investment in

economic development programs; providing procedures and requirements for reviewing, updating, and supplementing the published information; requiring the department to publish at specified dates twice per year a timeline demonstrating the progress of Quick Action Closing Fund projects; requiring the department to publish certain confidential information pertaining to beneficiary businesses upon expiration of a specified confidentiality period; requiring the department to publish certain reports concerning businesses that fail to complete tax refund agreements under the tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses; requiring the department to provide beneficiary businesses with the opportunity to delay publication of information; providing penalties; providing for construction and legislative intent; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to annually establish a methodology and formulas for specified calculations to be performed by the department; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 288.075, F.S.; limiting applicability of an exemption from public records requirements to allow an economic development agency to disclose certain information pertaining to taxes paid by businesses participating in economic incentive programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 574—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; creating s. 290.0079, F.S.; authorizing the City of Delray Beach to apply to the Department of Economic Opportunity for designation of an enterprise zone; providing an application deadline and requirements for the area of the enterprise zone; requiring the department to establish the effective date of the enterprise zone; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

SR 576—Not referenced.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 578—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public construction projects; amending s. 255.20, F.S.; requiring state agencies to specify certain products associated with public works projects; amending s. 255.2575, F.S.; prohibiting state agencies from excluding the use of certain building rating systems, building codes, or published supplements for certain construction and renovation projects; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 580—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners' associations; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; providing for association members to take photographs or images of association records without charge in certain circumstances; decreasing the amount of time an association has to comply with access to the records; clarifying provisions relating to fees that an association may charge for providing copies of records; creating s. 720.3033, F.S.; requiring association directors to file with the association secretary certification that they have read certain association documents, will uphold the documents, and will uphold their fiduciary responsibility to the members, or that they have completed an educational course approved by the department; providing that the certificate is valid while the director is on the board; providing penalties for failure to file a written certification or educational certificate; requiring the secretary to retain each written certification or educational certificate for 5 years; providing procedures to be followed which relate to contracts or transactions between the association and a director or entity in which a director or officer is financially interested; providing for disclosure of the contract or other transaction to members; providing for the cancellation of such contract or transaction under certain circumstances; prohibiting any officer, director, or association manager from soliciting or receiving certain personal benefits from any person providing or offering to provide goods or services to the association; providing a penalty; providing an exception; providing for the removal of any director or officer charged with a felony theft or embezzlement offense involving association funds or property; providing for the reinstatement of such person under certain circumstances; requiring the association to maintain insurance or a bond to cover funds that will be in the custody of the association or its management agent; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 582—A bill to be entitled An act relating to manufacturing development; creating s. 288.1101, F.S.; providing a short title; establishing the Manufacturing Competitiveness Act; creating s. 288.1102, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 288.1103, F.S.; authorizing local governments to establish a local manufacturing development program that provides for master development approval for certain sites; providing specific time periods for action by local governments; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to develop a model ordinance containing specified information and provisions; requiring a local manufacturing development program ordinance to include certain information; providing certain restrictions on the termination of a local manufacturing development program; creating s. 288.1104, F.S.; requiring the department, in cooperation with participating agencies, to establish a manufacturing development coordinated approval process for certain manufacturers; requiring participating agencies to coordinate and review applications for certain state development approvals; requiring a manufacturer to file certain documents; requiring the department to convene a meeting when requested by a certain manufacturer; providing for requests for additional information and specifying time periods; requiring participating agencies to take final action on applications within a certain time period; requiring the department to facilitate the resolution of certain applications; providing for approval by default; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 288.1105, F.S.; requiring the department to develop materials that identify local manufacturing development programs; requiring the department and other entities to distribute such material; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Hays and Evers—

SB 584—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the purchase of land by a governmental entity; limiting the state, a county, or a municipality's ability to purchase land for conservation purposes; providing criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 586—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the City of Tampa, Hillsborough County; amending chapter 23559, Laws of Florida, 1945, as amended; revising the General Employees' Pension Plan for the City of Tampa; revising the definition of the term "Pension Credit"; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senators Brandes and Richter—

SB 588—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the lease of sovereignty submerged lands for private docks; amending s. 253.0347, F.S.; providing exemptions from lease fees for certain lessees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 590—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees and costs incurred in guardianship proceedings; amending s. 744.108, F.S.; providing that fees and costs incurred by an attorney who has rendered services to a ward in compensation proceedings are payable from guardianship assets; providing that expert testimony is unnecessary in proceedings to determine compensation for an attorney or guardian; amending s. 744.3025, F.S.; providing that a court may appoint a guardian ad litem to a minor if necessary to protect the minor's interests in a settlement; providing that a settlement of a minor's claim is subject to certain confidentiality provisions; amending s. 744.331, F.S.; directing that the examining committee be paid from state funds as court-appointed expert witnesses if a petition for incapacity is dismissed; requiring that a petitioner reimburse the state for expert witness fees if the court finds the petition to have been filed in bad faith; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 592—A bill to be entitled An act relating to garnishment; amending s. 77.041, F.S.; revising "Notice to Defendant" provided by clerk of court in a garnishment proceeding; providing that a defendant in a garnishment proceeding may provide notice of a garnishment exemption to plaintiff or garnishee's attorney; extending time for plaintiff to respond to defendant's claim of exemption and request for hearing; requiring defendant to certify under oath and penalty of perjury that he or she provided notice of exemption claim and request for hearing to plaintiff, garnishee, or their respective attorneys; repealing s. 222.12, F.S., relating to proceedings for exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Commerce and Tourism.

By Senator Bean—

SB 594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing homes and related health care facilities; amending s. 400.9905, F.S.; clarifying provisions to exempt certain clinics that receive reimbursement under the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law from licensure requirements in this state if they hold specific federal certification; extending the exemption to clinics that are owned by certain entities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 596—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners' associations; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; renaming the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes in the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to the Division of Florida Condominiums, Homeowners' Associations, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes; amending s. 718.509, F.S.; renaming and revising the Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes to include moneys collected under ch. 720, F.S., relating to homeowners' associations and to allow funds to remain in the trust fund at the end of the fiscal year; amending s. 720.301, F.S.; revising the definition of "division"; amending s. 720.302, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to the regulation of homeowners' associations; creating s. 720.3021, F.S.; providing the division's duties with respect to homeowners' associations; authorizing the division to adopt a seal; requiring the division to submit an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 720.3022, F.S.; requiring the department to investigate complaints and providing a timetable for responding to such complaints; authorizing the department to conduct investigations and providing requirements for such investigations; providing for service of process; requiring the department to adopt penalty guidelines by rule and providing the parameters for such guidelines; creating s. 720.3023, F.S.; requiring all moneys collected by the division relating to the regulation of homeowners' associations to be deposited into the Florida Condominiums, Homeowners' Association, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes Trust Fund; creating s. 720.3024, F.S.; creating the Office of Community Association Ombudsman; providing for appointment by the Governor; providing powers and duties; creating s. 720.3025, F.S.; creating the Community Association Living Study Council; providing for term and membership; providing council functions; creating s. 720.3029, F.S.; imposing a fee on certain homeowners' associations; providing for the deposit and use of such fees; amending s. 720.306, F.S.; revising provisions relating to member meetings, proxy voting, and elections and board meetings, amending s. 720.307, F.S.; providing additional circumstances for authorizing members to elect a majority of association board members; requiring the governing documents of an association to be approved by the parcel owners upon transference of authority from the developer to the owners; amending s. 720.3085, F.S.; providing procedures and timeframes for the payment of unpaid assessments into a court registry pending a court hearing; amending ss. 73.073, 192.037, 213.053, 326.002, 326.006, 380.0651, 455.116, 475.455, 509.512, 718.103, 718.105, 718.1255, 718.501, 718.5011, 718.502, 718.503, 718.504, 718.508, 718.608, 719.103, 719.1255, 719.501, 719.502, 719.504, 719.508, 719.608, 721.05, 721.07, 721.08, 721.26, 721.28, 721.301, 723.003, 723.006, 723.009, and 723.0611, F.S.; conforming terms to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 598—A bill to be entitled An act relating to virtual instruction courses for students with disabilities; amending s. 1002.45, F.S.; requiring that each virtual instruction program provide virtual courses in accessible formats for students with disabilities which are compatible with assistive technology products and assistive listening systems; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 600—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 97.0555, F.S.; revising qualifications for late voter registration; amending s. 101.161, F.S.; revising what constitutes a ballot summary; deleting a provision providing that a ballot statement consisting of the full text of a constitutional amendment or revision is presumed to be a clear and unambiguous statement; repealing s. 101.56075(4), F.S., relating to the requirement that all voting systems used by voters in a state election allow placement of the full text of a constitutional amendment or revision containing stricken or underlined text by a specified date; amending s. 101.64, F.S.; revising the requirements of the voter's certificate accompanying an absentee ballot; amending s. 101.65, F.S.; revising the instructions to absent electors; amending s. 101.68, F.S.; revising what a canvassing board may consider an illegal absentee ballot; amending s. 101.6921, F.S.; revising the voter's certificate accompanying a special absentee ballot; amending s. 101.6923, F.S.; revising special absentee ballot instructions; amending s. 102.031, F.S.; revising restrictions relating to the solicitation of voters; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 602—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local bids and contracts for public construction works; amending s. 255.20, F.S.; eliminating specified conditions under which a local government is exempt from the requirement to competitively award contracts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 604—A bill to be entitled An act relating to practitioners; amending s. 401.34, F.S.; reorganizing provisions relating to license fees for certain practitioners; amending s. 456.076, F.S.; providing that the Department of Financial Services shall defend certain claims, suits, actions, or proceedings for injunctive, affirmative, or declaratory relief involving emergency interventions on behalf of impaired practitioners; amending s. 893.055, F.S.; defining the term "impaired practitioner consultant"; providing that impaired practitioner consultants retained by the Department of Health have access to information in the prescription drug monitoring program's database in certain circumstances; amending s. 893.0551, F.S.; defining the term "impaired practitioner consultant"; allowing impaired practitioner consultants access to certain confidential information in the prescription drug monitoring program's database when necessary to evaluate or monitor a practitioner as part of a treatment program for impaired practitioners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Gibson, Thrasher, Bradley, and Bean—

SB 606—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 343.1001, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 343.1002, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 343.1003, F.S.; creating the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission; providing for a nine-member commission board; providing for board appointment; providing for staffing; providing for member removal; providing liability protection for members; creating s. 343.1004, F.S.; providing commission powers and duties; prohibiting the commission from pledging the state's credit; creating s. 343.1005, F.S.; providing for transportation projects of regional significance; specifying the characteristics for such projects; creating s. 343.1006, F.S.; requiring commission plans and planning activity to be coordinated with other specified entities; creating s. 343.1007, F.S.; authorizing the commission to acquire property; creating s. 343.1008, F.S.; authorizing other governmental units and the commission to contract with each other; creating s. 343.1009, F.S.; exempting the commission from taxes or assessments; creating s. 343.1010, F.S.; specifying that the powers of the commission are supplemental to other laws; creating s. 343.1011, F.S.; providing for public meetings and hearings; creating s. 343.1012, F.S.; specifying that the commission is not an authority for purposes of specified provisions relating to a discretionary tax; creating s. 343.1013, F.S.; providing for repeal; amending s. 120.52, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 608—A bill to be entitled An act relating to library innovation; establishing the Florida Innovative Libraries Grant; providing minimum criteria for grant eligibility; establishing report requirements; providing for disposition of digital files; creating the Statewide Innovative Libraries Task Force; establishing the purpose and composition of the task force; establishing duties for the task force; providing for future repeal unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature; providing for an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 610—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 744.3701, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for records relating to the settlement of a claim on behalf of a minor or ward; authorizing a guardian ad litem, a ward, a minor, and a minor's attorney to inspect guardianship reports and court records relating to the settlement of a claim on behalf of a minor or ward, upon a showing of good cause; authorizing the court to direct disclosure and recording of an amendment to a report or court records relating to the settlement of a claim on behalf of a ward or minor, in connection with real property or for other purposes; providing for future review and repeal of the public records exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 612—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care practitioners; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; requiring that certain health care practitioners make specified disclosures when presenting themselves as "Doctor" or "Dr."; creating s. 456.0675, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for violations if there is an intent to mislead; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 614—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vision screening of preschool students; amending s. 381.0056, F.S.; providing a definition; requiring district school boards to conduct vision screenings on students entering prekindergarten or kindergarten; requiring comprehensive eye examinations of students who fail to pass the vision screenings; requiring licensed optometrists and ophthalmologists to submit examination results to school health personnel and the student's parent or guardian; authorizing the Department of Health, in cooperation with the Department of Education, to adopt rules necessary to implement the vision screening requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 616—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certification of assisted living facility administrators; amending s. 429.178, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 429.52, F.S.; requiring assisted living facility administrators to meet the training and education requirements established by a third-party credentialing entity; revising requirements for new administrators; authorizing the Department of Elderly Affairs to require additional training or education of any personal care staff in the facility except an administrator; authorizing the department to adopt rules to establish staff training requirements; providing for the future repeal of s. 429.52(2), (3), (4), (8), (9), and (10), F.S., relating to training and educational requirements for administrators and assisted living facility staff, continuing education, adoption of rules, trainers, and requirements for trainers; creating s. 429.55, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; requiring the department to approve third-party credentialing entities for the purpose of developing and administering a professional credentialing program for assisted living facility administrators; requiring the department to approve a third-party credentialing entity that documents compliance with certain minimum standards; requiring a third-party credentialing entity that applies for department approval before a specified date to have its assisted living facility administrator certification program accredited with the National Commission for Certifying Agencies; requiring an administrator to be certified by a third-party credentialing entity; providing that an administrator who fails to be certified is subject to an administrative fine; providing an exemption for an administrator licensed under part II of ch. 468, F.S.; requiring an approved third-party credentialing entity to establish a process for certifying persons who meet certain qualifications; requiring an approved third-party credentialing entity to establish the core competencies for

administrators according to the standards set forth by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies; requiring a third-party credentialing entity to meet certain certification requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gasoline stations; amending s. 526.141, F.S.; providing requirements for accessibility for disabled persons at gasoline stations; requiring certain signage at each self-service gasoline pump; providing for size and content of the signs; requiring an attendant to provide refueling assistance to a person with a permit or license plate issued under specified provisions; providing for exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 620—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the surcharge on cigarettes; providing a short title; amending s. 210.011, F.S.; increasing the surcharge rates applicable to packages of cigarettes containing various quantities of cigarettes of specified weights and lengths; establishing a separate fee rollback account in a specified trust fund; requiring specified amounts of the surcharge on packages of cigarettes to be deposited in such separate fee rollback account; providing requirements and procedures with respect to the Legislature's anticipated use of such funds exclusively to incrementally roll back certain fee increases previously enacted; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 622—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of deadly force in defense of a person; repealing s. 776.013, F.S., relating to home protection and the use of deadly force, which created a presumption of fear of death or great bodily harm in certain circumstances and provided that there is no duty to retreat and a person has the right to stand one's ground and meet force with force in certain circumstances; amending ss. 776.012, 776.032, and 790.15, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Bullard and Soto—

SB 624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary student tuition; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing an additional category of nonresident persons exempt from paying nonresident tuition at a state university or Florida College System institution; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 626—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bullying in the public school system; amending s. 1006.147, F.S.; revising provisions prohibiting bullying or harassment of a student or school employee through the use of computer-related activities; prohibiting bullying through the use of data or computer software that is accessed at a nonschool-related location or activity if certain conditions are met; providing that bullying includes cyberbullying; revising the list of behaviors that indicate possible bullying; defining the terms "cyberbullying" and "within the scope of a public K-12 educational institution"; requiring that each school district include in its districtwide policy instruction on recognizing behaviors that lead to bullying and harassment and taking appropriate preventive action; requiring that any complaint of a computer-related incident be investigated by a school district official using a computer on which web-filtering software is not installed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 628—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver licenses; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; authorizing a justice, judge, or designated employee to access reproductions of driver license images as part of the official work of a court; revising and clarifying provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 630—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of summer camps; amending s. 409.175, F.S.; providing that Department of Children and Families license requirements apply to summer day camps and summer 24-hour camps; creating s. 409.1756, F.S.; providing purpose; prohibiting a governmental agency from regulating the religious curriculum of a summer day camp or summer 24-hour camp; providing an exception; providing definitions; providing procedure for application for a license to operate a summer day camp or summer 24-hour camp; providing screening requirements for camp personnel; providing duties of the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 632—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Wildflower license plate; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; revising the annual use fee for the Florida Wildflower license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; revising the amount of proceeds from the sale of the plate that may be used to pay certain costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 634—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 316.3045, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the operation of radios or other soundmaking devices in vehicles; deleting a standard for determining prohibited sound levels; deleting an exception for vehicles operated for business or political purposes; authorizing local authorities to regulate the place where such soundmaking devices may be operated; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Soto—

SB 636—A bill to be entitled An act relating to students with limited English proficiency; amending s. 1003.56, F.S.; authorizing exemption from certain state standardized assessments up to a specified period if certain conditions are met; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SJR 638—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article IV of the State Constitution to remove the Governor's constitutional authority to fill a vacancy in an appointed or elected county office.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Richter and Dean—

SB 640—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state funds; amending s. 215.32, F.S.; prohibiting unappropriated cash balances in the State Homes for Veterans Trust Fund and the Grants and Donations Trust Fund administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs from being transferred to the Budget Stabilization Fund or General Revenue Fund in the General Appropriations Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 642—A bill to be entitled An act relating to distilled spirits; amending s. 565.03, F.S.; providing definitions; revising provisions with respect to the licensure and operation of distilleries; providing requirements for craft distilleries; providing for the sale of distilled spirits by licensed distilleries under certain conditions; providing reporting requirements; prohibiting the shipment of certain distilled spirits; providing for the transportation of distilled spirits by licensed distilleries under certain conditions; providing requirements relating to the payment of taxes; providing for applicability; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 644—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 494.00321, F.S.; authorizing, rather than requiring, the office to deny a mortgage broker license application if the applicant had a mortgage broker license revoked previously; amending s. 494.00611, F.S.; authorizing, rather than requiring, the office to deny a mortgage lender license application if the applicant had a mortgage lender license revoked previously; amending s. 517.12, F.S.; revising the procedures and requirements for submitting fingerprints as part of an application to sell, or offer to sell, securities; removing conflicting language; amending s. 560.141, F.S.; revising the procedures and requirements for submitting fingerprints to apply for a license as a money services business; requiring the Office of Financial Regulation to pay an annual fee to the Department of Law Enforcement; removing conflicting language; repealing s. 560.143(1)(f), F.S., relating to fingerprint fees when applying for a license as a money services business; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs—

SB 646—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assisted living facilities; amending s. 394.4574, F.S.; providing that Medicaid prepaid behavioral health plans are responsible for enrolled mental health residents; providing that managing entities under contract with the Department of Children and Families are responsible for mental health residents who are not enrolled with a Medicaid prepaid behavioral health plan; deleting a provision to conform to changes made by the act; requiring the community living support plan to be updated when there is a significant change to the mental health resident's behavioral health; requiring the case manager assigned to a mental health resident of an assisted living facility that holds a limited mental health license to keep a record of the date and time of face-to-face interactions with the resident and to make the record available to the responsible entity for inspection; requiring that the record be maintained for a specified time; requiring the responsible entity to ensure that there is adequate and consistent monitoring and enforcement of community living support plans and cooperative agreements and that concerns are reported to the appropriate regulatory oversight organization under certain circumstances; amending s. 400.0074, F.S.; providing that an administrative assessment conducted by a local council be comprehensive in nature and focus on factors affecting the rights, health, safety, and welfare of the residents of a nursing home; requiring a local council to conduct an exit consultation with the facility administrator or administrator designee to discuss issues and concerns and make recommendations for improvement; amending s. 400.0078, F.S.; requiring that residents of long-term care facilities be informed about the confidentiality of the subject matter and identity of the complainant of a complaint received by the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; amending s. 429.07, F.S.; providing that an extended congregate care license is issued to certain facilities that have been licensed as assisted living facilities under certain circumstances; providing the purpose of an extended congregate care license; providing that the initial extended congregate care license of an assisted living facility is provisional under certain circumstances; requiring the licensee to notify the Agency for Health Care Administration whenever it accepts a resident who qualifies for extended congregate care services; requiring the agency to inspect the facility for compliance with the requirements of an extended congregate care license; authorizing the agency to waive one of the required yearly monitoring visits under certain circumstances; authorizing the agency to deny or revoke a facility's extended congregate care license for certain reasons or on certain grounds; requiring a registered nurse representing the agency to visit the facility at least annually, rather than twice a year, to monitor residents who are receiving limited nursing services; providing that the agency's monitoring visits may be in conjunction with other agency inspections; authorizing the agency to waive one of the required yearly monitoring visits for certain facilities; amending s. 429.075, F.S.; requiring an assisted living facility that serves one or more mental health residents to obtain a limited mental health license; amending s. 429.14, F.S.; authorizing the agency to deny, revoke, or suspend a license of an assisted living facility for a negligent act of any facility staff which seriously affects the health, safety, or welfare of a resident; requiring the agency to deny or revoke the license of an assisted living facility under certain circumstances; requiring the agency to impose an immediate moratorium on the license of an assisted living facility under certain circumstances; deleting a provision requiring the agency to provide a list of facilities with denied, suspended, or revoked licenses to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 429.178, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 429.19, F.S.; revising the amounts and uses of administrative fines; requiring the agency to levy a fine for violations that are corrected before an inspection if noncompliance occurred within a specified period of time; deleting factors that the agency is required to consider to determine penalties and fines; amending s. 429.28, F.S.; requiring residents of facilities to be informed about the confidentiality of the subject matter and identity of the resident and complainant of a complaint made to the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; providing that a facility that terminates an individual's residency is fined if good cause is not shown in court; amending s. 429.34, F.S.; requiring certain persons to report elder abuse in assisted living facilities; requiring the agency to regularly inspect every licensed assisted living facility; requiring the agency to conduct more frequent inspections under certain circumstances; requiring the licensee to pay a fee for the cost of additional inspections; requiring the agency to adjust the fee; amending s. 429.52, F.S.; requiring each newly hired employee of an assisted living facility to attend a preservice orientation provided by the assisted living facility; requiring the employee and administrator to sign an affidavit upon completion of the preservice orientation; requiring the assisted living facility to maintain the signed affidavit in each employee's work file; conforming a cross-reference; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to study the reliability of facility surveys and submit to the Governor and the Legislature its findings and recommendations; requiring the agency to propose a rating system of assisted living facilities for consumers and create content for the agency's website that makes available to consumers information regarding assisted living facilities; providing criteria for the content; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Judiciary.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 648—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance marketing materials; amending ss. 627.6699 and 627.9407, F.S.; deleting requirements that a health insurer submit proposed marketing communications or advertising material to the Office of Insurance Regulation for review and approval; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Health Policy.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 650—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the artificial coloring and sale of certain animals and fowls; creating s. 828.1615, F.S.; providing that it is unlawful for a person to dye or artificially color any animal or fowl; providing that it is unlawful to sell or give away animals of a certain age; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Detert—

SB 652—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; expanding the exemption from public records requirements for a written complaint received by the Commission on Ethics of an alleged violation of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, or any other alleged breach of the public trust within the jurisdiction of the commission, to include the commission's determination regarding a written referral of a possible violation of the code or other possible breach of the public trust from the Governor, the Chief Financial Officer, a state attorney, or the Executive Director of the Department of Law Enforcement; expanding the exemption from public meeting requirements for a proceeding conducted by the commission to include proceedings conducted pursuant to a referral; providing for specified duration of the exemptions; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agricultural storage and shipping containers; amending s. 506.19, F.S.; providing that an owner of containers used for the storage or transport of agricultural or other commercial products may adopt for his or her exclusive use a particular mark or brand to designate and distinguish ownership of the containers; making technical and grammatical changes; creating s. 506.265, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring that a person who purchases five or more plastic bulk merchandise containers from one seller obtain proof of ownership, verify the seller's identity, pay noncash, and record and maintain other information for a specified period of time; providing that prosecuting attorneys may inspect the records at any time upon reasonable notice; providing an exception for licensed waste haulers; creating s. 506.266, F.S.; providing criminal and civil penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 656—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.031, F.S.; providing for the incremental reduction of the tax imposed on the rental or license fees charged for the use of commercial real property; providing for the future repeal of s. 212.031, F.S., relating to the imposition of a tax on the rental or license fees charged for the use of commercial real property; amending ss. 212.0598, 212.0602, 288.1258, 338.234, and 341.840, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Simpson, Ring, Brandes, Evers, Joyner, Hays, and Thompson—

SB 658—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wine; amending s. 564.05, F.S.; increasing the maximum allowable capacity for individual containers of wine sold in this state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 660—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile civil citations; amending s. 985.12, F.S.; requiring that a law enforcement officer, upon making contact with a juvenile who admits having committed a misdemeanor, issue a civil citation in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 662—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation; amending s. 440.13, F.S.; revising requirements for determining the amount of a reimbursement for repackaged or relabeled prescription medication; providing limitations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 664—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state taxes on motor fuel; amending ss. 206.41 and 206.625, F.S.; requiring that certain motor fuel taxes paid by a county sheriff's office be returned and used to offset ongoing fuel costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 666—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Southwest Florida Water Management District; directing the Southwest Florida Water Management District to transfer certain water control structures and related real property interests to the Lake Region Lakes Management District; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 668—A bill to be entitled An act relating to constitutional amendments; amending s. 101.161, F.S.; providing that word count limitations on ballot summaries and ballot titles apply to constitutional amendments or revisions proposed by joint resolution; deleting a provision that permits placing the full text of an amendment or revision to the State Constitution on the ballot; deleting the authority of the Attorney General to prepare a revised ballot title or ballot summary when all ballot statements embodied in a joint resolution are defective and no further appeals will be made concerning the ballot statement; deleting the authority of the Department of State to furnish certain administrative duties related to the revised ballot title or summary; deleting

judicial authority to retain jurisdiction over a revised ballot title or ballot summary prepared by the Attorney General; deleting the authorization to place the full text of an amendment or revision on a ballot; deleting certain legal presumptions pertaining to the provision of the full text of an amendment or revision on a ballot; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 670—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Economic Opportunity; requiring the department to create a web page accessible through its Internet website that provides comprehensive data and information that are relevant to the creation of new businesses, or the expansion of existing businesses, within the state; providing purposes of the web page; requiring the department to contact local governmental entities and collect specified data and information; requiring cities and counties to provide notice of changes in data collected by the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 672—A bill to be entitled An act relating to youth custody officers; repealing s. 985.105, F.S., relating to the creation, duties, and qualifications of the youth custody officer position within the Department of Juvenile Justice; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Montford and Sachs—

SB 674—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal shelters and animal control agencies; amending s. 823.15, F.S.; declaring legislative priorities relating to the importation and uncontrolled breeding of dogs and cats; requiring that each public or private animal shelter, humane organization, or animal control agency operated by a humane society or by a county, municipality, or other incorporated political subdivision prepare and maintain specified records; specifying the information that must be included in the records; providing a maximum fee for copies of such records; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Evers—

SB 676—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice circuit advisory boards; amending s. 985.664, F.S.; revising the juvenile justice circuit advisory boards; providing that a juvenile justice circuit advisory board be established in each of the 20 judicial circuits; providing that the purpose of each juvenile justice circuit advisory board is to render advice and direction to the Department of Juvenile Justice when developing and implementing juvenile justice programs; requiring each advisory board to work collaboratively with the department in seeking program improvements for juveniles in this state; requiring each advisory board to develop a comprehensive plan for the circuit by a specified date to facilitate interagency cooperation and to prepare recommendations for public and private grants; requiring an advisory board to prepare an annual report; providing for membership on the board; requiring the secretary of the department to appoint a chair for the board; requiring the chair to appoint the remaining members to the advisory board and to submit the appointments within a specified period of time to the department for approval; providing quorum; requiring the advisory board to establish an executive committee; requiring each advisory board to develop bylaws; requiring each member of the board to comply with the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 678—A bill to be entitled An act relating to malicious battery and infliction of cruel or inhuman treatment on a juvenile offender; creating s. 985.7015, F.S.; defining terms; providing that it is unlawful for an employee of the Department of Juvenile Justice to commit a battery or to inflict cruel or inhuman treatment on a juvenile offender; providing criminal penalties; providing that battery or the infliction of cruel or inhuman treatment on a juvenile offender constitutes sufficient cause to dismiss the employee from employment with the department and to prohibit such employee from being employed again in any capacity with the juvenile justice system; requiring each employee to immediately report such injurious behavior to the department's incident hotline and to deliver a report to his or her supervisor; providing criminal penalties for failing to report an incident to a supervisor, for knowingly or willfully submitting inaccurate, incomplete, or untruthful information, or for coercing or threatening another to alter testimony or the written report; repealing s. 945.75, F.S., relating to tours of state correctional facilities for juveniles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Evers—

SB 680—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; repealing s. 1009.531(7), F.S., relating to student eligibility requirements for an initial award and each renewal award under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 682—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fossil fuel combustion products; creating s. 403.7047, F.S.; providing definitions; providing standards for storage of certain fossil fuel combustion products; providing an exemption for beneficial use of fossil fuel combustion products from certain rules; providing that the act does not prohibit the Department of Environmental Protection from taking appropriate action to regulate a beneficial use in certain circumstances; providing that the act does not limit other requirements applicable to the beneficial use of fossil fuel combustion products; providing that the act does not limit the recovery of beneficial use products or the authority of the department to approve the beneficial use of materials other than fossil fuel combustion products; clarifying that the act does not limit or modify any fossil fuel combustion product beneficial use previously approved by the department; amending s. 403.7222, F.S.; excluding certain types of facilities from provisions on hazardous waste landfills; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 684—A bill to be entitled An act relating to preference in award of state contracts; amending s. 287.084, F.S.; expanding provisions that require an agency, university, college, school district, or other political subdivision of the state to provide preferential consideration to a Florida business in awarding competitively bid contracts to purchase personal property to include the purchase of construction services; requiring counties and municipalities to provide such preferential consideration; providing that for specified competitive solicitations the authority to grant preference supersedes any local ordinance or regulation that restricts specified contractors from competing for an award based upon certain conditions; requiring a university, college, county, municipality,

school district, or other political subdivision to make specified disclosures in competitive solicitation documents; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 686—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.2421, 11.2422, 11.2424, and 11.2425, F.S.; adopting the Florida Statutes 2013 and designating the portions thereof that are to constitute the official law of the state; providing that the Florida Statutes 2013 shall be effective immediately upon publication; providing that general laws enacted during the March 14-28, 2012, special session and prior thereto and not included in the Florida Statutes 2013 are repealed; providing that general laws enacted during the 2013 regular session are not repealed by this adoption act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 688—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 106.25, 110.201, 120.525, 120.54, 120.542, 120.545, 120.555, 120.56, 120.565, 120.63, 120.745, 120.80, 120.81, 155.40, 159.703, 161.053, 202.22, 215.555, 252.62, 252.63, 255.0525, 280.11, 310.151, 320.642, 334.30, 339.135, 339.155, 343.875, 343.962, 348.0004, 349.22, 366.04, 373.036, 373.044, 373.103, 373.4131, 378.212, 379.2431, 380.05, 395.003, 403.201, 403.805, 403.8055, 403.9411, 403.9422, 408.039, 409.912, 493.6104, 553.775, 561.19, 570.247, 601.152, 627.091, 633.0215, 633.026, 658.26, 766.105, 791.013, 957.12, and 1006.33, F.S., to conform to the directive of the Legislature in section 3 of chapter 2012-63, Laws of Florida, to prepare a reviser's bill for the 2013 Regular Session of the Legislature to substitute the term "Florida Administrative Register" for the term "Florida Administrative Weekly" throughout the Florida Statutes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 690—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.45, 20.15, 20.28, 39.001, 39.0139, 39.201, 40.011, 61.1825, 63.082, 63.2325, 97.0585, 112.63, 120.54, 120.745, 121.055, 121.085, 121.091, 159.823, 163.3246, 163.340, 189.4042, 190.046, 211.02, 215.5601, 215.97, 218.32, 252.385, 252.939, 252.940, 252.941, 252.942, 253.034, 255.2575, 259.032, 282.201, 288.1254, 288.71025, 288.980, 295.07, 311.101, 316.0083, 316.640, 320.20, 322.142, 322.2615, 339.135, 339.2825, 341.840, 343.805, 343.91, 344.17, 348.752, 349.02, 373.227, 373.250, 373.536, 376.3071, 379.2433, 379.3581, 380.0662, 381.004, 381.00593, 381.0065, 381.0101, 391.026, 400.172, 400.915, 400.9905, 403.086, 403.511, 403.9416, 414.295, 420.503, 420.5087, 430.205, 430.80, 430.81, 443.091, 443.111, 443.171, 466.007, 475.6235, 489.118, 499.01, 500.09, 538.23, 553.98, 570.451, 580.036, 586.10, 601.03, 601.15, 601.61, 601.9910, 610.109, 624.402, 626.2815, 626.8734, 626.9362, 626.989, 626.9895, 627.3511, 641.312, 651.118, 817.234, 877.101, 921.0022, 945.355, 948.08, 948.16, 960.003, 985.03, 1003.43, 1003.52, 1006.062, 1006.20, 1006.282, 1009.67, 1009.971, and 1013.231, F.S.; reenacting and amending s. 339.0805, F.S.; reenacting s. 322.21, F.S.; and repealing ss. 202.38 and 252.945, F.S., deleting provisions that have expired, have become obsolete, have had their effect, have served their purpose, or have been impliedly repealed or superseded; replacing incorrect cross-references and citations; correcting grammatical, typographical, and like errors; removing inconsistencies, redundancies, and unnecessary repetition in the statutes; improving the clarity of the statutes and facilitating their correct interpretation; and confirming the restoration of provisions unintentionally omitted from republication in the acts of the Legislature during the amendatory process; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 692—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; repealing ss. 206.608(3), 220.1896, 253.034(13) and (16), 332.007(8), 339.08(4), 401.465(2)(i), 406.61(3), 946.515(8), and 1010.10, F.S.; and amending ss. 215.555(4)(b), 339.135(4)(a) and (5), 394.908(3), and 893.055(7)(d), F.S.; to delete provisions which have become inoperative by noncurrent repeal or expiration and, pursuant to s. 11.242(5)(b) and (i), may be omitted from the 2013 Florida Statutes only through a reviser's bill duly enacted by the Legislature; amending s. 220.02(8), F.S., to conform a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 694—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; repealing ss. 10.00001, 10.00002, 10.00003, 10.00004, 10.00005, 10.00006, 10.00007, and 10.00008, F.S.; deleting provisions providing for apportionment of the districts for the State Senate and House of Representatives that have been superseded; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 696—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vacation and time share plans; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; exempting associations that govern a timeshare condominium from the prohibition of using proxies for electing members of the board; amending s. 721.07, F.S.; revising the formula to calculate the reserves for any accommodations and facilities of real property time share plans; amending s. 721.82, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms "notice address," "obligor," and "permitted delivery service"; amending s. 721.84, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 721.855, F.S.; removing a provision that requires a title search to accompany the affidavit initiating a trustee foreclosure proceeding of assessment liens; revising conditions to a trustee's exercise of power of sale relating to lis pendens; providing that a trustee may sell a timeshare interest if the lienholder delivers a certain title search which identifies junior interestholders of record; providing conditions when the foreclosure may not proceed; removing reference to an alternative to first-class mail for service of notice; revising criteria when notice of a foreclosure proceeding is not perfected; revising the criteria for perfecting notice of foreclosure by publication in a newspaper; revising criteria that must be included in an affidavit certifying notice was perfected by publication; providing additional criteria for perfecting notice; providing the notice of sale has certain force and effect if a notice of lis pendens was not previously recorded; allowing a trustee under certain conditions to use a third party to conduct a sale; providing a trustee an exception for certain violations of the trustee foreclosure procedures of assessment liens; amending s. 721.856, F.S.; removing a provision that requires a title search to accompany the affidavit initiating a trustee foreclosure proceeding of mortgage liens; revising conditions to a trustee's exercise of power of sale relating to lis pendens; providing that a trustee may sell a timeshare interest if the lienholder delivers a certain title search which identifies junior interestholders of record; providing conditions when the foreclosure may not proceed; removing reference to an alternative to first-class mail for service of notice; revising criteria when notice of a foreclosure proceeding is not perfected; revising the criteria for perfecting notice of foreclosure by publication in a newspaper; revising criteria that must be included in an affidavit certifying notice was perfected by publication; providing additional criteria for perfecting notice; providing the notice of sale has certain force and effect if a notice of lis pendens was not previously recorded; allowing a trustee under certain conditions to use a third party to conduct a sale; providing a trustee an exception for certain violations of the trustee foreclosure procedures of mortgage liens; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 698—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bonds for Everglades restoration; amending s. 215.619, F.S.; providing for funding for the City of Key West and the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern protection program; providing for financial assistance agreements between the Department of Environmental Protection and the City of Key West for the construction of stormwater management and sewage facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 700—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer protection; creating s. 501.20795, F.S.; requiring retail tire dealers to disclose to purchasers the date of manufacture of used tires and certain warnings relating to the age of tires; requiring the dealer to provide a copy of the disclosure to the purchaser and retain the original for a specified period; providing applicability; providing for enforcement by administrative action of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for administrative fines; specifying that the provisions of the act are not enforceable by private action; providing for deposit and use of fines collected; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 702—A bill to be entitled An act relating to students remaining on school grounds during school hours; amending s. 1001.43, F.S.; providing that a district school board may adopt policies for releasing students for the school lunch period; requiring schools in certain districts to obtain parental consent before permitting students to leave school grounds during the lunch period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 704—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; repealing s. 409.814(4)(c), F.S., relating to eligibility for the Florida Kidcare program; repealing a provision that prohibits certain children who are not qualified aliens from participating in the program; amending s. 624.91, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Montford—

SB 706—A bill to be entitled An act relating to uninsured motorist insurance coverage; amending s. 627.727, F.S.; providing that, under certain circumstances, specified persons who elect non-stacking limitations on their uninsured motorist insurance coverage are conclusively presumed to have made an informed, knowing acceptance of the limitations on behalf of all insureds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 708—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices while operating a motor vehicle; creating s. 316.3035, F.S.; defining the term "wireless communications device"; providing exceptions to the applicability of the act; providing that a person who causes the death of another person while operating a motor vehicle and using a wireless communications device commits vehicular homicide; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 710—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited discrimination; providing a short title; amending s. 760.01, F.S.; revising provisions to include sexual orientation and gender identity or expression as impermissible grounds for discrimination; conforming terminology; amending s. 760.02, F.S.; defining additional terms; creating s. 760.025, F.S.; specifying when an individual has an impairment for certain purposes; amending ss. 760.05, 760.07, 760.08, and 760.10, F.S.; revising provisions to include sexual orientation and gender identity or expression as impermissible grounds for discrimination; conforming terminology; amending s. 509.092, F.S.; revising provisions to include sexual orientation and gender identity or expression as impermissible grounds for discrimination in public lodging establishments and public food service establishments; amending s. 760.22, F.S.; defining additional terms; deleting the definition of the term "handicap"; creating s. 760.225, F.S.; specifying when an individual has an impairment for certain purposes; amending ss. 760.23, 760.24, 760.25, 760.26, and 760.29, F.S.; revising provisions to include sexual orientation and gender identity or expression as impermissible grounds for discrimination; conforming terminology; amending ss. 760.31 and 760.50, F.S.; conforming terminology; amending s. 760.60, F.S.; revising provisions to include sexual orientation and gender identity or expression as impermissible grounds for discrimination; conforming terminology; amending s. 419.001, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 712—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Fallen Law Enforcement Officers license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for the distribution of use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Rules; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 714—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.0713, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for specified proprietary confidential business information provided by a private or out-of-state entity to an electric utility that is subject to ch. 119, F.S., in conjunction with a due diligence review of an electric project or a project to improve the delivery, cost, or diversification of fuel or renewable energy resources; providing for the return of such information to the provider; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Simpson, Abruzzo, Bradley, Hays, Ring, and Evers—

SB 716—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deceptive and unfair trade practices; amending s. 501.2077, F.S.; providing definitions; including physical impairment within the definition of "person who has a disability"; authorizing a civil penalty for a person who willfully uses a deceptive or unfair trade act or practice against a military service

member or the member's spouse or child in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senators Stargel, Grimsley, Richter, Thrasher, and Soto—

SB 718—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dissolution of marriage; amending s. 61.071, F.S.; requiring that alimony pendente lite be calculated in accordance with s. 61.08, F.S.; amending s. 61.08, F.S.; defining terms; revising factors to be considered for alimony awards; requiring a court to make written findings regarding the basis for awarding a combination of forms of alimony, including the type of alimony and length of time for which it is awarded; revising factors to be considered when deciding whether to award alimony; providing that an award of alimony granted automatically terminates without further action under certain circumstances; providing that the party seeking alimony has the burden of proof of demonstrating a need for alimony and that the other party has the ability to pay alimony; requiring the court to consider specified relevant factors when determining the proper type and amount of alimony; revising provisions relating to the protection of awards of alimony; revising provisions for an award of durational alimony; specifying criteria related to the rebuttable presumption to award or not to award alimony; deleting a provision authorizing permanent alimony; requiring written findings regarding the incomes and standard of living of the parties after dissolution of marriage; amending s. 61.09, F.S.; providing for the calculation of alimony; amending s. 61.14, F.S.; authorizing a party to apply for an order to terminate the amount of support, maintenance, or alimony; requiring that an alimony order be modified upward upon a showing by clear and convincing evidence of an increased ability to pay alimony by the other party; prohibiting an increase in an obligor's income from being considered permanent in nature until it has been maintained for a specified period without interruption; providing an exemption from the reduction or termination of an alimony award in certain circumstances; providing that there is a rebuttable presumption that any modification or termination of an alimony award is retroactive to the date of the filing of the petition; providing for an award of attorney fees and costs if it is determined that an obligee unnecessarily or unreasonably litigates a petition for modification or termination of an alimony award; revising provisions relating to the effect of a supportive relationship on an award of alimony; providing that income and assets of the obligor's spouse or the person with whom the obligor resides may not be considered in the redetermination in a modification action; prohibiting an alimony award from being modified providing that if the court orders alimony concurrent with a child support order, the alimony award may not be modified because of the later modification or termination of child support payments; providing that the attaining of retirement age is a substantial change in circumstances; requiring the court to consider certain factors in determining whether the obligor's retirement is reasonable; requiring a court to terminate or reduce an alimony award based on certain factors; amending s. 61.19, F.S.; authorizing separate adjudication of issues in a dissolution of marriage case in certain circumstances; providing for retroactive application of the act to alimony awards entered before July 1, 2013; providing allowable dates for the modification of such awards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 720—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the deregulation of professions and occupations; amending s. 468.383, F.S.; exempting certain auctioneers who conduct motor vehicle auction contests from licensure; amending s. 468.385, F.S.; deleting licensure requirements for auctioneer apprentices; amending ss. 468.381, 468.384, 468.3855, 468.388, and 468.391, F.S., to conform; amending s. 477.0132, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring the registration of persons whose occupation or practice is confined solely to hair braiding, hair wrapping, or body wrapping; providing that the Florida Cosmetology Act does not apply to such persons; amending ss. 477.019, 477.026, 477.0265, and 477.029, F.S., to conform; repealing part VIII of chapter 559, F.S., relating to the Sale of Business Opportunities Act and the regulation of certain business opportunities; amending ss. 205.1971, 501.604, and 721.11, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 722—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disposable and reusable bags; amending s. 403.7033, F.S.; providing legislative findings; deleting obsolete language regarding legislative findings; creating statewide rules for disposable plastic bags and recyclable paper bags for certain stores in counties or municipalities where the local government adopts the provisions of the act; establishing requirements for certain stores in participating localities to comply with the act; requiring stores in participating localities to charge a fee for every recyclable paper bag provided to customers; providing for allocation of collected fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 724—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; amending s. 215.555, F.S., relating to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund; revising the definition of "covered policy"; amending s. 626.752, F.S., relating to the exchange of business between an agent and insurer; applying an exemption from the requirements of that section to the corporation; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; revising requirements relating to quota share primary insurance agreements; requiring the corporation and authorized insurers to enter into excess of loss reinsurance agreements and quota share reinsurance agreements in certain circumstances; authorizing the corporation's board of governors to limit the corporation's participation; deleting and revising related definitions; providing that entering into such agreements is at the discretion of the insurer; providing that if the corporation is the reinsurer, all forms and endorsements must be approved by the Office of Insurance Regulation; prohibiting the corporation from sharing risk for certain damages; requiring the corporation and each insurer to report additional information to the fund and revising the procedures for determining whether a risk is eligible for the corporation; requiring the corporation to implement eligibility procedures and operational requirements for certain purposes which include a clearinghouse for new applications; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 726—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of family or medical leave benefits for employees; providing definitions; prohibiting a political subdivision from requiring or otherwise regulating family or medical leave benefits for employees; preempting regulation of family or medical leave benefits to the state; establishing certain family or medical leave benefits for specified employees; providing that the act does not prohibit a political subdivision from establishing family or medical leave benefits for its employees; providing that the act does not prohibit a federally authorized or recognized tribal government from requiring family or medical leave benefits under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Health Policy; and Judiciary.

SR 728—Not referenced.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 730—A bill to be entitled An act relating to federal immigration detainer requests; providing a short title; providing definitions; providing conditions under which law enforcement officials may hold an individual pursuant to a federal immigration detainer request; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 732—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescription drugs; providing definitions; authorizing a pharmacist to substitute a biosimilar product for a prescribed product if certain requirements are met; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 734—A bill to be entitled An act relating to daylight saving time; providing a short title; requiring that the State of Florida and its political subdivisions observe daylight saving time year-round; authorizing each district school board to adjust school start times due to the year-round observance of daylight saving time; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to study adjustments in standard agricultural practices due to the year-round observance of daylight saving time; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce and Tourism; Agriculture; and Rules.

By Senator Richter—

SB 736—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitations relating to deeds and wills; amending s. 95.231, F.S.; providing for limitations of actions when a deed or will is on record; providing that a person claiming an interest in real property affected by amendments made in the act has until a specified date to file a claim or defense in court to determine the validity of the instrument; providing that if a claim or defense is filed within the specified period, the validity of the instrument is determined without regard to these amendments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 738—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse services; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; defining the term "sober house transitional living home" as it relates to the Hal S. Marchman Alcohol and Other Drug Services Act; amending s. 397.403, F.S.; requiring that an applicant seeking licensure for a proposed facility that would provide specified substance abuse services adhere to local, municipal, or county standards for zoning and occupancy; requiring such applicants to provide written notice to the chief executive officer of the appropriate local government before receiving licensure as a substance abuse service provider; requiring the applicant to stipulate certain criteria within the notice; requiring the local government to review the notification and to determine if the proposed facility and its siting comply with certain requirements; requiring the local government to notify the applicant and the Department of Children and Families of its determination; requiring each sober house transitional living home in existence on a certain date to apply for licensure with the department and give notice to the local government by a specified date; requiring the local government to notify the existing sober house transitional living home and the department of its determination; providing that a dwelling unit that houses a facility that is a sober house transitional living home or that offers certain substance abuse services is subject to local, municipal, or county zoning and occupancy standards; providing conflict resolution by informal mediation under certain circumstances; requiring the local government to arrange for services of an independent mediator or initiate dispute resolution proceedings; providing procedures for the mediation; providing construction; providing that a city or county government is not required to adopt a local ordinance under certain circumstances; providing that state law prevails over a local ordinance; providing that a local government is not precluded from adopting ordinances that govern facilities that offer certain substance abuse services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 740—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax exemptions for property used for affordable housing; amending s. 196.1978, F.S.; deleting an ad valorem tax exemption for property owned by certain Florida-based limited partnerships and used for affordable housing for certain income-qualified persons; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 742—A bill to be entitled An act relating to parole interview dates for certain inmates; amending ss. 947.16, 947.174, and 947.1745, F.S.; extending from 2 years to 7 years the period between parole interview dates for inmates convicted of committing certain specified crimes; reenacting s. 947.165(1), F.S., relating to the development and implementation by the Parole Commission of objective parole guidelines to serve as the criteria upon which parole decisions are to be made, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 947.1745, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Simmons and Montford—

SB 744—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; revising the requirements of charter school applications regarding the submission of detailed financial information and annual employee compensation; requiring a charter school application to demonstrate that the applicant is financially capable and qualified to open, operate, and maintain a high-quality charter school; revising the requirements of a charter to include a requirement that the charter school comply with applicable law, its representations, and agreements provided in the application for the charter school; requiring a charter to set forth a program of reporting by the charter school and review by the sponsor of the financial operations of the charter school; requiring the term of a charter to provide for cancellation of the charter under certain circumstances; revising the grounds in which a sponsor may choose not to renew or terminate a charter; defining the term "welfare" as it relates to the termination of a charter; authorizing a governing board of a charter school, with the consent of the sponsor, to choose a corrective action if the charter school receives certain failing grades; providing that a charter school system is designated as a local educational agency solely for the purpose of receiving federal funds in the same manner as if the charter school system were a school district if the charter school system meets certain requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 746—A bill to be entitled An act relating to terms of courts; repealing s. 25.051, F.S., relating to regular terms of the Supreme Court; repealing s. 26.21, F.S., relating to terms of the circuit courts; repealing s. 26.22, F.S., relating to terms of the First Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.23, F.S., relating to terms of the Second Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.24, F.S., relating to terms of the Third Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.25, F.S., relating to terms of the Fourth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.26, F.S., relating to terms of the Fifth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.27, F.S., relating to terms of the Sixth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.28, F.S., relating to terms of the Seventh Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.29, F.S., relating to terms of the Eighth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.30, F.S., relating to terms of the Ninth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.31, F.S., relating to terms of the Tenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.32, F.S., relating to terms of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.33, F.S., relating to terms of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.34, F.S., relating to terms of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.35, F.S., relating to terms of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.36, F.S., relating to terms of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.361, F.S., relating to terms of the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.362, F.S., relating to terms of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.363, F.S., relating to terms of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.364, F.S., relating to terms of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.365, F.S., relating to terms of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit; repealing s. 26.37, F.S., relating to requiring a judge to attend the first day of each term of the circuit court; repealing s. 26.38, F.S., relating to a requirement for a judge to state a reason for nonattendance; repealing s. 26.39, F.S., relating to the penalty for nonattendance of the judge; repealing s. 26.40, F.S., relating to adjournment of the circuit court upon nonattendance of the judge; repealing s. 26.42, F.S., relating to calling all cases on the docket at the end of each term; repealing s. 35.10, F.S., relating to regular terms of the district courts of appeal; repealing s. 35.11, F.S., relating to special terms of the district courts of appeal; repealing s. 907.05, F.S., relating to a requirement that criminal trials be heard in the term of court before civil cases; repealing s. 907.055, F.S., relating to a requirement that persons in custody be arraigned and tried in the term of court unless good cause is shown; amending ss. 26.46, 27.04, 30.12, 30.15, 34.13, 35.05, and 38.23, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 43.43, F.S.; allowing the Supreme Court to set terms of court for the Supreme Court, district courts of appeal, and circuit courts; creating s. 43.44, F.S.; authorizing appellate courts to withdraw a mandate within 120 days after its issuance; amending ss. 112.19, 206.215, 450.121, 831.10, 831.17, 877.08, 902.19, 903.32, 905.01, 905.09, 905.095, 914.03, 924.065, and 932.47, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bean and Gibson—

SB 748—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to contract with a certain organization to provide services under the federal Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly in Duval, St. Johns, Baker, and Nassau Counties; providing an exemption from ch. 641, Florida Statutes, for the organization; requiring the organization, subject to an appropriation, to enroll a specified number of persons to participate in the program in the named counties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Health Policy.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 750—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; amending s. 311.22, F.S.; establishing the Department of Transportation as the agency responsible for administering the section, instead of the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council; providing for the future repeal of the section; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Commerce and Tourism.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 752—A bill to be entitled An act relating to capital investment tax credits; amending ss. 220.191 and 288.108, F.S.; adding certain indoor agricultural enterprises to the list of high-impact sectors eligible for the capital investment tax credit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 754—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water quality credit trading; reenacting s. 373.4595(1)(n), F.S., relating to water quality credit trading, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 403.067, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 403.067, F.S.; authorizing the department to implement water quality credit trading in adopted basin management action plans on an ongoing basis; deleting a requirement that voluntary trading of water credits be limited to the Lower St. Johns River Basin; authorizing additional water quality protection programs to participate in water quality credit trading; revising provisions relating to rulemaking for water quality credit trading programs; eliminating a requirement that water quality credit trading be limited to the Lower St. Johns River Basin as a pilot project; deleting a required report; making technical changes; reenacting s. 403.088(2)(e), F.S., relating to water pollution operation permits, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 403.067, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 756—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; requiring the department to adopt rules governing the use of the department's excess fiber optic communication networks for nontransportation purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 758—A bill to be entitled An act relating to grandparent visitation; amending s. 752.01, F.S.; providing additional grounds for awarding grandparent visitation with a grandchild; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bean—

SB 760—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school course options; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, in conjunction with the Department of Education, to conduct a study on the identification or creation of career-technical high school courses of provable equivalency to standard required courses; providing requirements for the study; requiring the office to submit study results to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 762—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marketable record title; amending s. 712.03, F.S.; making grammatical changes; providing that marketable record title may not extinguish certain restrictions or covenants that are accepted by a governmental entity or any right, title, or interest that is held in trust for the public; amending s. 712.04, F.S.; providing that ch. 712, F.S., does not affect any right, title, or interest of a political subdivision in this state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 764—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school district educational programs; requiring that a school district be given specified lead time to plan and budget for implementation of certain new state requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 766—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; repealing s. 11.45(3)(m), F.S., relating to the authority of the Auditor General to conduct audits of transportation corporations under the Florida Transportation Corporation Act; repealing the Florida Transportation Corporation Act; repealing s. 339.401, F.S., relating to the short title; repealing s. 339.402, F.S., relating to definitions; repealing s. 339.403, F.S., relating to legislative findings and purpose; repealing s. 339.404, F.S., relating to authorization of corporations; repealing s. 339.405, F.S., relating to type and structure of the corporation and income; repealing s. 339.406, F.S., relating to contracts between the department and the corporation; repealing s. 339.407, F.S., relating to articles of incorporation; repealing s. 339.408, F.S., relating to the board of directors and advisory directors; repealing s. 339.409, F.S., relating to bylaws; repealing s. 339.410, F.S., relating to notice of meetings and open records; repealing s. 339.411, F.S., relating to the amendment of articles; repealing s. 339.412, F.S., relating to the powers of the corporation; repealing s. 339.414, F.S., relating to use of state property; repealing s. 339.415, F.S., relating to exemptions from taxation; repealing s. 339.416, F.S., relating to the authority to alter or dissolve corporations; repealing s. 339.417, F.S., relating to the dissolution of a corporation upon the completion of purposes; repealing s. 339.418, F.S., relating to transfer of funds and property upon dissolution; repealing s. 339.419, F.S., relating to department rules; repealing s. 339.420, F.S., relating to construction; repealing s. 339.421, F.S., relating to issuance of debt; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 768—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Everglades Long-Term Plan; amending s. 373.4592, F.S.; modifying the definition of "Long-Term Plan" as it applies to Everglades improvement and management; deleting references to Plan phases; conforming provisions to changes made in the act; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 770—A bill to be entitled An act relating to neighborhood improvement districts; amending s. 163.506, F.S.; providing that an ordinance that creates a neighborhood improvement district may authorize the district to exercise certain powers in addition to those already granted to such districts; specifying such powers; establishing that a neighborhood improvement district shall be treated as a community development district regarding certain exemption and bond provisions described in ch. 190, F.S.; prohibiting a neighborhood improvement district from being dissolved until arrangements are made for payment of its debt; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 772—A bill to be entitled An act relating to development exactions; creating s. 70.45, F.S.; prohibiting local governments from imposing or requiring certain exactions on or against private property; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senators Thompson, Clemens, Soto, Sobel, Joyner, Abruzzo, Margolis, Ring, Gibson, and Braynon—

SB 774—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992; providing a short title; amending s. 760.02, F.S.; expanding the meaning of "sex" as the term relates to the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992; specifying that a woman who is pregnant or who is affected by a medical condition related to pregnancy or childbirth must be treated the same for all employment-related purposes, including receipt of benefits, as an individual who has a medical condition unrelated to pregnancy or childbirth; amending s. 760.11, F.S.; extending the time for the Florida Commission on Human Relations to investigate complaints and determine reasonable cause; specifying powers of the commission and administrative law judges to enter proposed orders to prohibit practices that violate the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992; authorizing the commission and administrative law judges to award compensatory and punitive damages; providing a monetary limit on the award of punitive damages; providing that attorney fees be calculated consistent with federal case law; extending the time before a complainant may proceed with civil or administrative action when the commission fails to conciliate or determine whether there is reasonable cause; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 776—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program; amending s. 1002.395, F.S.; requiring a private school participating in the program to report to the Department of Education the assessment scores of any students who are administered certain assessments; requiring the department to publish the scores on its website; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 778—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transactions in fresh produce markets; providing definitions; requiring certain owners and operators of farmers' markets, community farmers' markets, flea markets, and other open-air markets selling fresh produce to allow authorized Food Nutrition Service groups, associations, and third-party organizations to operate electronic benefits transfer systems in such markets; providing for applicability; requiring the Department of Children and Families to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 780—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; providing that contracts for charter school employees and contracts for charter school operations with an educational service provider or vendor may not extend beyond the terms of the school's charter contract; specifying that charter school employees and service providers or vendors under charter school operations contracts are not entitled to compensation after the charter school's closure; providing for applicability; providing for closure of a charter school under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Thompson and Sachs—

SB 782—A bill to be entitled An act relating to early voting; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; expanding the list of available sites at which early voting may be held; deleting a requirement that an early voting branch site be designated and used as such for at least 1 year before an election; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 784—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring the compensation and salary schedules for charter school employees to be based on school district schedules; providing salary restrictions in certain instances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 786—A bill to be entitled An act relating to comprehensive plan amendments; creating s. 163.3186, F.S.; providing legislative findings; establishing a pilot program in specified areas of the state to test and review an alternative plan amendment; providing a process for the adoption of comprehensive plan amendments; providing an exception for certain local governments and other specified areas; providing that agencies may not adopt rules to implement the program; requiring that the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) submit a report; requiring OPPAGA to consider certain areas in drafting the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 788—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal gang prevention; amending s. 810.0975, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for certain trespassing offenses in school safety zones by a person convicted of certain gang-related offenses; amending s. 874.05, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for a person who intentionally causes, encourages, solicits, or recruits another person under a specified age to become a criminal gang member in certain circumstances; amending s. 951.23, F.S.; authorizing county and municipal detention facilities to designate an individual to be responsible for assessing whether each inmate is a criminal gang member or associate; providing duties of such individuals; amending ss. 435.04 and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming cross-references and assigning offense severity rankings for violations of s. 874.05, F.S.; amending s. 921.0024, F.S.; revising the criteria for application of the sentencing multiplier for offenses related to criminal gangs; limiting application of the multiplier if application would result in the lowest permissible sentence exceeding the statutory maximum sentence; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 790—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school emergency procedures; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; defining and distinguishing emergency lockdown drills from emergency evacuation drills; requiring that emergency lockdown drills be conducted at least as often as emergency evacuation drills; encouraging local law enforcement officers or fire officials to participate in and to review at least one emergency lockdown drill at each school each year; requiring a designated staff member to submit an after-drill report to the school district after an emergency drill; providing requirements for the after-drill report; requiring that each school annually review and revise its safety policies and procedures as needed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Legg—

SB 792—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property insurance coverage; amending s. 627.707, F.S.; providing that an insurer may not nonrenew a property insurance policy if it paid the limits for sinkhole damage and the policyholder made the repairs and paid for any additional costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 794—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid eligibility; creating s. 409.995, F.S.; providing conditions for the Department of Children and Families to evaluate an applicant's life insurance policy when determining eligibility for Medicaid services; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to use federal or state funds under the Medicaid program to pay life insurance premiums of an applicant or recipient under certain circumstances; providing restrictions on the sale, assignation, or transfer of ownership of a life insurance policy for which the state is named as a beneficiary or which is collaterally assigned to the state; providing for proceeds to be paid to a beneficiary under certain conditions; providing conditions for the owner of a life insurance policy to enter into a viatical settlement contract with a health care services provider for coverage of Medicaid long-term care services; specifying content of the contract; requiring that all marketing materials, actuarial memoranda, and pricing methodologies used by the viatical settlement provider be filed with and approved by the Office of Insurance Regulation; requiring the office to conduct market examinations and financial audits of certain viatical settlement providers; requiring the department to provide notice of life insurance policy options; authorizing the department, the agency, and the office to adopt rules; authorizing the agency to seek state plan amendments and federal waivers; defining the term "value"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 796—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ignition interlock devices; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; requiring mandatory placement of an ignition interlock device on all vehicles owned or operated by a person convicted of driving under the influence for specified periods based on the violation; revising the required installation periods for certain violations; amending s. 316.1937, F.S.; revising the maximum allowable blood-alcohol level at which an ignition interlock device will allow operation of a vehicle; revising provisions prohibiting tampering with or circumventing an ignition interlock device; revising provisions concerning operation of vehicles owned or leased by the employer of a person

subject to ignition interlock restrictions when such operation is required in the scope of his or her employment; amending s. 322.25, F.S.; requiring that court orders for reinstatement of a license privilege for driving under the influence include a requirement for an ignition interlock device; amending s. 322.2615, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to temporary licenses for business or employment purposes; providing for ignition interlock licenses and requirements for such licenses; amending s. 322.28, F.S.; providing for ignition interlock licenses following driver license or driving privilege suspension; providing requirements for such licenses; providing that a driver who obtains an ignition interlock license during a period of revocation shall receive credit on a day-for-day basis for the period the person holds a valid ignition interlock license toward any mandatory period of ignition interlock device-restricted use arising from the same incident; providing for ignition interlock licenses for persons whose driver license or driving privilege has been permanently revoked; providing requirements for such licenses; amending s. 322.271, F.S.; deleting provisions providing for petitions for reinstatement of a driving privilege in certain circumstances following a revocation for a period of 5 years or less under specified provisions; amending s. 322.2715, F.S.; revising requirements for installation of ignition interlock devices as a condition of issuance of a permanent or restricted license for persons convicted of driving under the influence; requiring that the ignition interlock device restriction remain in effect until the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles receives a declaration from the person's ignition interlock device vendor certifying that certain incidents did not occur during a specified period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

SR 798—Not referenced.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 800—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; exempting from public records requirements a school district's after-drill report that summarizes the emergency drills of each school in the district and the recommendations from participating law enforcement officers or fire officials; providing for future repeal and legislative review of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 802—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 489.140, F.S.; clarifying funding requirements for the Florida Homeowners' Construction Recovery Fund; amending s. 468.631, F.S.; authorizing the department to transfer certain funds from the Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board to the Florida Homeowners' Construction Recovery Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 804—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Elderly Affairs; directing the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a review and evaluation of the functions of the Department of Elderly Affairs; requiring the office to consult with and obtain the assistance of certain state agencies and to consult with certain stakeholders regarding the review and evaluation; requiring the office to submit a report to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Secretary of Elderly Affairs by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senators Stargel and Thrasher—

SB 806—A bill to be entitled An act relating to powers and duties of district school boards; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; authorizing a district school board to set an opening date for schools in the district to accommodate the completion of student coursework and assessments during the fall term; providing additional purposes for which an internal auditor may be employed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 808—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a needle and syringe exchange program; amending s. 381.0038, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to establish a needle and syringe exchange program; providing criteria for the program; providing that the distribution of needles and syringes under the program is not a violation of the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act or any other law; providing conditions under which a program staff member or participant may be prosecuted; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 810—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wrap-up insurance policies; creating s. 627.4138, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that wrap-up insurance policies may include workers' compensation claim deductibles equal to or greater than a specified amount if specified standards are met; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce and Tourism.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 812—A bill to be entitled An act relating to youth in solitary confinement; creating s. 958.155, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; prohibiting the Department of Corrections or a local government body from subjecting a youth to solitary confinement except under certain circumstances; limiting cell confinement of all youth prisoners; providing protection for youth prisoners held in emergency cell confinement; prohibiting a youth prisoner from being subjected to emergency cell confinement for more than 24 hours; requiring the placement in emergency cell confinement to be documented; requiring that a mental health clinician evaluate face-to-face within a specified time a youth prisoner who is subjected to emergency cell confinement; requiring staff to perform visual checks at specified intervals; providing for an individualized suicide crisis intervention plan, if applicable; providing for the protection of youth prisoners in disciplinary cell confinement; prohibiting a youth prisoner from being subjected to disciplinary cell confinement for more than 72 hours; requiring staff to perform visual checks at specified intervals; requiring that youth prisoners in disciplinary cells be allotted services and other benefits that are made available to prisoners in the general prison population; providing reduced isolation for youth prisoners in protective custody; requiring the department and counties to review their policies relating to youth prisoners to evaluate whether the policies are necessary; requiring a report to the Governor and Legislature; amending s. 944.09, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 951.23, F.S.; requiring sheriffs to adopt standards relating to youth prisoners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 814—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the registration of branch offices conducting securities transactions; amending s. 517.12, F.S.; providing that the registration of such offices is effective upon the filing of a certain form with the Office of Financial Regulation; authorizing the office to request a written supplement under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Judiciary.

SR 816—Not referenced.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 818—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy technicians; amending s. 465.014, F.S.; increasing the number of pharmacy technicians which a licensed pharmacist may supervise; deleting a provision to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 820—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a small business development fund; creating s. 288.7045, F.S.; providing definitions; creating the fund to secure loans from participating private lending institutions for certain small businesses; prohibiting a participating private lending institution from charging a small business more than a specified rate of interest; specifying a cap on the loan amount; specifying that half of the funds be loaned to small businesses and the other half be loaned to small start-up businesses; specifying the information that must be contained in the loan application from the fund; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to select the participating private lending institutions and the small businesses and small start-up businesses that qualify for funding; requiring the department to conduct a one-time public awareness campaign; providing funding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 822—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational personnel evaluation; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; revising the criteria upon which the performance of instructional personnel and school administrators is evaluated; revising provisions relating to the measurement of student learning growth for purposes of the performance evaluation of classroom and nonclassroom teachers; requiring the State Board of Education to establish a fair method to ascertain student learning growth used to evaluate teachers of exceptional students and students who are not tested by statewide assessments or end-of-course assessments; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 824—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 916.1065, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for a forensic behavioral health evaluation filed with a court; providing a definition for the term "forensic behavioral health evaluation"; authorizing the release of such evaluations under certain circumstances; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity, applicability, and construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 826—A bill to be entitled An act relating to maximum class size; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.; calculating a school district's class size categorical allocation reduction at the school average when maximum class size requirements are not met; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; revising provisions relating to maximum class size in charter schools, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 828—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 196.1983, F.S.; granting school district programs the ad valorem tax exemption given to charter schools and creating certain restrictions on such property; requiring a landlord to certify compliance by affidavit; restricting the use of capital outlay funds for property improvements if the property is exempt from ad valorem taxes; amending s. 1002.31, F.S.; providing a calculation for compliance with class size maximums for a public school of choice; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; making technical and grammatical changes; deleting a requirement that the State Board of Education remand an application to a sponsor; providing that the sponsor may conduct or audit a random selection process to admit applicants; prohibiting a charter school or charter school system from rejecting certain types of students solely based on a higher cost; requiring a charter school or charter school system to enroll students in proportion similar to the district average in order to qualify for a designation of high-performing charter school; providing a funding requirement for a student who transfers between a charter school and district school; authorizing a district school board to negotiate an appropriate usage fee based on market comparables for unused space; deleting a prohibition on existing public schools that convert to charter schools; prohibiting a charter school from selling or renting out property from a school district without written permission of the school district; providing that certain recommendations from the department are not binding on a school district; restricting use of capital outlay funds; deleting restrictions on withheld administrative fees; clarifying that a member of a governing board of a charter school is a public official; amending s. 1002.332, F.S.; modifying the definition of a high-performing charter school system to include those offering certain services; amending s. 1002.345, F.S.; restricting charter schools or technical career centers having financial problems from certain activities and requiring disclosure of such financial problems on subsequent applications; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.; basing the class size maximum on the schoolwide average; deleting certain requirements when the number of students assigned to a class exceeds the class size maximum; creating s. 1003.622, F.S.; providing legislative intent; recognizing high-performing school choice districts and granting them flexibility; qualifying a high-performing school choice district; exempting such districts from ch. 1000-1013, F.S., subject to certain exceptions; requiring the commissioner to verify the status of a high-performing school choice district; amending s. 1010.305, F.S.; extending student enrollment auditing procedures to charter schools; providing that a charter school may request an expedited review by the Auditor General; amending s. 1013.37, F.S.; requiring school boards to comply with the Florida Building Code for certain new projects; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 830—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessels; providing a short title; amending s. 327.37, F.S.; prohibiting a person under a certain age from operating a vessel towing a person; providing exceptions; reenacting s. 327.73(1)(i), F.S., relating to noncriminal infractions, to incorporate changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce and Tourism; and Judiciary.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to powers of attorney; amending s. 709.2102, F.S.; adding definitions; revising the definition of "sign"; amending s. 709.2103, F.S.; adding certain powers of attorney to which this part does not apply; amending s. 709.2105, F.S.; authorizing a notary public to sign the principal's name to the power of attorney under certain circumstances; amending s. 709.2106, F.S.; clarifying and revising language; providing that an original power of attorney, rather than a photocopy or electronic copy, may be required under certain circumstances; providing that an original power of attorney may be presented for recording in the official records for a fee; amending s. 709.2114, F.S.; adding exceptions to a provision that prohibits an agent who has accepted appointment from delegating authority to a third person; amending s. 709.2116, F.S.; providing for attorney fees and costs as in chancery actions; amending s. 709.2119, F.S.; authorizing a third person to require an agent to execute an affidavit stating that the agent's authority was not terminated because of certain circumstances; revising a sample form of an affidavit; revising a cross-reference; amending s. 709.2120, F.S.; revising language; providing a presumption of reasonable time to accept or reject a power of attorney for a broker-dealer; requiring a third person who rejects a power of attorney to state the reason in writing unless a certain circumstance applies; amending s. 709.2121, F.S.; providing for notice to a broker-dealer; amending s. 709.2202, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; authorizing a notary public to sign the principal's name to documents, other than the power of attorney, under certain circumstances; clarifying that certain gift amounts are based on the calendar year; specifying that a broker-dealer does not have a duty to inquire into certain actions by an agent and is not liable for relying in good faith on an agent's actions; amending s. 709.2208, F.S.; providing that an agent acquires general authority regarding securities held by a broker-dealer under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 834—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 624.4212, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for proprietary business information submitted to the Office of Insurance Regulation; defining the term "proprietary business information"; providing exceptions; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 836—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurer solvency; creating s. 624.085, F.S.; providing definitions applicable to the insurance code; amending s. 624.4085, F.S.; revising definitions; providing additional calculations for determining whether an insurer has a company action level event; revising provisions relating to mandatory control level events; amending s. 642.424, F.S.; requiring an insurer's annual statement to include an actuarial opinion summary and providing criteria for such summary; providing an exception for life and health insurers; updating provisions; amending s. 625.121, F.S.; protecting a memorandum supporting an insurer's annual actuarial opinion from subpoena, discovery, or admissibility in a civil action; amending s. 628.461, F.S.; deleting a provision authorizing an insurer to file a disclaimer of affiliation and control in lieu of a letter notifying the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission of the acquisition of the voting securities of a domestic stock company under certain circumstances; requiring the statement notifying the office to include additional information; providing for consideration of enterprise risk in an acquisition application; providing that control is presumed to exist under certain conditions; specifying how control may be rebutted and how a controlling interest may be divested; deleting definitions; amending s. 628.801, F.S.; requiring an insurer to file annually by a specified date a registration statement; revising the requirements and standards for the rules establishing the information and statement form for the registration; requiring an insurer to file an annual enterprise risk report; providing that failure to file a registration or report is a violation of the section; authorizing the office to conduct examinations to determine the financial condition of registrants; providing additional grounds for a waiver from the registration requirements; amending s. 628.803, F.S.; providing for sanctions for persons who violate the provisions of s. 628.461, F.S., relating to the acquisition of controlling stock; creating s. 628.805, F.S.; authorizing the office to participate in supervisory colleges; authorizing the office to assess fees on insurers for participation; amending ss. 636.045 and 641.255, F.S.; applying certain statutes related to solvency to prepaid limited health service organizations and health maintenance organizations; applying provisions relating to acquisition of controlling stock to a health maintenance organization that is a member of a holding company; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

SR 838—Not referenced.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 840—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal use of personal identification information; amending s. 817.568, F.S.; deleting the requirement that a person who willfully and without authorization possesses personal identification information concerning an individual without first obtaining that individual's consent has an intent to fraudulently use the information in order to commit a specified violation; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 842—A bill to be entitled An act relating to premises inspections; amending s. 509.032, F.S.; requiring the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to inspect public lodgings annually; requiring the division to adopt rules for a risk-based inspection frequency for licensed public food service establishments; providing criteria; conforming terminology; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 844—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid fraud; amending s. 409.907, F.S.; increasing the number of years a provider must keep records; adding an additional provision relating to a change in principal that must be included in a Medicaid provider agreement with the Agency for Health Care Administration; adding definitions for "administrative fines" and "outstanding overpayment"; revising provisions relating to the agency's onsite inspection responsibilities; revising provisions relating to who is subject to background screening; amending s. 409.91212, F.S.; requiring the agency to enter into an interagency agreement with the Division of Insurance Fraud regarding anti-fraud plans by managed care plans; delaying the imposition of certain fines for failing to report; amending s. 409.913, F.S.; authorizing the agency to review and analyze sources other than providers in order to carry out its duties with respect to its Medicaid oversight responsibilities; increasing the number of years a provider must keep records; revising provisions specifying grounds for terminating a provider from the program, for seeking certain remedies for violations, and for imposing certain sanctions; providing a limitation on the information the agency may consider when making a determination of overpayment; specifying the type of records a provider must present to contest an overpayment; deleting the requirement that the agency pay interest on certain payments withheld from a provider and revising when a provider must reimburse overpayments; revising venue requirements; adding provisions relating to

the payment of fines; amending s. 409.920, F.S.; clarifying provisions relating to immunity from liability for persons who provide information about Medicaid fraud; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Brandes, Negron, and Soto—

SB 846—A bill to be entitled An act relating to search and seizure of a portable electronic device; providing legislative findings and intent; defining the term "portable electronic device"; providing that information contained in a portable electronic device is not subject to a search by a law enforcement officer incident to an arrest except pursuant to a warrant issued by a duly authorized judicial officer using procedures established by law; providing exceptions; prohibiting location informational tracking; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; prohibiting a government entity from obtaining the location information of an electronic device without a valid search warrant issued by a duly authorized judicial officer; providing that a search warrant may not be issued for the location of an electronic device for a period of time longer than is necessary to achieve the objective of the search warrant authorization; providing time periods for the validity of a search warrant; providing criteria by which to extend a search warrant for location information; providing exceptions to the requirement to obtain a search warrant for location information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 848—A bill to be entitled An act relating to spaceport territory; amending s. 331.304, F.S.; revising spaceport territory for purposes of the Space Florida Act to include certain property; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 850—A bill to be entitled An act relating to persons with disabilities; requiring law enforcement agencies to report certain criminal activity and enforcement of certain laws to the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending ss. 318.1451 and 322.0261, F.S.; requiring that, in determining whether to approve courses offered by driver improvement schools, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles consider course content related to the study of traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility-impaired persons; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; providing requirements for examination questions pertaining to traffic laws relating to legally blind and mobility-impaired persons; amending s. 322.095, F.S.; requiring certain traffic law education programs to include the study of traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility-impaired persons; amending s. 943.17, F.S.; requiring the basic skills course required in order for law enforcement officers to obtain certification to include the study of traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility-impaired persons; amending s. 1003.48, F.S.; requiring driver education programs to include the study of traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility-impaired persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Transportation; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 852—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real estate brokers and appraisers; amending s. 120.574, F.S.; providing that specified administrative procedures for summary hearings apply to disciplinary cases involving certain real estate appraisers; providing exceptions and conditions relating to such procedures; amending s. 475.215, F.S.; providing a qualifying condition for the issuance of additional licenses to a licensed broker; providing grounds for the Florida Real Estate Commission to deny multiple license requests; providing for applicability and effect of certain final orders of discipline on primary and multiple licenses held by a broker; amending s. 475.611, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "supervisory appraiser"; amending s. 475.615, F.S.; revising certain exceptions from provisions specifying that certain applicants for certification or registration as an appraiser or trainee appraiser are not deemed to be qualified for such certification or registration; revising the dated version of certain requirements adopted by the Appraiser Qualifications Board of the Appraisal Foundation based upon which the Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board is authorized to waive or modify certain education, experience, or examination requirements applicable to certified appraisers and registered trainee appraisers; amending s. 475.6221, F.S.; deleting authority for a licensed appraiser to act as the direct supervisor of a registered trainee real estate appraiser; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SR 854—Not referenced.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 856—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community redevelopment; amending s. 163.340, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "blighted area," as applicable to the Community Redevelopment Act of 1969, to include land previously used as a military facility and adjacent to a county-owned zoological park; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

SR 858—Not referenced.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation system administration; amending s. 284.44, F.S.; revising duties of state agencies covered by the state risk management program with respect to funding costs for employees entitled to workers' compensation benefits; revising a definition; revising terminology; amending s. 440.02, F.S.; revising a definition; amending s. 440.05, F.S.; revising requirements relating to submitting notice of election of exemption; amending s. 440.102, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 440.107, F.S.; revising effectiveness of stop-work orders and penalty assessment orders; amending s. 440.11, F.S.; revising immunity from liability standards for employers and employees using a help supply services company; amending s. 440.13, F.S.; deleting and revising definitions; revising health care provider requirements and responsibilities; deleting rulemaking authority and responsibilities of the Department of Financial Services; revising provider reimbursement dispute procedures; revising penalties for certain violations or overutilization of treatment; deleting certain Office of Insurance Regulation audit requirements; deleting provisions providing for removal of physicians from lists of those authorized to render medical care under certain conditions; amending s. 440.15, F.S.; revising limitations on compensation for temporary total disability; amending s. 440.185, F.S.; revising and deleting penalties for noncompliance relating to duty of employer upon receipt of notice of injury or death; amending s. 440.20, F.S.; transferring certain responsibilities of the office to the department; deleting certain responsibilities of the department; amending s. 440.211, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a provision that is mutually agreed upon in any collective bargaining agreement be filed with the department; amending s. 440.385, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 440.491, F.S.; revising certain carrier reporting requirements; revising duties of the department upon referral of an injured employee; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 862—A bill to be entitled An act relating to parent empowerment in education; amending s. 1001.10, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; providing that parents who have a student in a public school that is implementing a turnaround option may petition to have a particular turnaround option implemented; requiring the school district to give parents of public school students, upon request, a performance evaluation for each classroom teacher assigned to their child; requiring the school district to notify parents of a public school student being taught by an out-of-field teacher or by a teacher with an unsatisfactory performance rating; specifying requirements for the notice; amending s. 1002.32, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring a charter school to comply with certain procedures for the assignment of teachers; creating s. 1003.07, F.S.; creating the Parent Empowerment Act; specifying what constitutes an eligible student and a parental vote; requiring that a school district send a written notice to parents of public school students regarding the parents' options to petition the school for a particular turnaround option; requiring the notice to include certain information; authorizing up to one parental vote per eligible student; establishing the process to solicit signatures for a petition; prohibiting a person from being paid for signatures; prohibiting a for-profit corporation, business, or entity from soliciting signatures or paying a person to solicit signatures; establishing criteria to verify the signatures on a petition; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules for filing a petition; specifying that a petition is valid if it is signed and dated by a majority of the parents of eligible students and those signatures are verified; requiring the school district to consider the turnaround option on the valid petition with the most signatures at a publicly noticed school board meeting; requiring the school district to submit an implementation plan to the state board; amending s. 1008.33, F.S.; authorizing a parent to petition the school district to implement a turnaround option selected by the parent; amending s. 1012.2315, F.S.; providing for assistance to teachers teaching out-of-field; requiring the school district to notify parents and inform them of their options if a student is being taught by an out-of-field teacher; requiring the school district to give to a parent a teacher's performance evaluation upon request; providing that a student may not be assigned to an unsatisfactory teacher in a single subject for two consecutive school years; repealing s. 1012.42, F.S., relating to teachers who are teaching out-of-field; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 864—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coupons furnished by manufacturers, distributors, or importers of beer; amending s. 561.42, F.S.; prohibiting manufacturers or importers of beer from furnishing coupons redeemable by vendors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 866—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the certified audit program; amending s. 213.21, F.S.; revising the amounts of interest liability that the Department of Revenue may abate for taxpayers participating in the certified audit program; authorizing a taxpayer to participate in the certified audit program after the department has issued notice of intent to conduct an audit of the taxpayer; amending s. 213.285, F.S.; conforming provisions; revising procedures, deadlines, and notice requirements for certified audits; authorizing the department to adopt rules prohibiting a qualified practitioner from representing a taxpayer in informal conference procedures under certain circumstances; amending s. 213.053, F.S.; conforming terminology; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 868—A bill to be entitled An act relating to English language instruction; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; providing that a student's parent has the right to request that the student be exempted from instruction in English language proficiency; amending s. 1003.56, F.S.; requiring the school district to exempt a student from participating in instruction in English language proficiency if the student's parent requests the exemption in writing; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 870—A bill to be entitled An act relating to eminent domain; amending s. 73.013, F.S.; providing an exception to restrictions on eminent domain; permitting the conveyance of property by a condemning authority under certain circumstances when the property is condemned pursuant to a noise mitigation or noise compatibility program at an airport governed by Federal Aviation Administration requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Abruzzo, Thompson, Evers, and Altman—

SB 872—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal shelters or animal control agencies; providing a short title; amending s. 823.15, F.S.; requiring each duly incorporated society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, humane society, pound, shelter, or dog control officer that euthanizes dogs or cats or both to compile monthly and annual summaries; listing the categories of information required in the summaries; requiring each summary to be signed by the appropriate executive director of the entity as true and accurate; requiring that the summaries be posted on the entity's website within a specified time period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 874—A bill to be entitled An act relating to open parties; amending s. 856.015, F.S.; revising definitions prohibiting a person from allowing a party to take place if a minor is in possession of or consuming alcohol or drugs; revising an exemption; providing criminal penalties; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 876—A bill to be entitled An act relating to offenses against unborn children; providing a short title; amending s. 775.021, F.S.; providing a rule of construction that a person who engages in conduct that violates any provision of the Florida Criminal Code or of a criminal offense defined by another statute and causes the death of, or bodily injury to, an unborn child commits a separate offense if such an offense is not otherwise specifically provided for; providing for criminal penalties for such an offense; specifying that certain types of knowledge or intent are not necessary for such an offense; providing exceptions; providing a definition; amending ss. 316.193, 435.04, 782.071, 782.09, and 921.0022, F.S.; defining and substituting the term "unborn child" for similar terms used in provisions relating to driving under the influence, employment background screening standards, vehicular homicide, the killing of an unborn quick child by injury to the child's mother; and the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, respectively; conforming terminology; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 878—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education accountability; amending s. 1002.22, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Education to notify the Legislature of any major changes in federal law which may affect the state's K-20 education performance accountability system; amending s. 1004.015, F.S.; providing that one of the purposes of the Higher Education Coordinating Council is to facilitate solutions to data issues identified by the Articulation Coordinating Committee to improve the K-20 education performance accountability system; revising the guiding principles for recommendations of the Higher Education Coordinating Council; amending s. 1005.22, F.S.; revising the duties of the Commission for Independent Education with regard to collecting and distributing current data regarding institutions licensed by the commission; providing reporting requirements; requiring the commission to annually report the data to the department by a specified date; amending s. 1007.01, F.S.; requiring the Articulation Coordinating Committee to make recommendations related to statewide policies and issues regarding access, quality, and reporting of data maintained by the K-20 data warehouse; revising the committee's duties related to collecting and reporting of statewide education data; amending s. 1008.31, F.S.; revising the legislative intent with regard to the state's K-20 education performance accountability system; requiring the Board of Governors to make available to the Department of Education all data within the State University Database System which is to be integrated into the K-20 data warehouse; requiring the Commissioner of Education to have access to certain data for the added purpose of providing data to organizations and certain authorized representatives; requiring all public educational institutions to annually provide data from the prior year to the K-20 data warehouse in a format based on data elements identified by the commissioner; requiring colleges and universities eligible to participate in the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program to report current data from the prior year for each student who receives state funds in a format prescribed by the Department of Education; providing reporting requirements; requiring these colleges and universities to annually report the data to the department by a specified date; requiring the commissioner to collaborate with the Department of Economic Opportunity to develop procedures for the ability to tie student-level data to student and workforce outcome data contained in the Wage Record Interchange System; requiring the commissioner to improve and streamline by a specified date access to data maintained by the K-20 data warehouse by creating and fully implementing a web-based interface and a self-service, restricted access component of the K-20 data warehouse called the "Research Engine"; providing requirements for the Research Engine; providing requirements for a written agreement to access the Research Engine; requiring the adoption of rules and procedures; requiring the Department of Education to share education records of students which may contain students' personally identifiable information with organizations and authorized representatives pursuant to the studies and audit and evaluation exceptions under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; requiring a school that is eligible to receive a school grade to be a fully functioning, stand-alone school; requiring each district school board to identify schools within schools operating at the same physical location if such schools have different school identification numbers; requiring each district school board to report to the Department of Education the appropriate accountability school type during the department's annual review of accountability school types; requiring that a school must be reported as the home school and the other schools reported as schools-within-a-school if more than one school serving the same grade levels is operating in the same physical location; providing that performance data for students enrolled at schools within schools must be assigned to the reported home school for inclusion in the home school's grade; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 880—A bill to be entitled An act relating to offender reentry programs; creating s. 397.755, F.S.; directing the Department of Corrections to create a reentry program; providing eligibility criteria for the program; requiring a recommendation for reentry at the time of sentencing in order for the offender to participate in the program; clarifying that the sentencing court is not required to recommend reentry; requiring the department to place the offender into the in-prison treatment component at a specified time; directing the department to prepare a postrelease treatment plan; requiring that the offender be examined by the appropriate personnel in the case of medical or other problems; providing that an offender in the in-prison component is subject to the rules of conduct established by the department and may have sanctions imposed, including loss of privileges and protective confinement; providing requirements before transitioning the offender into the community; requiring the offender to abide by the order of supervision and the rules of the department; providing that violation of any condition or order may result in imposition of any authorized sentenced by the court; providing that the offender's case will be transferred to drug court, if applicable; providing that the department is responsible for collecting the cost of supervision from the offender, including court costs and fines; authorizing the department to develop performance-based contracts to supply services to the program; permitting the department to establish a system of incentives in the program to promote participation in reentry programs; providing that the section does not confer any right to placement in the reentry program; directing the department to track recidivism and recommitment of offenders who have participated in the program; requiring an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; authorizing rulemaking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 882—A bill to be entitled An act relating to administering county and municipal delinquency programs and facilities; amending s. 985.688, F.S.; deleting language that required the Department of Juvenile Justice to charge, and the county or municipal government to pay, a monitoring fee to cover a portion of the direct operating costs of the juvenile detention facility; establishing criteria to demonstrate that the county or municipality is in compliance with standards for operating juvenile delinquency programs and detention facilities; deleting a provision providing that a sheriff who complies with the subsection is not subject to any additional training, procedures, or inspections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 884—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Salutes Veterans license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; revising provisions for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the Florida Salutes Veterans license plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Rules; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 886—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical negligence actions; amending s. 456.057, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting the discussion of a patient's medical condition; providing circumstance under which patient records may be released without prior written authorization; revising conditions under which confidential patient information acquired in the course of care or treatment may be disclosed by a health care practitioner; amending s. 766.102, F.S.; establishing standard of proof in actions based on the failure of a health care provider to order, perform, or administer certain tests; shifting burden of proof to claimant; revising qualifications to give expert testimony on the prevailing professional standard of care; deleting provision regarding limitations of section; amending s. 766.106, F.S.; providing that a prospective defendant may conduct an ex parte interview with a claimant's treating health care provider as a tool of informal discovery; amending s. 766.1065, F.S.; revising the form for the authorization for release of protected health information; providing for the release of protected heath information to certain treating health care providers, insurers,

and attorneys; authorizing a treating health care provider, insurer, or attorney to use protected health information in connection with legal services relating to a medical negligence claim; authorizing certain individuals and entities to conduct ex parte interviews with the claimant's health care providers; creating s. 766.1091, F.S.; authorizing a health care provider or health care clinic and a patient or prospective patient to agree to submit a claim of medical negligence to arbitration; requiring that the arbitration agreement be governed by ch. 682, F.S.; authorizing the arbitration agreement to contain a provision that limits an award of damages; amending s. 768.0981, F.S.; prescribing limitations on medical negligence actions against hospitals; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senators Braynon and Bullard—

SB 888—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; creating s. 97.0111, F.S.; providing legislative intent; amending s. 97.041, F.S.; revising the qualifications to register to vote; authorizing a person who has been convicted of a felony and has served his or her sentence to preregister to vote; amending s. 97.052, F.S.; revising the uniform statewide voter registration application; amending s. 97.053, F.S.; revising what constitutes a complete voter registration application; amending s. 97.057, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to automatically register to vote or update a voter registration record of an eligible individual; requiring the department to notify the individual that certain information gathered for the completion of a driver license or identification card application, renewal, or change of address is automatically transferred to a voter registration application or used to update a voter registration record; requiring a driver license examiner to notify an applicant that, by applying for, renewing, or updating a driver license or identification card, the applicant is consenting to automatically register to vote or update his or her voter registration record; authorizing an applicant to revoke consent to automatically register to vote or update a voter registration record; requiring that an applicant who fails to designate party affiliation be registered without party affiliation; amending s. 98.035, F.S.; revising the requirements of the statewide voter registration system; amending s. 98.045, F.S.; revising the eligibility requirements for applicants for voter registration; revising procedures for removal of registered voters; amending s. 98.075, F.S.; revising procedures for ineligibility determinations of registered voters; amending s. 101.045, F.S.; authorizing an elector to vote a regular ballot at the polling place in the precinct to which he or she has moved by completing an affirmation; deleting a requirement that the elector's change of residence must occur within the same county for the elector to be able to vote in the new precinct; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Transportation; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 890—A bill to be entitled An act relating to false personation; amending s. 843.08, F.S.; prohibiting a person from falsely personating a firefighter or certain law enforcement officers if his or her action could deceive a reasonable person into believing that he or she was a bona fide official; amending s. 843.085, F.S.; prohibiting operation or ownership of a motor vehicle falsely marked in a way which could deceive a reasonable person into believing that such vehicle is authorized by a fire department for use by the person operating it; providing an exception; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 892—A bill to be entitled An act relating to college and career readiness; creating s. 1003.499, F.S.; requiring each school district to offer high school students a college and career readiness course; providing course requirements; requiring students to take an interest assessment and develop a curriculum plan before taking the course; specifying components of the course curriculum and activities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 894—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community health workers; providing definitions; specifying the duties and activities of community health workers; creating the Community Health Worker Task Force within a state college or university; requiring the Department of Health to provide administrative support and services; providing membership and duties of the task force; requiring the members of the task force to elect a chair and vice chair; providing that task force members serve without compensation and are not entitled to reimbursement for per diem or travel expenses; requiring that the task force meet at least quarterly; specifying the number of members required for a quorum; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Education; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 896—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prepaid dental plans; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; postponing the scheduled repeal of a provision requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to contract with dental plans for dental services on a prepaid or fixed-sum basis; authorizing the agency to provide a prepaid dental health program in Miami-Dade County on a permanent basis; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 898—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care coverage; requiring health insurers, corporations, and health maintenance organizations issuing certain health policies to provide coverage for telemedicine services; providing definitions; prohibiting the exclusion of telemedicine cost coverage solely because the services were not provided face to face; specifying conditions under which an insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization must reimburse a telemedicine provider for certain fees and costs; authorizing provisions requiring a deductible, copayment, or coinsurance requirement for telemedicine services under certain circumstances; prohibiting the imposition of certain dollar and durational coverage limitations or copayments, coinsurance, or deductibles on telemedicine services unless imposed equally on all terms and services; providing for applicability and construction; requiring a utilization review under certain circumstances; providing coverage under the state plan or a waiver for health home services provided to eligible individuals with chronic conditions; requiring the Department of Health to conduct an interagency study relating to telemedicine services and coverage; requiring a report to the Legislature; authorizing the department to adopt rules in consultation with certain boards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

SR 900—Not referenced.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 902—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of liquid fuels; amending s. 526.141, F.S.; requiring self-service stations to display on each pump a decal containing a telephone number to enable certain handicapped persons to seek assistance from the station attendant; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to pro-

vide decals and instructions; providing for enforcement by the department; providing for the adoption of rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 904—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; creating s. 1007.012, F.S.; creating the Florida Flexible Option Initiative; providing the purpose of the initiative; providing legislative intent; providing that implementing the initiative allows students to satisfy certain requirements; defining the term "Florida-accredited charter course" as it relates to the initiative; providing for application of certain courses and assessments toward promotion, graduation, and degree attainment; requiring that Florida-accredited charter courses and their assessments be annually identified, approved, published, and shared for consideration by certain students and entities; requiring the Commissioner of Education and the Chancellor of the State University System to approve each Florida-accredited charter course and its assessments; requiring the Articulation Coordinating Committee to annually publish and share a list of approved Florida-accredited charter courses, their assessments, and other courses; amending s. 1008.24, F.S.; authorizing a school district, a Florida College System institution, and a state university to contract with qualified contractors to administer and proctor statewide standardized assessments or assessments associated with Florida-accredited charter courses; authorizing the Department of Education to contract for these services on behalf of the state or a school district, Florida College System institution, or state university; providing that assessments may be administered or proctored by qualified contractors at sites that meet certain criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 906—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds of the Department of Veterans' Affairs; amending s. 215.22, F.S.; exempting trust funds administered by the department from the service charge representing the estimated pro rata share of the cost of general government paid from the General Revenue Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 908—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state technology; abolishing the Agency for Enterprise Information Technology; transferring the personnel, functions, and funds of the agency to the Agency for State Technology; transferring specified personnel, functions, funds, trust funds, administrative orders, contracts, and rules relating to technology programs from the Department of Management Services to the Agency for State Technology; transferring the Northwood Shared Resource Center and the Southwood Shared Resource Center to the agency; repealing s. 14.204, F.S., relating to the Agency for Enterprise Information Technology; creating s. 14.206, F.S.; creating the Agency for State Technology; providing for organization of the agency; providing for an executive director who shall be the state's Chief Information Officer; providing duties and responsibilities of the executive director; specifying the officers and divisions of the agency; prohibiting the agency from using certain trust funds for certain purposes; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; reordering and amending s. 282.0041, F.S.; revising and providing definitions for terms used in the Enterprise Information Technology Services Management Act; amending s. 282.0055, F.S.; revising provisions for assignment of enterprise information technology services; directing the agency to establish a process for enterprise information technology services; requiring the agency and state agencies to create operational plans for service consolidation and specifying the components of such plans; requiring the agency to develop a comprehensive transition plan for consolidation and submit such plan to the Governor, the Cabinet, and the Legislature by a certain date; specifying the components of the plan; providing duties for state agencies relating to the transition plan; prohibiting state agencies from engaging in certain technology-related activities; providing exceptions; amending s. 282.0056, F.S.; requiring the agency executive director to develop a biennial state Information Technology Strategic Plan for approval by the Governor and the Cabinet; specifying the elements of the plan; requiring state agencies to submit their own biennial information technology plans and any requested information to the agency; revising provisions relating to the development of work plans and implementation plans; revising provisions for reporting on the work plan; amending s. 282.201, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the state data center system; providing legislative intent; proving agency duties, including directing the agency to provide recommendations to the Governor and Legislature relating to changes to the schedule for the consolidations of data centers; providing state agency duties for consolidating a data center into a shared resource center; suspending the consolidations scheduled for state agency data centers for a specified period; amending s. 282.203, F.S.; revising duties of shared resource centers; removing provisions establishing boards of trustees to head centers; requiring a memorandum of understanding between the shared resource center and the participating state agency; limiting the term of the memorandum; providing for failure to enter into a memorandum; repealing s. 282.204, F.S., relating to Northwood Shared Resource Center; repealing s. 282.205, F.S., relating to Southwood Shared Resource Center; creating s. 282.206, F.S.; establishing the Fletcher Shared Resource Center within the Department of Financial Services to provide enterprise information technology services; directing the center to collaborate with the agency; directing the center to provide colocation services to the Department of Legal Affairs, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Department of Financial Services; directing the Department of Financial Services to continue to use the center and provide service to the Office of Financial Regulation and the Office of Insurance Regulation and host the Legislative Appropriations System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem; providing for governance of the center; providing for a steering committee to ensure adequacy and appropriateness of services; directing the Department of Legal Affairs and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to move data center equipment to the center by certain dates; amending s. 282.318, F.S.; providing that certain departments are exempted from the executive-level state agencies for whom the agency establishes rules and guidelines relating to security; repealing s. 282.33, F.S., relating to objective standards for data center energy efficiency; repealing s. 282.34, F.S., relating to enterprise email service; amending ss. 282.702, 20.22, 110.205, 215.22, 215.322, 216.292, 282.604, 282.703, 282.704, 282.705, 282.706, 282.707, 282.709, 282.7101, 282.711, 287.012, 287.057, 318.18, 320.0802, 328.72, 364.0135, 365.171, 365.172, 365.173, 365.174, 401.013, 401.015, 401.018, 401.021, 401.024, 401.027, 401.465, 445.011, 445.045, and 668.50, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; revising and deleting obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 910—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of liquid fuels; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to inspect certain gasoline pumps on at least an annual basis; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SM 912—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to adequately restore funding to the Supportive Housing for the Elderly Program.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 914—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse treatment services; providing a short title; amending s. 28.241, F.S.; revising the filing fee for involuntary admissions proceedings for substance abuse treatment; providing for the distribution of proceeds from the fee; amending ss. 397.6772, 397.6773, 397.6797, and 397.6798, F.S.; increasing the period allowed for assessment of a person following involuntary custody or admission to a hospital or other facility; conforming provisions; amending s. 397.754, F.S.; specifying requirements for the initial processing of inmates by the Department of Corrections for substance abuse needs; providing that, to the fullest extent practicable, inmates be given the choice between faith-based and nonfaith-based substance abuse programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Flores and Benacquisto—

SB 916—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; specifying a period during which the sale of clothing, wallets, bags, school supplies, personal computers, and personal computer related accessories are exempt from the sales tax; providing definitions; providing exceptions; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 918—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public depositories; amending s. 280.02, F.S.; revising definitions applicable to the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act; amending ss. 280.03, 280.052, 280.053, 280.07, 280.10, and 280.13, F.S.; conforming terminology to changes made by the act; amending s. 280.16, F.S.; revising credit union reporting requirements; amending s. 280.17, F.S.; revising evidence of insurance required to be submitted by a public depositor to the Chief Financial Officer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Detert—

SB 920—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the State University System; creating s. 1009.245, F.S.; requiring tuition and fees assessed to an undergraduate student to remain constant and not exceed the rate assessed upon initial enrollment under specified circumstances; providing for prospective application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bradley, Bean, and Dean—

SB 922—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional sports franchise facilities; amending ss. 288.1162 and 212.20, F.S.; authorizing an applicant previously certified as a facility for a new or retained professional sports franchise to receive an additional certification under certain circumstances, and to receive a monthly distribution of a specified amount of sales tax revenues, to improve the conditions of the facility to meet or exceed certain facility standards; defining the term "facility standards"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 924—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dentists; amending s. 627.6474, F.S.; prohibiting a contract between a health insurer and a dentist from requiring the dentist to provide services at a fee set by the insurer under certain circumstances; providing that covered services are those services listed as a benefit that the insured is entitled to receive under a contract; prohibiting an insurer from providing merely de minimis reimbursement or coverage; requiring that fees for covered services be set in good faith and not be nominal; prohibiting a health insurer from requiring as a condition of a contract that a dentist participate in a discount medical plan; amending s. 636.035, F.S.; prohibiting a contract between a prepaid limited health service organization and a dentist from requiring the dentist to provide services at a fee set by the organization under certain circumstances; providing that covered services are those services listed as a benefit that a subscriber of a prepaid limited health service organization is entitled to receive under a contract; prohibiting a prepaid limited health service organization from providing merely de minimis reimbursement or coverage; requiring that fees for covered services be set in good faith and not be nominal; prohibiting the prepaid limited health service organization from requiring as a condition of a contract that a dentist participate in a discount medical plan; amending s. 641.315, F.S.; prohibiting a contract between a health maintenance organization and a dentist from requiring the dentist to provide services at a fee set by the organization under certain circumstances; providing that covered services are those services listed as a benefit that a subscriber of a health maintenance organization is entitled to receive under a contract; prohibiting a health maintenance organization from providing merely de minimis reimbursement or coverage; requiring that fees for covered services be set in good faith and not be nominal; prohibiting the health maintenance organization from requiring as a condition of a contract that a dentist participate in a discount medical plan; providing for application of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Detert—

SB 926—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Commission on Ethics; amending ss. 55.10 and 55.202, F.S.; authorizing the commission to acquire liens on real and personal property for certain fines imposed by final order of the commission; amending s. 55.209, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 112.3143, F.S.; providing a definition; providing circumstances under which a state public officer who holds an elective office must disclose certain interests when voting on a matter; prohibiting a state public officer who holds an appointive position from voting upon certain matters; requiring disclosure of certain interests of a state public officer holding an appointive position and a county, municipal, or other local public officer; prohibiting a state public officer holding an appointive position and a county, municipal, or other local public officer from participating in certain matters that would inure to his or her gain or that of others; providing exceptions; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; expanding the authority of the commission to initiate an investigation of an alleged violation or breach of the public trust upon the receipt of a written referral from certain individuals and which seven members of the commission deem sufficient; requiring the transmission of a referral to an alleged violator under certain circumstances; amending s. 411.01, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 928—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community development; amending s. 196.1978, F.S.; deleting an ad valorem tax exemption for property owned by certain Florida-based limited partnerships and used for affordable housing for certain income-qualified persons; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising criteria for community contribution tax credit for donations; amending ss. 220.183 and 624.5105, F.S.; extending the expiration date applicable to the granting of community contribution tax credits against the sales and use tax, corporate income tax, and insurance premium tax for contributions to eligible sponsors of community projects approved by the Department of Economic Opportunity; amending s. 420.507, F.S.; revising the powers of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; specifying how the corporation will allocate certain funds; amending s. 420.5087, F.S.; revising provisions re-

lating to state apartment incentive loans to provide for a competitive evaluation and selection process with respect to loan applications; amending s. 420.511, F.S.; providing that the corporation's strategic business plan must be consistent with a long-range program plan relating to affordable housing; deleting a requirement that the corporation compile certain data; revising provisions relating to the corporation's development of its long-range plan; revising the required contents and information to be included in the corporation's annual report; requiring the corporation to submit separate audited financial statements that include specified information and incorporate certain reports; requiring the Auditor General to conduct an operational audit of the corporation and provide a written report to the Legislature; amending ss. 420.0003, 420.0006, 420.504, and 420.506, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by this act; repealing s. 420.5091, F.S., relating to the HOPE program; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 930—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of deadly force; amending ss. 30.60 and 166.0485, F.S.; requiring the county sheriff or municipal police department to issue reasonable guidelines for the operation of neighborhood crime watch programs; providing that the guidelines are subject to reasonable exceptions; amending s. 776.032, F.S.; providing that a person who is justified in using force is immune from criminal prosecution and civil action initiated by the person against whom the force was used; defining the term "criminal prosecution"; clarifying that a law enforcement agency retains the right and duty to fully investigate the use of force upon which an immunity may be claimed; amending s. 776.041, F.S.; providing that any reason, including immunity, used by an aggressor to justify the use of force is not available to the aggressor under specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

SR 932—Not referenced.

By Senator Lee—

SB 934—A bill to be entitled An act relating to stormwater management permits; creating s. 373.41305, F.S.; authorizing certain municipalities and counties to adopt stormwater adaptive management plans and obtain conceptual permits for urban redevelopment projects; providing requirements for establishment of such permits by water management districts in consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection; providing that certain urban redevelopment projects qualify for a noticed general permit; prohibiting provisions for such permits from conflicting with specified federally delegated pollution reduction programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Lee—

SB 936—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Holocaust Victims Assistance Act; amending s. 626.9543, F.S.; revising the short title; broadening the act to include financial claims and assets and other property, and to address the effect of nonpayment of claims or nonreturn of property on victims; deleting a time limitation on insurers for providing certain information to the Department of Financial Services and requiring insurers to provide a report under certain circumstances; revising the content and timing of the annual report to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dean—

SB 938—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recreational vehicle parks; amending s. 513.01, F.S.; defining the term "occupancy"; creating s. 513.013, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing for the regulation of recreational vehicle parks and recreational camps by the Department of Health; providing uniform standards; creating s. 513.1115, F.S.; providing requirements for the establishment of separation and setback distances in parks; repealing s. 513.111, F.S., relating to the posting of site rental rates, advertising, and penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 940—A bill to be entitled An act relating to canned or perishable food distributed free of charge; amending s. 768.136, F.S.; limiting the liability of public schools with respect to the donation of canned or perishable food to charitable or nonprofit organizations; revising a definition; authorizing a public school to donate food if the school meets food protection requirements adopted by the district school board; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Judiciary.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 942—A bill to be entitled An act relating to grandfathering registered contractors; amending s. 489.514, F.S.; extending the date by which an applicant must make application for a license to be grandfathered; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senators Grimsley, Braynon, and Soto—

SB 944—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concrete masonry products; providing a short title; creating the Florida Concrete Masonry Council, Inc.; authorizing the council to levy an assessment on the sale of concrete masonry units under certain circumstances; providing the powers and duties of the council and restrictions upon actions of the council; providing for appointment of the governing board of the council; authorizing the council to submit a referendum to manufacturers of concrete masonry units for authorization to levy an assessment on the sale of concrete masonry units; providing procedure for holding the referendum; authorizing the council to accept grants, donations, contributions, and gifts under certain circumstances; authorizing the council to make payments to other organizations under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the manufacturer's collection of assessments; authorizing the council to initiate legal action against a manufacturer under certain conditions; providing a procedure for manufacturers to petition for a referendum to continue the assessment; requiring the council to adopt bylaws; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Regulated Industries.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 946—A bill to be entitled An act relating to computer or electronic device harassment; creating s. 847.0042, F.S.; prohibiting knowing use of a computer or other device to transmit or post any photograph or video of an individual which depicts nudity and contains specified information relating to the depicted individual without first obtaining the depicted person's written consent; providing an exception; providing criminal penalties; providing enhanced penalties for violations by persons 18 years of age or older involving victims younger than 16 years of age; providing for jurisdiction; amending s. 921.244, F.S.; providing that a person convicted of a violation of s. 847.0042, F.S., be ordered to have no contact with the victim; providing criminal penalties for violation of such an order; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 948—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water supply; amending s. 373.701, F.S.; providing a legislative declaration that efforts to adequately and dependably meet water needs require the cooperation of utility companies, private landowners, water consumers, and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 373.703, F.S.; providing that the governing board of a water management district shall assist self-suppliers, among others, in meeting water supply demands in a manner that will give priority to encouraging conservation and reducing adverse environmental effects; providing that the governing board of a water management district may contract with self-suppliers for the purpose of carrying out its powers; amending s. 373.709, F.S.; providing that certain planning by the governing board of a water management district must be conducted in coordination and cooperation with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, among other interested parties; requiring that certain agricultural demand projections be based upon the best available data and providing considerations to determine the best available data; requiring certain information if there is a deviation from the data provided by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; authorizing certain users to propose specific projects for inclusion in the list of water supply development project options; removing references to alternative water supply projects; requiring water management districts to assist in developing multijurisdictional approaches to water supply project development jointly with affected self-suppliers in certain areas; amending s. 570.076, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 570.085, F.S.; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to establish an agricultural water supply planning program that includes certain data; providing criteria for development of data; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Agriculture.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 950—A bill to be entitled An act relating to photographic enforcement on school buses; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term "school bus safety camera" for purposes of the Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law; amending s. 316.008, F.S.; authorizing a school board to authorize use of school bus safety cameras to enforce specified provisions requiring a motor vehicle to stop behind a school bus stop signal; creating s. 316.0084, F.S.; creating the School Bus Safety Camera Program; providing for use of cameras installed on a school bus to provide evidence of a violation when a driver fails to stop behind the bus while the bus stop signal is displayed; requiring a school board to authorize use of such cameras by adopting a resolution; providing for the school board to enter into an agreement with a vendor for the installation, operation, notice processing, and administration and maintenance of the school bus safety camera program and with the county sheriff for operation and enforcement of the program; providing for a fine and the distribution of fines collected; providing procedures for enforcement and payment of fines; providing penalties for submission of a false affidavit establishing an exemption; providing for responsibility to pay the fine and specified fees; requiring the sheriff's office to issue a traffic citation in certain circumstances; providing that the images or video identified in the traffic citation raises a rebuttable presumption of a violation; authorizing the sheriff's office to issue a citation to the operator of a motor vehicle in certain circumstances; providing for the distribution of fines; authorizing the sheriff's office to contract for certain administrative requirements; requiring such cameras to meet specifications adopted by rule of the Department of Education; requiring the department to adopt such rules by a certain date; providing for applicability; amending s. 316.650, F.S.; providing procedures for transmission of citation data to the court; amending s. 316.655, F.S.; providing an exception to certain penalties; amending ss. 318.14 and 318.19, F.S.; providing exceptions to certain traffic infraction disposition procedures; amending s. 318.15, F.S.; providing procedures that apply upon failure to comply with civil penalty for failing to stop behind a school bus displaying a stop signal or by passing a school bus before the stop signal has been withdrawn when such violations are enforced under specified provisions; amending s. 320.03, F.S.; restricting issuance of a license plate or validation sticker until outstanding fines and fees are paid; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 952—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority; amending ss. 348.751 and 348.752, F.S.; renaming the Orlando-Orange County Expressway System as the "Central Florida Expressway System"; revising definitions; making technical changes; amending s. 348.753, F.S.; creating the Central Florida Expressway Authority; providing for the transfer of governance, and control, legal rights and powers, responsibilities, terms, and obligations to the authority; revising the composition of the governing body of the authority; providing for appointment of officers of the authority; revising quorum and voting requirements; conforming terminology and making technical changes; amending s. 348.754, F.S.; providing that the area served by the authority is within the geopolitical boundaries of Orange, Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties; prohibiting the authority from spending funds for SunRail; limiting the use of certain electronic tolls collected in Orange County to projects built in that county; removing the requirement that the route of a project must be approved by a municipality before the right-of-way can be acquired; requiring that the authority encourage the inclusion of local-, small-, minority-, and women-owned businesses in its procurement and contracting opportunities; removing the authority and criteria for an authority to waive payment and performance bonds for certain public works projects that are awarded pursuant to an economic development program; conforming terminology and making technical changes; amending ss. 348.7543, 348.7544, 348.7545, 348.7546, 348.7547, 348.755, and 348.756, F.S.; conforming terminology and making technical changes; amending s. 348.757, F.S.; providing that upon termination of the lease-purchase agreement of the Central Florida Expressway System, title in fee simple to the system will be retained by the authority; conforming terminology and making technical changes; amending ss. 348.758, 348.759, 348.760, 348.761, and 348.765, F.S.; conforming terminology and making technical changes; providing for the transfer of the Osceola County Expressway System to the Central Florida Expressway Authority; providing for the repeal of Part V of Chapter 348 when the Osceola County Expressway System is transferred to the Central Florida Expressway Authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 954—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Technological Research and Development Authority; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; deleting provisions for distribution by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to the authority of Challenger/Columbia license plate user fees; conforming provisions; amending s. 379.2202, F.S.; deleting provisions for distribution by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to the authority of saltwater license and permit fees; amending s. 112.3148, F.S., relating to giving gifts to certain officers or candidates for office and to procurement employees; deleting reference to the authority; providing contingent effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 956—A bill to be entitled An act relating to extracurricular activities; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; providing that K-12 public school students who meet certain requirements have a right to participate in extracurricular activities; amending s. 1006.15, F.S.; authorizing public school students attending a public school that does not offer a particular extracurricular activity to participate in that extracurricular activity at another school, subject to certain requirements; deleting a criterion for students who are enrolled in non-FHSAA member private schools to participate in interscholastic or intrascholastic sports; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 958—A bill to be entitled An act relating to underground natural gas storage; providing a short title; amending s. 211.02, F.S.; narrowing the use of the term "oil"; amending s. 211.025, F.S.; narrowing the scope of the gas production tax to apply only to native gas; amending s. 376.301, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 377.06, F.S.; making grammatical changes; declaring underground natural gas storage to be in the public interest; amending s. 377.18, F.S.; clarifying common sources of oil and gas; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; modifying and providing definitions; amending s. 377.21, F.S.; extending the jurisdiction of the Division of Resource Management of the Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 377.22, F.S.; expanding the scope of the department's rules and orders; providing that the department's authority must be self-executing and that a regulatory action may not be deemed invalid solely because the department has not yet adopted a certain rule; amending s. 377.24, F.S.; providing for the notice and permitting of storage in and recovery from natural gas storage reservoirs; creating s. 377.2407, F.S.; establishing a natural gas storage facility permit application process; specifying requirements for an application, including fees; amending s. 377.241, F.S.; providing criteria that the division must consider in issuing permits; amending s. 377.242, F.S.; granting authority to the department to issue permits to establish natural gas storage facilities; creating s. 377.2431, F.S.; establishing conditions and procedures for granting natural gas storage facility permits; limiting the right of a county or municipality to regulate natural gas storage facilities; creating s. 377.2432, F.S.; providing for the protection of water supplies at natural gas storage facilities; providing that an operator is presumed responsible for pollution of an underground water supply under certain circumstances; creating s. 377.2433, F.S.; providing for the protection of natural gas storage facilities through an administrative hearing; creating s. 377.2434, F.S.; providing that property rights to injected natural gas are with the injector or the injector's heirs, successors, or assigns; providing for compensation to the owner of the stratum and the owner of the surface for use of or damage to the surface or substratum; amending s. 377.25, F.S.; limiting the scope of certain drilling unit requirements; amending s. 377.28, F.S.; providing that the department may consider the need for the operation as a unit for the storage of natural gas; modifying situations in which the department is required to issue an order requiring unit operation; amending s. 377.29, F.S.; authorizing certain agreements between owners and operators of a natural gas storage facility; amending s. 377.30, F.S.; providing that limitations on the amount of oil or gas taken do not apply to nonnative gas recovered from a permitted natural gas storage facility; amending s. 377.34, F.S.; providing for legal action against a person who appears to be violating a rule that relates to the storage or recovery of natural gas; amending s. 377.37, F.S.; expanding penalties to reach persons who violate the terms of a permit relating to storage of gas in a natural gas storage facility; amending s. 377.371, F.S.; providing that a person storing gas in a natural gas storage facility may not pollute or otherwise damage certain areas and that a person who pollutes water by storing natural gas is liable for cleanup or other costs incurred by the state; amending s. 403.973, F.S.; allowing expedited permitting for natural gas storage facilities permitted under ch. 377, F.S.; providing that natural gas storage facilities are subject to certain requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bean—

SB 960—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending ss. 212.05 and 212.08, F.S.; providing an exemption from the tax for dyed diesel fuel used in certain vessels in a specified manner and for a specified purpose; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 962—A bill to be entitled An act relating to warrants; amending s. 901.02, F.S.; providing that an arrest warrant is deemed electronically issued and signed by a judge at the time the judge affixes his or her electronic signature to the warrant; defining the term "electronic signature"; amending s. 933.07, F.S.; providing that a search warrant is deemed electronically issued and signed by a judge at the time the judge affixes his or her electronic signature to the warrant; defining the term "electronic signature"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 964—A bill to be entitled An act relating to termination of parental rights; amending s. 39.806, F.S.; providing that a parent's rights may be terminated if the court determines, by clear and convincing evidence, that the child was conceived during an act of sexual battery, the parent is found guilty of sexual battery, or the court is presented with documentary evidence that the parent pled guilty to the charge of sexual battery; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bean—

SB 966—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; amending ss. 154.11, 394.741, 395.3038, 397.403, 400.925, 400.9935, 402.7306, 408.05, 409.966, 409.967, 430.80, 440.13, 627.645, 627.668, 627.669, 627.736, 641.495, and 766.1015, F.S.; conforming provisions to a redefinition of the term "accrediting organizations" in s. 395.002, F.S., relating to hospital licensing and regulation; creating s. 385.2035, F.S.; designating the Florida Hospital Sanford-Burnham Translational Research Institute for Metabolism and Diabetes as a resource for diabetes research in this state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school curriculum; providing a definition; creating a pilot project for students to earn micro-credits for participating in certain activities; requiring the Department of Education to administer a pilot project in a school district of its choice and to adopt rules regarding the activities for which students can earn micro-credits; establishing minimum requirements; requiring the department, the State Board of Education, and the Board of Governors of the State University System to study the potential of alternative credit hours at the postsecondary level and release their respective findings by a certain date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SM 970—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to propose to the states an amendment to the Constitution of the United States that would limit the consecutive terms of office which a member of the United States Senate or the United States House of Representatives may serve.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 972—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation development; amending s. 163.3180, F.S.; providing that local governments that implement transportation concurrency must allow an applicant for a development agreement to satisfy transportation concurrency re-

quirements if certain criteria are met; providing that a local government may accept contributions from multiple applicants for a planned improvement if it maintains such contributions in a separate account; providing that a local government that repeals transportation concurrency may not deny a development based on the adoption of an alternative transportation system if the developer agrees to enter into an agreement to pay for identified impacts of the proposed development; establishing certain requirements of such alternative transportation system; amending s. 163.3182, F.S.; expanding the types of transportation projects that a transportation development authority may undertake or carry out; amending s. 190.006, F.S.; modifying the method for filling positions within the board of supervisors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 974—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human trafficking; creating the "Florida Victim's Relief Act"; creating s. 90.50355, F.S.; defining the terms "confidential communication," "human-trafficking counselor," "trained volunteer," and "victim"; providing that a victim of human trafficking has a privilege to refuse to disclose, and to prevent any other person from disclosing, a confidential communication made by the victim to a human-trafficking counselor or trained volunteer or any record made in the course of advising, counseling, or assisting the victim; providing that the confidential communication or record may be disclosed only with the prior written consent of the victim; specifying by whom the privilege may be claimed; amending s. 772.104, F.S.; authorizing a court to award punitive damages to a person who proves by clear and convincing evidence that he or she has been subjected to sex trafficking or human trafficking; amending s. 787.06, F.S.; providing that in each instance in which a defendant pleads nolo contendere to, or is convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent for, the crime of human trafficking, the victim of that crime is entitled to all benefits, rights, and compensation granted pursuant to law; providing that a defendant may assert an affirmative defense that the person was acting under duress or coerced into committing the offense of human trafficking for which he or she is being subject to prosecution; creating s. 796.095, F.S.; authorizing a person convicted of committing the offense of prostitution and other sex crimes to file a motion to vacate the conviction if the person's participation in the offense was the result of the person having been a victim of human trafficking or of a severe form of trafficking; requiring certain specified conditions be met in order to file the motion; requiring the court to hold a hearing on a motion to vacate the conviction; permitting the court to dismiss the motion to vacate the conviction without a hearing if the court finds that the motion fails to assert grounds on which relief may be granted; providing that the person filing a motion to vacate the conviction has the burden of proof by a preponderance of the evidence; providing that a minor is not required to show that force, fraud, or coercion was used against him or her at the time of the offense; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Children, Families, and Elder Affairs.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 976—A bill to be entitled An act relating to senior services; providing a short title; providing a definition; authorizing each county to create an independent special district by ordinance to provide funding for services for seniors; requiring elector approval to annually levy ad valorem taxes; requiring the district to comply with statutory requirements related to levying and fixing millage and filing financial or compliance reports; providing for the dissolution of the district; requiring the governing body of the county to periodically submit to the electorate the question of retention or dissolution of the district; creating a governing council for the district; specifying criteria for membership to the council; providing terms of office; requiring the council members to serve without compensation; specifying the powers and functions of the council; requiring the council to appoint a chair and vice chair and elect other officers, identify and assess the needs of seniors, provide training and orientation to new members of the council, make and adopt bylaws and rules for the council's operation and governance, and provide an annual report to the county governing body; authorizing two or more districts to enter into cooperative agreements; requiring the council to maintain minutes of each meeting; requiring the council to prepare a tentative annual budget and compute a millage rate to fund the district; requiring that all tax moneys collected be paid directly to the council by the county tax collector and be deposited in qualified public depositories; requiring certain members to file a surety bond; specifying expenditures of funds; requiring the council to prepare and file quarterly financial reports with the county governing body; prohibiting the council from requiring certain matching funds; providing legislative intent with respect to the use of funds collected by the council; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 978—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Springs Revival Act; creating s. 373.198, F.S.; requiring water management districts to identify certain springs, develop certain plans, and submit certain reports to the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing the districts to adopt rules and issue orders; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Flores—

SB 980—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational personnel evaluations; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; authorizing a school district to reduce the percentage of the performance evaluation of instructional personnel which is based on student performance if the school district uses specified, multiple measures of instructional practice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 982—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic information for insurance purposes; amending s. 627.4301, F.S.; prohibiting insurers authorized to transact insurance in this state from cancelling, limiting, denying coverage, or establishing differentials in premium rates, based on genetic information under certain circumstances; prohibiting insurers from requiring or soliciting genetic information or taking other specified actions with respect to genetic information for insurance purposes; deleting a definition to conform to changes made by the act; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Richter—

SB 984—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 377.24075, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for certain information provided in an application for a natural gas storage facility permit to inject and recover gas into and from a natural gas storage reservoir; providing for future review and repeal of the public records exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 986—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requirements for driver licenses; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; including notice of the approval of an application for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals status issued by

the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services as valid proof of identity for purposes of applying for a driver license; reenacting ss. 322.17(3), 322.18(2)(d) and (4)(c), and 322.19(4), F.S., relating to conditions and limitations with respect to obtaining a duplicate or replacement instruction permit or driver license, expiration of and renewal of a driver license, and change of name or address on a driver license for licensees who establish their identity in a specified manner, to incorporate the amendments made by the act to s. 322.08, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 988—A bill to be entitled An act relating to possession or discharge of a firearm or destructive device during the commission of specified offenses; amending s. 775.087, F.S.; providing that a sentencing court may elect not to impose the minimum term of imprisonment for persons convicted of certain offenses during which the person actually possessed or discharged a firearm or destructive device if the court finds that certain specified criteria are met; requiring a sentencing court that elects not to impose the mandatory minimum sentence for the relevant offense to make specific findings to support its decision to impose a lesser term; making grammatical and technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 990—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District, Monroe County; amending chapter 2002-337, Laws of Florida, as amended; revising provisions relating to vacancies on the district's governing board; revising compensation of the governing board members; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 992—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Statewide K-12 Education Commission; creating the Statewide K-12 Education Commission within the Department of Education; providing purposes; providing for terms, membership, and meetings; providing that members are entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses, subject to appropriations provided in the General Appropriations Act; providing duties; requiring that the commission submit a report to the Governor, Legislature, and State Board of Education by a specified date each year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 994—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 17.28, 23.1231, 43.291, 110.118, 112.361, 119.0712, 120.65, 201.165, 202.37, 207.021, 207.0281, 212.097, 212.098, 215.61, 238.03, 258.0165, 288.1045, 288.108, 288.706, 288.816, 316.0747, 316.525, 317.0005, 320.0657, 320.0848, 322.161, 324.0221, 339.2817, 339.55, 376.121, 376.317, 379.245, 380.0666, 391.304, 391.305, 393.0641, 395.0185, 395.605, 397.99, 397.998, 400.063, 400.176, 400.801, 402.22, 402.3025, 402.81, 403.7191, 409.2576, 409.2578, 409.441, 409.9101, 411.224, 414.158, 414.1585, 414.35, 415.1105, 420.5091, 430.708, 430.902, 443.1312, 443.1313, 455.2255, 456.053, 472.017, 489.146, 496.414, 497.381, 501.0583, 509.036, 548.024, 559.10, 561.41, 578.26, 582.055, 601.74, 601.76, 607.193, 624.487, 627.096, 627.212, 627.917, 633.445, 641.316, 655.922, 658.995, 668.704, 713.78, 713.785, 744.7021, 744.713, 766.304, 865.09, 943.0543, 943.0544, 944.095, 945.73, 946.525, 949.08, 985.66, 1011.48, 1011.51, 1011.765, 1012.467, and 1012.965, F.S.; and repealing ss. 112.358, 199.1851, 220.1501, 328.44, 328.50, 403.0861, 409.14511, 409.2675, 411.205, 553.897, 563.04, 564.04, 601.75, 601.77, 601.78, 627.793, 634.289, 663.319, and 984.05, F.S.; to conform to the directive of the Legislature in section 9 of chapter 2012-116, Laws of Florida, to prepare a reviser's bill to omit all statutes and laws, or parts thereof, which grant duplicative, redundant, or unused rulemaking authority; amending ss. 213.053, 400.518, 556.116, 564.06, and 601.80, F.S.; to conform to the changes made in this act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 996—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Tohopekaliga Water Authority, Osceola County; amending chapter 2003-368, Laws of Florida; revising the terms of members of the authority; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 998—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile offenders; providing a short title; creating s. 985.4555, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that a juvenile offender who was younger than 18 years of age at the time of the commission of a nonhomicide or homicide offense and who is sentenced to life imprisonment is eligible for resentencing if the offender has been incarcerated for a minimum period; requiring that the Department of Corrections conduct a screening to determine whether a juvenile offender is eligible for a resentencing hearing; providing that a juvenile offender is entitled to legal representation for a resentencing hearing; requiring the court to appoint a public defender to represent the juvenile if the juvenile cannot afford to pay for counsel; providing criteria for the judge to determine maturity and reform; requiring a minimum term of probation for a juvenile offender resentenced by the court; providing eligibility for a subsequent resentencing hearing after a specified period for a juvenile offender denied resentencing; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 1000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of firearms; creating s. 790.339, F.S.; defining "preventative assessment"; providing that it is unlawful for a person to own or have in his or her care, custody, possession, or control any firearm or ammunition, or to carry a concealed weapon or firearm, for a period of 90 days if the person is the subject of a preventative assessment received by the Department of Law Enforcement; providing restrictions to be imposed by the department upon receipt of a preventative assessment; providing for removal of restrictions; providing a penalty; reenacting and amending s. 790.065, F.S.; requiring the department to review records to determine if a potential firearms purchaser or transferee has received a preventative assessment; defining "preventative assessment"; providing for the inclusion of persons who are the subject of a preventative assessment within the department's automated database of persons who are prohibited from purchasing a firearm; providing requirements for reporting a preventative assessment and the contents thereof; requiring the department to delete any mental health record of a person subject to a preventative assessment after a specified period of time; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the procurement of professional architectural, engineering, landscape architectural, or sur-

veying and mapping services; amending s. 287.055, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "continuing contract" and defining the term "best value selection"; clarifying provisions with respect to selection of firms by an agency under the competitive selection process; providing that an agency has the right to reject any or all submissions received in response to a public announcement under the competitive selection process; authorizing an agency to award contracts to multiple firms under the competitive negotiation process; providing for a best value selection process; requiring agencies to adopt rules governing the use of the process; providing minimum requirements with respect to best value selection procedures; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public data; providing definitions; requiring each agency to submit an inventory of public data in its custody to the Secretary of State; specifying the information that must be included in each inventory; requiring the Secretary of State to establish a website by a specified date; establishing website requirements; authorizing the Department of State to use fees collected and deposited in the Records Management Trust Fund to pay for the administration of the website; granting rulemaking authority to the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1006—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax credits or refunds; reordering and amending s. 212.17, F.S.; providing procedures, requirements, and calculation methodologies that allow dealers or lenders to obtain tax credits or refunds for taxes paid on worthless or uncollectable private-label credit card or dealer credit card program accounts or receivables; providing definitions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1008—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student loans; creating s. 43.45, F.S.; providing definitions; providing for a financial assistance program administered by the Justice Administrative Commission and the Office of the Attorney General to assist a career assistant state attorney, assistant public defender, assistant attorney general, or assistant statewide prosecutor in the repayment of eligible student loans; establishing provisions for program administration; requiring the administering body to make a payment of a certain amount based on the length of employment as an eligible career attorney; providing for funding; requiring the Justice Administrative Commission and the Office of the Attorney General to develop procedures to administer the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1010—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance coverage for prescription drugs; amending ss. 627.6487, 627.6699, and 641.31, F.S.; prohibiting higher copayments, deductibles, coinsurance, or similar charges for nonpreferred prescription drugs as compared to preferred prescription drugs; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, with the assistance of the Office of Insurance Regulation, to conduct a study and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a certain date; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1012—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Program; amending s. 288.1082, F.S.; expanding the Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Pilot Program into a statewide program; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to contract with the Florida Economic Gardening Institute at the University of Central Florida to administer the program; revising and providing eligibility requirements for the program; providing definitions; amending s. 288.1081, F.S.; conforming a reference to the Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Pilot Program to changes made by the act; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1014—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 397.334, F.S.; exempting from public records requirements the initial screenings for a treatment-based drug court program, substance abuse screenings, behavioral health evaluations, and subsequent treatment status reports regarding a participant in a treatment-based drug court program; providing for future repeal and legislative review of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1016—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sovereign immunity for dentists and dental hygienists; amending s. 766.1115, F.S.; revising a definition; defining the term "uncompensated services" as it relates to the liability of health care providers licensed under ch. 466, F.S., who are agents of governmental contractors; providing that the contribution to the dental laboratory expenses associated with the care of a patient is not considered compensation for the services; requiring a contract with a governmental contractor for health care services to include a provision for a health care provider licensed under ch. 466, F.S., as an agent of the governmental contractor, to allow a patient or a parent or guardian of the patient to voluntarily contribute a fee to cover costs of dental laboratory work related to the services provided to the patient without forfeiting sovereign immunity; prohibiting the contribution from exceeding the actual amount of the dental laboratory charges; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1018—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of firearms and ammunition; amending s. 790.33, F.S.; providing that except as otherwise expressly prohibited by the State Constitution, the municipalities and counties of this state may regulate the field of firearms and ammunition, including the purchase, sale, transfer, taxation, manufacture, ownership, possession, storage, and transportation of firearms and ammunition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1020—A bill to be entitled An act relating to banking; amending s. 655.005, F.S.; adding and revising definitions; amending s. 655.041, F.S.; prohibiting the Office of Insurance Regulation from initiating an administrative proceeding while a person is subject to a federal proceeding on the same grounds; amending s. 655.85, F.S.; clarifying that an institution may impose a fee for the settlement of a check under certain circumstances; providing legislative intent; amending s. 655.968, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1022—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the death penalty; amending s. 775.082, F.S.; deleting provisions providing for the death penalty for capital felonies; deleting provisions relating to the effect of a declaration by a court of last resort that the death penalty in a capital felony is unconstitutional; amending ss. 27.51 and 27.511, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to representation in death penalty cases; repealing ss. 27.7001, 27.7002, 27.701, 27.702, 27.703, 27.704, 27.705, 27.706, 27.707, 27.708, 27.7081, 27.7091, 27.710, 27.711, and 27.715, F.S., relating to capital collateral representation; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; deleting a public records exemption relating to capital collateral proceedings; amending s. 282.201, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending ss. 775.15 and 790.161, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the effect of a declaration by a court of last resort declaring that the death penalty in a capital felony is unconstitutional; repealing s. 913.13, F.S., relating to jurors in capital cases; repealing s. 921.137, F.S., relating to prohibiting the imposition of the death sentence upon a defendant with mental retardation; repealing s. 921.141, F.S., relating to determination of whether to impose a sentence of death or life imprisonment for a capital felony; repealing s. 921.142, F.S., relating to determination of whether to impose a sentence of death or life imprisonment for a capital drug trafficking felony; amending ss. 394.912, 782.04, 782.065, 794.011, and 893.135, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing ss. 922.052, 922.06, 922.07, 922.08, 922.095, 922.10, 922.105, 922.108, 922.11, 922.111, 922.12, 922.14, and 922.15, F.S., relating to issuance of warrant of execution, stay of execution of death sentence, proceedings when a person under sentence of death appears to be insane, proceedings when a person under sentence of death appears to be pregnant, grounds for death warrant, execution of death sentence, prohibition against reduction of death sentence as a result of determination that a method of execution is unconstitutional, sentencing orders in capital cases, regulation of execution, transfer to state prison for safekeeping before death warrant issued, return of warrant of execution issued by Governor, sentence of death unexecuted for unjustifiable reasons, and return of warrant of execution issued by Supreme Court, respectively; amending s. 924.055, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to legislative intent concerning appeals and postconviction proceedings in death penalty cases; repealing ss. 924.056 and 924.057, F.S., relating to commencement of capital postconviction actions for which sentence of death is imposed on or after January 14, 2000, and limitation on postconviction cases in which the death sentence was imposed before January 14, 2000, respectively; amending ss. 924.058 and 924.059, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 925.11, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to preservation of DNA evidence in death penalty cases; amending s. 945.10, F.S.; deleting a public records exemption for the identity of executioners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism—

SB 1024—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Economic Opportunity; amending ss. 20.60, 288.906, and 288.907, F.S.; revising requirements for various annual reports submitted to the Governor and Legislature, including the annual report of the Department of Economic Opportunity, the annual report of Enterprise Florida, Inc., and the annual incentives report; consolidating the reporting requirements for various economic development programs into these annual reports; amending ss. 220.194, 288.012, 288.061, and 288.0656, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 288.095, F.S.; deleting requirements for an annual report related to certain payments made from the Economic Development Incentives Account of the Economic Development Trust Fund; amending ss. 288.106, 288.1081, 288.1082, 288.1088, and 288.1089, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 288.1226, F.S.; revising membership of the board of directors of the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation; providing that the Governor shall serve as a nonvoting member; amending ss. 288.1253, 288.1254, and 288.1258, F.S.; revising requirements for annual reports by the Office of Film and Entertainment; amending ss. 288.714 and 288.7771, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 288.903, F.S.; revising the duties of Enterprise Florida, Inc., with respect to preparation of the annual incentives report; amending ss. 288.92, 288.95155, 290.0056, and 290.014, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 290.0411 and 290.042, F.S.; revising legislative intent and definitions applicable to the Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program Act; amending s. 290.044, F.S.; requiring the department to adopt rules for the distribution of block grant funds to eligible local governments; deleting authority for block grant funds to be distributed as loan guarantees to local governments; requiring that block grant funds be distributed to achieve the department's community development objectives; requiring such objectives to be consistent with certain national objectives; amending s. 290.0455, F.S.; providing for the state's guarantee of certain federal loans to local governments; requiring applicants for such loans to pledge a specified amount of revenues to guarantee the loans; revising requirements for the department to submit recommendations to the Federal Government for such loans; revising the maximum amount of the loan guarantee commitment that a local government may receive; providing for reduction of a local government's future community development block grants if the local government defaults on the federal loan; providing procedures if a local government is granted entitlement community status; amending s. 290.046, F.S.; revising application requirements for community development block grants and procedures for the ranking of applications and the determination of project funding; amending s. 290.047, F.S.; revising requirements for the establishment of grant ceilings and maximum expenditures on administrative costs from community development block grants; limiting an eligible local government's authority to contract for specified services in connection with community development block grants; amending s. 290.0475, F.S.; revising conditions under which grant applications are ineligible for funding; 290.048, F.S.; revising the department's duties to administer the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Loan Guarantee Program; deleting provisions authorizing the establishment of an advisory committee; amending ss. 331.3051 and 331.310, F.S.; revising requirements for annual reports by Space Florida; amending s. 443.1113, F.S., relating to the Reemployment Assistance Claims and Benefits Information System; revising timeframe for deployment of a certain Internet portal as part of such system; amending s. 443.131, F.S.; revising requirements for the estimate of interest due on advances received from the Federal Government to the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund and the calculation of additional assessments to contributing employers to repay the interest; providing an exemption from such additional assessments; amending ss. 443.151 and 443.191, F.S.; requiring the department to impose a penalty against a claimant who is overpaid reemployment assistance benefits due to fraud by the claimant and providing for deposit of moneys collected for such penalties in the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund; amending s. 443.1715, F.S.; prohibiting the unlawful disclosure of certain confidential information relating to employing units and individuals under the Reemployment Assistance Program Law; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 446.50, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 1026—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax collectors; amending s. 197.332, F.S.; specifying that the tax collector may collect delinquent taxes by processing tax deed applications; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 1028—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Fracturing Chemical Usage Disclosure Act; creating such act and providing a short title; creating s. 377.45, F.S.; directing the Division of Resource Management of the Department of Environmental Protection to establish an online hydraulic fracturing chemical registry; requiring owners and operators of wells on which a hydraulic fracturing treatment is performed to disclose certain information; requiring certain service companies and suppliers to disclose certain information; providing exceptions; authorizing the division to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senators Thrasher and Bradley—

SB 1030—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sweepstakes devices; providing legislative intent; creating s. 849.0945, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting the use of certain sweepstakes devices; providing an exception for operators who were using such devices on or before a specified date; requiring local governments to renew certain permits, licenses, or permissions to operate such devices; authorizing certain officials to seek injunctive relief against operators who violate this act; limiting the scope of the act; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Gaming; Regulated Industries; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1032—A bill to be entitled An act relating to correctional reentry treatment facilities; amending s. 944.02, F.S.; defining the term "correctional reentry treatment facility"; amending s. 944.024, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to screen adults for eligibility for reentry treatment services; creating s. 944.0280, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 944.0281, F.S.; requiring the department to establish one or more correctional reentry treatment facilities to be operated by private providers who have experience providing substance abuse, behavioral health, educational, vocational, and other transitional services to offenders; requiring a correctional reentry treatment facility to meet standards for minimum custody offenders; authorizing private providers who operate a correctional reentry treatment facility to subcontract with the department or other private providers to furnish security services and other professional services; requiring a correctional reentry treatment facility to provide necessary working space to department staff; creating s. 944.0282, F.S.; specifying eligibility criteria for participation in the reentry treatment program; providing legislative intent; creating s. 944.0283, F.S.; specifying program elements of the reentry treatment facility; authorizing priority consideration for providers that are Florida-based nonprofit organizations with certain qualifications; creating s. 944.0284, F.S.; providing that eligible offenders may be admitted into a correctional reentry treatment facility upon recommendation of the sentencing court or upon determination by the department that an eligible offender is appropriate for admission to a correctional reentry treatment facility; prohibiting certain offenders from being admitted into a correction reentry treatment facility; providing that the department may place offenders if there are vacancies remaining after placement of offenders recommended by the courts; requiring the department to provide a court with information on program availability upon request; creating s. 944.0285, F.S.; specifying that the department may transfer an offender from a correctional reentry treatment facility under certain circumstances; creating s. 944.0286, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain a waiting list under certain circumstances; establishing priorities for admission from the waiting list; requiring the department to develop additional criteria to assign priority for the waiting list; creating s. 944.0287, F.S.; requiring the department to track recidivism of offenders who have participated in correctional reentry treatment facility programs; requiring the department to report to the Governor and the Legislature; creating s. 944.0288, F.S.; providing that the act does not create or confer any right to any offender to placement in a correctional reentry treatment facility; amending s. 945.091, F.S.; requiring the department to require offenders working at paid employment to use a portion of the employment proceeds equal to the amount of the voucher provided for a government-issued photo identification card plus the actual cost charged by the issuer for any other necessary document; providing for the deposit of funds collected into the General Revenue Fund; creating s. 945.0915, F.S.; requiring the department to assist offenders to obtain the proper documents in order that an offender might participate in paid employment; amending s. 784.078, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1034—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Jump Start Literacy Pilot Project; requiring the Office of Early Learning within the Department of Education to establish the pilot project in St. Lucie County to assist low-income, at-risk children in developing emergent literacy skills; providing eligibility requirements for participation; requiring the office to establish performance standards and outcome measures for participating children; requiring emergent literacy training for instructors; requiring the office to allocate funds for the pilot project; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs—

SB 1036—A bill to be entitled An act relating to independent living; amending s. 39.013, F.S.; providing that when the court obtains jurisdiction over a child who has been found to be dependent, the court retains jurisdiction until the child reaches 21 years of age; providing exceptions; creating s. 39.6035, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families, the community-based care provider, and others to assist a child in developing a transition plan after the child reaches 17 years of age and requiring a meeting to develop the plan; specifying requirements and procedures for the transition plan; requiring periodic review of the transition plan; requiring the court to approve the transition plan before the child leaves foster care and the court terminates jurisdiction; creating s. 39.6251, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that a young adult may remain in foster care under certain circumstances after attaining 18 years of age; specifying criteria for extended foster care; providing that the permanency goal for a young adult who chooses to remain in care is transition from care to independent living; specifying dates for eligibility for a young adult to remain in extended foster care; providing for supervised living arrangements in extended foster care; authorizing a young adult to return to foster care under certain circumstances; specified services that must be provided to the young adult; directing the court to retain jurisdiction and hold review hearings; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; revising judicial review of foster care cases; making technical changes; providing criteria for review hearings for children younger than 18 years of age; providing criteria for review hearings for children 17 years of age; requiring the department to verify that the child has certain documents; requiring the department to update the case plan; providing for review hearings for young adults in foster care; amending s. 409.145, F.S.; requiring the department to develop and implement a system of care for children in foster care; specifying the goals of the foster care system; requiring the department to assist foster care caregivers to achieve quality parenting; specifying the roles and responsibilities of caregivers, the department, and others; providing for transition from a caregiver; requiring information sharing; providing for the adoption and use of a "reasonable and prudent parent" standard; defining terms; providing for the application for the standard of care; providing for limiting liability of caregivers; specifying foster care room and board rates; directing the department to adopt rules; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; providing for the Road-to-Independence program; providing legislative findings and intent; providing for postsecondary services and supports; specifying aftercare services; providing for appeals of a determination of eligibility; providing for portability of services across county lines and between lead agencies; providing for accountability; creating the Independent Living Services Advisory Council; providing for membership and specifying the duties and functions of the council; requiring reports and recommenda-

tions; directing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 409.175; allowing for young adults remaining in care to be considered in total number of children placed in a foster home; amending s. 409.903, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; directing the Department of Children and Families to work in collaboration with the Board of Governors, the Florida College System, and the Department of Education to help address the need for a comprehensive support structure in the academic arena to assist young adults who have been or remain in the foster care system; providing for a transfer of services; providing for foster care services to be paid from a special category in the General Appropriations Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1038—A bill to be entitled An act relating to volunteers for organized youth sports and recreation programs; amending s. 943.0438, F.S.; defining the terms "volunteer" and "youth sports or recreation authority"; expanding provisions relating to athletic coaches for independent sanctioning authorities to require youth sports or recreation authorities to conduct specified background screening of all volunteers with any youth athletic team or organized youth recreational program using publicly owned facilities; providing that the duty may not be delegated; requiring that specified documentation be maintained for a specified period by such authorities; requiring authorities to provide copies of such documentation to certain governmental entities; requiring governmental entities to retain documentation for a specified period; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1040—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; transferring, redesignating, and amending s. 525.09(1), F.S.; transferring the collection of the motor fuel inspection fee from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to the Department of Revenue; amending s. 206.45, F.S.; providing for the collection and distribution of the inspection fee on motor fuel; amending s. 493.6101, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "repossession"; amending s. 493.6113, F.S.; requiring licensees to submit proof of recertification training to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing that failure to submit proof of firearm recertification training will result in license suspension and nonrenewal; amending s. 493.6116, F.S.; removing a provision that prohibits firearm licensees from sponsoring certain interns; requiring interns to conduct regulated duties within the state; amending s. 493.6118, F.S.; providing additional grounds for disciplinary action against firearm licensees; providing criminal penalties for providing fraudulent training certifications; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 493.6120, F.S.; providing an exception to a penalty provision; amending s. 493.6121, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 496.405, F.S.; revising procedures and requirements with respect to the submission and processing of registration statements and renewal statements by charitable organizations and sponsors; amending s. 496.406, F.S.; providing exemption from registration requirements for certain charitable organizations and sponsors; requiring exempt charitable organizations and sponsors that solicit donations to provide information to the department; providing that the burden of proving an exemption is on the entity claiming the exemption; limiting applicability of the registration exemption; amending s. 496.407, F.S.; providing that a charitable organization or sponsor may submit certain IRS forms and schedules in lieu of a financial report; amending s. 496.409, F.S.; revising procedures and requirements with respect to the submission and processing of registration statements and renewal statements by professional fundraising consultants; amending s. 496.410, F.S.; revising procedures and requirements with respect to the submission and processing of registration statements, renewal statements, and reports by professional solicitors; amending s. 496.411, F.S.; deleting provisions that require registered charitable entities, sponsors, or solicitors to display the percentage retained from contributions; amending s. 496.415, F.S.; providing that it is unlawful to knowingly provide a misleading or inaccurate document relating to a solicitation or charitable promotion; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 496.419, F.S.; providing that certain violations constitute an immediate public threat and are grounds for suspending solicitation activities; requiring that the department report only substantiated criminal violations to a prosecuting authority; conforming cross-references; amending s. 501.016, F.S.; reducing the required security amount for health studios; amending s. 501.059, F.S.; prohibiting a person from making certain outbound telephonic sales calls; amending s. 501.603, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms "commercial telephone solicitation" and "commercial telephone seller"; amending s. 501.604, F.S.; specifying that exemptions apply to telecommunications businesses and businesses that have operated lawfully; making technical and conforming changes; amending s. 501.607, F.S.; deleting the provision requiring commercial telephone salespersons to provide employment history to the department; amending s. 501.608, F.S.; requiring that commercial telephone sellers provide the department with certain documents to aid in determining eligibility for exemptions; requiring each commercial telephone seller operating under an exemption to display or make certain documents available for inspection; providing that failure to obtain or display certain documents is grounds for action against the commercial telephone seller; amending s. 501.611, F.S.; requiring a commercial telephone seller to maintain an active security bond throughout the period of licensure; amending s. 501.615, F.S.; revising the criteria for certain exempt telephonic sales; requiring a commercial telephone seller engaged in activities regulated by ch. 721 to comply with certain disclosure obligations; amending s. 501.617, F.S.; authorizing the department to conduct regulatory inspections of commercial telephone sellers; amending s. 507.03, F.S.; requiring moving brokers to provide the department with contact information for movers with whom they have contracted for services or are affiliated; amending s. 507.04, F.S.; eliminating the requirement that a moving broker obtain a bond; amending s. 507.07, F.S.; prohibiting movers and moving brokers from entering into certain service contracts with certain unregistered persons; amending s. 525.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "alternative fuels" for purposes of inspection requirements; repealing s. 525.09(2)-(4), F.S., relating to the payment and applicability of an inspection fee for testing and analyzing petroleum fuels; amending s. 525.10, F.S.; eliminating the requirement that collected fees be paid into the treasury and distributed into a specified trust fund; conforming provisions; amending s. 527.01, F.S.; providing a definition for the term "license year" as it relates to the sale of petroleum gas; amending s. 527.0201, F.S.; revising examination requirements for applicants seeking certain licenses; revising continuing education requirements for specified qualifiers; amending s. 527.03, F.S.; revising the renewal procedure for certain licenses; amending s. 531.415, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 531.61, F.S.; exempting certain commercial weights and measures devices from permit requirements; conforming a cross-reference; amending chapter 2009-66, Laws of Florida; extending the expiration date of certain statutes related to commercial weights and measures; amending s. 539.001, F.S.; revising fingerprinting requirements for a pawnbroker license application; amending s. 559.802, F.S.; requiring franchisors to provide notice of the franchise sale on a department promulgated form; amending s. 559.803, F.S.; deleting provisions allowing and requiring sellers of business opportunities to file federal disclosure statements with the department; repealing s. 559.805, F.S., relating to mandatory filings and disclosure of advertisement identification numbers by sellers of business opportunities; repealing s. 559.807(2), F.S., relating to bonds or securities for business opportunity sellers; amending s. 559.813, F.S.; deleting a provision authorizing the department to impose specified penalties for certain violations relating to selling business opportunities; abrogating the enforcement and rulemaking authority of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 559.815, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 559.9221, F.S.; revising the membership of the Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council; amending s. 616.242, F.S.; revising amusement ride insurance coverage requirements; amending s. 721.20, F.S.; requiring specified persons who sell timeshare plans to be licensed as commercial telephone sellers or salespersons under ch. 501, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 1042—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; providing definitions; providing an exemption from public meeting requirements for that portion of a meeting of a duly constituted criminal justice commission at which specified members of the commission discuss active criminal intelligence information or active criminal investigative information currently being considered by, or which may foreseeably come before, the commission; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1044—A bill to be entitled An act relating to liens on motor vehicles and vessels; amending s. 320.02, F.S., relating to a list of persons who may not be issued a license plate, revalidation sticker, or replacement license plate for failure to surrender a vehicle pursuant to notice provided by a lienor; directing the department to withhold renewal of registration and replacement registration of vehicles; providing for a court order to remove a person's name from such list; amending s. 320.1316, F.S.; revising a reference to specified provisions relating to the department withholding a license plate or registration renewal or replacement; requiring the notice to surrender a vehicle to be signed under oath by the lienor; revising procedures for dispute of the notice to surrender; providing for judicial proceedings; defining the term "good cause"; providing for attorney fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1046—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; amending s. 215.555, F.S.; deleting the future repeal of an exemption of medical malpractice insurance premiums from emergency assessments imposed to fund certain obligations, costs, and expenses of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund and the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Finance Corporation; amending s. 316.646, F.S.; authorizing a uniform motor vehicle proof-of-insurance card to be in an electronic format; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to adopt rules; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; authorizing insurers to furnish uniform proof-of-purchase cards in an electronic format for use by insureds to prove the purchase of required insurance coverage when registering a motor vehicle; amending s. 624.413, F.S.; revising a specified time period applicable to a certified examination that must be filed by a foreign or alien insurer applying for a certificate of authority; amending s. 626.321, F.S.; providing that a limited license to offer motor vehicle rental insurance issued to a business that rents or leases motor vehicles encompasses the employees of such business; amending s. 626.601, F.S.; revising terminology relating to investigations conducted by the Department of Financial Services and the Office of Insurance Regulation with respect to individuals and entities involved in the insurance industry; amending s. 626.9914, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 626.99175, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring registration of life expectancy providers; deleting procedures, qualifying criteria, and violations with respect thereto; amending ss. 626.9919, 626.992, 626.9925, and 626.99278, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to use certain models or averages of certain models to estimate hurricane losses when determining whether the rates in a rate filing are excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory; amending s. 627.0628, F.S.; increasing the length of time during which an insurer must adhere to certain findings made by the Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology with respect to certain methods, principles, standards, models, or output ranges used in a rate finding; providing that the requirement to adhere to such findings does not limit an insurer from averaging together the results of certain models or output ranges under specified circumstances; amending s. 627.072, F.S.; authorizing retrospective rating plans relating to workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance to allow negotiations between certain employers and insurers with respect to rating factors used to calculate premiums; amending s. 627.281, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; repealing s. 627.3519, F.S., relating to an annual report from the Financial Services Commission to the Legislature of aggregate net probable maximum losses, financing options, and potential assessments of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund and Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; amending s. 627.4133, F.S.; deleting provisions that require extended periods of prior notice with respect to the nonrenewal, cancellation, or termination of certain insurance policies; prohibiting the cancellation of certain policies that have been in effect for a specified amount of time except under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.4137, F.S.; adding licensed company adjusters to the list of persons who may respond to a claimant's written request for information relating to liability insurance coverage; amending s. 627.421, F.S.; authorizing the electronic delivery of certain insurance documents; amending s. 627.43141, F.S.; authorizing a notice of change in policy terms to be sent in a separate mailing to an insured under certain circumstances; requiring an insurer to provide such notice to insured's insurance agent; amending s. 627.701, F.S.; revising requirements to issue or renew personal lines residential property insurance after a certain date; amending s. 627.7015, F.S.; revising the rulemaking authority of the department with respect to qualifications and specified types of penalties covered under the property insurance mediation program; creating s. 627.70151, F.S.; providing criteria for an insurer or policyholder to challenge the impartiality of a loss appraisal umpire for purposes of disqualifying such umpire; amending s. 627.706, F.S.; authorizing the inclusion of deductibles applicable to sinkhole losses in property insurance policies covering nonresidential buildings; revising the definition of the term "neutral evaluator"; amending s. 627.7074, F.S.; requiring the department to adopt rules relating to certification of neutral evaluators; amending s. 627.736, F.S.; revising the time period for applicability of certain Medicare fee schedules or payment limitations; amending s. 627.745, F.S.; revising qualifications for approval as a mediator by the department; providing grounds for the department to deny an application or revoke approval of a mediator or neutral evaluator; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 627.952, F.S.; deleting a fidelity bond requirement applicable to certain nonresident general lines agents who are licensed as surplus lines agents in another state; amending ss. 627.971 and 627.972, F.S.; including licensed mutual insurers in financial guaranty insurance corporations; amending s. 628.901, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "qualifying reinsurer parent company" to delete obsolete language; amending s. 628.909, F.S.; providing for applicability of certain provisions of the Insurance Code to specified captive insurers; amending s. 634.406, F.S.; revising criteria authorizing certain premiums of certain service warranty associations to exceed their specified net assets limitations; revising requirements relating to contractual liability policies that insure warranty associations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gardiner—

SB 1048—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic benefits transfer cards; amending s. 402.82, F.S.; conforming terminology; restricting the use of electronic benefits transfer cards; providing that an electronic benefits transfer card may not be used or accepted at certain establishments licensed under the Beverage Law, an adult entertainment establishment, a pari-mutuel facility, an internet cafe that offers game promotions, an unauthorized commercial bingo facility, a casino, slot machine facility, or other gaming establishment; specifying penalties for violations of card use restrictions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 1050—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public educational facilities; amending s. 1013.37, F.S.; authorizing district school boards to voluntarily comply with the State Requirements for Educational Facilities of the Florida Building Code for new construction, remodeling, and renovation projects; providing that this compliance by the school boards is not mandatory; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1052—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discretionary sales surtaxes; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; authorizing a county school board to use the school surtax to purchase school buses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1054—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 316.302, F.S.; providing that owners or drivers of certain commercial motor vehicles are subject to specific federal commercial driver license standards; providing that commercial motor vehicles transporting hazardous material are subject to federal regulations relating to the designation of approval and certification agencies; deleting exemptions from commercial motor vehicle rules for the transportation of liquefied petroleum gas; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 1056—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abortion; creating the "Florida for Life Act"; creating s. 390.0001, F.S.; providing legislative findings regarding abortion; creating s. 390.01113, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting inducing, performing, attempting to perform, or assisting in induced abortions; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting inflicting serious bodily injury on a person in the course of performing an abortion; providing criminal penalties; providing enhanced criminal penalties if the serious bodily injury results in death; prohibiting operation of any facility, business, or service within this state for the purpose of providing induced abortion services; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting termination of a pregnancy unless specified conditions are met; requiring that a termination of pregnancy be performed only by a physician; requiring voluntary, informed consent for a termination of pregnancy; providing an exception for medical emergencies; providing for documentation of a medical emergency; providing that violations may subject physicians to discipline under specified provisions; providing a standard of medical care to be used during a termination of pregnancy performed while the patient's fetus is viable; providing that the woman's life is a superior consideration to the concern for the life of the fetus and the woman's health is a superior consideration to the concern for the health of the fetus when such life or health concerns are in conflict; prohibiting a physician's misrepresentation of the gestational age or developmental stage of a viable fetus in any medical record and failing to use the prescribed standard of care on a viable fetus; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting fetal experimentation; providing an exception; requiring that fetal remains be disposed of according to specified standards; providing criminal penalties; excluding specified procedures from application of the section; requiring physicians and personnel at a medical facility to provide certain women and minors who have been treated by the facility with information regarding adoption and a statewide list of attorneys available to provide volunteer legal services for adoption; providing that violation of certain provisions by a physician may be grounds for discipline; providing rulemaking authority to the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Health; creating s. 390.01117, F.S.; providing that the section takes effect only if s. 390.01113, F.S., is declared unconstitutional or has its enforcement enjoined; providing definitions; prohibiting termination of a pregnancy after a fetus has been determined to be viable; providing exceptions; requiring a determination of viability for women in a certain week of pregnancy or later before termination may be performed; requiring an ultrasound and recordkeeping; providing that determination of viability and a required ultrasound may not be performed by a physician providing reproductive health services at an abortion clinic; requiring that a termination of pregnancy involving a viable fetus, when not prohibited, be performed in a hospital or other medical facility; providing a standard of care for a termination of pregnancy performed while a fetus is viable; providing that the woman's life is a superior consideration to the concern for the life of the fetus and the woman's health is a superior consideration to the concern for the health of the fetus when such life or health concerns are in conflict; prohibiting a physician's misrepresentation of the gestational age or developmental stage of a viable fetus in any medical record and failing to use the prescribed standard of care on a viable fetus; providing criminal penalties; providing that only a physician may perform a termination of pregnancy; requiring voluntary and informed consent for a termination of pregnancy; providing an exception for medical emergencies; providing for documentation of a medical emergency; providing that violations may subject physicians to discipline; prohibiting experimentation on a fetus; providing an exception; requiring that fetal remains be disposed of according to specified standards; providing criminal penalties; providing that a person or facility is not required to participate in the termination of a pregnancy or be liable for such refusal; excluding specified procedures from application of the section; prohibiting a termination of pregnancy procedure in violation of specified requirements; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting inflicting serious bodily injury on a person in the course of performing a termination of pregnancy; providing criminal penalties; providing enhanced criminal penalties if the serious bodily injury results in death; requiring physicians and personnel at a medical facility to provide certain women and minors who have been treated by the facility with information regarding adoption and a statewide list of attorneys available to provide volunteer legal services for adoption; providing rulemaking authority to the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Health; providing that rulemaking authority is supplemental to s. 390.012, F.S.; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; providing legislative intent concerning adoption services for women with unwanted pregnancies; requiring the Office of Adoption and Child Protection to create and manage a statewide list of attorneys providing volunteer adoption services for women with unwanted pregnancies who would have selected abortion, if lawful, rather than adoption; providing that the full amount of all federal moneys received by the state as a result of efforts made by the office to provide legal services are deposited, directed, and budgeted for use by the office; repealing ss. 390.011, 390.0111, 390.01114, 390.01116, 390.0112, 390.012, 390.014, 390.015, 390.018, and 390.025, F.S., relating to provisions regulating the termination of pregnancies and definitions applying thereto, the Parental Notice of Abortion Act, public records exemptions for identifying information regarding minors seeking a waiver of notice requirements under such act, reporting requirements for terminated pregnancies, the licensure and operation of abortion clinics, the disposal of fetal remains, the imposition of administrative fines for violations by abortion clinics, and provisions regulating abortion referral or counseling agencies and prescribing penalties for violations by such agencies; repealing ss. 782.30, 782.32, 782.34, and 782.36, F.S., relating to the Partial-Birth Abortion Act and the short title, definitions, criminal penalties for the intentional killing of a living fetus while that fetus is partially born, and exceptions to such act; amending s. 27.511, F.S.; conforming language relating to court-appointed counsel for minors under the Parental Notice of Abortion Act to the repeal of s. 390.01114, F.S.; amending ss. 627.64995, 627.6699, 627.66996, and 641.31099, F.S.; providing restrictions on use of state and federal funds for state exchanges that provide coverage for induced abortions and terminations of pregnancies under certain conditions; amending ss. 743.065 and 765.113, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing that if s. 390.01117, F.S., is declared unconstitutional or has its enforcement enjoined, the repeal of s. 390.011, F.S., and the amendment of s. 39.001, F.S., are void and of no effect; providing legislative intent; providing that if s. 390.01113, F.S., is declared unconstitutional or has its enforcement enjoined, specified statutory repeals and amendments contained in this act are void and of no effect; providing legislative intent; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1058—A bill to be entitled An act relating to freight logistic zones; creating s. 311.103, F.S.; providing application requirements for a local government to apply for the designation of a freight logistic zone; directing the Department of Transportation to create a Logistic Zone Advisory Council; providing for membership and duties of the council; au-

thorizing the Secretary of Transportation to designate pilot logistic zones; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Dean—

SB 1060—A bill to be entitled An act relating to websites containing information concerning persons charged with crimes; creating s. 836.12, F.S.; requiring that the operators of websites containing personal information of persons charged with crimes remove a person's name and personal information within a specified period after notice that the person is acquitted or the charges are dropped or otherwise resolved without conviction; providing a civil penalty; providing for a presumption of defamation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 1062—A bill to be entitled An act relating to delinquent real property taxes; amending s. 197.172, F.S.; revising the interest rate applicable to delinquent real property taxes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 1064—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the assessment of residential and nonhomestead real property; creating s. 193.624, F.S.; providing definitions; excluding the value of certain installations, changes, or improvements made after a specified date from the assessed value of residential real property; providing for application; requiring the filing of applications by specified times in order for such installations, changes, or improvements to be excluded from the assessed value of residential real property; providing procedural requirements and limitations; requiring a nonrefundable filing fee for a petition to the value adjustment board; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; specifying additional exceptions to the assessment of homestead property at just value; reenacting s. 193.1551, F.S., relating to assessment of certain homestead property damaged in 2004 named storms, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 193.155, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 193.1554, F.S.; specifying additional exceptions to assessment of nonhomestead property at just value; amending s. 196.012, F.S.; deleting the definition of the terms "renewable energy source device" and "device"; conforming cross-references; amending ss. 196.121 and 196.1995, F.S.; conforming cross-references; repealing s. 196.175, F.S., relating to the property tax exemption for renewable energy source devices; providing for application of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1066—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; providing an exemption from public records requirements for information contained in dental workforce surveys submitted by dentists or dental hygienists to the Department of Health; providing exceptions to the exemption; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1068—A bill to be entitled An act relating to court-ordered expunction of criminal history records; amending s. 943.0585, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to disclose the contents of an expunged criminal history record to the subject of the record or the Parole Commission under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1070—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency communication systems; amending s. 365.172, F.S., relating to the Emergency Communications Number E911 System; revising definitions; revising provisions relating to oversight of certain fees by the Technology Program within the Department of Management Services; revising E911 board appointment provisions; revising duties of the board; revising provisions for administration, distribution, and use of the E911 fee; revising fee collection procedures; providing for the amount of the fee; authorizing the board to adjust the rate of the fee; prohibiting a local government from imposing a fee on sellers of prepaid wireless services; providing for a prepaid wireless E911 fee; requiring the Department of Revenue to provide notice to sellers and establish registration, payment, and documentation procedures; providing for distribution and use of fees collected; providing that fees collected may not be included in the base for measuring any tax, fee, surcharge, or other charge; providing for application of specified audit and appeals procedures; limiting liability of provider or seller of prepaid wireless service; providing that the state and local governments are not subscribers for certain purposes; providing definitions for specified purposes; revising provisions for authorized expenditures of the E911 fee; providing that certain costs of the Department of Health are functions of 911 services; amending s. 365.173, F.S.; revising provisions for accounting, distribution, use, and auditing of the Emergency Communications Number E911 System Fund; providing for a prepaid wireless category in such fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 1072—A bill to be entitled An act relating to termination of pregnancy based on sex or race of the unborn child; providing a short title; providing findings and intent; amending s. 390.0111, F.S.; requiring a person performing a termination of pregnancy to first sign an affidavit stating that he or she is not performing the termination of pregnancy because of the child's sex or race and has no knowledge that the pregnancy is being terminated because of the child's sex or race; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting performing, inducing, or actively participating in a termination of pregnancy knowing that it is sought based on the sex or race of the child or the race of a parent of that child, using force or the threat of force to intentionally injure or intimidate any person for the purpose of coercing a sex-selection or race-selection termination of pregnancy, and soliciting or accepting moneys to finance a sex-selection or race-selection termination of pregnancy; providing criminal penalties; providing for injunctions against specified violations; providing for civil actions by certain persons with respect to certain violations; specifying appropriate relief in such actions; authorizing civil fines of up to a specified amount against physicians and other medical or mental health professionals who knowingly fail to report known violations; providing that a mother who has not attained a specified age on whom a sex-selection or race-selection termination of pregnancy is performed is not subject to criminal prosecution or civil liability for any violation or for a conspiracy to commit a violation; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1074—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state-owned or state-leased space; amending s. 216.0152, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the update of an inventory of certain facilities needing repairs or innovation maintained by the Department of Management Services; revising provisions relating to a report detailing an inventory of state-owned facilities; amending s. 253.031, F.S.; clarifying that deeds may be signed by agents of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund; amending s. 253.034, F.S.; revising provisions relating to decisions by the board to surplus lands; revising the valuation of lands that are subject to certain requirements; requiring state entities to submit a business plan if a building or parcel is offered for use to the entity; amending s. 255.248, F.S.; defining the terms "managing agency" and "tenant broker"; amending s. 255.249, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the Department of Management Services with respect to state-owned buildings; prohibiting a state agency from leasing space in a private building under certain circumstances; requiring an agency to notify the department of an early termination of a lease within a certain timeframe; authorizing the department to direct state agencies to occupy space in a state-owned building; authorizing the department to implement renovations in order to more efficiently use state-owned buildings; revising the contents of the master leasing report; authorizing state agencies to use the services of a tenant broker to provide certain information to the department; requiring the title entity or managing agency to report any vacant or underutilized space to the department; authorizing the department to adopt additional rules; amending s. 255.25, F.S.; reducing the amount of square feet which an agency may lease without department approval; deleting an exemption that allows an agency to negotiate a replacement lease under certain circumstances; requiring a state agency to use a tenant broker to assist with lease actions; amending s. 255.252, F.S.; specifying that a vendor for certain energy efficiency contracts must be selected in accordance with state procurement requirements; amending s. 255.254, F.S.; revising provisions relating to requirements for energy performance analysis for certain buildings; amending 255.257, F.S.; requiring all state-owned facilities to report energy consumption and cost data; amending s. 255.503, F.S.; authorizing the department to charge state employees fees for the use of parking facilities; amending ss. 110.171 and 985.682, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Appropriations.

By Senator Legg—

SB 1076—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; providing a short title; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; authorizing a district school board to appoint a governing board for a school district technical center or a system of technical centers; providing for membership of the board; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; revising the requirements that must be included in the strategic plan that the Board of Governors must develop which includes criteria for the designation of certain baccalaureate degree programs and graduate degree programs as high-demand programs; amending s. 1002.3105, F.S.; adding attainment of industry certifications to the list of acceleration options available to public school students; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; revising the core curricular content for mathematics and social studies within the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards; amending s. 1003.4156, F.S.; revising the requirements for the course in career and education planning which students in middle grades must successfully complete for promotion; amending s. 1003.4203, F.S.; requiring each district school board to make available digital materials for students in kindergarten through grade 12; revising the digital curriculum; authorizing the digital materials to be integrated into subject area curricula, offered as a separate course, or made available through other options; requiring the Department of Education to confirm that each school district has made available digital instructional materials for certain students with disabilities by a specified date; requiring the department to contract with technology companies or affiliated nonprofit organizations by a specified date to develop a cyber security recognition and a digital arts and technology recognition; requiring that the recognitions be made available to all public elementary school students at no cost to the districts; requiring the department to contract by a specified date with technology companies to provide a digital tools certificate; requiring that the digital tools certificate be made available to all public middle school students at no cost to the school districts; providing legislative intent; requiring the department or a contracted company or companies to provide technical assistance to district school boards; providing criteria for the assistance; authorizing a district school board to seek partnerships with other school districts, private businesses, colleges, universities, or consultants to offer classes and instruction to teachers and students to assist the school district in providing digital materials and certifications; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules; amending s. 1003.428, F.S.; revising requirements for high school graduation to include financial literacy and a rigorous industry certification program of study; requiring students to pass certain assessments before high school graduation; amending s. 1003.429, F.S.; revising requirements for accelerated high school graduation to include financial literacy and a rigorous industry certification program of study; requiring students to pass certain assessments before high school graduation; amending s. 1003.4295, F.S.; requiring the department to develop, the State Board of Education to approve, and each school district to provide alternative pathways of earning accelerated credit toward meeting general credit requirements for high school graduation; amending s. 1003.433, F.S.; deleting a provision that exempts students attending adult basic, adult secondary, or vocational-preparatory instruction from payment of certain fees and tuition; repealing s. 1003.4935(4), F.S., relating to the adoption of rules by the State Board of Education that identify industry certifications in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics offered in middle school to be included on the Industry Certification Funding List and which are eligible for additional full-time equivalent membership; amending s. 1004.02, F.S.; revising definitions; creating s. 1004.082, F.S.; requiring the Chancellor of the State University System to cooperate with the Commissioner of Education to support the operation of programs to encourage talented secondary school students and students of physics or mathematics programs to pursue a postsecondary education at a state university; amending s. 1004.91, F.S.; providing requirements for basic skills for a career education program; requiring each school district and Florida College System institution that conducts programs that confer career and technical certificates to provide applied academics instruction through which students receive basic skills instruction; requiring certain students to be referred to applied academics instruction or another adult general education program for a structured program or basic skills instruction; revising the types of students who are exempt from completing the basic skills for a career education program; amending s. 1004.93, F.S.; revising the priority in which an adult education program must provide academic services to students; requiring students who are entering adult general education programs to complete certain activities before a specified date in order to accelerate employment; providing for the development of the action-steps-to-employment activities; amending s. 1006.73, F.S.; revising the primary purposes and the duties of the Florida Virtual Campus to include enhancing and expanding programs leading to industry certification; amending s. 1007.263, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; revising requirements for career dual enrollment programs to include the earning of an industry certification; amending s. 1008.25, F.S.; requiring each school district to establish a comprehensive plan for student progression which must provide instructional sequences for students in kindergarten through high school to progressively higher levels of competency in the use of digital tools; amending 1008.37, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 1008.44, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to annually identify the Industry Certification Funding List; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt the Postsecondary Industry Certification List; requiring the Commissioner of Education to recommend to the State Board of Education the Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List; authorizing the commissioner to recommend adding certifications; requiring the Chancellor of the State University System, the Chancellor of the Florida College System, and the Chancellor of Career and Adult Education to recommend to the commissioner industry certifications to be placed on the funding list; requiring that the Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List be used in determining annual performance funding distributions to school districts and Florida College System institutions; requiring the chancellors to consider results of the economic security report of employment and earnings outcomes when recommending certifications for the list; requiring the commissioner to differentiate content, instructional, and assessment requirements that, when provided by a public institution and satisfactorily attained by a student, indicate accomplishment of requirements necessary for funding under certain circumstances; requiring differentiated requirements to be included in the Industry Certification Funding List; amending ss. 1009.22 and

1009.25, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; revising the procedure for annual allocation of funds to each school district; revising the bonus funding for enrollment in advanced placement courses; increasing the funding cap on funding associated with industry certifications; providing a performance bonus for teachers of specified subjects; revising the calculation of additional full-time equivalent membership based on certification of successful completion of a career-themed course and issuance of an industry certification; requiring that industry certification courses be reported and funded; authorizing bonus funding for elementary and middle schools where students earn certain recognitions and digital competency certificates; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; deleting the performance output measure for a career program of study; providing that continuing postsecondary education at a level that will further enhance employment is a performance outcome for adult general education programs; providing distribution and calculation of performance funding for school district workforce education programs; amending s. 1011.81, F.S.; providing for performance funding for industry certifications for Florida College System institutions; amending s. 1011.905, F.S.; revising requirements for performance funding for state universities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 1078—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentences of inmates; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; revising the quantity of a controlled substance which a person must knowingly sell, purchase, manufacture, deliver, or bring into this state in order to be subject to the automatic imposition of a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment; providing the method for determining the weight of a controlled substance in a mixture that is a prescription drug; revising legislative intent; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; revising provisions to conform to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 775.087(2)(a) and 782.04(1)(a), (3), and (4), F.S., relating to the possession or use of a weapon and murder, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 893.135, F.S., in references thereto; repealing s. 893.101, F.S., relating to legislative findings and intent relative to knowledge of a person to the possession of a controlled substance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 1080—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public construction projects; amending s. 255.257, F.S.; requiring state agencies to use a sustainable building rating system for construction and renovation projects; amending s. 255.2575, F.S.; requiring state agencies and other entities to specify certain products associated with public works projects; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1082—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 766.4105, F.S.; creating the Patient Compensation System Trust Fund within the State Treasury; providing for the purpose and source of the trust fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1084—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center Authority, Leon County; abolishing the authority; repealing chapter 2004-435, Laws of Florida, relating to the charter of the authority; designating the Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center as the "Donald L. Tucker Civic Center"; providing for the erection of suitable markers; requiring the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to issue a beverage license to Florida State University or its designee; transferring all assets and liabilities of the authority to the university; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 1086—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state group insurance program; amending s. 110.123, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "health plan member" to authorize the same-sex domestic partner of an enrollee to qualify as a covered dependent and participate as a health plan member in the state group insurance program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 1088—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the renovation of educational facilities; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; requiring school districts to retrofit the doors and windows of educational facilities to comply with certain Florida Building Code standards; providing additional requirements; providing funding through the capital outlay millage levy; requiring 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 additional requirements; providing funding through capital outlay funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1090—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending ss. 320.02 and 322.08, F.S.; requiring the application forms for motor vehicle registration and renewal of registration and for an original, renewal, or replacement driver license or identification card to include language permitting the applicant to make a voluntary contribution to Auto Club Group Traffic Safety Foundation, Inc.; providing that such contributions are not income for specified purposes; providing for use of funds; providing that the foundation must comply with specified provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Rules; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1092—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring a charter school to submit to the school district an attendance plan for each student enrolled in the school; requiring a charter school to provide funding to a school district in the event of student transfers; requiring a charter school to report to the school district certain student enrollment information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 1094—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home health agencies; amending s. 400.474, F.S.; deleting requirements for the quarterly reporting by a home health agency of certain data submitted to the Agency for Health Care Administration; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1096—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the repeal of education provisions; amending s. 403.7032, F.S.; removing a requirement that each K-12 public school annually report to the county on recycled materials; repealing s. 1001.435, F.S., relating to a K-12 foreign language curriculum plan; repealing s. 1002.23(4), (6), and (9), F.S., relating to a parent-response center, submission of family involvement and empowerment rules by district school boards, and State Board of Education compliance review and enforcement under the Family and School Partnership for Student Achievement Act; repealing s. 1002.361, F.S., relating to a direct-support organization for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind; repealing s. 1003.4285(1), F.S., relating to a standard high school diploma designation that indicates a student's major area of interest; repealing s. 1003.43, F.S., relating to general requirements for high school graduation; repealing s. 1003.453(2), F.S., relating to information on school wellness and physical education policies posted on Department of Education and school district websites; repealing s. 1003.496, F.S., relating to the High School to Business Career Enhancement Program; repealing s. 1004.05, F.S., relating to substance abuse training programs for specified public school personnel; repealing s. 1004.62, F.S., relating to incentives for state university student internships to study urban or socially and economically disadvantaged areas; repealing s. 1004.77, F.S., relating to centers of technology innovation; repealing s. 1006.035, F.S., relating to a dropout reentry and mentor project; repealing s. 1006.09(1)(d), F.S., relating to duties of school principals with respect to annual reporting and analysis of student suspensions and expulsions; repealing ss. 1006.17 and 1006.70, F.S., relating to sponsorship of athletic activities similar to those for which scholarships are offered; repealing s. 1006.65, F.S., relating to safety issues in courses offered by public postsecondary educational institutions; repealing s. 1007.21, F.S., relating to readiness for postsecondary education and the workplace; repealing s. 1008.31(3)(d) and (e), F.S., relating to review and reporting duties of the Commissioner of Education with respect to consolidating paperwork under Florida's K-20 education performance accountability system; repealing s. 1009.68, F.S., relating to the Florida Minority Medical Education Program; repealing s. 1012.58, F.S., relating to the Transition to Teaching Program; repealing s. 1012.71(6), F.S., relating to a pilot program for establishing an electronic management system for the Florida Teachers Lead Program; repealing s. 1013.231, F.S., relating to Florida College System institution and state university energy consumption reduction; repealing s. 1013.32, F.S., relating to exceptions to recommendations in educational plant surveys; repealing ss. 1013.42 and 1013.72, F.S., relating to the School Infrastructure Thrift (SIT) Program; repealing ss. 1013.502 and 1013.721, F.S., relating to A Business-Community (ABC) School Program; repealing s. 1013.64(7), F.S., relating to exceptions from Special Facility Construction Account requirements; repealing s. 1013.73, F.S., relating to effort index grants for school district facilities; amending ss. 120.81, 250.115, 409.1451, 1001.11, 1002.20, 1002.33, 1002.34, 1002.45, 1003.03, 1003.429, 1003.438, 1003.49, 1004.70, 1004.71, 1006.15, 1007.263, 1007.271, 1008.22, 1008.23, 1009.40, 1009.531, 1009.94, 1013.35, 1013.356, 1013.41, 1013.64, 1013.69, and 1013.738, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1098—A bill to be entitled An act relating to general assignments; amending s. 727.103, F.S.; defining the term "negative notice"; amending s. 727.104, F.S.; requiring an assignee's bond to be in at least a specific amount or double the liquidation value of the unencumbered and liquid assets of the estate, whichever is higher; amending s. 727.108, F.S.; authorizing an assignee to conduct certain discovery to determine whether to prosecute certain claims or causes of action; extending the time period an assignee may conduct the business of the assignor; authorizing the assignee to continue conducting the business of the assignor under certain circumstances by serving negative notice; amending s. 727.109, F.S.; extending the time period for which a court may authorize an assignee to conduct the business of the assignor; amending s. 727.110, F.S.; providing procedures for an assignee's rejection of an unexpired lease of nonresidential real property or of personal property; requiring the assignee to serve a notice of rejection on certain persons and file it with the court; requiring that a notice of rejection for personal property include certain information about the affected property; specifying the effective date of the rejection; requiring the estate's rights and obligations to and liability for the affected property to terminate under certain circumstances; amending s. 727.111, F.S.; extending the minimum time period for giving notice to the assignor and creditors; conforming language; providing a procedure for serving notice on certain persons; requiring an objection to be filed and served within a specific time period; requiring the notice to be in a specified form; providing that the assignee may take certain actions if an objection is not filed; requiring the court to hear a filed objection; authorizing the court to shorten negative notice under certain circumstances; providing that a party may raise the shortened notice period in certain objections; requiring a certificate of service for negative notice to be filed with the court under certain circumstances; requiring negative notice to be given to certain persons under certain circumstances; amending s. 727.113, F.S.; providing procedures for serving an objection to a claim; providing that the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure apply to objections to claims in all pending cases beginning on a specific date; creating s. 727.117, F.S.; requiring an assignee's deed to be in a specific form; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Governor's private secretary; repealing s. 14.03, F.S., relating to the Governor's authority to appoint and commission a private secretary; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the environment; amending s. 335.06, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the Department of Transportation, a county, or a municipality to improve or maintain a road that provides access to property within the state park system; amending s. 373.4137, F.S.; providing legislative intent that mitigation be implemented in a manner that promotes efficiency, timeliness, and cost-effectiveness in project delivery; revising the criteria of the environmental impact inventory; revising the criteria for mitigation of projected impacts identified in the environmental impact inventory; requiring the Department of Transportation to include funding for environmental mitigation for its projects in its work program; revising the process and criteria for the payment by the department or participating transportation authorities of mitigation implemented by water management districts or the Department of Environmental Projection; revising the requirements for the payment to a water management district or the Department of Environmental Protection of the costs of mitigation planning and implementation of the mitigation required by a permit; revising the payment criteria for preparing and implementing mitigation plans adopted by water management districts for transportation impacts based on the environmental impact inventory; adding federal requirements for the development of a mitigation plan; providing for

transportation projects in the environmental mitigation plan for which mitigation has not been specified; revising a water management district's responsibilities relating to a mitigation plan; amending s. 373.618, F.S.; revising the outdoor advertisement exemption criteria for a public information system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agritourism; amending s. 570.96, F.S.; providing legislative intent; restricting a local government's ability to regulate agritourism activity on agricultural land; amending s. 570.961, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "agritourism activity" and adding a definition of the term "inherent risks of agritourism activity"; creating s. 570.963, F.S.; limiting the liability of an agritourism professional, his or her employer or employee, or the owner of the underlying land on which the agritourism activity occurs if certain conditions are met; creating s. 570.964, F.S.; requiring that signs and contracts notify participants of certain inherent risks and the assumption of that risk; preventing an agritourism professional, his or her employer, and any employee, and the owner of the underlying land from invoking the privileges of immunity if certain conditions are not met; providing criteria for the notice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senators Gardiner and Thrasher—

SB 1108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exceptional student education; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; prohibiting certain actions with respect to parent meetings with school district personnel; providing requirements for meetings relating to exceptional student education and related services; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; providing requirements for the reimbursement of federal funds to charter schools; amending s. 1002.41, F.S.; requiring a school district to provide exceptional student education-related services to certain home education program students; requiring reporting and funding through the Florida Education Finance Program; amending s. 1003.57, F.S.; requiring a school district to use specified terms to describe the instructional setting for certain exceptional students; defining the term "inclusion" for purposes of exceptional student instruction; providing for determination of eligibility as an exceptional student; requiring certain assessments to facilitate inclusive educational practices for exceptional students; creating s. 1003.5715, F.S.; requiring the use of parental consent forms for specified actions in a student's individual education plan; providing requirements for the consent forms; providing requirements for changes in a student's individual education plan; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules; creating s. 1003.572, F.S.; defining the term "private instructional personnel"; encouraging the collaboration of public and private instructional personnel and providing requirements therefor; amending s. 1003.58, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 1008.3415, F.S.; requiring an exceptional student education center to choose to receive a school grade or school improvement rating; excluding student assessment data from the calculation of a home school's grade under certain circumstances; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules; amending s. 1012.585, F.S.; providing requirements for renewal of a professional certificate relating to teaching students with disabilities; authorizing the State Board of Education to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Evers—

SB 1110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to railroad police officers; amending s. 354.01, F.S.; requiring special officers employed by a railroad or other common carrier to comply with specified continuing training or education requirements; providing that a special officer is not considered a "law enforcement officer" except for purposes of ss. 943.085-943.255, F.S.; providing that a Class I or Class II railroad is not considered an "employing agency" except for purposes of ss. 943.085-943.255, F.S.; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; defining the term "railroad special officer"; providing for reclassification of certain offenses committed against a railroad special officer; amending s. 943.10, F.S.; including special officers employed by a railroad or other common carrier within the definition of "law enforcement officer" and including certain railroads within the definition of "employing agency" for purposes of specified provisions relating to law enforcement officer standards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to background screening; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to share photographs or digital images of driver licenses with the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 408.809, F.S.; adding additional disqualifying theft offenses for persons who must undergo background screening for health care licensing; amending s. 435.04, F.S.; revising the requirement that vendors who submit fingerprints on behalf of employers must provide the necessary information required by law, or the agency, in order to process the submission; adding an additional disqualifying offense; amending s. 435.07, F.S.; requiring that individuals seeking an exemption from disqualification must have completed all nonmonetary conditions imposed by the court, rather than sanctions, for a disqualifying felony or misdemeanor; authorizing the head of the appropriate agency to grant an exemption to an employee otherwise disqualified from employment for payment in full of a court-ordered fee, fine, fund, lien, civil judgment, application, trust, restitution, or costs of prosecution as part of the judgment and sentence for a disqualifying felony or misdemeanor; amending s. 435.12, F.S.; requiring that a photograph be submitted of the potential employee taken at the time the fingerprints are processed; requiring an employer to register and initiate criminal background checks through the Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse before submission of the electronic fingerprints; providing requirements for the registration; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Transportation; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sex offenses; amending s. 775.21, F.S.; replacing the definition of the term "instant message name" with the definition of the term "Internet identifier"; providing that voluntary disclosure of specified information waives a disclosure exemption for such information; conforming provisions; adding additional offenses to the list of sexual predator qualifying offenses; requiring disclosure of additional information during the sexual predator registration process; requiring that a sexual predator who is unable to secure or update a driver license or identification card within a specified period must report specified information to the local sheriff's office within a specified period after such change with confirmation that he or she also reported such information to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; revising reporting requirements if a sexual predator plans to leave the United States for more than a specified period; providing criminal penalties for knowingly providing false registration information by act or omission; amending s. 800.03, F.S.; providing enhanced penalties for third or subsequent indecent exposure violations; amending s. 903.046, F.S.; requiring a court considering whether to release a defendant on bail to determine whether the defendant is subject to registration as a sexual offender or sexual predator and, if so, to hold the defendant without bail until the first appearance on the case; providing an exception; amending s. 943.0435, F.S.; adding additional offenses to the list of sexual offender qualifying offenses; replacing the definition of the term "instant message name" with the definition of the term "Internet identifier"; conforming provisions; requiring disclosure of additional sexual offender registration information; requiring that a sexual offender who is unable to secure or update a driver license or identification card within a specified period must report specified information to the local sheriff's office within a specified period of such change with confirmation that he or she also reported such information to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles;

providing additional requirements for sexual offenders intending to reside outside of the United States; revising criteria applicable to provisions allowing removal from the requirement to register as a sexual offender; providing criminal penalties for knowingly providing false registration information by act or omission; amending s. 943.04351, F.S.; requiring a specified national search of registration information regarding sexual predators and sexual offenders prior to appointment or employment of persons by state agencies and governmental subdivisions; amending s. 943.04354, F.S.; revising the criteria applicable to provisions allowing removal of the requirement to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator; amending s. 943.0437, F.S.; replacing the term "instant message name" with the term "Internet identifier"; amending ss. 944.606 and 944.607, F.S.; adding additional offenses to the list of sexual offender qualifying offenses; replacing the definition of the term "instant message name" with the definition of the term "Internet identifier"; conforming provisions; requiring disclosure of additional registration information; providing criminal penalties for knowingly providing false registration information by act or omission; amending s. 947.005, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "risk assessment"; amending s. 948.31, F.S.; authorizing the court to require sexual offenders and sexual predators who are on probation or community control to undergo an evaluation to determine whether the offender or predator needs sexual offender treatment; requiring the probationer or community controllee to pay for the treatment; removing a provision prohibiting contact with minors if sexual offender treatment is recommended; amending ss. 985.481 and 985.4815, F.S.; requiring disclosure of additional registration information by certain sexual offenders adjudicated delinquent and certain juvenile sexual offenders; providing criminal penalties for knowingly providing false registration information by act or omission; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rebuilt motor vehicles; amending s. 319.14, F.S.; conforming provisions; creating s. 319.143, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation to implement a rebuilt motor vehicle inspection program and contract with private vendors to establish and operate inspection facilities in certain counties; providing definitions; providing criteria for the selection of vendors and providing criteria for facilities; providing guidelines for performing vehicle inspections; requiring specific operating hours for facilities; providing licensing and insurance requirements for vehicles driven to facilities; providing for the inspection of facilities by certain authorities; requiring the maintenance of records; providing for inspection fees; providing that an inspection does not constitute a safety inspection or warranty; providing a limitation of liability for the department and others; prohibiting certain fraudulent acts; providing penalties; providing that certain brands must be noted on a vehicle registration certificate; prohibiting certain persons from operating a facility; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public contracting; providing definitions for the terms "facility" and "governmental unit"; prohibiting a governmental unit that contracts for the construction, repair, remodeling, or improving of a facility from imposing conditions that requires, prohibits, encourages, or discourages certain bidders, contractors, or subcontractors from entering into or adhering to agreements with a collective bargaining organization; prohibiting a governmental unit from granting certain awards as a condition of certain contracts; prohibiting certain terms from being placed in bid specifications, project agreements, or other controlling documents; providing exceptions; amending s. 120.57, F.S.; revising the period during which an agency must file a protest following certain contract solicitations or awards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Judiciary.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to affordable housing; amending s. 83.56, F.S.; revising provisions for terminating a rental agreement that involves rent subsidies received from a local, state, or national government; amending s. 421.02, F.S.; revising a declaration of necessity; providing that access to essential commercial goods and services for persons of low income served by housing authorities is a public use; amending s. 421.03, F.S.; revising definitions applicable to the Housing Authorities Law; defining the term "essential commercial goods and services"; amending s. 421.06, F.S., relating to a prohibition on commissioners or employees from acquiring interests in housing projects and to required disclosure of interests in specified properties; providing application to commercial projects; amending s. 421.08, F.S.; prohibiting the use of eminent domain for certain purposes; expanding certain powers of housing authorities to include certain commercial projects providing essential goods and services; providing for the use of revenues received from such projects; amending s. 421.09, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; reenacting and amending s. 421.21, F.S., relating to tax exemptions applicable to housing authorities created pursuant to certain federal programs; amending s. 421.32, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 422.02, F.S.; revising a declaration of necessity; providing that there exists a shortage of access to essential commercial goods and services necessary for daily living for persons of low income; amending s. 422.04, F.S.; expanding certain powers of state public bodies to include certain commercial projects providing essential goods and services; amending s. 423.01, F.S.; revising and providing findings and declarations of property of tax exemption for housing authorities relating to access to essential commercial goods and services necessary for daily living for persons of low income; amending s. 423.02, F.S.; clarifying that activities and property of certain persons are not exempt from taxes and special assessments; providing that real property of a housing authority that is used to provide access to essential commercial goods and services is exempt from ad valorem taxes and special assessments; amending s. 624.46226, F.S.; revising requirements for public housing authorities to form self-insurance funds; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 1122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code; amending s. 633.0215, F.S.; exempting certain local governments from specified minimum fire-flow requirements in the code; exempting certain businesses from a 2-hour or longer fire-rated wall requirement in the code; exempting certain agricultural operations from the code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veteran preference in state purchasing; amending s. 295.187, F.S.; requiring state agencies to apply a specific percentage preference to bids, proposals, or replies from certified veteran business enterprises; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the unlawful possession of the personal identification information of another person; creating s. 817.5685, F.S.; defining the term "personal identification information"; providing that it is unlawful for a person to intentionally or

knowingly possess, without authorization, any personal identification information of another person; creating criminal penalties; providing that certain specified persons are exempt from provisions regarding the unlawful possession of personal identification information of another person; creating affirmative defenses; providing that the act does not preclude prosecution for the unlawful possession of personal identification information of another person under any other law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Health Policy—

SB 1128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health flex plans; amending s. 408.909, F.S.; revising the expiration date to extend the availability of health flex plans to low-income uninsured state residents; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to examination of dentists; amending s. 466.006, F.S.; revising the eligibility requirements for taking examinations required to practice dentistry; authorizing applicants enrolled in a recognized dental specialty program on a specified date to take the examinations if specified conditions are met; providing for future expiration of such authorization; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; requiring the Transportation Commission to also monitor the Mid-Bay Bridge Authority; deleting provisions relating to the Florida Statewide Passenger Rail Commission; amending s. 110.205, F.S.; changing to the State Freight and Logistics Administrator from the State Public Transportation and Modal Administrator, which is an exempt position not covered under career service; creating s. 163.3176, F.S.; providing legislative intent; requiring that a local government ensure that noise compatible land-use planning is used in its jurisdiction; providing guidelines; providing for the sharing of related costs of construction if a local government does not comply with the noise mitigation requirements; requiring that local governments consult with the Department of Transportation and the Department of Economic Opportunity in the formulation of noise mitigation requirements; amending s. 206.9825, F.S.; revising the criteria that certain air carriers must meet to qualify for an exemption to the aviation fuel tax; providing remedies for failure by an air carrier to meet the standards; authorizing terminal suppliers and wholesalers to receive a credit, or apply, for a refund of aviation fuel tax previously paid; conforming terminology; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; repealing s. 316.530(3), F.S., relating to load limits for certain towed vehicles; amending s. 316.545, F.S.; increasing the weight amount used for penalty calculations; conforming terminology; amending s. 331.360, F.S.; reordering provisions; providing for a spaceport system plan; providing funding for space transportation projects from the State Transportation Trust Fund; requiring Space Florida to provide the Department of Transportation with specific project information and to demonstrate transportation and aerospace benefits; specifying the information to be provided; providing funding criteria; providing criteria for the Spaceport Investment Program; providing for funding; authorizing the use of revenues for the payment of forms of indebtedness issued by Space Florida; providing restrictions and criteria for the use of certain revenues; amending s. 332.007, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Transportation to fund strategic airport investments; providing criteria; amending s. 334.044, F.S.; prohibiting the department from entering into a lease-purchase agreement with certain transportation authorities after a specified time; amending s. 337.11, F.S.; removing the requirement that a contractor provide a notarized affidavit as proof of registration; amending s. 337.14, F.S.; revising the criteria for bidding certain construction contracts to require a proposed budget estimate if a contract is more than a specified amount; amending s. 337.168, F.S.; providing that a document that reveals the identity of a person who has requested or received certain information before a certain time is a public record; amending s. 337.251, F.S.; revising criteria for leasing particular department property; increasing the time the department must accept proposals for lease after a notice is published; authorizing the department to establish an application fee by rule; providing criteria for the fee; providing criteria that the lease must meet; amending s. 337.408, F.S.; providing regulations for parking meters and spaces in rights-of-way; requiring each county or municipality to remit certain revenue to the department; directing the department to deposit the funds into the State Transportation Trust Fund; amending s. 338.161, F.S.; authorizing the department to enter into agreements with owners of public or private transportation facilities rather than entities that use the department's electronic toll collection and video billing systems to collect certain charges; amending s. 338.165, F.S.; removing the Beeline-East Expressway and the Navarre Bridge from the list of facilities that have toll revenues to secure their bonds; amending s. 338.26, F.S.; revising the uses of fees that are generated from tolls to include the design and construction of a fire station that may be used by certain local governments in accordance with a specified memorandum; removing authority of a district to issue bonds or notes; amending s. 339.175, F.S.; revising the criteria that qualify a local government for participation in a metropolitan planning organization; revising the criteria to determine voting membership of a metropolitan planning organization; providing that each metropolitan planning organization shall review its membership and reapportion it as necessary; providing criteria; removing the requirement that the Governor review and apportion the voting membership among the various governmental entities within the metropolitan planning area; amending s. 339.2821, F.S.; authorizing Enterprise Florida, Inc., to be a consultant to the Department of Transportation for consideration of expenditures associated with and contracts for transportation projects; revising the requirements for economic development transportation project contracts between the department and a governmental entity; amending s. 339.55, F.S.; adding spaceports to the list of facility types for which the state-funded infrastructure bank may lend capital costs or provide credit enhancements; amending s. 341.031, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "intercity bus service"; amending s. 341.053, F.S.; revising the types of eligible projects and criteria of the intermodal development program; amending s. 341.302, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Transportation to undertake ancillary development for appropriate revenue sources to be used for state-owned rail corridors; amending ss. 343.82 and 343.922, F.S.; removing reference to advances from the Toll Facilities Revolving Trust Fund as a source of funding for certain projects by an authority; creating ch. 345, F.S., relating to the Florida Regional Tollway Authority; creating s. 345.0001, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 345.0002, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 345.0003, F.S.; authorizing counties to form a regional tollway authority that can construct, maintain, or operate transportation projects in a region of the state; providing for governance of the authority; creating s. 345.0004, F.S.; providing for the powers and duties of a regional tollway authority; limiting an authority's power with respect to an existing system; prohibiting an authority from pledging the credit or taxing power of the state or any political subdivision or agency of the state; requiring that an authority comply with certain reporting and documentation requirements; creating s. 345.0005, F.S.; authorizing the authority to issue bonds; providing that the issued bonds must meet certain requirements; providing that the resolution that authorizes the issuance of bonds meet certain requirements; authorizing an authority to enter into security agreements for issued bonds with a bank or trust company; providing that the issued bonds are negotiable instruments and have certain qualities; providing that a resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds and pledging of revenues of the system must contain certain requirements; prohibiting the use or pledge of state funds to pay principal or interest of an authority's bonds; creating s. 345.0006, F.S.; providing for the rights and remedies granted to certain bondholders; providing the actions a trustee may take on behalf of the bondholders; providing for the appointment of a receiver; providing for the authority of the receiver; providing limitations to the receiver's authority; creating s. 345.0007, F.S.; providing that the Department of Transportation is the agent of each authority for specified purposes; providing for the administration and management of projects by the department; providing limits on the department as an agent; providing for the fiscal responsibilities of the authority; creating s. 345.0008, F.S.; authorizing the department to provide for or commit its resources for an authority project or system, if

approved by the Legislature; providing for payment of expenses incurred by the department on behalf of an authority; requiring the department to receive a share of the revenue from the authority; providing calculations for disbursement of revenues; creating s. 345.0009, F.S.; authorizing the authority to acquire private or public property and property rights for a project or plan; authorizing the authority to exercise the right of eminent domain; providing for the rights and liabilities and remedial actions relating to property acquired for a transportation project or corridor; creating s. 345.0010, F.S.; providing for contracts between governmental entities and an authority; creating s. 345.0011, F.S.; providing that the state will not limit or alter the vested rights of a bondholder with regard to any issued bonds or rights relating to the bonds under certain conditions; creating s. 345.0012, F.S.; relieving the authority from the obligation of paying certain taxes or assessments for property acquired or used for certain public purposes or for revenues received relating to the issuance of bonds; providing exceptions; creating s. 345.0013, F.S.; providing that the bonds or obligations issued are legal investments of specified entities; creating s. 345.0014, F.S.; providing applicability; creating s. 345.0015, F.S.; creating the Northwest Florida Regional Tollway Authority; creating s. 345.0016, F.S.; creating the Okaloosa-Bay Regional Tollway Authority; creating s. 345.0017, F.S.; creating the Suncoast Regional Tollway Authority; providing for the transfer of the governance and control of the Mid-Bay Bridge Authority System to the Okaloosa-Bay Regional Tollway Authority; providing for the disposition of bonds, the protection of the bondholders, the effect on the rights and obligations under a contract or the bonds, and the revenues associated with the bonds; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to compensation for personal injury or wrongful death arising from a medical injury; amending s. 456.013, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health or certain boards thereof to require the completion of a course relating to communication of medical errors; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 766.401, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 766.402, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 766.403, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; specifying that certain provisions are an exclusive remedy for personal injury or wrongful death; providing for early offer of settlement; creating s. 766.404, F.S.; creating the Patient Compensation System; providing for a board; providing for membership, meetings, and certain compensation; providing for specific staff, offices, committees, and panels and the powers and duties thereof; prohibiting certain conflicts of interest; authorizing rulemaking; creating s. 766.405, F.S.; providing a process for filing applications; providing for notice to providers and insurers; providing an application filing period; creating s. 766.406, F.S.; providing for disposition, support, and review of applications; providing for a determination of compensation upon a prima facie claim of a medical injury having been made; providing that compensation for an application shall be offset by any past and future collateral source payments; providing for determinations of malpractice for purposes of a specified constitutional provision; providing for notice of applications determined to constitute a medical injury for purposes of professional discipline; providing for payment of compensation awards; creating s. 766.407, F.S.; providing for review of awards by an administrative law judge; providing for appellate review; creating s. 766.408, F.S.; requiring annual contributions from specified providers to provide administrative expenses; providing maximum contribution rates; specifying payment dates; providing for disciplinary proceedings for failure to pay; providing for deposit of funds; authorizing providers to opt out of participation; providing requirements for such an election; creating s. 766.409, F.S.; requiring notice to patients of provider participation in the Patient Compensation System; creating s. 766.410, F.S.; requiring an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; providing retroactive application; providing severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction liens; amending s. 713.015, F.S.; revising a mandatory notice provision in contracts between owners and contractors; amending s. 713.06, F.S.; revising notice requirements relating to liens of persons not in privity; amending s. 713.13, F.S.; deleting a provision classifying certain payments as improper payments; revising the notice of commencement form to conform to changes made by the act and to provide an additional warning; amending s. 713.135, F.S.; revising the building permit card and application to conform to changes made by the act and to provide an additional warning; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 1138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to title insurance agents and agencies; reordering and amending s. 626.841, F.S.; revising and adding definitions; amending s. 626.8411, F.S.; revising the list of other code provisions that also apply to title insurance agents or agencies; amending s. 626.8412, F.S.; clarifying that title insurance may be sold only by licensed and appointed agents and agencies; amending s. 626.8413, F.S.; providing additional limitations on the name a title agent or agency may adopt; amending s. 626.8417, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 626.8418, F.S.; revising the application requirements for a title insurance agency license; requiring the name of any person who directs or participates in the management or control of the agency; requiring proof of name registration with the Division of Corporations; requiring fingerprinting of certain persons involved in the management or control of the agency; deleting certain security requirements and procedures; amending s. 626.8419, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the appointment of a title insurance agency; creating s. 626.8422, F.S.; specifying functions that may be performed by title agents, title agencies, and authorized employees; amending s. 626.8437, F.S.; updating terms relating to grounds for actions against a licensee or appointee; amending s. 626.8443, F.S.; increasing the time period for suspending a license; amending s. 626.8473, F.S.; revising provisions relating to escrow to allow a title agency rather than a title agent to act as an escrow agent; authorizing a licensed title agency to engage in simple escrow; revising and providing additional requirements relating to escrow and title accounts and funds; amending ss. 626.0428 and 627.797, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drug paraphernalia; amending s. 893.147, F.S.; prohibiting the retail sale of certain drug paraphernalia; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 569.006, F.S.; authorizing the imposition of administrative penalties upon retail tobacco products dealers who commit certain offenses related to drug paraphernalia; making a technical change; repealing s. 569.0073, F.S., relating to the retail sale of certain smoking pipes and smoking devices; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 1142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to small business participation in state contracting; creating s. 287.0577, F.S.; defining the terms “contract bundling” and “small business”; directing that agencies avoid contract bundling under certain circumstances; requiring agencies to conduct market research and include written summaries and analyses of such research in solicitations for bundled contracts; requiring agencies to award a specified percentage of contracts to small businesses; requiring contract vendors to use small businesses in the state as subcontractors or subvendors; providing requirements with respect to payment of subcontractors, owners, and general contractors; prohibiting

agencies, general contractors, or prime contractors from requiring certain bonds or other sureties for certain contracts; requiring the rules ombudsman in the Executive Office of the Governor to establish a system for reporting small business participation in state contracting; requiring agencies to cooperate with such reporting; requiring specified annual reports; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Thompson and Clemens—

SB 1144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physical education in the public schools; amending s. 1003.455, F.S.; revising criteria for waiver of physical education requirements for students in grades 6 through 8; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to legislative employees; providing that legislative employees be given preference for employment interviews under specified conditions; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SR 1148—Not referenced.

By Senators Benacquisto and Brandes—

SB 1150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state contracting; amending s. 215.971, F.S.; requiring agreements funded with state or federal financial assistance to include additional provisions; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to audit and approve agreements prior to execution; requiring state agencies to designate a grants manager for each agreement and providing requirements and procedures for managers; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to perform audits of executed agreements and to discuss such audits with agency officials; requiring the agency head to respond to the audit; reordering and amending s. 215.985, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the Chief Financial Officer's intergovernmental contract tracking system under the Transparency Florida Act; requiring state agencies to post certain information in the tracking system and to update that information; requiring that exempt and confidential information be redacted from contracts and procurement documents posted on the system; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to make available to the public the information posted on the system through a secure website; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules; repealing s. 216.0111, F.S., relating to a requirement that state agencies report certain contract information to the Department of Financial Services and transferring that requirement to s. 215.985, F.S.; amending s. 287.057, F.S.; requiring certain contract managers to be certified and directing the Department of Management Services to be responsible for establishing the requirements for certification; amending s. 287.058, F.S.; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to audit and approve agreements prior to execution; creating s. 287.136, F.S.; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to perform audits of executed contract documents and to discuss such audits with the agency officials; requiring the agency head to respond to the audit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; revising an exemption from public records requirements for any financial statement that an agency requires a prospective bidder to submit in order to prequalify for bidding or for responding to a proposal for a road or public works project; providing an exemption from public records requirements for any financial statement that a governmental entity or agency requires a prospective bidder to submit when bidding in response to an invitation to bid, submitting a letter of interest, or responding to a request for proposals or an invitation to negotiate pursuant to a public procurement; providing an exemption from public records requirements for financial information that a governmental entity requires a person to submit when responding to a solicitation; providing an exception; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 1154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to chemicals of high concern; creating s. 403.9339, F.S.; providing a declaration of state policy regarding the identification of chemicals of high concern; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Department of Health, to generate a list of chemicals of high concern; providing requirements for the review, revision, and publication of the list; providing criteria for the designation of a chemical as a chemical of high concern; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to participate in an interstate clearinghouse regarding the use of chemicals in consumer products; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to space exploration; creating part XIII of ch. 288, F.S., entitled "Space Exploration Research Laboratory"; creating s. 288.9933, F.S.; requiring the Florida Institute of Technology to submit a plan to the Department of Economic Opportunity in order to qualify for grant funding of a space exploration research laboratory; requiring certain information to be included in the plan; requiring the institute to annually submit a report relating to expenditures and accomplishments of the space exploration research laboratory; specifying information for inclusion in the annual report; requiring the institute to enter into a contract containing certain terms with the Department of Economic Opportunity; providing for funding to cease under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to make annual reviews and recommendations concerning whether to continue funding the space exploration research laboratory; providing for funding to cease under certain circumstances; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; directing the Department of Revenue, after notice by the Department of Economic Opportunity that certain contingencies have been met, to annually distribute for a certain number of years a specified amount of funds generated by visitor activity at the Kennedy Space Center and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station for the purpose of establishing and operating a space exploration research institute at the Florida Institute of Technology; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives; creating the office within the Department of Economic Opportunity; directing the department to provide administrative and staff support services for the office; providing the duties of the office; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; revising the frequency of inspections that owners of aerobic treatment unit systems must provide for under service agreements with certain maintenance entities permitted by the Department of Health; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 1162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory reports of child abuse; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; limiting the duty of an officer or employee of a law enforcement agency to provide notice to the Department of Children and Families of reasonable cause to suspect child abuse under certain circumstances; limiting the duty of the Central Abuse Hotline to electronically transfer certain calls and reports to the county sheriff's office under certain circumstances; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school athletics; reenacting and amending s. 1002.20(17), F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 1006.15, F.S.; revising criteria for student eligibility for participation in extracurricular activities to include students in charter schools; amending s. 1006.20, F.S.; revising the criteria for bylaws, policies, or guidelines adopted by the Florida High School Athletic Association; requiring the association to complete a review by a specified date; requiring that the association submit a report to the Commissioner of Education, the Governor, and the Legislature; establishing notice requirements to specified parties; providing procedures for student residence and transfer approvals; providing that the burden is on the FHSAA to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that a student is ineligible to participate in a high school athletic competition; requiring that the FHSAA pay costs and attorney fees in certain circumstances; revising the composition of the board of directors of the association; revising what constitutes a quorum of the board of directors; providing restrictions for the salary, benefits, per diem, and travel expenses of the association's executive director; providing that members of the association's public liaison advisory committee are entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses at the same rate as state employees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 1166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adverse possession; amending s. 95.18, F.S.; revising terminology; requiring certain conditions to be met before real property is legally adversely possessed without color of title; requiring a person claiming adverse possession to provide to the property appraiser certain attestations from the owner of the property on a uniform return; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Dean—

SB 1168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mobile home park lot tenancies; amending s. 723.059, F.S.; providing for a mobile home park owner to increase the lot rental of the purchaser of a mobile home on a leased lot in the mobile home park; providing limitations on the amount of rent increase; providing guidelines for determining the amount of the adjustment; requiring a disclosure statement to be executed before or at the time of purchase; limiting the amount of lot rental increase on a lot that was previously subject to a lifetime lease; providing a penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Flores—

SB 1170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use, prevention, and reduction of seclusion and restraint on students with disabilities in public schools; amending s. 1003.573, F.S.; providing definitions; providing legislative findings and intent; requiring that manual physical restraint be used only in an emergency when there is an imminent risk of serious injury or death to the student or others; providing restrictions on the use of manual physical restraint; prohibiting the use of manual physical restraint by school personnel who are not certified to use district-approved methods for applying restraint techniques; prohibiting specified techniques; requiring that each school medically evaluate a student after the student is manually physically restrained; prohibiting school personnel from placing a student in seclusion; providing requirements for the use of time-out; requiring that a school district report its training and certification procedures to the Department of Education; requiring that school personnel be trained and certified in the use of manual physical restraint; requiring that a school review a student's functional behavior assessment and positive behavioral intervention plan under certain circumstances; requiring that parents be notified of a school district's policies regarding the use of manual physical restraint; requiring that each school send a redacted copy of any incident report or other documentation to Disability Rights Florida; requiring that the department make available on its website data of incidents of manual physical restraint by a specified date; requiring that each school district develop policies and procedures addressing the allowable use of manual physical restraint, personnel authorized to use such restraint, training procedures, analysis of data trends, and the reduction of the use of manual physical restraint; requiring that any revisions to a school district's policies and procedures be filed with the bureau chief of the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to land trusts; creating s. 689.073, F.S., and transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 689.071(4) and (5), F.S.; providing requirements relating to vesting of ownership in a trustee; providing exclusion and applicability; amending s. 689.071, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; revising provisions relating to land trust transfers of real property and vesting of ownership in a trustee; prohibiting the operation of the statute of uses to execute a land trust or to vest the trust property under certain conditions; prohibiting the operation of the doctrine of merger to execute a land trust or to vest the trust property under certain conditions; providing conditions under which a beneficial interest is deemed real property; revising and providing rights, liabilities, and duties of land trust beneficiaries; authorizing certain beneficial ownership methods; providing for the perfection of security documents; providing that a trustee's legal and equitable title to the trust property is separate and distinct from the beneficiary's beneficial interest in the land trust and the trust property; prohibiting a lien, judgment, mortgage, security interest, or other encumbrance against one interest from automatically attaching to another interest; providing that the appointment of a guardian ad litem is not necessary in certain foreclosure litigation affecting the title to trust property of a land trust; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; deleting provisions relating to the applicability of certain successor trustee provisions; providing notice requirements; providing for the determination of applicable law for certain trusts; providing for applicability relating to Uniform Commercial Code financing statements; providing requirements for recording effectiveness; amending s.

736.0102, F.S.; revising and providing scope of the Florida Trust Code; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to liens on personal property in self-service storage facilities and self-contained storage units; amending s. 83.806, F.S.; revising notice requirements for enforcement of liens by the owner of the self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit; specifying a limit on the value of property stored in the tenant's storage unit; authorizing the towing of a vehicle in a storage unit under certain circumstances; limiting the liability of the owner of a self-service storage facility or self-contained storage unit after a vehicle is towed from such facility or unit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the school surtax; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; allowing the school surtax to be used for operational expenditures as well as fixed capital outlay projects; requiring a school board to covenant to decrease a capital local school property tax in order to use surtax revenues for certain purposes; defining the terms "new or existing school projects" and "school facilities and campuses"; amending ss. 212.054, 1011.715, 1013.64, 1013.73, and 1013.736, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Central County Water Control District, Hendry County; amending chapter 2000-415, Laws of Florida; correcting the legal description of the boundaries of the district; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state employee salaries; providing a short title; providing a competitive pay adjustment for state employees; requiring an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 1182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health education; amending s. 1003.428, F.S.; requiring students to earn one-half credit in health education, independent of the physical education credit requirement, for high school graduation; authorizing a waiver for students who request to take and successfully complete a health education assessment developed by the Department of Education; reducing the number of required credits in elective courses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to punitive damages; amending s. 768.73, F.S.; providing that, in making its determination as to the appropriate limits of an award of punitive damages, the court is not subject to an implied presumption about the amount of punitive damages the court may award; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reducing or suspending the sentence of a juvenile offender; providing a short title; defining terms; providing that a juvenile offender who was 17 years of age or younger at the time of committing a nonhomicide offense and who was sentenced to 10 or more years of imprisonment may be eligible for a reduced or suspended sentence; setting forth the eligibility criteria for the court to reduce or suspend a sentence; authorizing the juvenile offender to petition for subsequent sentencing hearings if the court does not reduce or suspend the juvenile offender's sentence; requiring that the juvenile offender participate in any available reentry program for a specified period following release; authorizing the court to appoint an attorney to represent the juvenile offender; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to archeological sites and specimens; amending s. 267.12, F.S.; authorizing the Division of Historical Resources of the Department of State to issue permits for excavation, surface reconnaissance, and archaeological activities on land owned by a water authority; amending s. 267.13, F.S.; providing that specified activities relating to archaeological sites and specimens located upon land owned by a water authority are prohibited and subject to penalties; authorizing the division to impose an administrative fine on and seek injunctive relief against certain entities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agricultural lands; amending s. 163.3162, F.S.; revising a definition; prohibiting a governmental entity from adopting or enforcing any prohibition, restriction, regulation, or other limitation or from charging a fee on a specific agricultural activity of a bona fide farm operation on land classified as agricultural land under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 1192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy and controlled substance prescription; amending s. 456.44, F.S.; limiting the application of requirements for prescribing controlled substances; requiring a physician to consult the prescription drug monitoring program database before prescribing certain controlled substances; authorizing the board to adopt a penalty for failure to consult the database; exempting nursing home residents and certain physicians from requirements regarding prescriptions of controlled substances; amending s. 458.326, F.S.; requiring a physician to consult the prescription drug monitoring program database or designate an agent to consult the database before prescribing certain controlled substances; authorizing the board to adopt a penalty for failure to consult the database; amending ss. 458.3265 and 459.0137, F.S.; requiring that owners of pain-management clinics be licensed physicians; removing language regarding non-physician-owned pain-management clinics; providing that regulation of the licensure, activity, and operation of pharmacies, pharmacists, and

health care facilities and clinics is preempted to the state; prohibiting a local government or political subdivision of the state from enacting or enforcing an ordinance that imposes a levy, charge, or fee upon, or that otherwise regulates, pharmacies, pharmacists, and health care clinics and facilities, except for ordinances regarding local business taxes and land development; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; defining a term; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 465.0065, F.S.; providing notice requirements for inspection of a pharmacy; amending s. 465.016, F.S.; providing additional grounds for disciplinary action; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 465.022, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; requiring a pharmacy permittee to commence operations within 180 days after permit issuance or show good cause why operations were not commenced; requiring the board to establish rules; requiring a pharmacy permittee to be supervised by a prescription department manager or consultant pharmacist of record; amending s. 465.023, F.S.; providing additional grounds for disciplinary action; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 893.055, F.S.; deleting an obsolete provision; authorizing the prescription drug monitoring program to be funded by state funds and pharmaceutical company donations; amending ss. 409.9201, 458.331, 459.015, 465.014, 465.015, 465.0156, 465.0197, 465.1901, 499.003, and 893.02, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1194—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the public broadcasting program system; amending ss. 1001.25 and 1001.26, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Education to provide equipment, funds, and other support for certain television stations owned and operated by a district school board and licensed by the Federal Communications Commission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to independent special fire control districts; amending s. 191.009, F.S.; clarifying provisions that authorize a district to levy non-ad valorem assessments to construct, operate, and maintain specified district facilities and services; amending s. 191.011, F.S.; revising provisions relating to district authority to provide for the levy of non-ad valorem assessments on lands within the district rather than benefited real property; eliminating provisions relating to rate of assessment for benefited real property, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 1198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 101.045, F.S.; authorizing an elector who changes his or her legal residence to vote in the precinct to which he or she has moved even if the change of residence is not within the same county; amending s. 101.161, F.S.; limiting the ballot summary of a joint resolution to 75 words in length; deleting a provision that authorizes the use of multiple ballot statements to explain a joint resolution proposal; deleting a presumption that a ballot statement consisting of the full text of an amendment or revision is a clear and unambiguous statement of the substance and effect of the measure; amending s. 101.62, F.S.; revising the dates for when an absentee ballot request must be received and mailed; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; revising and expanding locations that may be designated as early voting sites; deleting a requirement that an early voting site be designated and used as such for at least 1 year before an election; increasing and specifying the days and hours for conducting early voting at certain elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 1200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the taxation of property; amending s. 193.461, F.S.; deleting authorization for a value adjustment board upon its own motion to review lands classified by a property appraiser as agricultural or nonagricultural; deleting a requirement that the property appraiser must reclassify as nonagricultural certain lands that have been zoned to a nonagricultural use; deleting authorization for a board of county commissioners to reclassify as nonagricultural certain lands that are contiguous to urban or metropolitan development under specified circumstances; deleting an evidentiary presumption that land is not being used primarily for bone fide agricultural purposes if it is purchased for a certain amount above its agricultural assessment; amending s. 193.503, F.S.; deleting authorization for a value adjustment board upon its own motion to review property granted or denied classification by a property appraiser as historic property that is being used for commercial or certain nonprofit purposes; amending s. 193.625, F.S.; deleting authorization for a value adjustment board upon its own motion to review land granted or denied a high-water recharge classification by a property appraiser; amending s. 196.194, F.S.; deleting authorization for a value adjustment board to review property tax exemptions upon its own motion or motion of the property appraiser and deleting certain notice requirements relating to the review of such exemptions; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to credit card solicitations on college campuses; prohibiting the solicitation of credit cards on Florida College System institutions or state university campuses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Education; and Rules.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 1204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; requiring a student transferring from a charter school to a traditional public school to take a placement test selected by the district school board; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 1206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; providing that the performance of certain transfer students, as measured by learning growth, may not be included in the performance evaluation of certain traditional public school personnel for a specified period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school safety; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; providing that state sales and use taxes collected on firearms and ammunition shall be allocated to the Safe Schools Trust Fund rather than the General Revenue Fund; creating s. 790.0535, F.S.; providing that a student present within a school safety zone who is carrying a weapon or firearm in violation of specified provisions may avoid charges by surrendering the weapon or firearm to a specified person at the earliest opportunity if the student has committed no other offense involving the weapon or firearm; amending s. 1006.025, F.S.; requiring a school district's guidance plan to include mandatory guidance counseling for certain students in school safety issues;

amending ss. 11.45, 202.18, 218.245, 218.65, 288.11621, and 288.1169, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to family law; amending s. 61.30, F.S.; providing for consideration of time-sharing schedules as a factor in the adjustment of awards of child support; amending s. 90.204, F.S.; authorizing the court in family cases to take judicial notice of certain court records without prior notice to the parties when imminent danger to persons or property has been alleged and it is impractical to give prior notice; providing for a deferred opportunity to present evidence; requiring a notice of such judicial notice having been taken to be filed within a specified period; providing that term "family cases" has the same meaning as provided in the Rules of Judicial Administration; amending ss. 741.30, 784.046, and 784.0485, F.S.; creating an exception to a prohibition against using evidence other than the verified pleading or affidavit in an ex parte hearing for a temporary injunction for protection against domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence, dating violence, or stalking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state ombudsman program; amending s. 400.0060, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 400.0061, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to citizen ombudsmen; deleting references to ombudsman councils and transferring their responsibilities to representatives of the Office of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman; amending s. 400.0063, F.S.; revising duties of the office; amending s. 400.0065, F.S.; reorganizing local ombudsman councils; establishing districts; requiring the state ombudsman to submit an annual report to the Governor, the Legislature, and specified agencies and entities; amending s. 400.0067, F.S.; providing duties of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Advisory Council; providing for membership, terms, and meetings; amending s. 400.0069, F.S.; requiring the state ombudsman to designate and direct program districts; providing duties of representatives of the office in the districts; authorizing a representative of the office to enter a facility without notice and without a warrant; providing for appointment and qualifications of district ombudsmen; prohibiting certain individuals from serving as ombudsmen; amending s. 400.0070, F.S.; providing conditions under which a representative of the office could be found to have a conflict of interest; amending s. 400.0071, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to consult with the state ombudsman before adopting rules pertaining to complaint resolution; amending s. 400.0073, F.S.; providing procedures for investigation of complaints; amending s. 400.0074, F.S.; revising procedures for conducting onsite administrative assessments; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 400.0075, F.S.; revising complaint notification and resolution procedures; amending s. 400.0078, F.S.; providing for a resident or representative of a resident to receive additional information regarding resident rights; amending s. 400.0079, F.S.; providing immunity from liability for a representative of the office under certain circumstances; amending s. 400.0081, F.S.; requiring long-term care facilities to provide representatives of the office with access to facilities, residents, and records for certain purposes; amending s. 400.0083, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 400.0087, F.S.; providing for the office to coordinate ombudsman services with Disability Rights Florida; amending s. 400.0089, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 400.0091, F.S.; revising training requirements for representatives of the office and ombudsmen; amending ss. 20.41, 400.021, 400.022, 400.0255, 400.1413, 400.162, 400.19, 400.191, 400.23, 400.235, 415.1034, 415.104, 415.1055, 415.106, 415.107, 429.02, 429.07, 429.19, 429.26, 429.28, 429.34, 429.35, 429.85, and 744.444, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 1214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 499.815, F.S.; exempting from public records requirements a form, application, record, interview, report, physician's statement, memorandum, or drug test result, relating to the medical use of cannabis, held by the Department of Health, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, or the Department of Revenue; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 1216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wage theft; amending s. 34.01, F.S.; granting county courts original jurisdiction over specified collection actions; creating s. 448.115, F.S.; defining the term "wage theft"; providing circumstances under which an employer commits wage theft; providing specific notice requirements; requiring a claim to be filed within a specified time; requiring an employer to pay or resolve the matter within a specified time; providing that a claim is governed by the Florida Small Claims Rules; providing procedural requirements; requiring the claimant to prove wage theft by a preponderance of the evidence; limiting damages to actual compensation owed; prohibiting attorney fees or other damage awards; authorizing the Attorney General to seek injunctive relief against an employer accused of wage theft; authorizing the Attorney General to seek money damages, up to a specified amount, in addition to injunctive relief under certain circumstances; authorizing a county, municipality, or political subdivision to establish an administrative process to facilitate the collection of money owed to an employee; requiring such process to include an opportunity for negotiation between parties; authorizing a county, municipality, or political subdivision to include in the process payment of certain fees and assistance with certain applications; prohibiting adjudication; prohibiting any law, ordinance, or rule regarding unpaid compensation claims other than as authorized for the administrative process; grandfathering local ordinances that govern wage theft and that were enacted before a specified date; providing an exception; creating s. 448.116, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a political subdivision from adopting or enforcing certain rules and ordinances and voiding such rules and ordinances; providing that this section does not limit the authority of a political subdivision to establish conditions of employment for certain persons or to establish a certain process or forum; providing that this section does not prohibit a certain tribal government from establishing conditions of employment for certain persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential foreclosure proceedings; providing a short title; creating s. 501.1379, F.S.; defining the term "mortgage collection firm"; prohibiting a mortgage collection firm from offering false evidence in a mortgage foreclosure proceeding; providing that a violation is a deceptive and unfair trade practice; providing penalties and remedies; providing for the award of attorney fees and costs under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 20.1955, F.S.; creating the Behavioral Health Intervention and

Treatment Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Families; providing purposes of the trust fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protection of vulnerable persons; amending s. 812.0145, F.S.; reducing the minimum amount of a theft from a person 65 years of age or older that constitutes a felony of the third degree; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 825.101, F.S.; revising definitions; adding the definitions for the terms "impaired" and "vulnerable adult"; amending s. 825.102, F.S.; revising terminology to prohibit specified offenses against a vulnerable adult; amending s. 825.1025, F.S.; revising terminology to prohibit specified lewd and lascivious offenses committed upon or in the presence of a vulnerable adult; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 825.103, F.S.; revising terminology to prohibit specified offenses involving exploitation of a vulnerable adult; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 825.105, F.S.; revising terminology to provide legislative intent relating to good faith assistance to a vulnerable adult; amending s. 825.106, F.S.; revising terminology concerning speedy trial of specified offenses; amending ss. 90.803, 435.04, 775.084, 775.0844, 775.0877, 782.07, 921.0022, 948.06, 960.003, and 1012.315, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 1010.88, F.S.; creating the Safe Schools Trust Fund within the Department of Education; providing for sources of funds and purposes; providing for annual carryforward of trust fund balances; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead foreclosure relief; providing for application to homestead property mortgaged within a certain time period; providing a statute of limitations for entering a deficiency judgment; limiting the time period the lienholder can collect moneys owed; providing that the collection time may be tolled if the debtor commits fraud or if the debtor is held in contempt of court; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to short sale debt relief; creating the "Short Sale Debt Relief Act"; defining terms; providing that a debtor does not owe a deficiency to a lienholder related to an eligible real property sold pursuant to a bona fide short sale if an offer is received by a debtor within a specified time period and under specified conditions; providing for the distribution of proceeds; requiring a lienholder to approve the short sale of property and execute any document necessary to close the sale within a specified time period if a debtor procures a buyer who makes an offer in writing equal to the fair market value of the eligible property; providing that a debtor has a claim against a lienholder for actual damages, costs, elimination of the lien, and attorney fees if the lienholder violates the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 1230—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; providing that when a charter school is dissolved any unencumbered public funds from the school revert to the sponsor and other funds revert to the Department of Education to be redistributed among eligible charter schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public education; creating s. 1003.615, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative intent and purpose; providing to certain school districts the option of statutory waivers from certain statutes in ch. 1000-1013, F.S., and corresponding administrative rules; authorizing the State Board of Education to enter into a performance contract with a school district to provide a statutory waiver; authorizing a school district, upon a supermajority vote by the district school board, to apply for a waiver from certain statutes; requiring that a school district that receives one or more waivers comply with certain statutes; specifying exceptions to the statutory waivers; requiring that an application for each waiver request be submitted to the commissioner and the State Board of Education; providing requirements for the application; providing that a waiver may be requested at any point during the fiscal year; requiring that the commissioner and the State Board of Education make a decision within a specified period of time; providing that the governing board of a school district is the duly elected district school board; requiring that each school district submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of firearms and ammunition; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; providing an administrative fee to be imposed on the sale of firearms and ammunition by licensed dealers in this state; requiring fees collected to be deposited into the Behavioral Health Intervention and Treatment Trust Fund; amending s. 20.195, F.S.; providing for carryforward of unexpended funds in the trust fund at the end of fiscal year; conforming provisions; amending s. 20.1955, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing for distributions from the trust fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the mortgage principal reduction program; creating the "Mortgage Principal Reduction Act"; defining terms; requiring that the Florida Housing Finance Corporation apply to the United States Department of the Treasury by a specified date to request funds not to exceed a specified amount from the federal Hardest-Hit Fund program to establish a new state program to reduce the principal on mortgages for persons whose homestead property in this state is in foreclosure; requiring the corporation to use the allocated funds to purchase delinquent mortgages on such property from lenders at a discount to reduce the mortgage principal amount due on the mortgage; creating an application process and corporate procedures; specifying that only members of The Florida Bar and HUD-certified counselors working for a non-profit entity may assist program applicants in applying for or program participants in servicing a loan created by the program; requiring that the corporation submit monthly reports to the

Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educator preparation; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; revising the rules in establishing uniform core curricula for a teacher preparation program to include instruction in the state standards adopted by the State Board of Education; requiring departments and colleges of education to emphasize the state system of school improvement and education accountability concepts and standards, including state standards adopted by the State Board of Education, rather than the Sunshine State Standards; requiring state-approved teacher preparation programs to incorporate instruction in the state standards adopted by the State Board of Education; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; revising the acceptable means of demonstrating mastery of professional preparation and education competence to include successful completion of a specified professional education training program and the achievement of a passing score on the professional education competency examination; revising criteria for a temporary certificate; providing that certain graduates of specified institutions take first priority for vacancies in the professional preparation alternative certification program; requiring the Department of Education to inform institutions of higher learning of the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1240—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children who are deaf or hard of hearing; providing legislative findings; requiring health care providers to provide an opportunity for a child's parent or legal guardian to provide contact information so that he or she may receive information from specified service providers when the hearing loss is identified; requiring the Department of Health to register certain service providers and institutions; allowing a parent or legal guardian to request services from a participating service provider; providing that the level of services received is based on the child's individualized education program or individual and family service plan; providing for eligibility; providing a funding formula; requiring the department to develop standards for participating service providers; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Ring and Thompson—

SB 1242—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coverage for mental and nervous disorders; amending s. 627.668, F.S.; revising requirements and limitations for optional coverage for mental and nervous disorders; authorizing an insurer or health maintenance organization to take certain steps to reduce service costs; specifying nonapplication under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.6675, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; repealing s. 627.669, F.S., relating to optional coverage required for substance abuse impaired persons; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to submit a report to the Legislature containing specified information; providing for application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county contributions to the Medicaid program; creating a study group to evaluate the percentage of funds that counties are required to contribute to the Medicaid program; requiring that the study group provide recommendations to the Governor and Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 1246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public retirement plans; amending ss. 185.03 and 185.08, F.S.; specifying applicability of ch. 185, F.S., to certain consolidated governments; providing that a consolidated government that has entered into an interlocal agreement to provide police protection services to a municipality within its boundaries is eligible to receive the premium taxes reported for the municipality under certain circumstances; authorizing the municipality receiving the police protection services to enact an ordinance levying the tax as provided by law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hurricane mitigation; transferring responsibility for the public model for hurricane loss projection from the Office of Insurance Regulation to the Division of Emergency Management; amending s. 215.559, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program; deleting provisions specifying how program funds are to be spent, including the Manufactured Housing and Mobile Home Mitigation and Enhancement Program, and the Florida International University International Hurricane Research Center; deleting reports prepared by Tallahassee Community College and a report prepared by the division; specifying program components, including responsibility for the public model for hurricane loss projections, which includes the charging of an access fee, the development of a mitigation database, mitigation credits and inspections, mitigation grants, mitigation outreach, and mitigation research; authorizing the division to leverage program funding; repealing s. 627.06281, F.S., relating to the public hurricane loss projection model; transferring provisions of that section to ss. 212.559 and 627.06292, F.S.; amending s. 627.0629, F.S.; revising factors that must be considered or included in the rate filings for residential property insurance; reordering and amending s. 627.06292, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the public model for hurricane loss projections; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; deleting obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 1250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical cannabis; creating part III of ch. 499, F.S.; creating s. 499.801, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 499.802, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating s. 499.803, F.S.; providing a legislative purpose; creating s. 499.804, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 499.805, F.S.; authorizing a qualifying patient to possess and administer medical cannabis, and possess and use paraphernalia for a specified purpose; authorizing the patient's caregiver to possess and administer medical cannabis to a qualifying patient and to possess and use paraphernalia for a specified purpose; providing that a registry identification card, or its equivalent, which is issued from another jurisdiction has the same force and effect as a registry identification card issued by the Department of Health; requiring a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver to present to a law enforcement officer a registry identification card to confirm that the person is authorized to possess, use, or administer medical cannabis or paraphernalia; requiring a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver to possess, use, or administer only medical cannabis that is obtained from a dispensary or medical cannabis farm; authorizing a qualifying patient who is a minor to possess, use, or administer medical cannabis only if the parent or legal guardian signs a written statement; providing

requirements for the written statement; providing a procedure to change the patient's designation of a caregiver; providing a procedure for replacing a lost registry identification card; providing that a registration form to obtain a registry identification card is deemed valid if the Department of Health fails to issue or deny the registration form within a specified number of days; authorizing the department to revoke a cardholder's registry identification card; creating s. 499.806, F.S.; providing restrictions for the use of medical cannabis; requiring a person who wishes to be a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver to register with the department; providing the maximum amount of medical cannabis which a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver may possess; prohibiting medical cannabis from being administered in a public place or at a dispensary; authorizing medical cannabis to be administered in certain medical treatment facilities; requiring a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver to transport medical cannabis in a labeled container or sealed package; providing that the act does not allow a person to undertake a task under the influence of medical cannabis when doing so constitutes negligence or malpractice; providing that the use of medical cannabis does not create a defense to certain offenses; providing that evidence of a person's voluntary intoxication that results from the use of medical cannabis is not admissible for certain reasons; authorizing a person or entity to provide information about the existence or operation of a medical cannabis farm or dispensary to another person; prohibiting a law enforcement officer from further stopping or detaining a person if the law enforcement officer determines that the person is in compliance with the use of medical cannabis or paraphernalia; creating s. 499.807, F.S.; authorizing a physician to recommend use of medical cannabis under certain circumstances; requiring the physician to sign a written recommendation if he or she recommends the use of medical cannabis; providing requirements for the written recommendation; providing that a physician is not subject to penalty, arrest, prosecution or disciplinary proceedings or denial of a right or privilege for advising a qualifying patient about the use of medical cannabis, recommending the use of medical cannabis, providing a written recommendation for a patient's medical use of cannabis, or stating that, in the physician's professional opinion, the potential benefits of medical cannabis would likely outweigh the health risks for a patient; prohibiting a physician from having a professional office located at a medical cannabis farm or dispensary or receiving financial compensation from a medical cannabis farm or dispensary or its directors, officers, members, incorporators, agents, or employees; creating s. 499.808, F.S.; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to regulate the permitting and licensure of medical cannabis farms and dispensaries; requiring each medical cannabis farm to apply for permitting and each dispensary to apply for licensure with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation before manufacturing, cultivating, dispensing, possessing, or distributing medical cannabis, or manufacturing, possessing, using, or distributing paraphernalia; creating s. 499.809, F.S.; authorizing a dispensary or medical cannabis farm to possess, cultivate, manufacture, or possess medical cannabis and to manufacture, purchase, possess, and distribute paraphernalia for a specified purpose; authorizing a dispensary to dispense to a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver medical cannabis and distribute paraphernalia; authorizing a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver to obtain medical cannabis and paraphernalia from a dispensary under certain circumstances; prohibiting a dispensary from directly dispensing to a qualifying patient or through the patient's caregiver more than specified amount of medical cannabis, mature marijuana plants, immature marijuana plants, or marijuana plant seedlings within a specified time period; requiring each medical cannabis farm and dispensary to implement a security plan; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to develop educational materials that a dispensary must distribute to a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver; prohibiting a director, officer, member, incorporator, agent, or employee of a medical cannabis farm or dispensary from having certain felony convictions; providing that a person who violates or has violated the act may not be a director, officer, member, incorporator, agent, or employee of a medical cannabis farm or dispensary; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to revoke the permit or license of the medical cannabis farm or dispensary until the convicted or formerly convicted person is no longer a director, officer, member, incorporator, agent, or employee of the medical cannabis farm or dispensary; creating s. 499.810, F.S.; providing that certain qualifying patients, their caregivers, nurse practitioners, registered nurses, pharmacists, and other persons are not subject to arrest, prosecution, penalty, or denial of any right or privilege regarding the medical use of medical cannabis under certain circumstances; prohibiting a school, employer, or property owner from refusing to enroll, employ, or lease to or penalize a person who is a cardholder; providing that a presumption is created when a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver is engaged in the authorized use of medical cannabis; authorizing the use of evidence to rebut that presumption; authorizing the patient's caregiver to be reimbursed for certain costs; providing that such reimbursement is not the sale of a controlled substance; providing that certain interests or rights to property related to the medical use of cannabis may not be forfeited under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act; providing that a qualifying patient's medical use of cannabis is the equivalent to the authorized use of any other medication used at the direction of a physician; providing that such use does not constitute the use of an illicit drug under s. 893.03, F.S.; providing for affirmative defenses; authorizing the clerk of the court to assess a fee for dismissal of a case in certain circumstances; authorizing a qualifying patient to operate, navigate, or be in actual physical control of a motor vehicle, aircraft or vessel under certain circumstances; providing that a person who makes a fraudulent representation to a law enforcement officer relating to activities involving medical cannabis or paraphernalia is subject to a criminal fine in addition to other penalties under law; creating s. 499.811, F.S.; providing additional defenses to a prosecution involving cannabis; authorizing a person to assert the medical purpose for using cannabis in a motion to dismiss; providing that certain interests or rights to property related to a qualifying patient's use of cannabis for medical purposes may not be forfeited under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act under certain circumstances; providing that a person who cultivates, manufactures, possesses, administers, dispenses, distributes, or uses cannabis, or manufactures, possesses, distributes, or uses paraphernalia, in a manner not authorized by this act is subject to criminal prosecution and sanctions under the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act; creating s. 499.812, F.S.; providing that the act does not require a governmental, private, or other health insurance provider or health care services plan to cover, or prohibit it from covering, a claim for reimbursement for the use of medical cannabis; creating s. 499.813, F.S.; prohibiting an employer, laboratory, employee assistance program, and alcohol and drug rehabilitation program and their agents from releasing certain information without a written consent; providing requirements for the written consent; prohibiting information regarding a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver from being released or used in a criminal proceeding; providing that such information is inadmissible as evidence; authorizing the Department of Health and its employees to have access to information regarding a qualifying patient or the patient's caregiver under certain circumstances; creating s. 499.814, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and the Department of Revenue to adopt rules by a specified date; requiring the fees collected by the departments to be applied first to the cost of administering the act; authorizing a state resident to commence an action in a court of competent jurisdiction if the departments fail to adopt rules by a specified date; creating part XVII of ch. 468, F.S.; creating s. 468.901, F.S.; providing a purpose; creating s. 468.902, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; creating s. 468.903, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 468.904, F.S.; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt certain rules; establishing the medical cannabis section within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; requiring the medical cannabis section of the department to require medical cannabis farms and dispensaries to maintain certain records and information; requiring the medical cannabis section of the department to develop education materials, conduct inspections, and revoke or suspend licenses or permits; requiring the medical cannabis section of the department to adopt rules; creating s. 468.905, F.S.; authorizing a medical cannabis farm to possess, cultivate, and manufacture medical cannabis, medical cannabis-based products, and marijuana plants for wholesale in this state; requiring a medical cannabis farm to be registered with the department before possessing, manufacturing, cultivating, and wholesaling medical cannabis, medical cannabis-based products, or marijuana plants; requiring agricultural classification for land used as a medical cannabis farm; prohibiting a medical cannabis farm from conducting retail sales or transactions; requiring a medical cannabis farm to implement a security plan and maintain procedures in which medical cannabis-based products are accessible only to authorized personnel; providing that the active ingredient in all medical cannabis-based products cultivated, manufactured, and wholesaled to a licensed dispensary in this state must be wholly derived from marijuana plants cultivated and grown in this state, except for marijuana seeds and seedlings; providing that a medical cannabis farm is provided certain protections and is not deemed a public nuisance solely because its farm product includes production of mar-

ijuana; creating s. 468.906, F.S.; authorizing a dispensary to dispense and sell to a qualifying patient or patient's caregiver medical cannabis, medical cannabis-based products, marijuana plants, and medical cannabis-related paraphernalia and to manufacture, purchase, possess, and distribute medical cannabis-related paraphernalia; requiring each dispensary to be registered with the department before possessing, purchasing, or retailing medical cannabis, medical cannabis-based products, marijuana plants, or medical cannabis-related paraphernalia; prohibiting a dispensary from conducting wholesale sales or transactions; authorizing a dispensary to retail to a qualifying patient or patient's caregiver medical cannabis, medical cannabis-based products, marijuana plants, or medical cannabis-related paraphernalia if the qualifying patient or patient's caregiver meets certain conditions; requiring a dispensary to purchase its medical cannabis-based products from a medical cannabis farm that has a department-issued permit; prohibiting a dispensary from dispensing a certain amount of medical cannabis and marijuana plant seedlings to a qualifying patient or caregiver within a certain time period; requiring a dispensary to maintain certain records for a specified number of years; requiring a dispensary to make available educational materials; requiring a dispensary to prohibit a qualifying patient or patient's caregiver from using or administering any form of medical cannabis while on the property of the dispensary; creating s. 468.907, F.S.; prohibiting a person from engaging in the business of a medical cannabis farm except in conformity with part XVII of ch. 468, F.S.; providing factors for standards for qualifying for a permit or for renewing a permit to operate a medical cannabis farm; requiring the department to establish permitting fees; providing maximum amounts for the fees; requiring a person who cultivates, manufactures, or wholesales medical cannabis, medical cannabis-based products, or marijuana plant products at one or more locations to possess a current valid permit for each location; authorizing an applicant for a permit to operate a medical cannabis farm to commence an action in a court of competent jurisdiction to compel the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to perform certain actions if the department fails to adopt rules by a specified date; creating s. 468.908, F.S.; prohibiting a person from operating a dispensary in this state except in conformity with part XVII of ch. 468, F.S.; providing factors for standards for qualifying for a license or for renewing a license to operate a dispensary; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to establish by rule licensure fees; providing maximum amounts for the fees; requiring a person who conducts the wholesale purchase or retail sale of any form of medical cannabis products at more than one location to possess a current valid license for each location; authorizing an applicant for a license to operate a dispensary to commence an action in a court of competent jurisdiction to compel the department to perform certain actions if the department fails to adopt rules by a specified date; creating s. 468.909, F.S.; requiring the department to prescribe application forms; providing requirements for submitting an application for a license or a permit; authorizing the department to require an applicant to furnish other information or data; creating s. 468.910, F.S.; providing requirements for licenses and permits; authorizing the department to include other information on a license or permit; providing that a license or permit may not be issued, renewed, or allowed to remain in effect for certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from knowingly submitting information or presenting to the department a false, fictitious, or misrepresented application, identification, document, information, statement, or data intended or likely to deceive the department in order to obtain a license or permit; authorizing the department to adopt rules regarding persons who legally possess medical cannabis for the purpose of teaching, research, or testing in a laboratory setting; authorizing the department to issue letters of exemption; providing that a person who violates or has violated any provision of this part may not be a director, officer, member, incorporator, agent, or employee of a medical cannabis farm or dispensary; providing that any prior authorization of such person shall be immediately revoked; requiring the department to suspend the license or permit of the medical cannabis farm or dispensary until the person is removed from the position of director, officer, member, incorporator, agent, or employee; creating s. 468.911, F.S.; providing that certain terms may be used to designate a medical cannabis farm that has a department-issued permit or a licensed dispensary; requiring for conspicuous display of a license or permit; providing specified dates for validity and expiration of licenses and permits; providing application procedures for obtaining initial licenses and permits and renewal of licenses and permits; providing the fee structure for reactivating an inactive license or permit; creating s. 468.912, F.S.; requiring the reporting of a loss, theft, or unexplained shortage of medical cannabis product to the local law enforcement agency and the department; requiring any sheriff, police department, or law enforcement officer in this state to give immediate notice to the department of a theft, illegal use, or illegal possession of medical cannabis and to forward a copy of his or her final written report to the department; requiring an investigating law enforcement agency to forward a copy of its written report to the department; requiring the department to retain the reports; creating s. 468.913, F.S.; providing procedures for the issuance of a cease and desist order; creating s. 468.914, F.S.; authorizing the department to impose administrative fines for violations for part XVII of ch. 468, F.S., and applicable department rules; providing procedures for payment of administrative fines; providing that all fines, monetary penalties, and costs received by the department in connection with this part shall be deposited in the Professional Regulation Trust Fund of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; creating s. 468.915, F.S.; authorizing the department to seek injunctive relief and to apply for temporary and permanent orders for certain violations; creating s. 468.916, F.S.; providing circumstances that warrant immediate suspension of a license or permit; requiring the department to enter an order revoking or suspending all licenses or permits of a licensee or permittee under certain circumstances; providing requirements for an order of suspension and an order of revocation; providing for application of an order of revocation or suspension to a newly issued permit or license; providing that a person whose permit or license has been suspended or revoked may not be issued a new permit or license under any other name or company name until the expiration of the suspension or revocation; creating s. 468.917, F.S.; providing that all hearings and review of orders from the department must be conducted in accordance with ch. 120, F.S.; creating s. 468.918, F.S.; providing for criminal penalties; creating s. 468.919, F.S.; prohibiting a county or municipality from creating or imposing an ordinance or rule that is more restrictive than the provisions contained in this part and the applicable department rules; creating s. 468.920, F.S.; providing that all fees collected for licenses and permits are deposited in the Professional Regulation Trust Fund; providing that all moneys collected and deposited in the Professional Regulation Trust Fund must be used by the department in the administration of part XVII of ch. 468, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain a separate account in the Professional Regulation Trust Fund for the Drugs, Devices, and Cosmetics program; amending ss. 812.14, 893.03, 893.13, 893.1351, 893.145, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simpson—

SB 1252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building construction; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; specifying that certain actions relating to onsite sewage treatment and removal are not required if a bedroom is not added during a remodeling addition or modification to a single-family home; prohibiting a remodeling addition or modification from certain coverage or encroachment; authorizing a local health board to review specific plans; requiring a review to be completed within a specific time period after receipt of specific plans; amending s. 489.127, F.S.; revising civil penalties; authorizing a local building department to retain 75 percent of certain fines collected if it transmits 25 percent to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 489.131, F.S.; deleting legislative intent referring to a local agency's enforcement of regulatory laws; deleting the definitions of "minor violation" and "notice of noncompliance"; deleting provisions that provide for what a notice of noncompliance should or should not include; deleting a provision that provides for further disciplinary proceedings for certain licensees; amending s. 489.531, F.S.; revising a maximum civil penalty; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; prohibiting any provision of the International Residential Code relating to mandated fire sprinklers from incorporation into the Florida Building Code; amending s. 553.79, F.S.; authorizing a site plan to be maintained at the worksite as an electronic copy; requiring the copy to be open to inspection by certain officials; amending s. 553.842, F.S.; requiring an application for state approval of a certain product to be approved by the department after the application and related documentation are complete; amending ss. 553.901, 553.902, 553.903, 553.904, 553.905, and 553.906, F.S.; requiring the Florida Building Commission to adopt the Florida Building Code-Energy Conservation; conforming subsequent sections of the thermal efficiency code; amending s. 553.912, F.S.; providing that certain existing heating and

cooling equipment is not required to meet the minimum equipment efficiencies; amending s. 553.991, F.S.; revising the purpose of the Florida Building Energy-Efficiency Rating Act; amending s. 553.992, F.S.; requiring the department to administer statewide criteria for building energy-efficiency rating systems; requiring department rules to prohibit a sole provider from conducting functions relating to the building energy-efficiency rating system; amending s. 553.993, F.S.; providing a definition for the term "building energy-efficiency rating system"; amending s. 553.995, F.S.; deleting a minimum requirement for the building energy-efficiency rating system; revising language; requiring the interest group to advise the department in the adoption and administration of the system; deleting a provision that requires the interest group to assist in the implementation of the system by performing certain acts; requiring the department to approve, rather than develop, a training and certification program to certify raters; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Regulated Industries; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 1254—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary education tuition; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing that, if certain criteria are met, a dependent child whose deceased parent was a United States citizen and a legal resident of this state may qualify as a resident of this state for tuition purposes while completing the requirements for a high school diploma; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1256—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Forest Service; amending s. 589.11, F.S.; deleting authority of the Florida Forest Service to operate a seedling tree nursery program and to sell seedling trees to the public for purposes of the federal Clarke-McNary Law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 1258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a comprehensive health information system; amending s. 408.05, F.S.; renaming the Florida Center for Health Information and Policy Analysis as the Florida Health Information Transparency Initiative; providing a statement of purpose for the initiative; providing the duties of the Agency for Health Care Administration; revising the data and information required to be included in the health information system; revising the functions that the agency must perform in order to collect and disseminate health information and statistics; deleting provisions that require the center to provide technical assistance to persons and organizations engaged in health planning activities; deleting provisions that require the center to provide widespread dissemination of data; requiring the agency to implement the transparency initiative in a manner that recognizes state-collected data as an asset and rewards taxpayer investment in information collection and management; authorizing the agency to apply for, receive, and accept grants, gifts, and other payments, including property and services, from a governmental or other public or private entity or person; requiring the agency to ensure that certain vendors do not inhibit or impede consumer access to state-collected health data and information; abolishing the State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council; amending ss. 381.026, 395.301, 465.0244, 627.6499, and 641.54, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 97.0585, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for the e-mail addresses of voter registration applicants and voters; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund; amending s. 215.555, F.S.; revising the definitions for "corporation," "covered policy," and "retention"; providing for calculation of an insurer's reimbursement premium and retention under the reimbursement contract; revising coverage levels available under the reimbursement contract; revising aggregate coverage limits; providing for the phase-in of changes to coverage levels and limits; changing the name of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Finance Corporation to the State Board of Administration Finance Corporation; deleting obsolete provisions related to temporary emergency options for additional coverage; terminating the temporary increase in coverage limit options at the end of the 2012-2013 contract year; deleting other obsolete provisions; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting the recoupment of certain costs; amending ss. 624.424, 627.0629, 627.351, F.S.; conforming cross-references; authorizing the State Board of Administration to adopt emergency rules if necessary and providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 1264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hospital licensure; amending s. 395.003, F.S.; authorizing certain specialty-licensed children's hospitals to provide obstetrical services under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SM 1266—A memorial to the President and the Congress of the United States, urging them to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the United States 65th Infantry Regiment, the Borinqueneers.

—was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security.

By Senator Detert—

SB 1268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service of process; amending s. 30.231, F.S.; requiring sheriffs to charge a uniform fee for service of process; amending s. 48.031, F.S.; requiring an employer, employee, or representative or agent of an employer to permit an authorized individual to make service on an employee in a private area designated by the employer; providing criminal penalties for persons failing to comply with the process; authorizing substitute service during the first attempt of service at a business that is a sole proprietorship under certain circumstances; requiring the person requesting service or the person authorized to serve the process to file the return-of-service form; amending s. 56.27, F.S.; requiring the levying creditor to deliver to the sheriff an affidavit setting forth how to pay out moneys received under an execution sale; providing that the sheriff is not liable for damages under certain circumstances; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; requiring a mental health receiving facility to accept an electronic order for involuntary examination served by a law enforcement agency; amending s. 397.6818, F.S.; requiring a substance abuse licensed service provider to

accept an electronic order for involuntary assessment and stabilization which is served by a law enforcement agency on the service provider; establishing procedures to serve process; amending s. 608.463, F.S.; providing that service of process on a limited liability company occurs as if it were a corporation; amending s. 741.30, F.S.; setting forth the effectiveness of a temporary injunction in a domestic violence proceeding; amending ss. 741.31, 784.046, and 784.0485, F.S.; requiring that if a final order of injunction for protection against domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking is issued but not served, the terms of the temporary injunction, if served, remain in full force and effect until service of the final order is effected upon the respondent; amending s. 784.0487, F.S.; providing that it is unlawful for a person to violate a final injunction for protection against stalking or cyberstalking by having in his or her care, custody, possession, or control any firearm or ammunition; amending s. 901.15, F.S.; conforming provisions; expanding situations in which an arrest without a warrant is lawful to include probable cause of stalking, cyberstalking, and child abuse; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1270—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the liability of a property owner; amending s. 375.251, F.S.; modifying the definition of "outdoor recreational purposes"; providing that a person who, without charge, provides the public with an area for aviation activities owes no duty of care to keep that area safe for others; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senator Joyner—

SB 1272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sale or transfer of firearms at gun shows; amending s. 790.001, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 790.0653, F.S.; prohibiting any person other than a licensed dealer from being a gun show vendor; prohibiting the sale or transfer of a weapon at a gun show unless a licensed dealer is a party to the transaction; providing criminal penalties; amending ss. 790.06, 790.115, 790.145, 790.1612, 810.095, and. 921.0024, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Clemens—

SB 1274—A bill to be entitled An act relating to corporations; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; amending s. 607.1302, F.S.; providing that the amendment of articles of incorporation or the merger, conversion, or share exchange of a social purpose or benefit corporation entitles the shareholders to appraisal rights; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 607.501, F.S.; providing application and effect; creating s. 607.502, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 607.503, F.S.; establishing requirements for the formation of a social purpose corporation; creating s. 607.504, F.S.; providing procedures for an existing corporation to become a social purpose corporation; creating s. 607.505, F.S.; providing procedures for the termination of a social purpose corporation; creating s. 607.506, F.S.; requiring that the corporate purpose must be to create a public benefit; providing criteria; creating s. 607.507, F.S.; requiring that the directors of a social purpose corporation meet a standard of conduct; providing criteria for the standards; creating s. 607.508, F.S.; authorizing the articles of incorporation of a social purpose corporation to provide for a benefit director; providing powers and duties of a benefit director; creating s. 607.509, F.S.; requiring that the officers of a social purpose corporation meet a standard of conduct; providing criteria for the standards of conduct; creating s. 607.510, F.S.; authorizing a social purpose corporation to designate an officer as a benefit officer; providing for the powers and duties of a benefit officer; creating s. 607.511, F.S.; authorizing certain legal actions to be brought against a social purpose corporation, its officers, or its directors; creating s. 607.512, F.S.; requiring the board of directors to prepare an annual benefit report; providing criteria for the preparation of the report; creating s. 607.513, F.S.; establishing requirements for the availability and dissemination of the annual report; authorizing a court to order dissemination of the report; providing criteria; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 607.601, F.S.; providing for application and effect; creating s. 607.602, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 607.603, F.S.; establishing requirements for the formation of a benefit corporation; creating s. 607.604, F.S.; providing procedures for an existing corporation to become a benefit corporation; creating s. 607.605, F.S.; providing procedures for the termination of a benefit corporation; creating s. 607.606, F.S.; requiring that the corporate purpose be to create a public benefit; providing criteria; creating s. 607.607, F.S.; requiring the directors of a benefit corporation to meet a standard of conduct; providing criteria for the standards; creating s. 607.608, F.S.; authorizing the articles of incorporation of a benefit corporation to provide for a benefit director; providing powers and duties of the benefit director; creating s. 607.609, F.S.; requiring the officers of a benefit corporation to meet a standard of conduct; providing criteria for the standards of conduct; creating s. 607.610, F.S.; authorizing a benefit corporation to designate an officer as a benefit officer; providing for the powers and duties of the benefit officer; creating s. 607.611, F.S.; authorizing certain legal actions to be brought against a benefit corporation, its officers, or its directors; creating s. 607.612, F.S.; requiring the board of directors to prepare an annual benefit report; providing criteria for the preparation of the report; creating s. 607.613, F.S.; establishing requirements for the availability and dissemination of the annual report; authorizing a court to order dissemination of the report; providing criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Judiciary.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1276—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; amending s. 1004.28, F.S.; providing an exemption from public meeting requirements for certain portions of meetings of a university direct-support organization or of the executive committee or other committees of the board of directors of such organization; providing for legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 1278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health flex plans; amending s. 408.909, F.S.; revising the expiration date to extend the availability of health flex plans to low-income uninsured state residents; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Sachs—

SB 1280—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax dealer collection allowances; amending s. 212.12, F.S.; revising the process for dealers to elect to forgo the sales tax collection allowance and direct that the collection allowance amount be transferred into the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1282—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring policies agreed to by the sponsor and charter school to be incorporated into the charter contract; authorizing a charter school operated by a Florida College System institution to serve students in kindergarten through grade 12 if certain criteria are met; prohibiting the governing board or other related entity of a charter school subject to a corrective action plan or financial recovery plan from applying to open an additional charter school; providing disclosure re-

quirements; revising provisions relating to the timely submission of charter school applications; providing requirements relating to the appeal of a denied application submitted by a high-performing charter school; requiring the use of a standard charter contract; reducing the amount of time for negotiation of a charter; revising provisions relating to the issuance of a final order in contract dispute cases; providing a restriction relating to a required certificate of occupancy; authorizing the consolidation of multiple charters into a single charter in certain circumstances; revising the timeline for charter schools to submit waiver of termination requests to the Department of Education; restricting expenditures upon nonrenewal or termination of a charter school; requiring a charter school to maintain specified information on a website; revising provisions relating to determination of a charter school's student enrollment; revising provisions requiring charter school compliance with statutes relating to education personnel compensation, contracts, and performance evaluations and workforce reductions; providing requirements for the reimbursement of federal funds to charter schools; requiring that certain unused school district facilities be made available to, or shared with, charter schools at no cost until the beginning of the fourth fiscal year the school is open, at which time the charter school shall pay the sponsor a negotiated rent for the facility; restricting capital outlay funding; requiring the use of standard charter and charter renewal contracts and a standard evaluation instrument; providing restrictions on the employment of governing board members; amending s. 1002.331, F.S.; clarifying the definition of a high-performing charter school; providing requirements for modification of a charter; requiring the Commissioner of Education to annually review a high-performing charter school's eligibility for high-performing status; authorizing declassification as a high-performing charter school; amending s. 1002.332, F.S.; revising requirements for classification as a high-performing charter school system; providing for an entity that operates outside this state to obtain high-performing charter school system status; establishing requirements to obtain such status; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt by rule a process for reviewing student demographic and performance data in determining such status; requiring the commissioner to annually review a high-performing charter school system's eligibility for high-performing status; authorizing declassification as a high-performing charter school system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thrasher—

SB 1284—A bill to be entitled An act relating to civil remedies against insurers; amending s. 624.155, F.S.; requiring a party bringing a common-law claim of bad faith against an insurer to first provide written notification to the Department of Financial Services and the insurer; requiring that such notice specify the common-law duty violated by the insurer and specify the amount of moneys that an insurer has failed to pay if the violation includes such failure; providing that a violation based on certain statutory or common-law claim is corrected by payment of certain monetary tenders by an insurer; providing that in a third-party liability claim, an insured is entitled to a general release under certain circumstances; providing that the applicable statute of limitations is tolled if certain notices alleging a violation of common law are mailed; providing that third-party claimants having competing claims are entitled to a prorated share of policy limits under certain circumstances if the insurer files an interpleader action within a certain time period; revising provisions to conform to changes made by the act; making technical and grammatical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 1286—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children and adults who have extensive medical needs; creating s. 400.336, F.S.; creating a specialty license for certain medical facilities that have centers in the facility which specialize in caring for children; requiring the facility to display the specialty license; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop a specialized survey process; providing standards and requirements for licensure; requiring the center to maintain an emergency medication kit; providing requirements for the physical environment of the center; providing an exemption; providing admission criteria for the center; providing requirements for an individualized plan of care for each child; requiring a center to notify the local district school board that there is a school-aged child residing in the center; providing notice requirements for the center regarding a child's education program; providing that the failure or inability of a school district to provide an educational program according to the child's ability to participate does not obligate the center to supply or furnish an educational program or create a cause of action against the school district for failure or inability to provide an educational program; providing that the act does not prohibit, restrict, or prevent the parents or legal guardians of a child from providing a private educational program; requiring the center to have a discharge plan for each child; providing requirements for discharge; requiring the center to provide medical and dental services; providing minimum nursing staffing requirements; requiring the center to develop, implement, and maintain an annual written staff education plan for all employees who work with children which includes preservice and inservice programs; providing requirements for the programs; requiring employees of a center to receive instruction on the prevention and control of infection, the prevention of accident, and safety awareness; amending s. 409.905, F.S.; requiring the agency to pay Medicaid's prevailing rate only for bed-hold days if the facility or a children's specialty care center has an occupancy rate of 95 percent or greater; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; authorizing the agency to provide home and community-based services for children and adults who are medically fragile; specifying eligibility criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

SR 1288—Not referenced.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 1290—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military affairs; creating s. 115.135, F.S.; providing that an employee of the state or any county, municipality, or other political subdivision who is the spouse of a military servicemember may not be compelled to work overtime or extended work hours during active duty deployment of his or her spouse; prohibiting the imposition of a sanction or penalty upon such employee for failure or refusal to work overtime or extended work hours during the period of his or her spouse's active duty deployment; requiring an employing authority to grant a request by such employee for unpaid leave for specified purposes during the active duty deployment; providing a limitation on such unpaid leave; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SR 1292—Not referenced.

By Senator Sobel—

SR 1294—A resolution recognizing music therapy as a valid health care service.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senate Resolutions 1296-1298—Not referenced.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1300—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limited liability companies; designating the Florida Limited Liability Company Act as part I of chapter 608, F.S.; amending s. 608.401, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 608.706, F.S.; providing for construction; providing for applicability of and transition from the Florida Limited Liability Company Act to the Florida Revised Limited Liability Company Act, as created by this act; creating part II of chapter 608, F.S.; creating the "Florida Revised Limited Liability Company Act"; providing definitions and general provisions relating to operating agreements, powers, prop-

erty, rules of construction, names, and registered agents of limited liability companies; providing penalties for noncompliance with certain provisions related to registered agents; providing for service of process; providing for the formation and filing of documents of a limited liability company with the Department of State; providing penalties for failing to file an annual report; providing for the sharing of distributions before dissolution, profits, and losses; providing limitations on distributions and liability for improper distributions; establishing the authority and liability of members and managers; providing for the relationship of members and management, voting, standards of conduct, records, and the right to obtain information; providing for the payment of costs and attorney fees in an action to obtain information; providing for transferable interests and the rights of transferees and creditors; providing for the dissociation of a member and its effects; providing for the judicial or administrative dissolution and winding up of a limited liability company; providing for payment of attorney fees and costs in certain cases of judicial dissolution; providing for claims against a dissolved limited liability company and the payment of expenses and attorney fees; providing for a direct action by a member against another member, a manager, or the limited liability company; providing for a derivative action by a member; providing for payment of attorney fees and costs in a derivative action; providing requirements and procedures for a foreign limited liability corporation; providing for charitable and donative actions of a limited liability company; establishing provisions for merger, conversion, domestication, interest exchange, and appraisal rights; providing for court costs and attorney fees in actions concerning a demand for payment by a member; providing miscellaneous provisions concerning application and construction, electronic signatures, tax exemption on income, interrogatories and other powers of the department, reservation of power to amend or appeal, and application to a limited liability company formed under the Florida Limited Liability Company Act before a specified date; providing for the future repeal of part I of chapter 608, F.S., relating to the Florida Limited Liability Company Act; providing for severability; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Commerce and Tourism.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1302—A bill to be entitled An act relating to temporary certificates for visiting physicians; amending s. 458.3137, F.S.; providing that a physician who has been invited by certain medical or surgical training programs or educational symposiums may be issued a temporary certificate for limited privileges solely to provide educational training; modifying criteria; revising the requirements for proof of medical malpractice insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Education; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1304—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver licenses and identification cards; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; authorizing alternative forms of identification for certain applicants for a driver license or identification card; requiring the department to distinguish between licenses and cards that are compliant with the REAL ID Act of 2005 and those that are not in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 1306—A bill to be entitled An act relating to renters' insurance; requiring a residential rental agreement to specify whether renters' insurance is required and to provide a line for a tenant's initials; requiring an agreement that requires renters' insurance to specify the coverage required; requiring that an agreement that does not require renters' insurance include a statement advising the tenant to obtain renters' insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1308—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical negligence actions; amending s. 456.057, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting the discussion of a patient's medical condition; providing circumstance under which patient records may be released without prior written authorization; revising conditions under which confidential patient information acquired in the course of care or treatment may be disclosed by a health care practitioner; amending s. 766.106, F.S.; providing that a prospective defendant may conduct an ex parte interview with a claimant's treating health care provider as a tool of informal discovery; amending s. 766.1065, F.S.; revising the form for the authorization for release of protected health information; providing for the release of protected heath information to certain treating health care providers, insurers, and attorneys; authorizing a treating health care provider, insurer, or attorney to use protected health information in connection with legal services relating to a medical negligence claim; authorizing certain individuals and entities to conduct ex parte interviews with the claimant's health care providers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1310—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical negligence actions; amending s. 766.102, F.S.; establishing standard of proof in actions based on the failure of a health care provider to order, perform, or administer certain tests; shifting burden of proof to claimant; revising qualifications to give expert testimony on the prevailing professional standard of care; deleting provision regarding limitations of section; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Health Policy.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1312—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical negligence claims; creating s. 766.1091, F.S.; authorizing a health care provider or health care clinic and a patient or prospective patient to agree to submit a claim of medical negligence to arbitration; requiring that the arbitration agreement be governed by ch. 682, F.S.; authorizing the arbitration agreement to contain a provision that limits an award of damages; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Health Policy.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1314—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical negligence actions; amending s. 768.0981, F.S.; prescribing limitations on medical negligence actions against hospitals; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Health Policy.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to apportionment of income by sales factor; amending s. 220.153, F.S.; defining the term "manufacturer"; providing that only manufacturers doing business within and without this state are eligible for special apportionment of adjusted federal income solely by sales factor for purposes of the state corporate income tax; deleting provisions requiring certain qualified capital expenditures within a specified time period in order to qualify for such apportionment; deleting application requirements with respect thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1318—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for a complaint of misconduct filed against a public employee with a state agency or a political subdivision of the state and all information obtained pursuant to the investigation by the agency or political subdivision of the complaint of misconduct; providing for limited duration of the exemption; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1320—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community cats; amending s. 828.27, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that release of a community cat by a community cat program is not abandonment or unlawful release of the cat under specified provisions; providing that counties and municipalities may enact ordinances relating to community cat programs to curtail community cat population growth; providing immunity for such ordinances; providing that a veterinarian or community cat caregiver who provides services or care for cats in a community cat program is immune from criminal and civil liability; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 1322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children's initiatives; amending s. 409.147, F.S.; establishing the New Town Success Zone in Duval County and the Parramore Kidz Zone in Orange County; providing for the projects to be managed by corporations not for profit that are not subject to control, supervision, or direction by any department of the state; requiring the corporations to be subject to state public records and meeting requirements and procurement of commodities and contractual services requirements; requiring designated children's initiatives to assist in the creation of community-based service networks and programming that provides certain services for children and families residing in disadvantaged areas of the state; providing for evaluation, fiscal management, and oversight of the projects; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Soto—

SB 1324—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school attendance; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; providing that compulsory school attendance laws apply to all children between the ages of 6 and 18 years; providing that a student who attains the dropout age does not need a parent's signature to file a declaration of intent to terminate school; removing the requirement that a school notify the student's parent of such declaration; amending s. 1003.21, F.S.; requiring students to attend school until the age of 18 years; amending s. 1003.435, F.S.; providing that a candidate for a high school equivalency diploma must be at least 18 years of age on the date of the examination; repealing s. 1003.51(4), F.S., relating to a requirement that district school boards make available a GED program to students in juvenile justice facilities who attain the age of 16 years or notify such students that they are no longer required to attend school; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 1326—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an education pilot program; creating s. 1003.59, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to create a pilot program for the lowest-performing public schools in this state which have a large population of economically disadvantaged students; providing that the pilot program create a public and private partnership to supply certain services to economically disadvantaged students; providing a statement of purpose for the pilot program; providing the duties of the department for each year of the pilot program; requiring the department to submit its recommendation, the rationale behind the recommendation, and supporting data to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1328—A bill to be entitled An act relating to testing for the human immunodeficiency virus; amending s. 381.004, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that informed consent to perform an HIV test to identify the human immunodeficiency virus, or its antigen or antibody, must be obtained from a legal guardian or other person authorized by law for certain persons; revising the situations in which test results may be released; amending ss. 381.0041, 456.032, 627.429, 641.3007, 775.0877, and 960.003, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 1330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensed security officers; amending s. 493.6120, F.S.; providing penalties for an unlicensed person who engages in an activity for which ch. 493, F.S., requires a license; providing an exception; providing penalties if a person commits a felony while impersonating a security officer, private investigator, recovery agent, or other person required to have a license under ch. 493, F.S.; creating s. 493.631, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a licensed security officer or licensed security agency manager to detain a person on the premises of a critical infrastructure facility in certain circumstances; providing procedures and requirements with respect thereto; authorizing the security officer or security agency manager to search the person detained under certain circumstances; providing identification requirements for certain licensed security officers and security agency managers; providing immunity to law enforcement officers, licensed security officers, and licensed security agency managers under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1332—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reemployment assistance; amending s. 443.1216, F.S.; defining the term "an organization that is operated primarily for religious purposes"; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to adopt procedural rules governing the application and review of organization requests for classification as an organization that is operated primarily for religious purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1334—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Health; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; providing that certain exempt records held by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles be provided to the Department of Health to facilitate the issuance of a license; amending s. 381.0022, F.S.; providing that the Department of Health may share certain confidential and exempt information with the Agency for Health Care Administration for certain purposes; creating s. 381.791,

F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules to administer the Charlie Mack Overstreet Brain or Spinal Cord Injuries Act; amending s. 395.3025, F.S.; providing that patient records may be disclosed without patient consent to the department under certain circumstances and prescribing the use of such records; amending s. 456.013, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; revising requirements related to the physical characteristics of a license issued by the department; amending s. 456.025, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 456.031, F.S.; revising requirements for a licensee's completion of a domestic violence course; amending s. 456.035, F.S.; requiring a licensee to provide the department with his or her e-mail address; providing that service to a licensee's e-mail address constitutes official and sufficient notice under certain circumstances; creating s. 456.0361, F.S.; providing a definition for the term "monitor"; providing that the department may not renew a license until the licensee demonstrates compliance with continuing education requirements; providing that additional penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with continuing education requirements; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 456.038, F.S.; providing that the department may provide renewal and cancellation notices to a licensee's e-mail address; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; revising procedures to determine costs recoverable by the department in a disciplinary action; amending s. 458.319, F.S.; requiring physicians to complete certain continuing medical education requirements; authorizing the Board of Medicine to adopt certain rules regarding continuing medical education requirements; amending s. 464.203, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 464.2085, F.S., relating to the Council on Certified Nursing Assistants; repealing s. 466.032(2), F.S., relating to notice provided by the department to dental laboratories; amending s. 467.009, F.S.; revising accreditation requirements for midwifery programs; repealing s. 468.1735, F.S., relating to the issuance of a provisional license for a nursing home administrator; amending s. 468.503, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "registered dietician"; amending s. 468.505, F.S.; updating the name of an accrediting organization; repealing s. 480.033(5), F.S.; removing the definition of the term "apprentice" as it relates to massage therapy; amending s. 480.041, F.S.; revising qualifications for licensure as a massage therapist; deleting a provision requiring the Board of Massage Therapy to adopt rules establishing a training program for apprentices; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 480.042, F.S.; revising procedures and retention of records related to massage therapy licensure examination; amending s. 480.044, F.S.; eliminating fees for massage therapy apprentices; amending s. 483.901, F.S.; conforming definitions to changes made by the act; deleting provisions creating the Advisory Council of Medical Physicists; transferring powers of the council to the department; requiring the department to adopt rules and develop certain standards; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school personnel performance evaluation; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the measurement of student learning growth for purposes of evaluating classroom and nonclassroom instructional personnel; prohibiting an employee from being penalized for unsatisfactory performance based on certain student learning growth data; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1338—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school improvement plans; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; requiring a template for use by a public school in preparing its school improvement plan; providing requirements for completion of the plan; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1340—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lotteries; creating s. 24.132, F.S.; providing for a special instant scratch-off lottery game titled "Ticket for the Cure"; providing for revenues to be used for the purpose of funding breast cancer research and services for certain breast cancer victims; providing restrictions for the use of funds; defining the terms "net revenue" and "research"; authorizing the Department of the Lottery to adopt rules; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; providing for revenues to be equitably apportioned to certain state universities to be used for the purpose of funding breast cancer research and services for certain breast cancer victims; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Gaming; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 1342—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic control; amending s. 316.0083, F.S.; revising provisions for enforcement of specified provisions using a traffic infraction detector; prohibiting a notice of violation or a traffic citation for a right-on-red violation under specified provisions; revising notification requirements; revising procedures for disposition upon notice of violation; providing that initiating a proceeding to challenge the delivery or attempted delivery of the notice of violation or a citation waives any challenge or dispute as to delivery; revising provisions for issuance of a citation; revising provisions for enforcement when a person other than the owner is designated as having care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle at the time of the violation; providing that specified provisions for notice of violation apply to such designated person; specifying that the burden of proving guilt rests upon the governmental entity bringing the charge and that a person may not be compelled to be a witness against himself or herself; specifying that, in any hearing involving a traffic infraction detector or similar unattended device, each person so charged has the right to confront the witnesses against him or her; providing procedures for presentation and authentication of evidence relating to a traffic infraction detector or similar unattended device; specifying requirements for compensation of witnesses for the prosecution; amending s. 316.075, F.S.; requiring traffic control signals to maintain certain signal intervals and display durations based on posted speeds; providing that a citation for specified violations shall be dismissed if the traffic control signal does not meet specified requirements; providing dates for intersections to meet such requirements; providing penalties for violation by a local governmental entity; providing for dismissal of citations issued at certain nonconforming intersections and refund of penalties collected pursuant to such citations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 1344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to malt beverages; amending s. 563.06, F.S.; authorizing an additional size for individual containers of malt beverages sold or offered for sale by vendors at retail; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1346—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid managed care; amending s. 409.972, F.S.; providing an exemption from mandatory enrollment in managed care for children residing in certain licensed residential programs approved by the Department of Children and Families; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 1348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to required instruction in public schools; providing a short title; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising the curriculum of the character-development program required in kindergarten through grade 12; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 1350—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal penalties; amending s. 775.082, F.S.; providing criminal sentences applicable to a person who was under the age of 18 years at the time the offense was committed; requiring that a judge consider certain factors before determining if life imprisonment is an appropriate sentence; providing retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1352—A bill to be entitled An act relating to paper reduction; amending s. 97.052, F.S.; providing that the uniform statewide voter registration application be designed to elicit the e-mail address of an applicant and whether the applicant desires to receive sample ballots by e-mail; amending s. 101.20, F.S.; authorizing a supervisor of elections to send a sample ballot to a registered elector by e-mail under certain circumstances; amending s. 125.66, F.S.; requiring the clerk of a board of county commissioners to electronically transmit enacted ordinances, amendments, and emergency ordinances to the Department of State; amending s. 194.034, F.S.; permitting a value adjustment board to electronically provide the taxpayer and property appraiser with notice of the decision of the board; amending s. 200.069, F.S.; authorizing the property appraiser to notify taxpayers of proposed property taxes by postcard or e-mail in lieu of first-class mail; providing notice language; authorizing the property appraiser to prepare and make available on the appraiser's website the notice of proposed property taxes; providing additional notice requirements; amending s. 648.421, F.S.; requiring a licensed bail bond agent to provide notice of a change of e-mail address to specified entities; amending s. 648.43, F.S.; requiring a bail bond agent who executes or countersigns a transfer bond to indicate the agent's e-mail address; amending s. 648.44, F.S.; providing that a bail bond agent's e-mail address is permissible print advertising in certain places; creating s. 903.012, F.S.; permitting bonds to be posted in person or electronically at the election of the receiving agency; permitting the electronic transmission of bonds between certain entities; amending s. 903.101, F.S.; providing that every licensed surety shall have equal access to jails for the purpose of making bonds either in person or electronically; amending s. 903.14, F.S.; requiring a surety who submits an affidavit pertaining to any bond to file an affidavit in the same manner as the bond; amending s. 903.26, F.S.; authorizing a clerk of court to mail or electronically transmit a notice relating to a bond forfeiture proceeding; amending s. 903.27, F.S.; permitting a clerk of court to furnish certain required documents and notices relating to bond forfeitures by mail or electronic means; deleting an outdated provision; amending s. 903.31, F.S.; providing that a certificate of cancellation of an original bond may be furnished by mail or electronically; amending s. 903.36, F.S.; providing that traffic arrest bond certificates may be presented in person or electronically; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Detert—

SB 1354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the financing of motor vehicles; amending s. 545.01, F.S.; revising definitions; defining the term "financed product"; creating s. 545.045, F.S.; prohibiting a manufacturer or wholesale distributor that offers a certain financed product from taking certain actions relating to a paper arising from the retail sale or lease of a motor vehicle which includes the third party's financed product; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Flores—

SB 1356—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Legislature; fixing the date for convening the regular session of the Legislature in the year 2014; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Flores—

SB 1358—A bill to be entitled An act relating to audits of pharmacy records; amending s. 465.188, F.S.; revising requirements for the audit of Medicaid-related pharmacy records; requiring that audits of third-party payor and third-party administrator records of pharmacy permittees be conducted in specified manners; providing that claims containing certain clerical or recordkeeping errors are not subject to financial recoupment under certain circumstances; specifying that certain audit criteria apply to third-party claims submitted after a specified date; prohibiting certain accounting practices used for calculating the recoupment of claims; prohibiting the audit criteria from requiring the recoupment of claims except under certain circumstances; providing procedures for review and appeal of third-party payor and third-party administrator audits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sobel—

SB 1360—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education funding; providing a short title; amending s. 1008.331, F.S.; providing that a person must be a state-approved supplemental educational services provider to offer supplemental educational services in this state; providing requirements for applying to be a state-approved supplemental educational services provider; prohibiting certain persons from being a supplemental educational services provider or from continuing to offer supplemental educational services; providing that the service designations be based on student learning gains, progress reports, and students' report cards; requiring the Department of Education to create an external complaint procedure in which parents or a public school may file with the school district a complaint against a state-approved supplemental educational services provider; requiring the department's supplemental educational services program to undergo an annual audit; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; requiring each school district to use funding for supplemental academic instruction to provide summer school programs for certain students in kindergarten through grade 12; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 1362—A bill to be entitled An act relating to municipal governing body meetings; amending s. 166.0213, F.S.; authorizing the governing bodies of municipalities to hold meetings within specified boundaries; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school personnel; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; authorizing additional criteria for the

use of advanced degrees in setting salary schedules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thompson—

SB 1366—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rental car surcharges; amending s. 212.0606, F.S.; authorizing counties to impose an additional surcharge on the lease or rental of motor vehicles; requiring a referendum; providing procedures and requirements for imposing a local surcharge; providing for the effective date of a local surcharge; providing for the distribution and use of funds collected from local surcharges; providing procedures for collection; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clinical, counseling, and psychotherapy services; amending s. 491.004, F.S.; deleting an obsolete provision; conforming provisions; amending s. 491.0045, F.S.; requiring registered interns to remain under supervision while maintaining registered intern status; providing for noncompliance; providing for the expiration of intern registrations and registered intern licenses; prohibiting specified persons from applying for an intern registration; amending s. 491.0046, F.S.; correcting cross-references; prohibiting specified persons from applying for a provisional license; amending s. 491.005, F.S.; revising the requirements for a clinical social worker license, a marriage and family therapist license, and a mental health counselor license; deleting a provision requiring certain registered interns to be certified as having met specified licensure requirements; amending s. 491.0057, F.S.; providing for future repeal of provisions providing for dual licensure as a marriage and family therapist; amending s. 491.006, F.S.; revising requirements of licensure or certification by endorsement; amending s. 491.007, F.S.; deleting a provision providing certified master social workers a limited exemption from continuing education requirements; deleting a provision requiring the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling to establish a procedure for the biennial renewal of intern registrations; amending s. 491.009, F.S.; revising acts constituting grounds for the denial of a license or disciplinary action; authorizing the board and the Department of Health to deny licensure or impose specified penalties against an applicant or licensee for certain violations; amending s. 491.0112, F.S.; revising a provision providing that a psychotherapist who commits sexual misconduct with a client or former client commits a felony of the third degree; amending s. 491.012, F.S.; prohibiting a person from using the title "mental health counselor coach" without a valid mental health counselor license; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 491.0145, F.S.; providing certified master social workers a limited exemption from continuing education requirements; amending s. 491.0149, F.S.; requiring the use of applicable professional titles by licensees, provisional licensees, and registrants on social media and other specified materials; creating s. 491.017, F.S.; providing a presumption of good faith for the actions of a court-appointed mental health professional who develops a parenting plan recommendation; prohibiting anonymous complaints; providing prerequisites for a parent to bring a suit against a mental health professional; providing for the awarding of attorney fees and court costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Criminal Justice; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1370—A bill to be entitled An act relating to maximum class size; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.; calculating a school district's class size categorical allocation reduction at the school average when maximum class size requirements are not met; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 1372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pretrial detention; amending s. 907.041, F.S.; providing additional factors a court may consider when ordering pretrial detention; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school zero-tolerance policies; amending s. 1006.13, F.S.; revising legislative intent; requiring school zero-tolerance policies to only report acts that pose a serious threat to school safety to law enforcement and to otherwise handle acts within their own discipline systems; providing requirements for referrals of juveniles to the criminal or juvenile justice system for petty acts of misconduct or misdemeanors; requiring school districts to assign expelled students to a disciplinary program during the period of expulsion; revising requirements for agreements between school districts and law enforcement agencies; requiring that certain polices be provided to the Department of Education annually; providing for a model policy; making distribution of certain funds contingent on compliance with specified procedures; requiring an annual report by the Commissioner of Education; requiring approval of certain policies in order to receive certain funds; authorizing funds to be used for specified activities; requiring a report concerning the use of funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Abruzzo—

SB 1376—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motorist safety; authorizing the governing body of a county to create a yellow dot critical motorist medical information program for certain purposes; authorizing a county to solicit sponsorships for the medical information program and enter into an interlocal agreement with another county to solicit such sponsorships; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation to provide education and training and publicize the program; requiring the program to be free to participants; providing for applications to participate; providing for a yellow dot decal and a yellow dot folder to be issued to participants and a form containing specified information about the participant; providing procedures for use of the decal, folder, and form; providing for limited use of information on the forms by emergency medical responders; limiting liability of emergency medical responders; requiring the governing body of a participating county to adopt guidelines and procedures to ensure that confidential information is not made public; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Health Policy; and Judiciary.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1378—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending ss. 1003.428 and 1003.429, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; conforming terminology; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; revising the duties of the Commissioner of Education with regard to developing and implementing a student achievement assessment program; requiring the commissioner to develop alternative assessments for certain student populations; requiring the commissioner to create a pilot project, in conjunction with school districts, to administer more frequently the statewide assessments for those students who do not meet passing scores on the first administration; providing requirements for the pilot project; requiring the commissioner to review the results of the pilot project and submit recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature; revising the school year in which each school district is required to administer a student assessment that

measures mastery of the content of each course offered in the district; requiring the commissioner, in collaboration with a consortium of school district representatives, to assist and support districts in developing local assessments; requiring the Department of Education to implement a state platform of item banks and assessments by a specified date; requiring each school district to complete the platform's development and field test the item banks and assessments by specified school years; requiring the Department of Education to provide the school district an assessment if the platform of state item banks and assessments fails to support a school district's need for a particular assessment; requiring the commissioner to collaborate with school district representatives in developing the assessments; providing the purposes of the consortium; requiring the Commissioner of Education to analyze the content for certain nationally recognized high school achievement tests to determine equivalent scores for statewide assessments for high school graduation; conforming terminology; requiring the commissioner to adopt those scores as meeting the graduation requirement in lieu of achieving a passing score on the statewide assessments; requiring existing equivalent scores to remain in effect when test content or scoring procedures change for statewide assessments or for a high school achievement test until new equivalent scores are established; requiring existing equivalent scores to remain in effect until new equivalent scores are determined with regard to scores for end-of-course assessments; amending s. 1008.30, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Education to provide the common placement test to each school district for administration at least six times during a student's 4 years in high school; revising the rules that the State Board of Education must adopt to evaluate the college readiness of each student who indicates an interest in postsecondary education and who scores certain levels on certain statewide assessments; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; revising the exceptions to the requirement that a school receive a school grade; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; conforming terminology; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "grandfathered salary schedule" with regard to salary schedules adopted by a district school board; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; revising the start date for when a district school board is required to adopt a performance salary schedule; authorizing a classroom teacher whose performance evaluation uses student learning growth measures to remain under the grandfathered salary schedule under certain circumstances; revising the date in which certain instructional personnel or school administrators are placed on performance salary schedules; amending s. 1012.335, F.S.; revising the procedures for conducting a hearing when instructional personnel contest charges that are grounds for suspension or dismissal; authorizing the employee to appeal the determination of the district school board; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; revising the criteria for evaluating the performance of instructional personnel and school administrators; revising the procedures for conducting a hearing when an employee wishes to contest a district school superintendent's recommendation regarding the employee's performance evaluation; authorizing the employee to appeal the determination of the district school board; revising the starting school year in which a school district is required to measure student learning growth; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1380—A bill to be entitled An act relating to justices and judges; amending s. 25.073, F.S.; defining the terms "senior justice" and "senior judge"; making technical corrections and conforming terminology; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; providing that "termination" for a senior justice or judge occurs when all employment ceases and the justice or judge retires from the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.053, F.S.; conforming terminology; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; providing that a senior justice or judge is not subject to certain specified limitations on employment after retirement; amending s. 121.591, F.S.; providing that a senior justice or judge may receive benefit payments under certain circumstances; amending s. 216.292, F.S.; conforming terminology; increasing by specified amounts the required employer contribution rates of the Florida Retirement System and the required employer contribution rates for the unfunded actuarial liability of the Florida Retirement System; providing a finding by the Legislature of proper and legitimate state purpose and a declaration of important state interest; providing that specified provisions of the act relating to retired justices and judges take effect only if the Legislature appropriates a specified amount to the judicial branch and the State Courts Administrator certifies that the appropriation was made and that the appropriation was not vetoed by the Governor; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Appropriations.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 1382—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign finance; repealing s. 106.04, F.S., relating to the certification and political activities of committees of continuous existence; prohibiting a committee of continuous existence from accepting a contribution after a certain date; providing for revocation of the certification of each committee of continuous existence on a certain date; requiring the Division of Elections to provide certain notifications to committees of continuous existence; providing procedures for disposition of funds and closing of the committee account; providing penalties; providing for the applicability of penalties incurred by the committee of continuous existence; amending and reordering s. 106.011, F.S., relating to definitions applicable to provisions governing campaign financing; deleting the definition of the term "committee of continuous existence" to conform to changes made by the act; revising the definition of the term "candidate" to include a candidate for a political party executive committee; conforming cross-references; amending s. 106.021, F.S.; providing requirements and restrictions on the use of contributions received before a candidate changes his or her candidacy to a different office; amending ss. 106.022 and 106.03, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; reenacting and amending s. 106.07, F.S., relating to reports by campaign treasurers; revising reporting requirements for candidates and political committees; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 106.0703, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for electioneering communications organizations; reenacting and amending s. 106.0705, F.S., relating to the electronic filing of campaign treasurer's reports; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; amending s. 106.08, F.S.; increasing the limitations on contributions made to certain candidates and political committees; removing a limitation on contributions made by specified minors; revising limitations on contributions to non-statewide candidates from specified political party committees; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; amending s. 106.141, F.S.; prohibiting a candidate from giving more than a specified amount of surplus funds to an affiliated party committee or political party; increasing the amount of funds that certain candidates may transfer to an office account; specifying permissible expenses with office account funds; defining the term "same office"; authorizing certain candidates to retain a specified amount of funds for reelection to the same office; establishing requirements and conditions for retained funds; providing procedures for disposition of retained funds in certain circumstances; making changes to conform to the act; reenacting and amending s. 106.29, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for political parties and affiliated party committees; requiring the Division of Elections to submit a proposal for a mandatory statewide electronic filing system for certain state and local candidates to the Legislature by a specified date; amending ss. 101.62, 102.031, 106.087, 106.12, 106.147, 106.17, 106.23, 106.265, 106.27, 106.32, 106.33, 111.075, 112.3148, 112.3149, 1004.28, 1004.70, and 1004.71, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 106.075(2) and 106.19, F.S., relating to contributions made to pay back campaign loans incurred, and relating to criminal and enhanced civil penalties for certain campaign finance violations, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 106.08, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 1384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing home litigation; amending s. 400.023, F.S.; providing that a nursing home resident who alleges negligence or a violation of residents' rights has a cause of action against the nursing home licensee or its management company and the licensee's direct caregiver employees; declaring that ss. 400.023-400.0238, F.S., provide the exclusive remedy against a nursing home licensee or its management company for a cause of action for re-

covery of damages arising out of negligence or a violation of residents' rights; providing that a cause of action may not be asserted against certain specified persons; providing exceptions; amending s. 400.0237, F.S.; providing that a claim for punitive damages may not be brought unless there is a showing of admissible evidence proffered by the parties which provides a reasonable basis for recovery of punitive damages when certain criteria are applied; requiring the court to conduct a hearing to determine whether there is sufficient admissible evidence to ensure that there is a reasonable basis to believe that the claimant will be able to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that the recovery of punitive damages is appropriate; requiring the trier of fact to find by clear and convincing evidence that a specific person or corporate defendant actively and knowingly participated in intentional misconduct or engaged in conduct that constituted gross negligence and contributed to the loss, damages, or injury suffered by the claimant before punitive damages may be awarded; requiring an officer, director, or manager of the employer, corporation, or legal entity to condone, ratify, or consent to certain specified conduct before holding the licensee vicariously liable for punitive damages; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1386—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water and wastewater utility systems; creating s. 159.810, F.S.; requiring that the Division of Bond Finance of the State Board of Administration review the allocation of private activity bonds to determine the availability of additional allocation or reallocation of bonds for water and wastewater infrastructure projects; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; extending tax exemptions to certain investor-owned water and wastewater utilities; amending s. 367.022, F.S.; exempting from regulation by the Florida Public Service Commission any person who resells water service to certain tenants or residents up to a specified cost; amending s. 367.081, F.S.; establishing criteria for the commission to consider in determining the quality of water and wastewater services provided by a utility; establishing a procedure for the commission to follow if it determines that a utility has failed to provide water and wastewater services that meet certain standards; authorizing rules adopted by the commission to include fines; authorizing the commission to create a utility reserve fund to establish rates for a utility; providing reasons to automatically increase or decrease approved rates of a utility; establishing criteria for such adjusted rates; providing specified expense items that are eligible for automatic increase or decrease of utility rates; providing standards for the commission to establish, by rule, additional specific expense items that are eligible to automatically increase or decrease utility rates; deleting certain requirements for approved utility rates that are automatically increased or decreased, upon notice to the commission, because of an increase or decrease in the fees imposed upon such utility; deleting a prohibition on a utility from using such procedure to increase its rates under certain circumstances; prohibiting the commission from awarding rate case expense under certain circumstances; amending s. 367.0814, F.S.; describing the circumstances under which the commission may and may not award rate case expense to cover attorney fees or fees for other outside consultants; providing that the commission may adopt related rules; amending s. 367.0816, F.S.; requiring the commission to determine that the amount of rate case expense is reasonable before such rate case expense can be apportioned for a 4-year recovery period; providing limitations on and rules for the 4-year amortized rate case expense recovery; amending s. 403.8532, F.S.; allowing the Department of Environmental Protection to make, or request that the Florida Water Pollution Control Financing Corporation make, loans, grants, and deposits to for-profit privately owned or investor-owned systems, and deleting restrictions that provide otherwise; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committees on Rules; and Ethics and Elections; and Senators Latvala, Gardiner, Thrasher, Legg, Lee, Benacquisto, Flores, Diaz de la Portilla—

CS for SB 2—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; amending s. 112.312, F.S.; revising definitions; creating s. 112.3125, F.S.; defining the term "public officer"; prohibiting public officers from accepting additional employment with the state or any of its political subdivisions under specified conditions; amending s. 112.313, F.S.; providing that a member of the Legislature may not personally represent another person or entity for compensation before any state agency for a period of 2 years following vacation of office; providing exceptions; providing that no member of the Legislature may associate as a partner, principal, or employee of a firm whose primary purpose is lobbying the Legislature within the first 2 years after vacation of office under specified conditions; establishing filing requirements for a sworn statement; specifying applicability of amendments made by the act; creating s. 112.3142, F.S.; defining the term "constitutional officers"; requiring constitutional officers to complete annual ethics training; specifying requirements for ethics training; requiring the commission to adopt rules to establish minimum course content; requiring each house of the Legislature to provide for ethics training pursuant to its rules; creating s. 112.31425, F.S.; providing legislative findings; providing that holding an economic interest in a qualified blind trust is not a prohibited conflict of interest; providing that a public officer may not attempt to influence, exercise control of, or obtain information regarding the holdings of the qualified blind trust; prohibiting communication regarding the qualified blind trust between a public officer or a person having a beneficial interest in the trust and the trustee; providing exceptions; requiring a public officer to report the qualified blind trust and its value on his or her financial disclosure form under specified circumstances; establishing requirements for creation of a qualified blind trust; requiring a public officer who holds a qualified blind trust to file a notice with the Commission on Ethics; requiring a covered public official to file an amendment to his or her most recent financial disclosure statement under specified conditions; amending s. 112.3143, F.S.; providing definitions for "principal" and "special gain or loss"; requiring state public officers to abstain from voting on any matter that the officer knows would inure to his or her special private gain or loss; requiring that a memorandum filed after a vote be filed no later than 15 days after the vote; providing that a member of the Legislature satisfies the disclosure requirement by filing a form created pursuant to the rules of his or her respective house; providing that confidential or privileged information need not be disclosed; amending s. 112.3144, F.S.; requiring the qualifying officer to electronically transmit a full and public disclosure of financial interests of a qualified candidate to the commission; providing timeframes for the filing of certain complaints; authorizing filing individuals to file an amended statement during a specified timeframe under specified conditions; authorizing the commission to immediately follow complaint procedures under specified conditions; prohibiting the commission from taking action on complaints alleging immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis errors or omissions; providing what constitutes an immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis error or omission; authorizing an individual required to file a disclosure to have the statement prepared by a certified public accountant; requiring a certified public accountant to sign the completed disclosure form to indicate compliance with applicable requirements and that the disclosure is true and correct based on reasonable knowledge and belief; requiring the commission to determine if a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; providing that the failure of the certified public accountant to accurately transcribe information provided by the filing individual does not constitute a violation; authorizing an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay a certified public accountant for preparing a disclosure; creating s. 112.31445, F.S.; providing a definition for "electronic filing system"; requiring all disclosures of financial interests filed with the commission to be scanned and made publicly available on a searchable Internet database beginning with the 2012 filing year; requiring the commission to submit a proposal to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives for a mandatory electronic filing system by a specified date; establishing minimum requirements for the commission's proposal; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; revising the definitions of "local officer" and "specified state employee";

revising procedures for the filing of a statement of financial interests with a candidate's qualifying papers; requiring a person filing a statement of financial interest to indicate the method of reporting income; providing timeframes for the filing of certain complaints; authorizing filing individuals to file an amended statement during a specified timeframe under specified conditions; authorizing the commission to immediately follow complaint procedures under specified conditions; prohibiting the commission from taking action on complaints alleging immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis errors or omissions; providing what constitutes an immaterial, inconsequential, or de minimis error or omission; authorizing an individual required to file a disclosure to have the statement prepared by a certified public accountant; requiring a certified public accountant to sign the completed disclosure form to indicate compliance with applicable requirements and that the disclosure is true and correct based on reasonable knowledge and belief; requiring the commission to determine if a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; providing that the failure of the certified public account to accurately transcribe information provided by the filing individual does not constitute a violation; authorizing an elected officer or candidate to use funds in an office account or campaign depository to pay a certified public accountant for preparing a disclosure; creating s. 112.31455, F.S.; requiring the commission to attempt to determine whether an individual owing certain fines is a current public officer or public employee; authorizing the commission to notify the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district of the total amount of any fine owed to the commission by such individuals; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, or special district begin withholding portions of any salary payment that would otherwise be paid to the current public officer or public employee; requiring that the withheld payments be remitted to the commission until the fine is satisfied; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to retain a portion of payment for administrative costs; authorizing collection methods for the commission or the Department of Financial Services for individuals who are no longer public officers or public employees; authorizing the commission to contract with a collection agency; authorizing a collection agency to utilize collection methods authorized by law; authorizing the commission to collect an unpaid fine within a specified period of issuance of the final order; amending s. 112.3147, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that all forms be prescribed by the commission; amending s. 112.3148, F.S.; revising the definition of "procurement employee"; creating a definition for "vendor"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee from soliciting or knowingly accepting a gift from a vendor; deleting references to political committees and committees of continuous existence; creating s. 112.31485, F.S.; providing definitions for "gift" and "immediate family"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee or a member of his or her immediate family from soliciting or knowingly accepting any gift from a political committee or committee of continuous existence; prohibiting a political committee or committee of continuous existence from giving any gift to a reporting individual or procurement employee or a member of his or her immediate family; providing penalties for a violation; requiring that individuals who violate this section be held personally liable; amending s. 112.3149, F.S.; revising the definition of "procurement employee"; creating a definition for "vendor"; prohibiting a reporting individual or procurement employee from knowingly accepting an honorarium from a vendor; prohibiting a vendor from giving an honorarium to a reporting individual or procurement employee; amending s. 112.317, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 112.3215, F.S.; authorizing the commission to investigate sworn complaints alleging a prohibited expenditure; authorizing the commission to investigate a lobbyist or principal upon a sworn complaint or random audit; authorizing the Governor and Cabinet to assess a fine on a lobbyist or principal under specified conditions; providing a civil penalty; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; authorizing specified parties to submit written referrals of a possible violation of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees or other possible breaches of the public trust to the Commission on Ethics; establishing procedures for the receipt of written referrals by the commission; extending the period in which the disclosure of the intent to file or the filing of a complaint against a candidate is prohibited; providing exceptions; requiring the commission to dismiss a complaint of a de minimis violation; providing exceptions; defining a de minimis violation; reenacting s. 120.665, F.S., relating to disqualification of agency personnel, to incorporate the amendments to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 286.012, F.S., relating to voting requirements at meetings of governmental bodies, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 287.175, F.S., relating to penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.324, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 288.901, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 445.007, F.S., and reenacting subsection (1) of that section, relating to regional workforce boards, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; correcting cross-references; reenacting s. 627.311(5)(m), F.S., relating to joint underwriters and joint reinsurers, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 627.351(6)(d), F.S., relating to Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 112.3143, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Ethics and Elections—

CS for SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for written referrals and related records held by the Commission on Ethics, the Governor, the Department of Law Enforcement, or a state attorney; creating an exemption for records relating to a preliminary investigation held by the Commission on Ethics; creating an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of proceedings of the Commission on Ethics in which the referrals are discussed or acted upon; providing for future repeal and legislative review of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Senators Negron and Evers—

CS for SB 50—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; creating s. 286.0114, F.S.; defining "board or commission"; requiring that a member of the public be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard by a board or commission before it takes official action on a proposition; providing exceptions; establishing requirements for rules or policies adopted by the board or commission; providing that compliance with the requirements of this section is deemed to have occurred under certain circumstances; providing that a circuit court has jurisdiction to issue an injunction under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to assess reasonable attorney fees in actions filed against a board or commission; providing that an action taken by a board or commission which is found in violation of this section is not void; providing that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Detert, Montford, Margolis, Richter, Latvala, Abruzzo, and Benacquisto—

CS for SB 52—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices while driving; creating s. 316.305, F.S.; creating the "Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law"; providing legislative intent; prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while using a wireless communications device for certain purposes; defining the term "wireless communications device"; providing exceptions; specifying information that is admissible as evidence of a violation; providing penalties; providing for enforcement as a secondary action; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; providing for points to be assessed against a driver license for the unlawful use of a wireless communications device within a school safety zone or resulting in a crash; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Hays—

CS for SB 60—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain identifying information of specific current and former personnel of the Department of Health and the spouses and children of such personnel, under specified circumstances; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Hays, Abruzzo, Simpson, Evers, and Lee—

CS for SB 62—A bill to be entitled An act relating to low-speed vehicles; amending s. 319.14, F.S.; authorizing the conversion of a vehicle titled or branded and registered as a low-speed vehicle to a golf cart; providing procedures; requiring an affidavit; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue a decal; providing specifications for the decal; providing for a fee; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

CS for SB 84—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public-private partnerships; creating s. 287.05712, F.S.; providing definitions; providing legislative findings and intent relating to the construction or improvement by private entities of facilities used predominantly for a public purpose; providing procurement procedures; providing requirements for project approval; providing project qualifications and process; providing for notice to affected local jurisdictions; providing for comprehensive agreements between a public and a private entity; providing for use fees; providing for financing sources for certain projects by a private entity; providing powers and duties for private entities; providing for expiration or termination of agreements; providing for the applicability of sovereign immunity for public entities with respect to qualified projects; providing for construction of the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Flores and Benacquisto—

CS for SB 86—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the distribution of materials harmful to minors; amending s. 847.012, F.S.; prohibiting an adult from knowingly distributing to a minor or posting on school property certain specified materials harmful to minors; providing that it is a third-degree felony for any person to knowingly distribute to a minor or post on school property certain materials harmful to minors; defining the term "school property"; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Negron, Brandes, Evers, and Bradley—

CS for SB 92—A bill to be entitled An act relating to searches and seizures; creating the "Freedom from Unwarranted Surveillance Act"; defining the terms "drone" and "law enforcement agency"; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from using a drone to gather evidence or other information; providing exceptions; authorizing an aggrieved party to initiate a civil action in order to prevent or remedy a violation of the act; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from using in any court of law in this state evidence obtained or collected in violation of the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Joyner—

CS for SB 94—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disabled parking permits; amending s. 320.0848, F.S.; removing a provision that requires an applicant to provide a certificate of disability for renewal; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Detert and Abruzzo—

CS for SB 100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment practices; prohibiting an employer from using a job applicant's credit report or credit history to make certain hiring, compensation, or other employment decisions; providing specific situations where an employer may use such information; providing definitions; providing exemptions for certain types of employers; providing remedies for aggrieved persons; providing for court costs; providing for a plaintiff to post a bond to indemnify the defendant for damages, including attorney fees, in certain situations; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Benacquisto, Evers, and Hukill—

CS for SB 118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funerals and burials; creating s. 871.015, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting engaging in protest activities within a specified distance of the property line of the location of a funeral or burial; providing an exception; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominiums; amending s. 718.104, F.S.; allowing condominium units to come into existence regardless of requirements or restrictions in a declaration; amending s. 718.105, F.S.; extending the amount of time that a clerk may hold a sum of money before notifying the registered agent of an association that the sum is still available and the purpose for which it was deposited; amending s. 718.110, F.S.; changing the requirements relating to the circumstances under which a declaration of condominium or other documents are effective to create a condominium; making technical changes; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; revising the conditions under which unit owners may vote on issues related to the preparation of financial reports; making technical changes; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a developer may vote to waive or reduce the funding of reserves; making technical changes; amending s. 718.114, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a developer may acquire leaseholds, memberships, or other possessory or use interests; making technical changes; amending s. 718.301, F.S.; revising the conditions under which unit owners other than the developer are entitled to elect at least a majority of the members of a board of administration; revising requirements related to the documents that the developer must deliver to the association; making technical changes; amending s. 718.403, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a developer may amend a declaration of condominium governing a phase condominium; providing for an extension of the 7-year period for the completion of a phase; providing requirements for the adoption of an amendment; providing that an amendment adopted pursuant to this section is exempt from other requirements of law; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senators Ring, Clemens, and Soto—

CS for SB 124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to newborn screening for critical congenital heart disease; amending s. 383.14, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to adopt and enforce rules that require ambulatory surgical centers, hospitals, and birth centers in this state to conduct screening for critical congenital heart defects in all newborns by using certain technologies; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Ring—

CS for SB 134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to meetings of district school boards; amending s. 1001.372, F.S.; requiring district school boards to convene at least one regular meeting each quarter during a school year during the evening hours and to create written criteria for convening such a meeting; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Brandes, Dean, and Benacquisto—

CS for SB 138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children; repealing s. 3 of ch. 2010-52, Laws of Florida; abrogating the future repeal of ss. 1000.36, 1000.37, 1000.38, and 1000.39, F.S., relating to the compact; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the compact; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Braynon—

CS for SB 140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rental car sales and use tax surcharges; amending s. 212.0606, F.S.; defining the term

"car-sharing service;" exempting the provision of vehicles by such services from the rental car surcharge; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senators Richter, Dean, and Benacquisto—

CS for SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure fee exemptions for military veterans; amending s. 456.013, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Health waive certain licensure fees for veterans; requiring the department to prescribe the format of the fee waivers; limiting the time period a veteran can apply to 24 months after discharge; requiring applying veterans to be honorably discharged; amending s. 468.304, F.S.; requiring that the department waive the initial application fee for veterans who apply for a radiological personnel certification; requiring the department to prescribe the form of the fee waiver; limiting the time period a veteran can apply to 24 months after honorable discharge; excluding a specific fee from the waiver; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Detert—

CS for SB 164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children in foster care; creating the "Quality-Parenting for Children in Foster Care Act"; creating s. 39.409, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; establishing and providing for the application of a "reasonable and prudent parent" standard; directing the Department of Children and Families to adopt rules; amending s. 39.522, F.S.; specifying that the standard for reunification from "endangerment" to "the best interest of the child" in certain circumstances; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; providing for the application of the reasonable and prudent parent standard to independent living transition services; specifying that department rules must reflect the considerations of the reasonable and prudent parent standard; directing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Richter—

CS for SB 166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to annuities; amending s. 627.4554, F.S.; providing that recommendations relating to annuities made by an insurer or its agents apply to all consumers not just to senior consumers; revising and providing definitions; providing exemptions; revising the duties of insurers and agents; providing that recommendations must be based on consumer suitability information; revising the information relating to annuities that must be provided by the insurer or its agent to the consumer; revising the requirements for monitoring contractors that are providing certain functions for the insurer relating to the insurer's system for supervising recommendations; revising provisions relating to the relationship between this act and the federal Financial Industry Regulatory Authority; prohibiting specified charges for annuities issued to persons 65 years of age or older; authorizing the Department of Financial Services and the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; amending s. 626.99, F.S.; increasing the period of time that an unconditional refund must remain available with respect to certain annuity contracts; making such unconditional refunds available to all prospective annuity contract buyers without regard to the buyer's age; revising requirements for cover pages of annuity contracts; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senator Hays—

CS for SB 214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the disposition of balances in, revenues of, and all outstanding appropriations of the trust fund; prescribing procedures for the termination of the trust fund; repealing s. 380.5115, F.S., relating to the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 259.101, F.S.; revising the designation of revenues from the disposal of lands in the Preservation 2000 program; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senators Bradley, Dean, Hays, and Negron—

CS for SB 258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act; amending s. 386.209, F.S.; authorizing municipalities and counties to restrict smoking on certain properties; providing limitations on such restrictions; authorizing a law enforcement officer to issue a citation under certain circumstances; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Hays—

CS for SB 264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firesafety devices; amending s. 633.025, F.S.; requiring certain battery-operated smoke alarms to meet specified standards; providing for applicability; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Richter—

CS for SB 278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of optometry; amending s. 463.002, F.S.; requiring a licensed practitioner who is not a certified optometrist to display a specifically worded sign; revising definitions; defining the term "ocular pharmaceutical agent"; amending s. 463.005, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Optometry to adopt rules relating to the administration and prescription of ocular pharmaceutical agents; amending s. 463.0055, F.S.; requiring a certified optometrist to complete a course and examination on general and ocular pharmaceutical agents before administering or prescribing oral ocular pharmaceutical agents; specifying the number of required course hours based on the date of licensure; requiring the Florida Medical Association and the Florida Optometric Association to jointly develop and administer the course and examination; revising provisions relating to the development of a formulary of pharmaceutical agents; amending s. 463.0057, F.S.; prohibiting the holder of an optometric faculty certificate from administering or prescribing pharmaceutical agents; amending s. 463.006, F.S.; revising provisions relating to licensure and certification of optometrists; amending s. 463.0135, F.S.; authorizing a certified optometrist to perform certain eye examinations; amending s. 463.014, F.S.; prohibiting a licensed practitioner of optometry from providing any drug for the purpose of treating a systemic disease; amending s. 483.035, F.S.; requiring a clinical laboratory operated by a licensed practitioner of optometry to be licensed under ch. 463, F.S.; amending s. 483.041, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "licensed practitioner" to include certified optometrists; amending s. 483.181, F.S.; providing for an optometrist to accept a human specimen for examination, under certain conditions; amending s. 893.02, F.S.; redefining the term "practitioner" to include certified optometrists; amending s. 893.05, F.S.; prohibiting a certified optometrist from administering or prescribing pharmaceutical agents listed in Schedule I or Schedule II of the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act; authorizing certain certified optometrists to administer certain oral analgesics; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Richter, Flores, Bean, and Brandes—

CS for SB 292—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deceptive and unfair trade practices; amending s. 501.975, F.S.; making technical changes; creating s. 501.98, F.S.; requiring a claimant to provide a demand letter to the motor vehicle dealer as a condition precedent to initiating civil litigation against such dealer under the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act; providing for requirements and expiration of the demand letter; providing exceptions for liability for payment of attorney fees; providing for the tolling of applicable time limitations for initiating actions; providing an additional opportunity for claimants to comply with specified provisions; providing that attorney fees and other costs incurred by a claimant before compliance with certain provisions are not recoverable; providing for applicability; requiring that a specified notice be provided to consumers before provisions may apply; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Detert and Margolis—

CS for SB 316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxes; amending s. 202.12, F.S.; reducing the tax rate applied to the sale of communications services; reducing the tax rate applied to retail sales of direct-to-home satellite services; amending s. 202.12001, F.S.; conforming rates to the reduction of the communications services tax; amending s. 203.001, F.S.; conforming rates to the reduction of the communications services tax; amending s. 212.0596, F.S.; revising the term "mail order sale" to specifically include sales of tangible personal property ordered through the Internet; deleting certain provisions that specify dealer activities or other circumstances that subject mail order sales to this state's power to levy and collect the sales and use tax; providing that certain persons who make mail order sales and who have a nexus with this state are subject to this state's power to levy and collect the sales and use tax when they engage in certain enumerated activities; specifying that dealers are not required to collect and remit sales and use tax unless certain circumstances exist; creating a rebuttable presumption that a dealer is subject to the state's power to levy and collect the sales or use tax under specified circumstances; specifying evidentiary proof that may be submitted to rebut the presumption; amending s. 212.06, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "dealer"; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising the sales tax exemption from the sales tax for certain business purchases of industrial machinery and equipment and spaceport activities; deleting certain limitations on, and procedural requirements relating to, the exemption; conforming cross-references; requiring that the Department of Revenue develop a tracking system, in consultation with the Revenue Estimating Conference, to determine the amount of sales tax remitted by out-of-state dealers who would otherwise not be required to collect and remit sales taxes but for the amendments made by the act; requiring that the department submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date each year; requiring that the Revenue Estimating Conference use such report to determine the amount of sales taxes remitted in the previous calendar year by such out-of-state dealers and estimate the amount that may be expected in the following fiscal year; requiring that the Legislature use the information to reduce tax rates for other taxes as deemed appropriate; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Brandes—

CS for SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to eminent domain proceedings; amending s. 74.051, F.S.; revising the distribution of interest on certain deposits held by clerks of court in eminent domain proceedings; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 328—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public accountancy; amending s. 473.3065, F.S.; revising provisions for the distribution of scholarships under the Certified Public Accountant Education Minority Assistance Program; revising the annual maximum expenditures and frequency of distribution of moneys for the scholarships; amending s. 473.311, F.S.; clarifying provisions; creating s. 473.3125, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Board of Accountancy to adopt rules for peer review programs; authorizing the board to establish a peer review oversight committee; requiring certain licensees to be enrolled in a peer review program by a certain date; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; clarifying that the proceeds of the tax may be used for the benefit of certain museums or aquariums; clarifying that the tax automatically expires upon the retirement of all bonds issued by the county for financing certain facilities; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Community Affairs; and Commerce and Tourism; and Senator Latvala—

CS for CS for SB 336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; clarifying that the proceeds of the tax may be used for the benefit of certain museums or aquariums; clarifying that the tax automatically expires upon the retirement of all bonds issued by the county for financing certain facilities; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Hays—

CS for SB 364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumptive use permits for development of alternative water supplies; amending s. 373.236, F.S.; revising conditions for issuance of permits; providing for the issuance, extension, and review of permits approved on or after a certain date; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vehicle permits; amending ss. 561.57 and 562.07, F.S.; authorizing a licensed vendor to transport alcoholic beverages from a distributor's place of business to the vendor's licensed premises in a vehicle owned or leased by a person identified on a license application filed by the vendor and approved by the division; requiring each operator to sign the application; revising permit requirements for such vehicles, including a specified fee per vehicle; providing for the cancellation of vehicle permits; authorizing the inspection and search of such vehicles without a search warrant; providing requirements for the use and storage of vehicle permits; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senator Dean—

CS for SB 390—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterans' organizations; defining terms; prohibiting a business entity from holding itself out as a veterans' organization under certain circumstances; authorizing an affected veterans' organization to bring a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction against the offending business entity; authorizing the court to impose a civil penalty of up to $500 and payment of court costs and reasonable attorney fees; providing for criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senator Dean—

CS for CS for SB 390—A bill to be entitled An act relating to misrepresentations concerning solicitations for military or veterans; defining terms; prohibiting a business entity from holding itself out as a veterans' organization under certain circumstances; authorizing an affected veterans' organization to bring a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction against the offending business entity; authorizing the court to impose a civil penalty of up to $500 and payment of court costs and reasonable attorney fees; providing for criminal penalties; amending s. 817.312, F.S.; prohibiting misrepresentation as a service member or veteran and wearing military or veterans' uniform, medal, or insignia; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Bean—

CS for SB 398—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physician assistants; amending ss. 458.347 and 459.022, F.S.; authorizing a supervisory physician to delegate to a licensed physician assistant the authority to order medications for the supervisory physician's patient in a facility licensed under ch. 395, F.S.; deleting provisions to conform to changes made by the act; providing that an order is not a prescription; authorizing a licensed physician assistant to order medication under the direction of the supervisory physician; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Altman—

CS for SB 436—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential properties; amending s. 399.02, F.S.; exempting certain elevators from specific code update requirements; amending s. 514.0115, F.S.; revising specified supervision and regulation exemptions for homeowners' association swimming pools; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; revising require-

ments for an association's approval of land purchases and recreational leases; revising reconstruction costs for which unit owners are responsible and authorizing the costs to be collected in a specified manner; requiring an association to repair or replace as a common expense certain condominium property damaged by an insurable event; requiring an association to allow a member or the member's representative to use certain portable devices to make electronic copies of association records; prohibiting the association from charging the member or representative for using the portable device; revising requirements for the preparation of an association's annual financial statement; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; revising terms of members of an association's board of administrators and revising eligibility criteria for candidates; revising condominium unit owner meeting notice requirements; providing for nonapplicability to associations governing timeshare condominiums of certain provisions relating to elections of board members; revising recordkeeping requirements of a condominium association board; requiring commencement of challenges to an election within a specified period; providing requirements for challenging the failure of a board to duly notice and hold the required board meeting or to file the required petition for a recall; providing requirements for recalled board members to challenge the recall; prohibiting the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation from accepting recall petitions for filing under certain circumstances; amending s. 718.113, F.S.; providing requirements for a condominium association board relating to the installation of hurricane shutters, impact glass, code-compliant windows or doors, and other types of code-compliant hurricane protection under certain circumstances; amending s. 718.115, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 718.303, F.S.; revising provisions relating to imposing remedies against a noncompliant or delinquent condominium unit owner or member; amending s. 718.403, F.S.; providing requirements for the completion of phase condominiums; creating s. 718.406, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for condominiums created within condominium parcels; providing for the establishment of primary condominium and secondary condominium units; providing requirements for association declarations; authorizing a primary condominium association to provide insurance and adopt hurricane shutter or hurricane protection specifications under certain conditions; providing requirements relating to assessments; providing for resolution of conflicts between primary condominium declarations and secondary condominium declarations; providing requirements relating to common expenses due the primary condominium association; amending s. 718.5011, F.S.; revising the restriction on officers and full-time employees of the ombudsman from engaging in other businesses or professions; amending s. 719.104, F.S.; requiring an association to allow a member or the member's representative to use certain portable devices to make electronic copies of association records; prohibiting the association from charging the member or representative for using the portable device; specifying additional records that are not accessible to unit owners; amending s. 719.1055, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the amendment of cooperative documents; providing legislative findings and a finding of compelling state interest; providing criteria for consent or joinder to an amendment; requiring notice regarding proposed amendments to mortgagees; providing criteria for notification; providing for voiding certain amendments; amending s. 719.106, F.S.; revising applicability of certain board of administration meeting requirements; requiring commencement of challenges to an election within a specified period; specifying certification or educational requirements for a newly elected or appointed cooperative board director; providing requirements for challenging the failure of a board to duly notice and hold the required board meeting or to file the required petition for a recall; providing requirements for recalled board members to challenge the recall; prohibiting the division from accepting recall petitions for filing under certain circumstances; providing education requirements for board members; amending s. 719.303, F.S.; revising provisions relating to imposing remedies against a noncompliant or delinquent cooperative unit owner or member; amending s. 719.501, F.S.; authorizing the division to provide training and educational programs for cooperative association board members and unit owners; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; requiring an association to allow a member or the member's representative to use certain portable devices to make electronic copies of association records; prohibiting the association from charging the member or representative for using the portable device; revising requirements for the preparation of an association's annual financial statement; revising the types of records that are not accessible to homeowners' association members and parcel owners; providing requirements for challenging the failure of a board to duly notice and hold the required board meeting or to file the required petition for a recall; providing requirements for recalled board members to challenge the recall; prohibiting the division from accepting recall petitions for filing under certain circumstances; amending s. 720.305, F.S.; revising provisions relating to imposing remedies against a noncompliant or delinquent homeowners' association member and parcel owner; amending s. 720.306, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the amendment of homeowners' association declarations; providing legislative findings and a finding of compelling state interest; providing criteria for consent or joinder to an amendment; requiring notice to mortgagees regarding proposed amendments; providing criteria for notification; providing for voiding certain amendments; revising provisions relating to right to speak at a homeowners' association meeting; requiring commencement of challenges to an election within a specified period; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Senators Ring and Bradley—

CS for SB 458—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighter and police officer pension plans; amending s. 175.021, F.S.; revising the legislative declaration to require all plans to meet the requirements of ch. 175, F.S., in order to receive insurance premium tax revenues; amending s. 175.032, F.S.; revising definitions to conform to changes made by the act and adding new definitions; amending s. 175.071, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 175.091, F.S.; revising existing payment provisions and providing an additional mandatory payment by the municipality or special fire control district to the firefighters' pension trust fund; amending s. 175.351, F.S., relating to municipalities and special fire control districts that have their own pension plans and want to participate in the distribution of a tax fund; revising how income from the premium tax must be used; requiring plan sponsors to have a defined contribution plan in place by a certain date; amending s. 185.01, F.S.; revising the legislative declaration to require all plans to meet the requirements of ch. 185, F.S., in order to receive insurance premium tax revenues; amending s. 185.02, F.S.; revising definitions to conform to changes made by the act and adding new definitions; deleting a provision allowing a local law plan to limit the amount of overtime payments which can be used for retirement benefit calculations; amending s. 185.06, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 185.07, F.S.; revising existing payment provisions and providing for an additional mandatory payment by the municipality to the police officers' retirement trust fund; amending s. 185.35, F.S., relating to municipalities that have their own pension plans for police officers and want to participate in the distribution of a tax fund; revising how income from the premium tax must be used; requiring plan sponsors to have a defined contribution plan in place by a certain date; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Hukill—

CS for SB 492—A bill to be entitled An act relating to estates; amending s. 198.13, F.S.; deleting a provision that provides that certain information relating to a state death tax credit or a generation-skipping transfer credit is not applicable to estates of decedents dying after a specific date; amending s. 717.101, F.S.; providing a definition; amending s. 717.112, F.S.; providing an exception to property held by agents and fiduciaries; creating s. 717.1125, F.S.; providing that property held by fiduciaries under trust instruments is presumed unclaimed under certain circumstances; amending s. 731.110, F.S.; specifying that a certain subsection does not require a caveator to be served with formal notice of its own petition for administration; amending s. 732.703, F.S.; revising language regarding instruments governed by the laws of a different state; creating s. 732.806, F.S.; providing provisions relating to gifts to lawyers and other disqualified persons; amending s. 732.901, F.S.; requiring the custodian of a will to supply the testator's date of death or the last four digits of the testator's social security number upon deposit; providing that an original will submitted with a pleading is considered to be deposited with the clerk; requiring the clerk to retain and preserve the original will in its original form for a certain period of time; amending s. 736.0103, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 736.0202, F.S.; providing for in rem jurisdiction and personal jurisdiction over a trustee, beneficiary, or other person; deleting a provision referring to other methods of obtaining jurisdiction; creating s. 736.02025, F.S.; providing provisions for methods of service of process in actions involving trusts and trust beneficiaries; repealing s. 736.0205, F.S., relating

to trust proceedings and the dismissal of matters relating to foreign trusts; repealing s. 736.0807(4), F.S., relating to delegation of powers by a trustee; amending s. 736.0813, F.S.; clarifying the duties of a trustee to provide a trust accounting; amending ss. 607.0802, 731.201, 733.212, 736.0802, 736.08125, and 738.104, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Thrasher—

CS for SB 530—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dispute resolution; amending s. 682.01, F.S.; revising the short title of the "Florida Arbitration Code" to the "Revised Florida Arbitration Code"; creating s. 682.011, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 682.012, F.S.; specifying how a person gives notice to another person and how a person receives notice; creating s. 682.013, F.S.; specifying the applicability of the revised code; creating s. 682.014, F.S.; providing that an agreement may waive or vary the effect of statutory arbitration provisions; providing exceptions; creating s. 682.015, F.S.; providing for petitions for judicial relief; providing for service of notice of an initial petition for such relief; amending s. 682.02, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the making of arbitration agreements; requiring a court to decide whether an agreement to arbitrate exists or a controversy is subject to an agreement to arbitrate; providing for determination of specified issues by an arbitrator; providing for continuation of an arbitration proceeding pending resolution of certain issues by a court; revising provisions relating to applicability of provisions to certain interlocal agreements; amending s. 682.03, F.S.; revising provisions relating to proceedings to compel and to stay arbitration; creating s. 682.031, F.S.; providing for a court to order provisional remedies before an arbitrator is appointed and is authorized and able to act; providing for orders for provisional remedies by an arbitrator; providing that a party does not waive a right of arbitration by seeking provisional remedies in court; creating s. 682.032, F.S.; providing for initiation of arbitration; providing that a person waives any objection to lack of or insufficiency of notice by appearing at the arbitration hearing; providing an exception; creating s. 682.033, F.S.; providing for consolidation of separate arbitration proceedings as to all or some of the claims in certain circumstances; prohibiting consolidation if the agreement prohibits consolidation; amending s. 682.04, F.S.; revising provisions relating to appointment of an arbitrator; prohibiting an individual who has an interest in the outcome of an arbitration from serving as a neutral arbitrator; creating s. 682.041, F.S.; requiring certain disclosures of interests and relationships by a person before accepting appointment as an arbitrator; providing a continuing obligation to make such disclosures; providing for objections to an arbitrator based on information disclosed; providing for vacation of an award if an arbitrator failed to disclose a fact as required; providing that an arbitrator appointed as a neutral arbitrator who does not disclose certain interests or relationships is presumed to act with partiality for specified purposes; requiring parties to substantially comply with agreed-to procedures of an arbitration organization or any other procedures for challenges to arbitrators before an award is made in order to seek vacation of an award on specified grounds; amending s. 682.05, F.S.; requiring that if there is more than one arbitrator, the powers of an arbitrator must be exercised by a majority of the arbitrators; requiring all arbitrators to conduct the arbitration hearing; creating s. 682.051, F.S.; providing immunity from civil liability for an arbitrator or an arbitration organization acting in that capacity; providing that this immunity is supplemental to any immunity under other law; providing that failure to make a required disclosure does not remove immunity; providing that an arbitrator or representative of an arbitration organization is not competent to testify and may not be required to produce records concerning the arbitration; providing exceptions; providing for awarding an arbitrator, arbitration organization, or representative of an arbitration organization with reasonable attorney fees and expenses of litigation under certain circumstances; amending s. 682.06, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the conduct of arbitration hearings; providing for summary disposition, notice of hearings, adjournment, and rights of a party to the arbitration proceeding; requiring appointment of a replacement arbitrator in certain circumstances; amending s. 682.07, F.S.; providing that a party to an arbitration proceeding may be represented by an attorney; amending s. 682.08, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the issuance, service, and enforcement of subpoenas; revising provisions relating to depositions; authorizing an arbitrator to permit discovery in certain circumstances; authorizing an arbitrator to order compliance with discovery; authorizing protective orders by an arbitrator; providing for applicability of laws compelling a person under subpoena to testify and all fees for attending a judicial proceeding, a deposition, or a discovery proceeding as a witness; providing for court enforcement of a subpoena or discovery-related order; providing for witness fees; creating s. 682.081, F.S.; providing for judicial enforcement of a preaward ruling by an arbitrator in certain circumstances; providing exceptions; amending s. 682.09, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the record needed for an award; revising provisions relating to the time within which an award must be made; amending s. 682.10, F.S.; revising provisions relating to requirements for a motion to modify or correct an award; amending s. 682.11, F.S.; revising provisions relating to fees and expenses of arbitration; authorizing punitive damages and other exemplary relief and remedies; amending s. 682.12, F.S.; revising provisions relating to confirmation of an award; amending s. 682.13, F.S.; revising provisions relating to grounds for vacating an award; revising provisions relating to a motion for vacating an award; providing for a rehearing in certain circumstances; amending s. 682.14, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the time for moving to modify or correct an award; deleting references to the term "umpire"; revising a provision concerning confirmation of awards; amending s. 682.15, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a court order confirming, vacating without directing a rehearing, modifying, or correcting an award; providing for award of costs and attorney fees in certain circumstances; repealing s. 682.16, F.S., relating to judgment roll and docketing of certain orders; repealing s. 682.17, F.S., relating to application to court; repealing s. 682.18, F.S., relating to the definition of the term "court" and jurisdiction; creating s. 682.181, F.S.; providing for jurisdiction relating to the revised code; amending s. 682.19, F.S.; revising provisions relating to venue for actions relating to the code; amending s. 682.20, F.S.; providing that an appeal may be taken from an order denying confirmation of an award unless the court has entered an order under specified provisions; providing that all other orders denying confirmation of an award are final orders; repealing s. 682.21, F.S., relating to the previous code not applying retroactively; repealing s. 682.22, F.S., relating to conflict of laws; creating s. 682.23, F.S.; specifying the relationship of the code to the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act; providing for applicability; creating s. 682.25, F.S.; providing that the revised code does not apply to any dispute involving child custody, visitation, or child support; amending s. 731.401, F.S.; providing for application of the act to an arbitration provision in a will or trust; amending ss. 440.1926 and 489.1402, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Simpson, Bean, Bradley, Stargel, Latvala, Grimsley, Evers, Soto, Ring, Gibson, Hays, Lee, Altman, and Thompson—

CS for SB 560—A bill to be entitled An act relating to natural gas motor fuel; amending s. 206.86, F.S.; deleting definitions for the terms "alternative fuel" and "natural gasoline"; amending s. 206.87, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; repealing s. 206.877, F.S., relating to the annual decal fee program for motor vehicles powered by alternative fuels; repealing s. 206.89, F.S., relating to the requirements for alternative fuel retailer licenses; amending s. 206.91, F.S.; making grammatical and technical changes; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 206.9951, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 206.9952, F.S.; establishing requirements for natural gas fuel retailer licenses; providing penalties for certain licensure violations; creating s. 206.9955, F.S.; providing calculations for a motor fuel equivalent gallon; providing for the levy of the natural gas fuel tax; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; creating s. 206.996, F.S.; establishing requirements for monthly reports of natural gas fuel retailers; providing that reports are made under the penalties of perjury; allowing natural gas fuel retailers to seek a deduction of the tax levied under specified conditions; creating s. 206.9965, F.S.; providing exemptions and refunds from the natural gas fuel tax; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 206.879, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the State Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund; terminating the Local Alternative Fuel User Fee Clearing Trust Fund within the Department of Revenue; prescribing procedures for the termination of the trust fund; creating s. 206.998, F.S.; providing for the applicability of specified sections of parts I and II of ch. 206, F.S.; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Agriculture; and Senator Montford—

CS for SB 654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agricultural storage and shipping containers; amending s. 506.19, F.S.; providing that an owner of containers used for the storage or transport of agricultural or other commercial products may adopt for his or her exclusive use a particular mark or brand to designate and distinguish ownership of the containers; making technical and grammatical changes; creating s. 506.265, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring that a person who purchases five or more plastic bulk merchandise containers from one seller obtain proof of ownership, verify the seller's identity, pay noncash, and record and maintain other information for a specified period of time; providing that prosecuting attorneys may inspect the records at any time upon reasonable notice; providing an exception for licensed waste haulers; creating s. 506.266, F.S.; providing criminal and civil penalties; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Evers—

CS for SB 676—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice circuit advisory boards and juvenile justice county councils; amending s. 985.664, F.S.; redesignating juvenile justice circuit boards as juvenile justice circuit advisory boards; requiring each board to have a county organization representing each county in the circuit; providing an exception for single-county circuits; deleting provisions providing for juvenile justice county councils; revising provisions relating to duties and responsibilities of boards; requiring submission of circuit plans by specified dates; revising membership of boards; providing for appointment and terms of members; providing for quorums and for passage of measures or positions; revising provisions relating to bylaws; amending ss. 790.22, 938.17, 948.51, 985.48, and 985.676, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Rules; and Senator Thrasher—

CS for SB 690—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.45, 20.15, 20.28, 39.001, 39.0139, 39.201, 40.011, 61.1825, 63.082, 63.2325, 97.0585, 112.63, 120.54, 120.745, 121.055, 121.085, 121.091, 159.823, 163.3246, 163.340, 189.4042, 190.046, 211.02, 215.5601, 215.97, 218.32, 252.385, 252.939, 252.940, 252.941, 252.942, 253.034, 255.2575, 259.032, 282.201, 288.1254, 288.71025, 288.980, 295.07, 311.101, 316.0083, 316.640, 320.20, 322.142, 322.2615, 339.135, 339.2825, 341.840, 343.805, 343.91, 344.17, 348.752, 349.02, 373.227, 373.250, 373.536, 376.3071, 379.2433, 379.3581, 380.0662, 381.004, 381.00593, 381.0065, 381.0101, 391.026, 400.172, 400.915, 400.9905, 403.086, 403.511, 403.9416, 414.295, 420.503, 420.5087, 430.205, 430.80, 430.81, 443.091, 443.111, 443.171, 466.007, 475.6235, 489.118, 499.01, 500.09, 538.23, 553.98, 570.451, 580.036, 586.10, 601.03, 601.15, 601.61, 601.9910, 610.109, 624.402, 626.2815, 626.8734, 626.9362, 626.989, 626.9895, 627.3511, 641.312, 651.118, 817.234, 877.101, 921.0022, 945.355, 948.08, 948.16, 960.003, 985.03, 1003.43, 1003.52, 1006.062, 1006.20, 1006.282, 1009.67, 1009.971, and 1013.231, F.S.; reenacting and amending s. 339.0805, F.S.; reenacting s. 322.21, F.S.; and repealing ss. 202.38 and 252.945, F.S., deleting provisions that have expired, have become obsolete, have had their effect, have served their purpose, or have been impliedly repealed or superseded; replacing incorrect cross-references and citations; correcting grammatical, typographical, and like errors; removing inconsistencies, redundancies, and unnecessary repetition in the statutes; improving the clarity of the statutes and facilitating their correct interpretation; and confirming the restoration of provisions unintentionally omitted from republication in the acts of the Legislature during the amendatory process; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Agriculture; and Senators Thompson and Bullard—

CS for SB 778—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transactions in fresh produce markets; providing definitions; authorizing certain owners and operators of farmers' markets, community farmers' markets, flea markets, and other open-air markets selling fresh produce to allow authorized Food and Nutrition Service groups, associations, and third-party organizations to operate electronic benefits transfer systems in such markets; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Brandes, Negron, and Soto—

CS for SB 846—A bill to be entitled An act relating to search and seizure of a portable electronic device; providing legislative findings and intent; defining the term "portable electronic device"; providing that information contained in a portable electronic device is not subject to a search by a law enforcement officer incident to an arrest except pursuant to a warrant issued by a duly authorized judicial officer using procedures established by law; providing exceptions; providing a remedy; prohibiting location informational tracking; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; prohibiting a government entity from obtaining the location information of an electronic device without a valid court order issued by a duly authorized judicial officer; providing that a court order may not be issued for the location of an electronic device for a period of time longer than is necessary to achieve the objective of the court order authorization; providing time periods for the validity of a court order; providing criteria by which to extend a court order for location information; providing exceptions to the requirement to obtain a court order for location information; providing a remedy; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Agriculture; and Senator Brandes—

CS for SB 902—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of liquid fuels; amending s. 526.141, F.S.; requiring self-service stations to display on each pump a decal containing a telephone number to enable certain handicapped persons to seek assistance from the station attendant; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to provide decals and instructions; providing for enforcement by the department; providing for the adoption of rules; establishing a deadline for compliance; providing an effective date.

REFERENCE CHANGES PURSUANT TO RULE 4.7(2)

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Negron, Brandes, Evers, and Bradley—

CS for SB 92—A bill to be entitled An act relating to searches and seizures; creating the "Freedom from Unwarranted Surveillance Act"; defining the terms "drone" and "law enforcement agency"; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from using a drone to gather evidence or other information; providing exceptions; authorizing an aggrieved party to initiate a civil action in order to prevent or remedy a violation of the act; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from using in any court of law in this state evidence obtained or collected in violation of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Detert—

CS for SB 164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children in foster care; creating the "Quality-Parenting for Children in Foster Care Act"; creating s. 39.409, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; establishing and providing for the application of a "reasonable and prudent parent" standard; directing the Department of Children and Families to adopt rules; amending s. 39.522, F.S.; specifying that the standard for reunification from "endangerment" to "the best interest of the child" in certain circumstances; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; providing for the application of the reasonable and prudent parent standard to independent living transition services; specifying that department rules must reflect the considerations of the reasonable and prudent parent standard; directing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By the Committee on Agriculture; and Senator Montford—

CS for SB 654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agricultural storage and shipping containers; amending s. 506.19, F.S.; providing that an owner of containers used for the storage or transport of agricultural or other commercial products may adopt for his or her exclusive use a particular mark or brand to designate and distinguish ownership of the containers; making technical and grammatical changes; creating s. 506.265, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring that a person who purchases five or more plastic bulk merchandise containers from one seller obtain proof of ownership, verify the seller's identity, pay noncash, and record and maintain other information for a specified period of time; providing that prosecuting attorneys may inspect the records at any time upon reasonable notice; providing an exception for licensed waste haulers; creating s. 506.266, F.S.; providing criminal and civil penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to Rule 4.17(1), the Rules Chair, Majority Leader and Minority Leader submits the following bills to be placed on the Special Order Calendar for Tuesday, March 5, 2013: CS for SB 2 and CS for SB 4.

Respectfully submitted,
John Thrasher, Rules Chair
Lizbeth Benacquisto, Majority Leader
Christopher L. Smith, Minority Leader

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 138; SB 352

The bills were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 338

The bill was referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 122; CS for SB 140; SB 306; SB 358

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 98; SB 290; SB 342

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 432

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: CS for SB 62; SB 222; SB 224; SB 236; SB 406

The bills were referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 56

The bill was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 752

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 558

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SB 326

The bill was referred to the Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 522

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 98

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends the following pass: SB 290

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SB 364

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 520

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends the following pass: SB 338

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 118

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 138; SB 260

The bills were referred to the Committee on Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 298

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 90

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 482

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 376 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SB 244

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 160

The bill was referred to the Committee on Health Policy under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 186; SB 558

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: CS for SB 92

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 288; SB 294; SB 420

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 286

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 354

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 118

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security under the original reference.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends the following pass: CS for SB 50

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 2 with 2 amendments

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Rules under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 402

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 628

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Transportation under the original reference.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends the following pass: SB 200; SB 202; SB 204; SB 206; SB 208; SB 210; SB 212; SB 216; SB 218; SB 220

The Committee on Rules recommends the following pass: CS for SB 4; SB 686; SB 688; SB 692; SB 694

The bills were placed on the Calendar.

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 50

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 328

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 316

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 560

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 902

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 364

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 160; SB 278

The bills with committee substitute attached were referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 94

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 124; SB 398

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 492

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 778

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 264

The Committee on Transportation recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 62; SB 140

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 52

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 336

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 458

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 322

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 654

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 86

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 390

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 84

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 134

The Committee on Health Policy recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 60

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 258

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Health Policy under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 166

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 164

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 100; SB 292

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 92; CS for SB 390; SB 676; SB 846

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 120; SB 436

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 4

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 530

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Rules under the original reference.

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 372

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Transportation under the original reference.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 138; SB 214

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 336

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 118

The Committee on Rules recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 2; SB 690

The bills with committee substitute attached were placed on the Calendar.

REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development recommends the following pass: CS for SB 62

The bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 224

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Honorable Don Gaetz February 18, 2013
President of the Senate

Dear President Gaetz:

The Committee on Rules met on February 19, 2013, and after due consideration respectfully recommends a revision to Rule 2.1(1)(p) as follows:

(p) Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

The change and vote sheet are attached hereto and by reference made a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

John Thrasher, Chair

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Honorable Don Gaetz February 27, 2013
President of the Senate

The Honorable Will Weatherford
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Dear President Gaetz and Speaker Weatherford:

The Joint Select Committee on Collective Bargaining convened February 18, 2013, Room 17 House Office Building (Morris Hall), for the purpose of providing a public opportunity for all parties involved in unresolved collective bargaining disputes to present arguments to the Florida Legislature, consistent with the provisions of section 447.403, Florida Statutes, and the open meeting provisions of Article III, section 4 of the State Constitution.

Upon conclusion of the presentations, we thanked the participating parties and announced that the Joint Select Committee on Collective Bargaining would take the disputed issues under advisement. Copies of the presentations and other pertinent materials have been retained by staff and, for purposes of future public inquiry, are available through the Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and the House Governmental Operations Subcommittee.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Alan Hays
Co-Chair

Representative Garrett Van Zant
Co-Chair

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RELATING TO EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governor:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Board of Directors, Enterprise Florida, Inc.		
Appointees:	Dempsey, Hayden R.	09/30/2015
	Keiser, Belinda	09/30/2015
	Kise, Christopher M.	09/30/2015
	Rodriguez, Henry	09/30/2014

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governor:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - First District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Lewis, Jeffrey E.	07/01/2015
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - Second District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Neymotin, Ita M., Esquire	07/01/2015
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - Third District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Zenobi, Eugene F., Esquire	07/01/2015
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - Fifth District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Deen, Jeffrey D., Esquire	07/01/2015

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governor and Cabinet:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Parole Commission		
Appointees:	Cohen, Bernard R., Sr.	06/30/2014
	Coonrod, Melinda N.	06/30/2018

The Committee on Education recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Board of Governors:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Board of Trustees, Florida International University		
Appointee:	Barlick, Robert T., Jr.	01/06/2015
Board of Trustees, University of Florida		
Appointee:	Cameron, Susan M.	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, University of West Florida		
Appointee:	Cleveland, David E.	01/06/2016

The Committee on Education recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governing Board:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Board of Trustees, University of West Florida		
Appointee:	Dana, Pamela J.	01/06/2016

The Committee on Education recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governor:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
State Board of Education		
Appointees:	Chartrand, Gary	12/31/2014
	Feingold, Barbara S.	12/31/2013
Board of Governors of the State University System		
Appointees:	Carter, Matthew M. II	01/06/2019
	Kuntz, Thomas G.	01/06/2019
Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University		
Appointee:	Teske, Julius J.	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida State University		
Appointee:	Bense, Allan G.	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University		
Appointees:	Little, John R.	01/06/2015
	Priddy, Russell A.	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, New College of Florida		
Appointees:	Baker, Bradford Dennis	01/06/2016
	Keating, Elaine M.	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, University of North Florida		
Appointees:	Lovett, William Radford II	01/06/2016
	Pappas, M. Lynn	01/06/2015
Board of Trustees, University of South Florida		
Appointee:	Mitchell, Stephen J., Esquire	01/06/2016

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointments made by the Governor:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Environmental Regulation Commission		
Appointees:	Bauer, Michael R.	07/01/2013
	Joyce, Joseph C.	07/01/2015
Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Waldman, Glenn J.	03/01/2014

The appointments were referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections under the original reference.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The following Executive Orders were filed with the Secretary:

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 12-30
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Malcom Thompson is currently serving as the Osceola County Clerk of Court; and

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2012, The State Attorney for the Ninth Judicial Circuit filed an information charging Malcom Thompson with one count of battery, a violation of section 784.03, Florida Statutes, and one count of assault, a violation of section 784.011, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the battery count of the information alleges that Malcom Thompson battered an employee of the Osceola County Clerk of Court's office, and the accompanying sworn investigative summary prepared by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement indicates that the battery occurred during the course of a business day at the office of the Clerk of Court; and

WHEREAS, the assault count of the information alleges that Malcom Thompson assaulted an employee of the Osceola County Clerk of Court's office, and the investigative summary indicates that the assault occurred during the course of a business day at the office of the Clerk of Court; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for malfeasance; and

WHEREAS, the acts set forth in the information and investigative summary constitute malfeasance under Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Osceola County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Malcom Thompson be immediately suspended from the public office he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

A. Malcom Thompson is the Clerk of Court of Osceola County.

B. The office of Clerk of Court of Osceola County is within the purview of the suspension power of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution.

C. The attached information and investigative summary alleges that Malcom Thompson committed offenses in violation of the laws of the State of Florida, which acts constitute malfeasance.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective today:

Section 1. Malcom Thompson is suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: Clerk of Court of Osceola County.

Section 2. Malcom Thompson is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 30th day of January, 2012.

Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Kurt S. Browning
SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 12-114
(Executive Order of Reinstatement)

WHEREAS, by Executive Order Number 12-130, Malcom Thompson was suspended from his position as Osceola County Clerk of Court; and

WHEREAS, the suspension ordered by Executive Order Number 12-130 was predicated on malfeasance, in particular criminal charges alleging one count of battery in violation of section 784.03, Florida Statutes, and one count of assault, a violation of section 784.011, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2012, a jury acquitted Malcom Thompson of the charge of battery, and on April 27, 2012, the court acquitted Malcom Thompson of the charge of assault.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, issue this Executive Order, effective immediately:

1. Malcom Thompson is hereby reinstated to the public office that he held at the time of the above mentioned suspension, to-wit: Osceola County Clerk of Court.

2. Executive Order 12-30 is hereby revoked and the suspension of Malcom Thompson is terminated.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee this 18th day of May, 2012.
Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Kenneth W. Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.]

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 12-180
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Alfred Junior Martin is currently serving as the Vice Chair of the Madison County Board of County Commissioners and Commissioner for Ditrict 4; and

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2012, Alfred Junior Martin was arrested on two counts of official misconduct, in violation of section 838.022, Florida Statutes, and two counts of grand theft, in violation of section 812.014(2)(c), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, violations of sections 838.022 and 812.014(2)(c), Florida Statutes, constitute third-degree felonies; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Madison County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Alfred Junior Martin be immediately suspended from the public office he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

A. Alfred Junior Martin is, and was at all relevant times, currently serving as the Vice Chair of the Madison County Board of County Commissioners and Commissioner for District 4.

B. The office of Commissioner of the Madison County Board of County Commissioners is within the purview of the suspension power of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, section 7, Florida Constitution.

C. The attached arrest warrant and affidavit, alleges that Alfred Junior Martin committed a felony in violation of the laws of the State of Florida.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

Section 1. Alfred Junior Martin is suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: Commissioner of the Madison County Board of County Commissioners.

Section 2. Alfred Junior Martin is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 9th day of August, 2012.
Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Kenneth W. Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 12-214
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, James Campbell is currently serving as the Commissioner for District 5 of the Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners, and

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2012, James Campbell was arrested on four counts of official misconduct, in violation of section 838.022(1)(a), Florida Statutes, and four counts of perjury, in violation of section 837.012, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, violations of section 838.022(1)(a), Florida Statutes, constitute third-degree felonies; and

WHEREAS, violations of section 837.012, Florida Statutes, constitute malfeasance; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for commission of a felony or for malfeasance; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Okaloosa County; and the citizens of the State of Florida, that James Campbell be immediately suspended from the public office he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

A. James Campbell is, and was at all relevant times, currently serving as the Commissioner for District 5 of the Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners.

B. The office of Commissioner of the Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners is within the purview of the suspension power of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, section 7, Florida Constitution.

C. The attached arrest warrant and affidavit alleges that James Campbell committed felonies, and misdemeanors constituting malfeasance, in violation of the laws of the State of Florida.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

Section 1. James Campbell is suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: Commissioner of the Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners.

Section 2. James Campbell is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 17th day of September, 2012.
Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Kenneth W. Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE:

The Secretary of State has certified that pursuant to the provisions of section 114.05, Florida Statutes, certificates subject to confirmation by the Senate have been prepared for the following:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Board of Accountancy		
Appointees:	Borders-Byrd, Cynthia, Lauderhill	10/31/2015
	Caldwell, Maria E., Miami	10/31/2015
	Dennis, David L., Longwood	10/31/2014
	Fennema, Martin G., Tallahassee	10/31/2014
	Vogel, Harold S., Esquire, Key Biscayne	10/31/2014
Board of Acupuncture		
Appointees:	Teisinger, Mary Katherine, Lake Alfred	10/31/2012
	Vega, Herman E., Miami Lakes	10/31/2014
Jacksonville Aviation Authority		
Appointees:	Davlantes, Teresa H., Jacksonville	09/30/2015
	Mackesy, Francis "Frank" J., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	09/30/2015
Board of Architecture and Interior Design		
Appointees:	Costoya, Francisco, Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/31/2014
	Ehrig, John P., Orlando	10/31/2015
	Emo, Warren A., Tallahassee	10/31/2013
	Fishburne, Kenan Ann, Quincy	10/31/2014
	Rodriguez, Miguel A., Coral Gables	10/31/2015
	Toppe, Jonathan R., St. Petersburg	10/31/2013
Florida Board of Auctioneers		
Appointees:	Dietrich, Hugh Fred III, Orlando	10/31/2014
	Shearer, Donald L., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/31/2013
Greater Orlando Aviation Authority		
Appointees:	Asher, Steven Dean, Orlando	04/16/2016
	Palmer, James "Jim" R., Longwood	04/16/2016
	Sanchez, Domingo, Kissimmee	04/16/2016

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Barbers' Board		
Appointees:	Gilbert, William B., Tallahassee	10/31/2014
	Raines, Andrew J., Pensacola	10/31/2013
	Vaughn, Thomas "Tommy" E., Panama City Beach	10/31/2014
Florida State Boxing Commission		
Appointees:	DeSisto, Antonius "Tony" M., Tampa	09/30/2015
	Kearney, Wayne W., Indian Harbour Beach	09/30/2015
	Lopez, Marco A., Miami	09/30/2012
	Williams, Mark M., Lynn Haven	09/30/2014
Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board		
Appointees:	Bolduc, Timothy J., Ft. Walton Beach	10/31/2015
	Carpenter, Dennis J., Tallahassee	10/31/2013
	Dudley, Fred R., Havana	10/31/2012
	Francis, Wayne A., Brandon	10/31/2012
	Gathright, Richard, Lake Worth	10/31/2014
	Holmes, Rex E., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/31/2015
	McCormick, Robert S., Sanford	10/31/2013
Florida Building Commission		
Appointees:	Boyer, Robert G., Palm City	07/26/2015
	Browdy, Richard S., Jacksonville	10/13/2015
	Calleja, Oscar L., Palmetto Bay	02/03/2015
	Dean, Nanette, Ft. Myers	04/05/2013
	Flanagan, Kevin M., Ft. Lauderdale	01/30/2015
	Frank, Charles L., Crawfordville	03/11/2013
	Gross, Jeffery, Hollywood	11/21/2015
	Schiffer, Brad, Naples	08/11/2015
	Schock, James R., St. Augustine	01/12/2015
	Stone, Jeffrey B., St. Petersburg Beach	07/27/2015
	Swope, Brian, Wesley Chapel	05/01/2015
Capital Collateral Regional Counsel - Middle Region		
Appointee:	Jennings, John "Bill" W., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	09/30/2012
Capital Collateral Regional Counsel - Southern Region		
Appointee:	Dupree, Neal A., Davie	09/30/2012
Board of Chiropractic Medicine		
Appointees:	Fogarty, Kevin G., Merritt Island	10/31/2014
	Shreeve, Michael West, Port Orange	10/31/2014
Florida Citrus Commission		
Appointees:	Clark, J. A. III, Wauchula	06/30/2013
	Garavaglia, Michael J., Jr., Vero Beach	06/30/2013
	Haycock, Michael W., Longboat Key	05/31/2015
	Haycock, Michael W., Longboat Key	06/30/2012
	Hollingsworth, Vernon C. III, Arcadia	05/31/2015
	Hollingsworth, Vernon C. III, Arcadia	06/30/2012
	Horrisberger, James S., Lakeland	05/31/2015
	Horrisberger, James S., Lakeland	06/30/2012
	Hunt, G. Ellis, Jr., Babson Park	06/30/2014
	McKenna, Martin J., Sebring	06/30/2014
	Pena, Virginia S., Clewiston	06/30/2014
	Taylor, Michael O., Naples	06/30/2013
Hillsborough County Civil Service Board		
Appointees:	Canasi, Simon M., Tampa	07/02/2015
	Perotti, Albert, Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	07/02/2015
	Strepina, Scott D., Tampa	07/02/2013
	Trichler, Ernie E. II, Tampa	07/02/2015

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling		
Appointee:	Gillespy, Susan J., Jacksonville	10/31/2012
Florida Commission on Community Service		
Appointees:	Aloupis, Vance A., Aventura	09/14/2014
	Barber, Chucha S., Tallahassee	09/14/2012
	Croteau, James M., Tallahassee	09/14/2015
	Graham, Carol, Port St. Lucie	09/14/2013
	Karlinsky, Autumn, Weston	09/14/2012
	Landman Gonzalez, Linda, Orlando	09/14/2014
	Mullican, R. Wayne, Naples	09/14/2014
	Nappo, Frank L., Naples	09/14/2012
	Quiggle, Justin, Ponte Vedra Beach	09/14/2013
	Roden, Gerald T., Ft. Pierce	09/14/2014
	Rovira-Forino, Maritza, Tampa	09/14/2014
	Seevers, Sarah E., Destin	09/14/2014
	Wheelock, Sherry, Windermere	09/14/2014
Board of Trustees of Brevard Community College		
Appointees:	Charpentier, Stephen G., Merritt Island	05/31/2015
	Haley, Myra K., Indian Harbour Beach	05/31/2014
	Harris, Dewey L., Merritt Island	05/31/2014
	Harvin, Moses L., Sr., Melbourne	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of Broward College		
Appointees:	Benz, John A., Ft. Lauderdale	05/31/2014
	Guerin, Sean C., Ft. Lauderdale	05/31/2015
	Stephany, Pamela, Ft. Lauderdale	05/31/2015
	Tonkin, Elizabeth A., Davie	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of College of Central Florida		
Appointees:	Brancato, Joyce, Inglis	05/31/2014
	Ghumman, Priya, Ocala	05/31/2015
	Pool, Cory, Ocala	05/31/2014
	Taylor, Donald L., Homosassa	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of Daytona State College		
Appointees:	Davis, Robert C., Port Orange	05/31/2013
	Freckleton, Lloyd J., Flagler Beach	05/31/2015
	Holness, Betty Jean, Ormond Beach	05/31/2015
	Hosseini, Forough B., Ormond Beach	05/31/2015
	Lewis, Dwight D., DeLand	05/31/2015
	Tanner, John W., Esquire, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Edison State College		
Appointees:	Chapman, Brian G., Jr., Cape Coral	05/31/2014
	Rhone, Braxton C., Ft. Myers	05/31/2013
	Starnes-Bilotti, Marjorie, Ft. Myers	05/31/2015
	Webb, Sankey E. III, Punta Gorda	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Florida State College at Jacksonville		
Appointees:	Bowling, Karen, Jacksonville Beach	05/31/2014
	Bryan, Thomas A., Jacksonville	05/31/2015
	Burnett, Douglas, St. Augustine	05/31/2014
	Delaney, Kevin F., Jacksonville	05/31/2015
	Holloway, Candace T., Bryceville	05/31/2014
	McCollum, James E., Fernandina Beach	05/31/2015
	McGehee, Thomas R., Jr., Jacksonville	05/31/2015
	Shoemaker-Crump, Randle P., Jacksonville	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Florida Keys Community College		
Appointees:	Scales, Edwin A. III, Key West	05/31/2014
	Schmitt, Brian C., Marathon	05/31/2015
	Stoky, Robert C., Key Largo	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Gulf Coast State College		
Appointees:	Dunn, Leah Ott, Panama City	05/31/2015

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
	McKnight, James W., Wewahitchka	05/31/2015
	Roberson, Ralph C., Port St. Joe	05/31/2014
	Tannehill, Joe K., Jr., Panama City	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Hillsborough Community College		
Appointees:	Buchman, MarDee H., Plant City	05/31/2015
	Burt, James T. II, Tampa	05/31/2014
	Pittman, Andrew V., Tampa	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Indian River State College		
Appointees:	Caron, Susan, Ft. Pierce	05/31/2015
	Conrado, Jose L., Vero Beach	05/31/2015
	Feurer, Mark A., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	05/31/2014
	Luna, Christa C., Okeechobee	05/31/2014
	Raulerson, Phoebe H., Okeechobee	05/31/2014
	Schirard, J. Brantley, Jr., Ft. Pierce	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Lake-Sumter Community College		
Appointees:	Blankenship, R. Scott, Clermont	05/31/2014
	Bowersox, Richard P., Fruitland Park	05/31/2015
	Flores, Kelly L., Oxford	05/31/2015
	Lee, Emily A., Eustis	05/31/2014
	Rice, Kelly S., Webster	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota		
Appointees:	Bailey, Edward, Palmetto	05/31/2013
	Beruff, Carlos, Parrish	05/31/2016
	Moore, Ann, Sarasota	05/31/2014
	Moran, Lori A., Sarasota	05/31/2015
	Neal, Charlene Jo, Bradenton	05/31/2015
	Robinson, Eric W., Venice	05/31/2016
	Trigueiro, Craig A., Lakewood Ranch	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Miami-Dade College		
Appointees:	Cancio-Johnson, Mariana "Marili", Esquire, Doral	05/31/2015
	Fuentes, Jose K., Coconut Grove	05/31/2014
	Olivera, Armando J., Coral Gables	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of Palm Beach State College		
Appointees:	Berger, William, Boca Raton	05/31/2015
	Dowd, John W. III, West Palm Beach	05/31/2014
	Link, Wendy S., Palm Beach Gardens	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando Community College		
Appointees:	Burke, Kathy A., Bonita Springs	05/31/2015
	Johnson, Leonard H., Dade City	05/31/2015
	Porton, Morris R., Spring Hill	05/31/2013
	Young, Victor, Land O'Lakes	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Polk State College		
Appointees:	Dorrell, Daniel F., Lakeland	05/31/2014
	Littleton, Gregory A., Winter Haven	05/31/2015
	Rada-Pilkington, Erlinda "Linda", Lake Wales	05/31/2015
	Turner, Mark G., Winter Haven	05/31/2013
Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College		
Appointees:	Bramlitt, Denise M., East Palatka	05/31/2014
	Coleman, Cranford R., Jr., Orange Park	05/31/2014
	Duren, Joseph M., St. Augustine	05/31/2014
	Webb, Mary Ellen, East Palatka	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College		
Appointees:	Fine, Robert J., Jr., St. Petersburg	05/31/2014
	Gibbons, Deveron M., St. Petersburg	05/31/2014
	North, Timothy O., Belleair	05/31/2015
	Oliver, Jeffrey Dale, St. Petersburg	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of Santa Fe College		
Appointees:	Hudson, Robert "R.C.", Gainesville	05/31/2015
	Lee, Caridad E., Alachua	05/31/2014
	Mallini, George "G.T." T., Gainesville	05/31/2015
	Oody, Jeffrey L., Starke	05/31/2014
	Prevatt, Lisa M., Hampton	05/31/2015
	Woody, Robert Lee, Gainesville	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Seminole State College		
Appointees:	Bauer, Jeffrey M., Casselberry	05/31/2014
	Brandon, Wendy H., Sanford	05/31/2014
	Howat, Scott D., Winter Park	05/31/2015
	Setzer, J. Alex, Lake Mary	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of South Florida State College		
Appointees:	Bryan, Derren J., Bowling Green	05/31/2015
	Cullens, Tamela "Tami" C., Sebring	05/31/2014
	Lambert, Kenneth A., Wauchula	05/31/2014
	Puckorius, Lana C., Avon Park	05/31/2015
	Rider, Kris Y., Lake Placid	05/31/2014
	Wright, Patrick Joseph "Joe", Esquire, Avon Park	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees of Tallahassee Community College		
Appointees:	Callaway, Donna G., Tallahassee	05/31/2015
	Lamb, Eugene, Jr., Midway	05/31/2014
	Messersmith, Frank S., Crawfordville	05/31/2014
	Moore, Karen B., Tallahassee	05/31/2014
Board of Trustees of Valencia College		
Appointees:	Cabrera-Morris, M. Bertica, Orlando	05/31/2015
	Hansen, Guillermo "Bill", Kissimmee	05/31/2014
	Oliver, Lewis M. III, Orlando	05/31/2014
	Perez, Fernando J., Windermere	05/31/2014
Construction Industry Licensing Board		
Appointees:	Beall, Kristin, Mount Dora	10/31/2012
	Boyette, Aaron L., Tallahassee	10/31/2015
	Cathey, William Brian, Port St. Joe	10/31/2014
	Cobb, Christopher M., Jacksonville	10/31/2013
	Kane, Richard, Melbourne	10/31/2014
	Korelishn, Albert C., Pompano Beach	10/31/2013
	Moody, Robert W., Jr., Valrico	10/31/2015
	Watts, Jacqueline A., Tallahassee	10/31/2012
Secretary of Corrections		
Appointee:	Tucker, Kenneth S., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of Governor
Board of Cosmetology		
Appointee:	Wilhoite, Suzanne C., Jacksonville	10/31/2014
Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind		
Appointees:	McClure, George M., St. Augustine	02/07/2015
	Weedon, Gerald W., Jacksonville	11/14/2014
	Zavelson, Thomas M., Gainesville	11/07/2015
Board of Dentistry		
Appointees:	Cabanzon, Catherine, West Palm Beach	10/31/2012
	Edinger, Debra S., Panama City	10/31/2013
	Gesek, Daniel J., Jr., Jacksonville	10/31/2015
	Thomas, Joseph J., Vero Beach	10/31/2014
	Winker, Wade G., Leesburg	10/31/2014
Director, Agency for Persons with Disabilities		
Appointee:	Hansen, Michael P., Crawfordville	Pleasure of Governor
Executive Director, Department of Economic Opportunity		
Appointee:	Deutsch, Hunting F., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor
Education Practices Commission		
Appointees:	Basso, Cristina, Miami	09/30/2015
	Bondurant, Pamela M., Marianna	09/30/2016

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
	Gold, Christie R., Wesley Chapel	09/30/2015
	Lee, David C., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	08/18/2016
	Presha, Bernard Jerome, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	08/18/2016
	Schneider, Chad David, St. Petersburg	09/30/2014
	Strauss, Mark S., Wilton Manors	09/30/2015
	Thompson, David R., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	08/18/2016
	Trop-Roberts, Elizabeth, Hollywood	07/31/2016
Florida Elections Commission, Chair		
Appointee:	Holladay, Tim H., New Port Richey	01/05/2015
Florida Elections Commission		
Appointees:	Faraj-Johnson, Alia, Tallahassee	12/31/2015
	Hall, Sean S., Jacksonville	12/31/2015
	Jean-Bart, Leslie Scott, Jacksonville	12/31/2015
	Stern, Barbra A., Esquire, Ft. Lauderdale	12/31/2015
Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board		
Appointees:	Botknecht, David H., Hollywood	10/31/2013
	Chinchor, Timothy Z., Deltona	10/31/2014
	Flaherty, Brian, Palm Harbor	10/31/2015
	Sandefer, Paul W., Orange Park	10/31/2013
	Smith, Benjamin E., Jacksonville	10/31/2013
Board of Employee Leasing Companies		
Appointees:	Arfons, David E., Palmetto	10/31/2014
	Buchanan, Scott, St. Petersburg	10/31/2014
	DiMascio, Suzette, Sanford	10/31/2016
Board of Professional Engineers		
Appointees:	Bracken, William C., Lutz	10/31/2015
	Fiorillo, Anthony Joseph, Orlando	10/31/2014
	Garcia de Quevedo, Nola A., Miami	10/31/2014
	Rambo-Roddenberry, Michelle D., Tallahassee	10/31/2013
	Todd, Kenneth S., Jr., West Palm Beach	10/31/2015
	Wohlfarth, Richard C., Lake Mary	10/31/2013
Commission on Ethics		
Appointees:	Carlucci, Matthew F., Sr., Jacksonville	06/30/2014
	Ford, Ivan Martin, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	06/30/2013
	Maurer, Susan Horovitz, Ft. Lauderdale	06/30/2013
	Robison, Linda M., Pompano Beach	06/30/2013
	Weston, Stanley M., Esquire, Jacksonville	06/30/2013
Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services		
Appointees:	Anderson, Jean W., Tallahassee	09/30/2015
	Clark, Andrew D., Ocala	09/30/2015
	Helm, Powell, Bradenton	09/30/2015
	Mueller, Richard L., Fleming Island	09/30/2015
Board of Professional Geologists		
Appointees:	Bush, Louie G., Lakeland	10/31/2014
	Dale, Mervin W., Fort White	10/31/2013
Board of Governors of the State University System		
Appointees:	Caruncho, Joseph L., Sr., Miami	01/06/2019
	Parker, Ava L., Jacksonville	01/06/2013
Interim State Surgeon General		
Appointee:	Harris, Steven L., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor
Board of Hearing Aid Specialists		
Appointees:	Hollern, Thomas M., Tallahassee	10/31/2013
	Polhill, Leanne E., Port Orange	10/31/2012
Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority		
Appointee:	Kirtley, William T., Sarasota	01/17/2015
Citrus County Hospital Board		
Appointees:	Bays, Michael D., Inverness	07/07/2016
	Davis, Ervin Eugene, Inverness	07/08/2014
	Joseph, Krista K., Crystal River	07/11/2013
	Priselac, Robert J., Floral City	07/03/2015
Board of Trustees of South Lake County Hospital District		
Appointees:	Ballesteros, Tomas J., Clermont	07/05/2015
	Binney, Curtis A., Clermont	07/05/2013
	Kesselring, Kasey C., Montverde	07/05/2013
	Rountree, Paul B., Clermont	07/05/2013
	Smith, Linda J., Clermont	07/05/2015
Florida Housing Finance Corporation		
Appointees:	Demetree, Mary L., Winter Park	11/13/2014
	Munilla, Natacha, Miami	11/13/2014
	Smith, Bernard E., Jacksonville	11/13/2014
Florida Commission on Human Relations		
Appointees:	Fajardo-Garcia, Onelia, Miami	09/30/2013
	Johns, James C., Jacksonville Beach	09/30/2014
	Keller, Michael G., Brandon	09/30/2014
	Long, Michell J., Jacksonville	09/30/2015
	Singer, Gilbert M., Tampa	09/30/2014
	Valle, Mario, Naples	09/30/2015
Commission for Independent Education		
Appointees:	Crocitto, Peter F., Jr., Palm City	06/30/2013
	Perez, Ernesto, Coral Gables	06/30/2014
	Williams, Levi G., Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	06/30/2014
Florida Inland Navigation District		
Appointees:	Bowman, Aaron L., Jacksonville	01/09/2015
	Crowley, T. Spencer, Miami	01/09/2015
	Kavanagh, Gail, Port St. Lucie	01/09/2015
	Sansom, Jerry H., Rockledge	01/09/2015
Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County		
Appointees:	Aungst, Brian J., Jr., Clearwater	08/07/2014
	Neri, Raymond H., St. Petersburg	08/07/2012
	Rouson, Angela, St. Petersburg	08/11/2014
	Sewell, James D., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	08/11/2014
Board of Landscape Architecture		
Appointees:	Kissinger, Paul D., Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2014
	Marshall, Elizabeth Barno, Palm Beach	10/31/2013
	Pape, Michael E., Lady Lake	10/31/2013
	Powell, Charles David, Panama City	10/31/2014
Participant Local Government Advisory Council		
Appointee:	Scott, Barbara T., Port Charlotte	01/13/2013
Board of Massage Therapy		
Appointees:	Buckley, Joy, Boynton Beach	10/31/2015
	Ford, Karen Goff, Punta Gorda	10/31/2015
	Tuttle, Robert F., Auburndale	10/31/2016
Board of Medicine		
Appointees:	Averhoff, Magdalena, Coral Gables	10/31/2015
	El Sanadi, Nabil, M.D., Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2014
	Lage, Onelia G., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/31/2014
	Shugarman, Richard G., West Palm Beach	10/31/2015
National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws		
Appointees:	Braccialarghe, Randolph, Plantation	06/05/2015

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
	Conti, Louis T. M., St. Petersburg	06/05/2015
	Weidner, Donald J., Esquire, Tallahassee	06/05/2015
Board of Nursing		
Appointees:	Connors, Leonard J., Plant City	10/31/2014
	Kirkpatrick, Lavigne Ann, Naples	10/31/2014
	Newman, Jody Bryant, Clermont	10/31/2013
Board of Nursing Home Administrators		
Appointee:	Myers, Keith A., Palm Beach Gardens	10/31/2014
Board of Optometry		
Appointees:	Kaplan, Stuart I., Ft. Myers	10/31/2016
	King, Christopher, Tallahassee	10/31/2015
	McNaughton, Rosa N., Tallahassee	10/31/2013
	Naberhaus, Terrance W., Merritt Island	10/31/2014
Board of Osteopathic Medicine		
Appointees:	Bellingar, Bridget, Largo	10/31/2015
	Burns, Ronald R., Winter Park	10/31/2014
	Jackson, Valerie A., Jupiter	10/31/2016
	Rose, Joel B., Tampa	10/31/2014
Board of Pharmacy		
Appointees:	Fallon, Leo J., The Villages	10/31/2015
	Glass, Debra B., Tallahassee	10/31/2015
	Mesaros, Jeffrey J., Ph.D., Tampa	10/31/2014
	Meshad, Gavin W., Sarasota	10/31/2013
	Mullins, DeAnn M., Lynn Haven	10/31/2013
	Risch, Lorena, Lakewood Ranch	10/31/2014
Board of Physical Therapy Practice		
Appointee:	Lohr, Clint E., Cantonment	10/31/2013
Board of Pilot Commissioners		
Appointees:	Bryson, Eric C., Atlantic Beach	10/31/2013
	Fernandez, John R., Pinecrest	10/31/2014
	Fox, John P., Miami	10/31/2015
	Frudaker, Richard N., Panama City	10/31/2012
	Sams, Matthew T., Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2013
	Smith, Thayer C., Jr., Tampa	10/31/2012
	Swindell, Robert C., Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2014
	Trueba, Carlos M., Miami	10/31/2012
	Ulrich, David T., Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2015
Board of Podiatric Medicine		
Appointees:	Evans, Chester A., Winter Garden	10/31/2012
	Morris, Robert Parker, Tallahassee	10/31/2013
Tampa Port Authority		
Appointees:	Allman, Patrick H. III, Tampa	02/06/2014
	Brown, William A., Tampa	11/15/2015
	Lindell, Carl, Jr., Tampa	11/14/2014
	Swindal, Stephen W., Tampa	02/06/2016
Florida Prepaid College Board		
Appointees:	O'Drobinak, Liana, Tampa	06/30/2013
	O'Rourke, John G., West Palm Beach	06/30/2014
Board of Psychology		
Appointees:	Aufderheide, Dean H., Tallahassee	10/31/2012
	Koehnemann, Neda C., Panama City Beach	10/31/2012
	Orta, Luis E., Miami	10/31/2014
Public Employees Relations Commission		
Appointee:	Poole, Donna Maggert, Tallahassee	01/01/2014
Chair, Public Employees Relations Commission		
Appointee:	Hogan, Mike, Jacksonville	01/01/2016
Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board		
Appointees:	Boyd, Joseph Robert, Jr., Tallahassee	10/31/2012
	Herndon, Joni L., Tampa	10/31/2013
	Ketcham, Clayton "Clay" Blane, Tallahassee	10/31/2014
	McKee, Tamara J., Boca Raton	10/31/2012
	Oreto, Evalyn F., Hudson	10/31/2015
	Pechillo, Roy A., Orange Park	10/31/2015
	Rogers, Michael J., Pensacola	10/31/2014
	Sante, Chris, Tavernier	10/31/2013
	Simmons, Matthew S., Ft. Myers	10/31/2015
Florida Real Estate Commission		
Appointees:	Enzor, Roger P., Pensacola	10/31/2015
	Hornsleth, Poul, Gulfport	10/31/2014
	Podolsky, William J. III, Tampa	10/31/2014
Apalachee Regional Planning Council, Region 2		
Appointees:	Hammond, Michael L., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/01/2013
	Layman, Kelly A., Tallahassee	10/01/2013
North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 3		
Appointee:	Collett, Thomas D., Newberry	10/01/2012
Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council, Region 5		
Appointees:	Craig, Avis Marie, Crystal River	10/01/2012
	Selph, Walter E., Brooksville	10/01/2012
	Smith, Whitney S., Fanning Springs	10/01/2012
East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 6		
Appointee:	Mercer, Atlee E., Kissimmee	10/01/2012
Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 7		
Appointees:	Huddleston, Chester L., Wauchula	10/01/2013
	Posey, Elvie, Okeechobee	10/01/2013
	Tuck, Andy, Sebring	10/01/2012
Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, Region 8		
Appointees:	Kinsler, Angeleah C., Lutz	10/01/2012
	Nunez, Andres E., Jr., St. Petersburg	10/01/2012
	Schock, Timothy E., Tampa	10/01/2013
	Todd, Barbara Sheen, St. Petersburg	10/01/2013
	Waller, Charles D., Dade City	10/01/2012
Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 9		
Appointees:	Holquist, Laura A., Ft. Myers	10/01/2013
	Karau, Melvin E., Ft. Denaud	10/01/2012
	Perry, Thomas C., Jr., Moore Haven	10/01/2012
	Reynolds, Alan D., Naples	10/01/2014
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region 10		
Appointees:	Hall, William M., Jupiter	10/01/2012
	Sachs, Peter S., Boca Raton	10/01/2013
	Stork, Robert W., Vero Beach	10/01/2013
South Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 11		
Appointees:	Asseff, Patricia T., Hollywood	10/01/2013
	Wallace, Paul R., Miami	10/01/2012
State Retirement Commission		
Appointees:	Bethel, Harry L., Key West	12/31/2012
	Spitzer, Zane F. III, Lynn Haven	12/31/2015
Jacksonville Port Authority		
Appointees:	Falconetti, John, Jacksonville	09/30/2015
	Gaffney, Reginald, Jacksonville	09/30/2015
Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers		
Appointees:	Conkling, Frank James, Palm Beach Gardens	10/31/2013
	Ehmke, Howard J. II, Lake Worth	10/31/2016
	Fusco, Nickolas R., Sanford	10/31/2016
	Grubbs, O. George, Bartow	10/31/2014
	Hill, Deborah J., Tampa	10/31/2015
	Krick, Gary B., DeBary	10/31/2014

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
	Mastronicola, Arthur A., Jr., Jacksonville	10/31/2013
	Petzold, Robin B., Citra	10/31/2014
	Talbott, Patrick, Lake Placid	10/31/2013
Jacksonville Transportation Authority		
Appointees:	Burr, Edward E., Jacksonville Beach	05/31/2015
	Harper, Donna L., Jacksonville	05/31/2014
	McCaleb, Scott L., Jacksonville Beach	05/31/2015
Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission		
Appointee:	Finnegan, Joseph D., Tallahassee	06/30/2015
Board of Veterinary Medicine		
Appointees:	Johnson, Connie M., Plant City	10/31/2013
	O'Neil, Robert E., Coral Springs	10/31/2014
	Parratto-Wagner, Nanette, Orlando	10/31/2015
Big Cypress Basin Board of the South Florida Water Management District		
Appointees:	Barber, Frederick T. III, Bonita Springs	03/01/2014
	Carlson, Alice J., Naples	03/01/2015
	Farmer, David H., Naples	03/01/2014
	Haskins, Ralph H., Naples	03/01/2015
	Vaughn, John Wesley, Jr., Naples	03/01/2013
Board of Trustees, New College of Florida		
Appointee:	Skestos, George A., Longboat Key	01/06/2013
Board of Trustees, Pensacola State College		
Appointee:	Moore, Harold Edward, Jr., Pensacola	05/31/2015
Board of Trustees, University of North Florida		
Appointee:	Franklin, Fred D., Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	01/06/2013

Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Executive Director, Citizens Property insurance Corporation		
Appointee:	Gilway, Barry J., Ponte Vedra Beach	Pleasure of the Board

Referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; and Banking and Insurance.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Secretary of Corrections		
Appointee:	Crews, Michael D., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor

Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Criminal Justice; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Director, Agency for Persons with Disabilities		
Appointee:	Palmer, Barbara Jo, Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor
Secretary of Elderly Affairs		
Appointee:	Corley, Charles Thomas, Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor

Referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Executive Director, Department of Economic Opportunity		
Appointee:	Panuccio, Jesse, Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor

Referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Community Affairs; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Board of Directors, Enterprise Florida, Inc.		
Appointees:	Davis, Julius D., Tampa	09/30/2016
	Dempsey, Hayden R., Tallahassee	09/30/2015
	Keiser, Belinda, Parkland	09/30/2015
	Kise, Christopher M., Tallahassee	09/30/2015
	Rodriguez, Henry, Nokomis	09/30/2014

Referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Florida Public Service Commission		
Appointee:	Edgar, Lisa B., Tallahassee	01/01/2017

Referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - First District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Lewis, Jeffrey E., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	07/01/2015
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - Second District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Neymotin, Ita M., Esquire, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	07/01/2015
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - Third District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Zenobi, Eugene F., Esquire, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	07/01/2015
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - Fourth District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Ryan, Antony Parker, Esquire, Riviera Beach	07/01/2015
Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel - Fifth District Court of Appeal		
Appointee:	Deen, Jeffrey D., Esquire, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	07/01/2015
Parole Commission		
Appointees:	Cohen, Bernard R., Sr., Tallahassee	06/30/2014
	Coonrod, Melinda N., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	06/30/2018

Referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Director, Office of Early Learning		
Appointee:	Jurado, Melody "Mel", Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor
State Board of Education		
Appointees:	Armas, Ada Gonzalez, Coral Gables	12/31/2016
	Bradshaw, Sara "Sally" S., Havana	12/31/2013
	Chartrand, Gary, Ponte Vedra Beach	12/31/2014
	Desai, Akshay M., St. Petersburg	12/31/2014
	Feingold, Barbara S., Delray Beach	12/31/2013
	Padget, John R., Key West	12/31/2016

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Board of Governors of the State University System		
Appointees:	Carter, Matthew M. II, Tallahassee	01/06/2019
	Huizenga, H. Wayne, Jr., Delray Beach	01/06/2020
	Kuntz, Thomas G., Winter Park	01/06/2019
	Lautenbach, Ned C., Naples	01/06/2019
	Levine, Alan M., Naples	01/06/2020
	Morton, Edward Allen, Naples	01/06/2020
	Webster, Elizabeth, Weston	01/06/2019
Board of Trustees, Florida A & M University		
Appointee:	Warren, Cleve E., Jacksonville	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University		
Appointees:	Moabery, Abdol, Delray Beach	01/06/2016
	Teske, Julius J., Vero Beach	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida		
Appointees:	Crofton, Meg G., Winter Park	01/06/2016
	Garvy, Robert A., Palm Beach	01/06/2015
	Marchena, Marcos R., Orlando	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida State University		
Appointees:	Bense, Allan G., Panama City	01/06/2016
	Gruters, Joseph R., Sarasota	01/06/2016
	Pantin, Leslie V., Coral Gables	01/06/2018
Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University		
Appointees:	Little, John R., Naples	01/06/2015
	McShea, Dorene, Naples	01/06/2016
	Priddy, Russell A., Immokalee	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida International University		
Appointees:	Barlick, Robert T., Jr., Coral Gables	01/06/2015
	Grant, Gerald C., Jr., Palmetto Bay	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, New College of Florida		
Appointees:	Baker, Bradford Dennis, Venice	01/06/2016
	Keating, Elaine M., Longboat Key	01/06/2016
	Snyder, Steven L., Sarasota	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida Polytechnic University		
Appointees:	Bostick, R. Mark, Lake Wales	06/30/2015
	Brown, William M., Melbourne	11/07/2017
	Caruncho, Joseph L., Sr., Miami	06/30/2014
	Featherman, Sandra, Highland Beach	07/15/2015
	Gidel, Robert H., Windermere	06/30/2017
	Hallion, Richard P., Jr., Shalimar	07/15/2014
	Hammack, Scott J., Naples	06/30/2015
	Hyman, Kevin M., Winter Haven	06/30/2015
	Martin, Frank T., Clermont	07/15/2015
	Stork, Robert W., Vero Beach	06/30/2014
	Wilson, Donald H., Homeland	07/15/2014
Board of Trustees, University of Florida		
Appointees:	Cameron, Susan M., Ft. Lauderdale	01/06/2016
	Corr, Christopher T., Lake Lure	01/06/2016
	Edwards, Charles B., Ft. Myers	01/06/2016
	Heekin, William Michael, Esquire, Sandy Springs	01/06/2016
	Levine, Alan M., Naples	01/06/2016
	Roulhac, Juliet M., Plantation	01/06/2015
Board of Trustees, University of North Florida		
Appointees:	Franklin, Fred D., Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	01/06/2018
	Lovett, William Radford II, Atlantic Beach	01/06/2016
	Pappas, M. Lynn, St. Augustine	01/06/2015
	Pincomb, Myron W., Ponte Vedra	01/06/2016
	Russell, Lanny, Ponte Vedra Beach	01/06/2016
	Wamble-King, Sharon, Jacksonville	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, University of South Florida		
Appointees:	Mitchell, Stephen J., Esquire, Tampa	01/06/2016
	Ramil, John B., Tampa	01/06/2016
	Sembler, Debbie Nye, Pinellas Park	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, University of West Florida		
Appointees:	Cleveland, David E., Gulf Breeze	01/06/2016
	Dana, Pamela J., Destin	01/06/2016
	Patel, Jayprakash S., Pensacola	01/06/2016
	Walton, Garrett W., Pensacola	01/06/2016

Referred to the Committees on Education; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Environmental Regulation Commission		
Appointees:	Bauer, Michael R., Naples	07/01/2013
	Gelber, Adam R., Miami Beach	07/01/2015
	Grandin, Susan C., Jacksonville	07/01/2015
	Joyce, Joseph C., Gainesville	07/01/2015
	Montoya, Herbert William, Ponte Vedra Beach	07/01/2015
	Roth, Cari L., Tallahassee	07/01/2013
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission		
Appointees:	Priddy, Aliese P., Immokalee	01/06/2017
	Roberts, Charles W. III, Tallahassee	08/01/2016
Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointees:	Alter, John W., Malone	03/01/2015
	Andrews, Angus "Gus" G., Jr., DeFuniak Springs	03/01/2015
	Costello, Jonathan M., Tallahassee	03/01/2016
	Patronis, Nicholas "Nick" J., Panama City Beach	03/01/2015
	Spring, Samuel R., Port St. Joe	03/01/2016
Executive Director of Northwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Steverson, Jonathan Paul, Tallahassee	Pleasure of the Board
Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District		
Appointees:	Bournique, Douglas C., Vero Beach	03/01/2016
	Daniels, Lowry "Lad" A., Jacksonville	03/01/2015
	Drake, Charles W., Orlando	03/01/2015
	Robbins, George W. III, Jacksonville	03/01/2016
	Roberts, Frederick N., Jr., Ocala	03/01/2015
Executive Director of St. Johns River Water Management District		
Appointee:	Tanzler, Hans G. III, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of the Board
Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District		
Appointees:	Batchelor-Robjohns, Anne "Sandy"", Miami Beach	03/01/2016
	DeLisi, Daniel, Estero	03/01/2015
	Moran, James J., Esquire, West Palm Beach	03/01/2015
	O'Keefe, Daniel T., Windermere	03/01/2016
	Portuondo, Juan M., Key Biscayne	03/01/2015
	Sargent, Timothy W., Jr., West Palm Beach	03/01/2014
	Waldman, Glenn J., Weston	03/01/2014
Executive Director of South Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Meeker, Melissa L., Stuart	Pleasure of the Board
Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointees:	Babb, Michael A., Tampa	03/01/2014

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
	Giesy-Griffin, Wendy, Lithia	03/01/2016
	Joerger, Albert G., Sarasota	03/01/2015
	Maggard, Randall "Randy", Zephyrhills	03/01/2015
	Mann, George W. III, Polk City	03/01/2013
	Senft, H. Paul, Jr., Haines City	03/01/2015
	Tharp, Douglas B., The Villages	03/01/2015
Executive Director of Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Guillory, Blake C., Jupiter	Pleasure of the Board
Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District		
Appointees:	Brown, Kevin W., Alachua	03/01/2015
	Cole, George M., Monticello	03/01/2015
	Curtis, Donald Raymond "Ray" III, Perry	03/01/2015
	Johns, Virginia H., Alachua	03/01/2013
	Jones, Gary F., Old Town	03/01/2016
	Quincey, Donald "Don", Chiefland	03/01/2016
Executive Director of Suwannee River Water Management District		
Appointee:	Shortelle, Ann B., Gainesville	Pleasure of the Board

Referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Investment Advisory Council		
Appointees:	Cobb, Charles E., Coral Gables	12/12/2015
	Daniels, Leslie B., Palm Beach	12/12/2014
	Harrell, William H., Jr., Tampa	02/01/2016
	Price, Michael F., New York	12/12/2014
	Wendt, Gary C., Ft. Lauderdale	12/12/2015
Secretary of Management Services		
Appointee:	Nichols, Craig J., Weston	Pleasure of Governor
Secretary of State		
Appointee:	Detzner, Kenneth W., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor

Referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
State Surgeon General		
Appointee:	Armstrong, John H., Ocala	Pleasure of Governor

Referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Executive Director of Department of Veterans' Affairs		
Appointee:	Prendergast, Kenneth Lee Michael "Mike", Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of Governor and Cabinet

Referred to the Committees on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Ethics and Elections.

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority		
Appointee:	Diaco, Stephen C., Tampa	07/01/2014
Florida Transportation Commission		
Appointees:	Ellington, Donald L., Gainesville	09/30/2013
	Ferre, Maurice A., Miami	09/30/2014
	Frazier, Susan Katherine, Tampa	09/30/2015
	Kigel, Beth R., Lake Worth	09/30/2015
	Lautenbach, Ned C., Naples	09/30/2015
	Marono, Manuel L., Sweetwater	09/30/2015
	Trumbull, Jay N., Panama City	09/30/2015
	Tuck, Andy, Sebring	09/30/2014

Referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Ethics and Elections.

SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

The following certificate was received:

No. SC12-2398

IN RE: CERTIFICATION OF NEED

FOR ADDITIONAL JUDGES.

[December 20, 2012]

PER CURIAM.

This opinion fulfills our constitutional obligation to determine the State's need for additional judges in Fiscal Year 2013/2014 and to certify our "findings and recommendations concerning such need" to the Legislature.[1] Certification is "the sole mechanism established by our constitution for a systematic and uniform assessment of this need." In re Certification of Need for Additional Judges, 889 So. 2d 734, 735 (Fla. 2004).

TRIAL COURTS

The Florida Supreme Court continues to use a weighted caseload system as a primary basis for assessing judicial need for the trial courts.[2] Using objective standards, this Court has examined case filing and disposition data, analyzed various judicial workload indicators, applied a three-year average net need, and considered judgeship requests submitted by the lower courts. Applying this methodology, this Court certifies the need for sixty-three judgeships statewide, sixteen of which are in circuit court and forty-seven in county court as detailed in the attached appendix.

We observe that state revenues, while gradually improving, continue to lag, thereby creating competition between funding new judgeships and attending to other critical state needs. Yet, as we have noted in previous opinions, our judges and court staff continue to work conscientiously to administer justice and resolve disputes promptly. They do so despite a demonstrated need for new judges and with a smaller staffing complement.

Our most recent analysis indicates a slight increase in probate and circuit civil filings. Felony, domestic relations, juvenile delinquency, and juvenile dependency filings, however, have decreased. The reduction in felony filings corresponds to a decline in arrests, as reported by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.[3] Also, while it may be too soon to indicate a sustained downward trend, recent juvenile justice reforms undertaken by the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice may also be resulting in fewer juvenile delinquency filings.[4]

Notwithstanding the decreases to certain filing categories, our three-year average net need analysis continues to indicate that additional judgeships are necessary in our circuit courts. This three-year average net need reflects sustained workload over a multi-year period.

A number of workload trends are affecting court operations throughout the state. Several of the chief judges cited problems of fewer staff to assist with case processing matters, substantial pending caseloads, high jury trial rates, reduced clearance rates, and statutory requirements requiring additional hearings for certain case types in civil, criminal, and family law as trends contributing to judicial workloads. Other chief judges noted the effect of self-represented litigants on court time and resources and the protracted delays experienced by parties in scheduling hearings. Collectively, these factors contribute to court delay.

Our judges continue to absorb the work previously performed by case managers, law clerks, magistrates, and other supplemental support staff lost in the budget reductions of recent years.[5] Most of these positions provided direct case management, legal research, and adjudicatory support to our judges. The consensus among chief judges is that the loss of support staff translates into slower case processing times, crowded dockets, and long waits to access judicial calendars.

Several of our chief judges note, in particular, the long waits associated with obtaining hearing times. In some jurisdictions, dockets are so full that it takes several weeks to schedule a hearing. Similarly, judges must schedule lengthy jury trials months in advance. These conditions are additional indicators of an under-resourced court system. Moreover, chief judges continue to report concerns expressed by judges that they are less able to devote adequate time to hearings due to significant workload.

Workload associated with the residential mortgage foreclosure crisis continues to impede disposition times and rates in our circuit civil divisions. Due to the severity and protracted nature of the crisis, our trial courts continue to struggle with heavy pending caseloads and the slow resurgence of foreclosure filings. Further, this crisis has had a ripple effect on the workload of other court divisions as chief judges and administrative judges allocate limited court resources to address demand. In recognition of this protracted crisis the Legislature, through the Foreclosure Backlog Reduction Initiative, provided dedicated funding for Fiscal Year 2012/2013 that has enabled the court system to secure the services of additional senior judges and case managers. Resources from the national mortgage settlement agreement have also been made available to assist the courts in addressing the foreclosure case backlog. This Court is grateful for this funding. The case managers and senior judges made available through this funding are in place to make a difference in reducing the foreclosure backlog throughout the state.

County court workload remains high. Unlike circuit court, which has witnessed a slight decrease in judicial need, county court judicial need is significant and holding steady. In select jurisdictions, some chief judges report that credit card debt cases and landlord tenant cases are increasing county court workload. Moreover, the loss of civil traffic infraction hearing officers in county court continues to increase county judge workload as these cases are shifted back to the judicial dockets throughout the state. These factors contribute to a high county court judicial need.

Another sustained trend in both county and circuit court reported by the chief judges is that self-represented litigants continue to have an impact on Florida's court system. All divisions are experiencing an increase in self-represented litigants. Frequently, self-represented litigants are unprepared for the rigors of presenting evidence, following rules of procedure, and generally representing themselves in court. Consequently, they often require enhanced judicial involvement, which entails lengthier hearings, rescheduled hearings, and court delay.

DISTRICT COURTS OF APPEAL

The Second District Court of Appeal requests two additional judgeships, citing its current averaged weighted judicial workload of 315 cases per judge and Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.240(b)(2)(B), which provides that a presumption of need arises "where the relative weight of cases disposed on the merits per judge would have exceeded 280 after application of the proposed additional judge(s)." As with last year's opinion, we have used a three-year average of weighted dispositions per judge which is consistent with our discretion under Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.240.

A number of factors contribute to the overall high workload in the Second District, including increases within the civil, criminal post-conviction, other criminal, juvenile, and family case categories. The chief judge of the Second District also cites a backlog of pending cases noting a twenty percent increase in their pending caseload since Fiscal Year 2007/2008.

Clearance rate trends also demonstrate the backlog building in the Second District. In Fiscal Year 2011/2012, there were 6,834 cases filed and 6,018 cases disposed, a clearance rate of eighty-eight percent. For the same period, with respect to criminal judgment and sentence cases, there were 1,720 cases filed and 1,248 cases disposed, reflecting a clearance rate of seventy-three percent.

The Second District also notes that despite high caseloads and a reduction in resources including personnel, the judges and staff have made every effort to properly execute their responsibilities. However, they do so knowing that trying to absorb this increased workload limits the time available for the consideration of each case and the writing of opinions. This Court shares the concerns of the chief judge of the Second District and remains concerned about a diminished quality of justice resulting from high workload and a loss of resources.

While the Second District Court of Appeal has requested that two additional district court judges be certified, our analysis of the three-year weighted dispositions per judge average indicates that they do not meet the threshold of 280 weighted dispositions per judge after a second judge is added. Therefore, we certify the need for one additional district court judge in the Second District for Fiscal Year 2013/2014.[6]

CONCLUSION

We have conducted both quantitative and qualitative assessments of judicial workload. Using the case weighted methodology and the application of other factors identified in Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.240, we certify the need for sixty-three additional trial court judges in Florida, consisting of sixteen in circuit court and forty-seven in county court, as set forth in the appendix to this opinion, and one additional district court judge in the Second District Court of Appeal.

Many of the workload trends we identified in last year's certification opinion remain today. In response, our courts continue to proactively manage their dockets to ensure that the administration of justice is not diminished. Yet despite these measures, we remain concerned that the timeliness and quality of justice are being adversely affected.

We appreciate recent action by the Legislature to stabilize court operations funding, and help the courts to address foreclosure case backlog issues. We recognize that the funding of new judgeships is an expensive proposition, especially during difficult economic times with diminished state revenues. There are many competing needs within state government and our court system. We have carefully weighed the need for additional judges and for the operational and facilities needs within the trial and appellate courts. We encourage the Legislature to first fund the Judicial Branch Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Legislative Budget Request as there are significant facility and operational issues contained therein which merit funding. To the extent funding is available, we urge the Legislature also to consider our certified need for additional judges.

It is so ordered.

POLSTON, C.J., and PARIENTE, LEWIS, QUINCE, CANADY, LABARGA, and PERRY, JJ., concur.

Original Proceeding – Certification of the Need for Additional Judges

APPENDIX

Trial Court Need

Circuit	Circuit Court Certified Judges	County	County Court Certified Judges
1	3	NA	0
2	0	NA	0
3	0	NA	0
4	1	Duval	5
5	3	Citrus	1
		Lake	1
		Marion	1
6	1	NA	0
7	2	Flagler	1
		Volusia	2
8	0	NA	0
9	1	Orange	3
		Osceola	1
10	0	NA	0
11	0	Miami-Dade	11
12	0	Manatee	1
		Sarasota	1
13	0	Hillsborough	4

Circuit	Circuit Court Certified Judges	County	County Court Certified Judges
14	1	Bay	0
15	1	Palm Beach	5
16	0	NA	0
17	0	Broward	6
18	0	Seminole	1
19	1	St. Lucie	1
20	2	Lee	2
TOTAL	**16**	**TOTAL**	**47**

1. Article V, section 9 of the Florida Constitution provides in pertinent part:

Determination of number of judges. The supreme court shall establish by rule uniform criteria for the determination of the need for additional judges except supreme court justices, the necessity for decreasing the number of judges and for increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits. If the supreme court finds that a need exists for increasing or decreasing the number of judges or increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits, it shall, prior to the next regular session of the legislature, certify to the legislature its findings and recommendations concerning such need.

2. Our certification methodology relies primarily on case weights and calculations of available judge time to determine the need for additional trial court judges. See Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.240.

3. Felony arrest rates as reported by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement dropped six and one-half percent from 2010 to 2011.

4. See Rick Scott, Governor of Florida, Reform Underway at Florida's Juvenile Justice Agency (January 3, 2012), (available online at http://www.flagov.com).

5. When the case weights were originally developed in 1999 and updated in 2007, they incorporated the availability of supplemental resources to assist judges with case processing matters. It is reasonable to conclude that the loss of these supplemental positions (i.e., case managers, law clerks, and magistrates) may increase the case weights if not restored prior to the next case-weight update.

6. One additional judgeship in the second district will place its weighted dispositions per judge at 294. A certification of two judgeships would place its weighted dispositions per judge at 276, four below the threshold.

SENATE RULES

RULE ONE

OFFICERS, SENATORS, EMPLOYEES, AND ETHICS

PART ONE—SENATE OFFICERS

1.1—Election of the President, President Pro Tempore, President Designate, President Pro Tempore Designate, Minority Leader, and Minority Leader Pro Tempore; designation of Majority Leader

(1) A President and a President Pro Tempore shall be elected for a term of two (2) years at the organization session. They shall take an oath to support the *Constitution of the United States* and the *Constitution of the State of Florida*, and for the true and faithful discharge of the duties of office.

See Rule 5.6—Election by ballot.
See FLA. CONST. art. II, s. 5 Public officers.
See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 2 Members; officers.
See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 3(a) Sessions of the legislature.

(2) The Majority Party may, by caucus called by the President, elect a President Designate and a President Pro Tempore Designate whose names shall be certified to the Secretary. The President may designate a Majority Leader whose name shall be certified to the Secretary.

(3) The Minority Party may, by caucus, elect a Minority Leader and a Minority Leader Pro Tempore whose names shall be certified to the Secretary at the organization session.

(4) All elected officers are to hold office until their successors are chosen and qualified or until the expiration of their term, whichever shall occur first.

1.2—The President calls the Senate to order

The President shall call the Senate to order at the hour provided by these Rules or at the hour established by the Senate at its last sitting. A quorum being present, the President shall direct the Senate to proceed with the Daily Order of Business. The President may informally recess the Senate for periods of time not to exceed thirty (30) minutes.

1.3—The President's control of Chamber, corridors, and rooms

The President shall preserve order and decorum and shall have general control of the Chamber, corridors, passages, and rooms of the Senate whether in the Capitol or elsewhere. If there is a disturbance, the President may order the area cleared.

1.4—The President's authority and signature; questions of order; travel

(1) The President shall sign all acts, joint resolutions, resolutions, and memorials. No writ, warrant, subpoena, contract binding the Senate, authorization for payment, or other papers shall issue without the signature of the President. The President may delegate signing authority for the authorization of payments. The President shall approve vouchers.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

(2) The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal by any Senator.

See Rule 8.9—Appeals.
See Rule 8.10—Appeals debatable.

(3) As necessary, the President is authorized to incur travel and per diem expenses for the next session of the Legislature. The President shall have the power to assign duties and sign requisitions pertaining to legislative expenses incurred in transacting Senate business as authorized. The President shall have responsibility for Senate property and may delegate specific duties or authority pertaining thereto.

(4) The President may authorize or retain counsel to initiate, defend, intervene in, or otherwise participate in any suit on behalf of the Senate, a Senate committee, a Senator (whether in the legal capacity of Senator or taxpayer), a former Senator, or a Senate officer or employee when such suit is determined by the President to be of significant interest to the Senate and when it is determined by the President that the interests of the Senate would not otherwise be adequately represented. Expenses incurred for legal services in such proceedings may be paid upon approval of the President.

1.5—The President's appointment of committees

(1) The President appoints members to all standing committees, standing subcommittees, and select committees. The President also appoints the Senate members of conference committees, joint committees, and joint select committees.

(2) Any member removed from a committee without his or her consent shall have the right to appeal such removal to the Rules Committee.

1.6—The President's vote

The President or temporary presiding Senator shall not be required to vote in legislative proceedings, except on final passage of a measure. In all yea and nay votes, the President's name shall be called last.

See Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

1.7—The President's absence from the chair; duties of President Pro Tempore

(1) The President may name any Senator to perform the duties of the chair during a sitting.

(2) If for any reason the President is absent and fails to name a Senator, the President Pro Tempore shall assume the duties of the chair.

(3) If the President resigns, he or she may, prior to resignation, designate a member of his or her party to assume the duties of the chair until a permanent successor is elected.

(4) In the event the chair is vacated permanently, nothing herein shall preclude the Senate from electing a presiding officer. If the chair is vacated permanently during a session of the Legislature, a new presiding officer must be elected within seven (7) days of the vacancy. If the chair is vacated permanently while the Legislature is not in session, the President's designee shall convene the Senate no later than thirty (30) days after the vacancy for the purpose of electing a new presiding officer. The election shall be the Senate's first order of business. In the event that a designation is not made pursuant to subsection (3) of this Rule, the President Pro Tempore shall assume the duties of the designee in convening the Senate to elect a new presiding officer.

1.8—Election of the Senate Secretary

(1) The Senate shall elect a Secretary to serve at its pleasure. A staff of assistants shall be employed to regularly transact such business as required by law, as required by Senate Rules, or as assigned by the President. The Secretary shall take an oath to support the *Constitution of the United States* and the *Constitution of the State of Florida*, and for the true and faithful discharge of the duties of office.

See FLA. CONST. art. II, s. 5(b) Public officers.
See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 2 Members; officers.

(2) The Secretary shall be under the supervision of the President, who may assign additional duties to the Secretary. In the event of a vacancy in the position of Secretary, the President may appoint someone to perform the duties of the office until the Senate, by its vote, fills the vacancy.

(3) The Secretary shall be the Senate enrolling and engrossing clerk and may designate staff to assist with the duties of the office.

1.9—Duties of the Secretary at organization session

If the President and the President Pro Tempore of the preceding session are absent or are no longer members, the Secretary shall, at the organization session of the Legislature, call the Senate to order. Pending the election of a President or a President Pro Tempore, the Secretary shall preserve order and decorum, and decide all questions of order subject to appeal by any Senator. The duties prescribed by this section may be delegated by the Secretary to any Senator.

1.10—Duties of the Secretary generally; keeps Journal

(1) The Secretary shall keep a correct daily Journal of Senate proceedings. The Journal shall be numbered serially from the first (1st) day of each session of the Legislature and shall be made available by the Secretary for the information of the Legislature and the public.

(2) The Secretary shall superintend the engrossing, enrolling, and transmitting of bills, resolutions, and memorials.

(3) The Secretary shall keep under seal a separate Journal of the proceedings of the executive sessions of the Senate.

(4) The Secretary shall not permit any official records or papers belonging to the Senate to be removed from the custody of the Secretary other than in the regular course of business and with proper receipt.

1.11—The Secretary prepares daily calendar

(1) The Secretary shall prepare a daily calendar that shall set forth:

(a) The order of business;
(b) The committee report on each bill, i.e., whether favorable, favorable with committee amendments, or favorable with committee substitute;
(c) The status of each bill, i.e., whether on second (2nd) reading, third (3rd) reading, or unfinished business;
(d) Notices of committee meetings; and
(e) Notices of meetings required pursuant to Rule 1.45.

(2) The Secretary shall publish the daily calendar for the information of the Legislature and the public.

1.12—The Secretary reads papers; calls roll; records votes

The Secretary shall have read to the Senate all papers ordered to be read; note responses of Senators when the roll is called to determine the presence of a quorum; call the roll verbally or by electronic roll call and record the votes when a question is taken by yeas and nays; and assist, under the direction of the President, in taking the count when any Senate vote is taken by a show of hands or otherwise.

See Rule 5.1—Taking the yeas and nays.

1.13—The Secretary attests to warrants, subpoenas, and the passage of all measures

The Secretary shall attest to all writs, warrants, and subpoenas issued by order of the Senate and shall attest to the passage of all bills, resolutions, and memorials.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

1.14—The Secretary prepares forms

The Secretary shall prepare all forms used by the Senate.

1.15—The Secretary examines legal form of bills for introduction

The Secretary shall examine all bills on their tender for introduction, but prior to their receiving a number, he or she shall determine whether they meet the requirements of law and of these Rules. The Secretary shall direct the attention of the introducer to apparent defects, but the introducer shall be exclusively responsible for the constitutional and legal correctness of the bill.

See Rule 3.1—Form of bills.

1.16—The Secretary supervises information technology operations; indexes bills

The Secretary shall supervise Senate information technology operations and maintain a numerical index of bills and a cumulative index by introducers.

1.17—The Secretary transmits bills to the House of Representatives

Unless otherwise directed by the President, the Secretary shall transmit all bills, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, and appropriate memorials to the House of Representatives without delay. Each measure shall be accompanied by a message stating the title to the measure being transmitted and requesting the concurrence of the House.

See Rule 6.8—Reconsideration; Secretary to hold for period.

1.18—The Secretary receives and delivers for reading messages from the House of Representatives; summaries of House amendments to Senate bills

(1) The Secretary shall receive all messages from the House of Representatives and shall be responsible for their security. The Secretary shall have them available for reading to the Senate during the appropriate order of business.

(2) All messages reflecting House amendments to Senate bills shall be promptly reviewed by the appropriate committees for research and summary. Special notice of the summaries shall be made available to each Senator.

(3) The President shall be informed by the Chair of the Rules Committee when a House amendment to a Senate bill substantially changes or materially alters the bill as passed by the Senate. The President may refer such bill and House amendments to an appropriate committee or committees for hearing and further report to the Senate. Upon such reference by the President, committee or committees of reference shall meet on a date and at a time set by the President and shall make a report to the Senate recommending action on the relevant House amendments. The report may be received when the message is reached under Messages from the House of Representatives.

PART TWO—SENATORS

1.20—Attendance, voting, and disclosure of conflicts

(1) Unless excused for just cause or necessarily prevented, every Senator shall be within the Senate Chamber during its sittings and in attendance at all assigned committee meetings.

(2) A Senator who is in the Chamber or in a committee meeting shall vote on each question, except as provided in Rule 1.6.

(3) However, a Senator shall abstain from voting if, in the Senator's judgment, a vote on a question would constitute a conflict of interest as defined in Rule 1.39. A Senator who abstains from voting shall file the disclosure required by Rule 1.39.

See Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

1.21—Excused absence

The President may excuse a Senator from attending a sitting of the Senate or any meetings of Senate committees for any stated period. An excused absence from a sitting of the Senate shall be noted in the Journal.

1.22—Senate papers left with Secretary

A Senator necessarily absent from a sitting of the Senate or meeting of its committees and having in his or her possession official papers relating to Senate business shall leave such papers with the Secretary before leaving the Capitol.

1.23—Senators deemed present unless excused

A Senator who answers the quorum roll call at the opening of a sitting or who enters after such roll call and announces his or her presence to the Senate shall thereafter be considered present unless excused by the President.

See Rule 4.2—Quorum.

1.24—Contested seat

If a seat in the Senate is contested, notice stating the grounds of such contest shall be given by the contestant to the Senate prior to the day of the organization session of the Legislature; and the contest shall be determined by majority vote as soon as reasonably possible. The President shall appoint a Credentials Committee to be composed of not more than ten (10) members who shall consider the question and report their recommendations to the President, who shall inform the Senate.

1.25—Facilities for Senators

Each Senator shall be entitled to facilities and expenses that are necessary and expedient to the fulfillment of the duties of the office, the location and sufficiency of which shall be determined by the President.

1.26—Nonlegislative activities; approval of the President

No Senator shall accept appointments to nonlegislative committees, commissions, or task forces without prior approval of the President if travel and per diem expenses are to be taken from Senate funds.

PART THREE—SENATE EMPLOYEES

1.28—Dismissal of employees; employment of a spouse or immediate relative

(1) The President shall resolve disputes involving the competency or decorum of a Senate employee, and may terminate the services of an employee. At the President's discretion, the issue may be referred to the Rules Committee for its recommendation. The pay of an employee so terminated shall stop on the termination date.

(2) A Senator's spouse or immediate relatives may serve in any authorized position. However, they shall not receive compensation for services performed, except as a participant in the Florida Senate Page Program.

1.29—Employees forbidden to lobby

No employee of the Senate shall directly or indirectly interest or concern himself or herself with the passage or consideration of any matter whatsoever. Violation of this Rule by an employee shall be grounds for summary dismissal. This Rule shall not preclude the performance of duties that may be properly delegated to a Senator's legislative assistant.

1.30—Duties and hours

Employees shall perform the duties assigned to them by the President and required of them by Rule and policy of the Senate. When the Senate is in session, employees shall remain on duty as required. When the Senate is not in session, permanent staff of the Senate shall observe the hours of employment set by the President. Part-time employees and Senators' district staff shall observe hours that are prescribed by their respective department head or Senator.

1.31—Absence without permission

If employees are absent without prior permission, except for just cause, their employment shall be terminated or their compensation forfeited for the period of absence as determined by the President.

1.32—Employee political activity

Senate employees shall be regulated concerning their political activity pursuant to Senate Administrative Policies and Procedures.

PART FOUR—LEGISLATIVE CONDUCT AND ETHICS

1.35—Legislative conduct

Every Senator shall conduct himself or herself to justify the confidence placed in him or her by the people and, by personal example and admonition to colleagues, shall maintain the integrity and responsibility of his or her office.

1.36—Improper influence

A Senator shall not accept anything that will improperly influence his or her official act, decision, or vote.

1.361—Solicitation or acceptance of contributions; registration and disclosure requirements

(1) During any regular legislative session, extended session, or special session, a Senator may not directly or indirectly solicit, cause to be solicited, or accept any contribution on behalf of either the Senator's own campaign, any organization described under section 527 or section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, any political committee, any committee of continuous existence, any political party, or the campaign of any candidate for the Senate; however, a Senator may contribute to his or her own campaign.

(2) Any fundraising activity otherwise prohibited during an extended or special session by subsection (1) shall not be considered a violation of this Rule and may take place provided that it can be shown that the event was already scheduled prior to the issuance of the proclamation, resolution, or other communiqué extending the session or convening a special session.

(3) Any Senator who directly or indirectly solicits, causes to be solicited, or accepts any contribution on behalf of any organization described under section 527 or section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, any political committee, or any committee of continuous existence must immediately disclose such activity to, and register with, the Rules Committee. However, no registration is required as a result of a Senator's solicitation or acceptance of contributions on behalf of his or her own campaign, a campaign for any other office, or a political party. When required by law, the Senator shall promptly create a public website that contains a mission statement for such organization, the names of the Senators associated with that organization, and disclosure of contributions received by and expenditures made by the organization.

(4) Upon a determination that a Senator has violated this Rule, the President shall remove such Senator from all assigned committees subject to the right of appeal under Rule 1.5(2).

1.37—Conflicting employment

A Senator shall not allow his or her personal employment to impair his or her independence of judgment in the exercise of his or her official duties.

1.38—Undue influence

A Senator shall not use his or her influence as a Senator in any issue that involves substantial conflict between his or her personal interest and his or her duties in the public interest.

1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon

(1) Abstention on matters of special private gain or loss.—A Senator may not vote on any matter that the Senator knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of the Senator. The Senator must disclose the nature of the interest in the matter from which the Senator is required to abstain.

(2) Disclosure on matters of special private gain or loss to family or principals.—When voting on any matter that the Senator knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of:

(a) 1. Any principal by whom the Senator or the Senator's spouse, parent, or child is retained or employed;
2. Any parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal by which the Senator is retained or employed; or
3. An immediate family member or business associate of the Senator,

the Senator must disclose the nature of the interest of such person in the outcome of the vote.

(b) For the purpose of this Rule, the term:
1. "Immediate family member" means any father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law.
2. "Business associate" means any person or entity engaged in or carrying on a business enterprise with the Senator as a partner, joint venturer, corporate shareholder where the shares of such corporation are not listed on any national or regional stock exchange, or co-owner of property.

(3) Methods of disclosure.—If the vote is taken on the floor, disclosure under this Rule or under any related law shall be accomplished by filing with the Secretary a memorandum the substance of which shall be printed in the Journal. If the vote is taken in a committee or subcommittee, the memorandum shall be filed with the committee or subcommittee administrative assistant, who shall file such memorandum in the committee or subcommittee files and with the Secretary. A Senator shall make every reasonable effort to file a memorandum pursuant to this Rule prior to the vote. If it is not possible to file the memorandum prior to the vote, then the memorandum must be filed immediately but not more than fifteen (15) days after the vote. The Secretary shall also make all memoranda filed pursuant to this Rule available online.

(4) Exception.—Notwithstanding this Rule, a Senator may vote on the General Appropriations Act or related implementing legislation without providing any disclosure. However, a Senator must follow the provisions of this Rule when specific appropriations or amendments are considered for inclusion in the General Appropriations Act or related implementing legislation.

See Rule 1.20—Attendance, voting, and disclosure of conflicts.

1.40—Ethics training

Prior to the opening day of a regular session in odd-numbered years, all Senators shall complete a course of at least one (1) hour in length which addresses the requirements of law under the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, open meetings, public records, and any other subject approved by the President.

1.41—Senate employees and conflicts

Senate employees shall be accountable to the intent of these Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics.

1.42—Advisory opinions

Questions from Senators relating to the interpretation and enforcement of Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics shall be referred to the Senate General Counsel and shall emanate therefrom. A Senator may submit a factual situation to the Senate General Counsel with a request for an advisory opinion establishing the standard of public duty. The Senate General Counsel shall enter an opinion responding to each inquiry on which a Senator may reasonably rely. No opinion shall identify the requesting Senator without the Senator's consent.

1.43—Violations; investigations, penalties

(1) Any person may file a sworn complaint with the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, alleging a violation by a Senator of the Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics. The complaint shall be based on personal knowledge, shall state detailed facts, shall specify the actions of the named Senator which form the basis for the complaint, shall attach all documentation on which the complaint is based, and shall identify the specific Rule alleged by the complainant to have been violated by the Senator.

(a) Upon a determination by the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, that the complaint fails to state facts supporting a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be dismissed.

(b) Upon a determination by the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, that the complaint states facts supporting a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be referred to a special master. The special master shall conduct an investigation, shall give reasonable notice to the Senator who is alleged to have violated the Rules and shall grant the Senator an opportunity to be heard unless the investigation fails to reveal facts supporting a finding of probable cause. A special master's report and recommendation is advisory only and shall be presented to the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, as soon as practicable after the close of the investigation. If the special master's report and recommendation conclude that the facts do not support a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be dismissed by the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair. If the complaint is not dismissed, the Rules Committee shall consider the special master's report and recommendation, shall grant the Senator an opportunity to be heard, and shall develop its own recommendation. If the complaint is against the Rules Chair, the chair is excused and the vice chair shall conduct the deliberation. If the Rules Committee votes to dismiss the complaint, the Rules Chair or vice chair shall dismiss the complaint. Otherwise, the special master's report and recommendation and the recommendation of the Rules Committee shall be presented to the President. The President shall present the committee's recommendation, along with the special master's report and recommendation, to the Senate for final action.

(2) Separately from any prosecutions or penalties otherwise provided by law, a Senator determined to have violated the requirements of the

Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics may be censured, reprimanded, or expelled. Such determination and disciplinary action shall be taken by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate, on recommendation of the Rules Committee.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(d) Quorum and procedure.

PART FIVE—PUBLIC MEETINGS AND RECORDS

1.44—Open meetings

(1) All meetings at which legislative business is discussed between more than two (2) members of the Legislature shall be open to the public except:

(a) At the sole discretion of the President, after consultation with appropriate law enforcement, public health, emergency management, or security authorities, those portions of meetings of a select committee, committee, or subcommittee concerning measures to address security, espionage, sabotage, attack, and other acts of terrorism.
(b) Discussions on the floor while the Senate is sitting and discussions among Senators in a committee room during committee meetings shall be deemed to be in compliance with this Rule.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) All meetings shall be subject to appropriate order and decorum at the discretion of the person conducting the meeting.

(3) For purposes of this Rule, "legislative business" is defined as issues pending before, or upon which foreseeable action is reasonably expected to be taken by, the Senate, a Senate committee, or Senate subcommittee.

1.45—Notice required for certain meetings

(1) A written notice of the following meetings at which legislative business is to be discussed shall be filed with the Secretary. While the Legislature is not in regular or special session and during the first fifty (50) days of a regular session, the notice shall be filed at least four (4) hours before the scheduled time of the meeting. After the fiftieth (50th) day of a regular session and during a special session, the notice shall be filed at least two (2) hours before the scheduled time of the meeting:

(a) Meetings of the President (or a Senator designated to represent the President) with the Governor or with the Speaker (or a representative designated to represent the Speaker);
(b) Meetings of a majority of the Senators who constitute the membership of any Senate committee or subcommittee; and
(c) Meetings called by the President or the President's designee of a majority of the chairs of the Senate's standing committees.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) Notices of meetings required by Rule 1.45(1) shall be filed by or at the direction of the person at whose call the meeting is convened; shall state the date, time, and place of the meeting; shall contain a brief description of the general subject matter scheduled to be discussed. In the case of a meeting required to be noticed pursuant to this Rule, if the meeting is to take place at or after 10:00 p.m., then the notice must be delivered to the Secretary by 5:00 p.m. Notices of such meetings shall appear in the daily calendar.

(3) In the event the times required for notice under Rule 1.45(1) are not sufficient to permit publication in a daily or interim calendar, the Secretary shall publish on the Senate website and post on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor rotunda on the fourth (4th) floor of the Capitol. The Secretary shall make a diligent effort to give actual notice to members of the media of all noncalendared meeting notices.

(4) Political caucuses shall be open to the public in accordance with Rule 1.44 and noticed in accordance with this Rule when legislative business then pending before, or upon which foreseeable action is reasonably expected to be taken by, the Senate, a Senate committee, or a Senate subcommittee are discussed. Political caucuses held for the sole purpose of designating a President, a President Pro Tempore, a Minority Leader, or a Minority Leader Pro Tempore need not be open or noticed.

1.46—Constitutional requirements concerning open meetings

(1) All legislative committee and subcommittee meetings and joint conference committee meetings shall be open and noticed to the public.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) All prearranged gatherings between more than two (2) members of the Legislature, or between the Governor, the President, or the Speaker, the purpose of which is to agree upon formal legislative action that will be taken at a subsequent time, or at which formal legislative action is taken, regarding pending legislation or amendments shall be reasonably open to the public.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(3) In cases of conflict between this Rule and any other Senate Rule, the Rule providing greater notice or public access shall prevail.

1.47—Reapportionment information

All Senators shall have equal access to the Senate electronic redistricting system, census data, and all other information promulgated by, maintained by, or available to any Senate standing committee or subcommittee appointed for the analysis of legislative and congressional redistricting plans.

1.48—Legislative records; maintenance, control, destruction, disposal, fee for copies, and disposition

(1) Public records, not exempted from public disclosure, may be inspected by any person desiring to do so at reasonable times, under reasonable conditions, and under supervision of the person who has custody of the records, or that person's designee.

See FLA. CONST. art. I, s. 24(a) Access to public records and meetings.

(2) The following standing committee, standing subcommittee, and select committee public records, not exempted from public disclosure, shall be retained electronically by each staff director until transferred by the Secretary to the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State via its Legislative Library Division: copies of bills, amendments, vote sheets, bill analyses, and fiscal notes; meeting files including agendas and appearance cards; files relating to assigned projects; final staff reports submitted to subcommittees or committees; final reports submitted by subcommittees or committees; correspondence sent or received; and audio recordings of committee meetings. At the time of transfer, the actual correspondence to be sent to the Department of State shall consist only of correspondence which relates to other committee public records required by this Rule to be transferred. Records not transferred may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed.

(3) Except for records specifically required by law or Senate Rule to be filed or retained, district office records and constituents' records may be retained by the district office until those records become obsolete, at which point they may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed.

(4) Public records, not exempted from public disclosure, created or received by the President, President Pro Tempore, or Secretary shall be retained by that officer as specifically required by law or Senate Rule until transferred to the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State via its Legislative Library Division. Records not transferred may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed.

(5) The Secretary shall, with the approval of the President, establish a reasonable fee for copies of public legislative records not exempted from public disclosure. Such fees shall be based upon the actual cost of duplication of the record and shall include the material and supplies used to duplicate the record but not the labor cost or overhead cost associated with such duplication. If the nature or volume of records requested to be inspected or copied is such as to require extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance by employees of the Senate, a special service charge in addition to the actual cost of duplication may be imposed. Such special service charge shall be reasonable and based on the cost incurred for the extensive use of information technology resources or the labor cost of

employees providing the service that is actually incurred by the Senate or attributable to the Senate for the clerical and supervisory assistance required.

(6) Once the retention period for a public record, not exempted from public disclosure, has expired, the public record may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed. A public record need not be retained if it is published or retained by another legislative office. Only one (1) copy of a public record need be retained; additional copies of that record may be destroyed at any time. In the case of mass mailings, only one (1) sample copy of the mailing, or an abstract, need be retained.

(7) For the purpose of this Rule, a Senator's district office shall include the offices each Senator retains for the transaction of official legislative business in his or her respective district and the assigned offices located in the Senate Office Building or the Capitol in Tallahassee.

(8) The following public records are exempt from inspection and copying:

(a) Records, or information contained therein, held by the legislative branch of government which, if held by an agency as defined in section 119.011, *Florida Statutes*, or any other unit of government, would be confidential or exempt from the provisions of section 119.07(1), *Florida Statutes*, or otherwise exempt from public disclosure, and records or information of the same type held by the Legislature.
(b) A formal complaint about a member or officer of the Legislature or about a lobbyist and the records relating to the complaint, until the complaint is dismissed, a determination as to probable cause has been made, a determination that there are sufficient grounds for review has been made and no probable cause panel is to be appointed, or the respondent has requested in writing that the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives make public the complaint or other records relating to the complaint, whichever occurs first.
(c) A legislatively produced draft, and a legislative request for a draft, of a bill, resolution, memorial, or legislative rule, and an amendment thereto, which is not provided to any person other than the member or members who requested the draft, an employee of the Legislature, a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature, or an officer of the Legislature.
(d) A draft of a report, bill analysis, fiscal note, report prepared by a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature or the Senate and materials in support thereof until the draft is provided to a person other than an employee of the Legislature, a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature, or an officer of the Legislature.
(e) A draft, and a request for a draft, of a reapportionment plan or redistricting plan and an amendment thereto. Any supporting documents associated with such plan or amendment until a bill implementing the plan, or the amendment, is filed.
(f) Records prepared for or used in executive sessions of the Senate until ten (10) years after the date on which the executive session was held.
(g) Portions of records of former legislative investigating committees whose records are sealed or confidential as of June 30, 1993, which may reveal the identity of any witness, any person who was a subject of the inquiry, or any person referred to in testimony, documents, or evidence retained in the committees' records; however, this exemption does not apply to a member of the committee, its staff, or any public official who was not a subject of the inquiry.
(h) Requests by members for an advisory opinion concerning the application of the rules of either house pertaining to ethics, unless the member requesting the opinion authorizes in writing the release of such information. All advisory opinions shall be open to inspection except that the identity of the member shall not be disclosed in the opinion unless the member requesting the opinion authorizes in writing the release of such information.
(i) Portions of correspondence held by the legislative branch which, if disclosed, would reveal: information otherwise exempt from disclosure by law; an individual's medical treatment, history, or condition; the identity or location of an individual if there is a substantial likelihood that releasing such information would jeopardize the health or safety of that individual; or information regarding physical abuse, child abuse, spouse abuse, or abuse of the elderly.

(9) Any Senate record created prior to July 1, 1993, which was so designated by the President on June 30, 1993, shall remain exempt from inspection and copying after July 1, 1993. Records held by joint committees, commissions or offices of the Legislature, that were jointly determined by the presiding officers of both houses to remain exempt from inspection and copying after July 1, 1993, remain exempt.

(10) For purposes of this Rule, "public record" means all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, or other material, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business by the legislative branch.

(11) All records, research, information, remarks, and staff work products, made or received during or in preparation for a closed meeting of a select committee, committee, or subcommittee, shall be confidential and exempt from inspection and copying for a period of 30 days after the closed meeting, at which time they will automatically become legislative public records open to inspection and copying, unless the confidentiality and the prohibition against inspection and copying has, within the 30-day period, been extended by the President. Unless the above-listed confidential and exempt items have been earlier released by operation of this Rule, they shall automatically become available for public inspection and copying five (5) years after the date of the closed meeting, unless this confidentiality and exemption is further extended by the President for subsequent five-year (5) periods.

1.49—Violations of Rules on open meetings and notice

Violations of Rules 1.44 and 1.45 constitute violations of the Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics and shall be subject to the procedures and penalties prescribed in Rule 1.43.

See Rule 1.43—Violations; investigations, penalties.

RULE TWO

COMMITTEES, OFFICERS, MEMBERS,
VOTING, MOTIONS, DECORUM, AND DEBATE

PART ONE—COMMITTEES—ORGANIZATION, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1—Standing committees; standing subcommittees; select subcommittees

(1) The following standing committees with standing subcommittees are created:

(a) Agriculture
(b) Appropriations
  1. Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice
  2. Subcommittee on Education
  3. Subcommittee on Finance and Tax
  4. Subcommittee on General Government
  5. Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
  6. Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development
(c) Banking and Insurance
(d) Children, Families, and Elder Affairs
(e) Commerce and Tourism
(f) Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities
(g) Community Affairs
(h) Criminal Justice
(i) Education
(j) Environmental Preservation and Conservation
(k) Ethics and Elections
(l) Gaming
(m) Governmental Oversight and Accountability
(n) Health Policy
(o) Judiciary
(p) Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security
(q) Reapportionment
(r) Regulated Industries

(s) Rules
(t) Transportation

(2) Permanent standing committees and standing subcommittees, when created and designated by Senate Rule, shall exist and operate both during and between sessions.

See Rule 1.5—The President's appointment of committees.

(3) No standing committee shall consist of fewer than five (5) members.

(4) A select subcommittee may be appointed by a standing committee or the chair thereof, with prior approval of the President.

(a) A select subcommittee may study or investigate a specific issue falling within the jurisdiction of the standing committee or hear a bill referred to it.
(b) The President and the Secretary shall be promptly notified of the appointment of a select subcommittee, its assignment, and the time allowed for the assignment, and shall be notified on completion of the assignment.
(c) Select subcommittees shall be governed by the Rules regulating standing subcommittees, except that a select subcommittee shall exist only for the time necessary to complete its assignment or thirty (30) days, whichever is less, unless extended by the President.
(d) The advisory report by a select subcommittee whether favorable or unfavorable shall be reviewed by the standing committee and accepted, amended, or rejected by majority vote of those committee members present.

2.2—Powers and responsibilities of committees

(1) Permanent standing committees and standing subcommittees are authorized:

(a) To maintain a continuous review of the work of the state agencies concerned with their subject areas and the performance of the functions of government within each subject area;
(b) To invite public officials, employees, and private individuals to appear before the committees or subcommittees to submit information;
(c) To request reports from departments performing functions reasonably related to the committees' jurisdictions; and
(d) To complete the interim work assigned by the President.

(2) In order to carry out its duties, each standing committee or standing subcommittee has the reasonable right and authority to inspect and investigate the books, records, papers, documents, data, operation, and physical plant of any public agency in this state.

(3) In order to carry out the committee's duties, the chair of each standing committee, standing subcommittee, and select committee may request the President to issue subpoenas, subpoenas duces tecum, and other necessary process to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of any books, letters, or other documentary evidence required by such committee. The President may issue said process at the request of the committee chair. Any member of a standing committee, standing subcommittee, or select committee may administer all oaths and affirmations, in the manner prescribed by law, to witnesses who appear before such committees to testify in any matter requiring evidence.

2.3—Repealed

2.4—Committee staffing

A committee shall be staffed with personnel, subject to guidelines and criteria authorized by the President. The staff shall also be subject to the pay and classification code of the Senate. The President may authorize joint utilization of personnel with the House of Representatives and may authorize the Senate to share in the cost.

2.5—Repealed

2.6—Committee meeting notices; regular session and interim; day fifty (50) rule

(1) Senate committees shall submit a notice of meeting as provided herein. Reference to committee meeting notices in these Rules shall include all standing committees, standing subcommittees, select committees, select subcommittees, and such other committees or subcommittees as may be created by the Senate.

(2) Committee meeting notices shall include the date, time, amendment deadline, and place of the meeting together with the name of the introducer, subject, and number of each bill to be taken up and other subjects to be considered.

(3) Notice of committee meetings shall be published in the daily calendar. No committee shall consider any bill during the first fifty (50) days of a regular session until proper notice has been published in three (3) weekday calendars, including the calendar published on the day of such committee meeting.

(4) If a weekend meeting is scheduled, notice of such meeting shall appear in three (3) daily calendars, including those published on the weekend days on which the meeting is held. However, a calendar published on a weekend shall not be included in the calculation of publication days for meetings taking place on Monday through Friday.

(5) Calendars published on the Friday and Monday immediately preceding the opening day of a regular session may be included in the calculation of the three-day (3) notice requirement for meetings held on the first (1st) and second (2nd) days of a regular session.

(6) After day fifty (50) of a regular session, meetings of standing committees, standing subcommittees, and select committees scheduled in accordance with Rule 2.10 may be held following an announcement by the chair of the committee or subcommittee or, in the chair's absence, the vice chair while the Senate is sitting. Notice shall be published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor rotunda on the fourth (4th) floor of the Capitol four (4) hours in advance of the meeting. A committee meeting announced during a sitting may occur four (4) hours after notice of the meeting has been published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor rotunda on the fourth (4th) floor of the Capitol. Such notices may be posted in advance of the oral announcement during the sitting.

(7) When the Legislature is not in session, committee meeting notices shall be filed with the Secretary at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. The Secretary shall make the notice available to the membership and the public.

2.7—Bills recommitted for failure to provide proper notice

(1) A bill reported by a standing committee without proper notice shall be recommitted to the committee reporting the same on the point of order being made within two (2) sittings after such report is printed in the Journal, or the President may recommit such bill at any time. Once recommitted, the bill is available for consideration by the committee as if it had never been reported.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) A bill reported by a standing subcommittee to its standing committee without proper notice shall be recommitted to the subcommittee reporting same on the point of order made during the standing committee meeting at which the bill was reported by the subcommittee. Once recommitted, the bill is available for consideration by the subcommittee as if it had never been reported.

2.8—Filing and publication of meeting notices

For publication in the daily calendar, notice of committee meetings shall be delivered to the Secretary's office in writing by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding its intended publication. If such day is a Friday, delivery shall be by 2:30 p.m.

2.9—Committee meetings; committee meetings after fiftieth (50th) day

(1) Each standing committee, standing subcommittee, and select committee shall consider the public business assigned to it as expeditiously as possible and proper.

(2) Unless approved by the President, no committee shall meet after the fiftieth (50th) day of a regular session except the Rules Committee.

2.10—Committee meeting schedules; time limits on meetings

(1) The President shall provide a schedule of days, hours, and places for the meeting of committees for the regular session and during the interim, and deliver a copy of same to each Senator. However, no committee shall meet before 7:00 a.m. or meet or continue to meet after 6:00 p.m.

(2) Each committee or subcommittee, standing or select, shall meet in the place and within the time assigned for its use by the President and notice of such assignment shall be published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor rotunda on the fourth (4th) floor of the Capitol. No committee except the Rules Committee shall meet while the Senate is sitting without the consent of the majority of the Senate present.

2.11—Presentation of bills before committees

The introducer of a bill shall attend the meeting of the committee before which such bill is noticed as provided in these Rules. Such introducer may discharge this duty by sending another legislator or his or her legislative assistant. Senate committee professional staff shall be limited to presenting committee bills at meetings of their assigned committees of reference.

2.12—Order of consideration of bills; exception

(1) Bills shall be considered in the order appearing in the notice required by these Rules, except that the chair may, in the chair's sole discretion, consider a bill out of its order to accommodate the presence of a Senator or Representative who is the introducer thereof.

(2) A bill may be considered out of its order on the committee agenda if agreed to by unanimous consent of those committee members present obtained in the following manner: prior to consideration of the motion, the member moving for unanimous consent of those committee members present shall orally give the committee not less than fifteen (15) minutes' notice of the member's intention to move and shall specify the number of the bill. On the entertainment of the motion, the moving member shall be allowed one (1) minute to explain his or her purpose, and unanimous consent of those committee members present shall be given or refused without further debate.

2.13—Open meetings

Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, all committee meetings shall be open to the public, subject always to the powers and authority of the chair to maintain order and decorum.

See Rule 1.44—Opening meetings.
See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

2.15—Standing committee reports; committee substitutes

(1) If reporting a matter referred to it, a standing committee shall report the matter either:

(a) Favorably,
(b) Favorably with committee amendment,
(c) Favorably with committee substitute as defined in these Rules, or
(d) Unfavorably.

The vote of the members present of a standing committee or subcommittee on final passage of any measure shall be recorded. Upon the request of any two (2) members of a committee or subcommittee, the vote on any other matter or motion properly before the committee shall be recorded. After such report has been received by the Secretary, no matter so reported shall be recommitted to a committee except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present at a sitting or except as provided in Rule 2.7 or Rule 4.7(2).

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(2) Such reports shall also reflect:

(a) The date, time, and place of the meeting at which the action was taken, and
(b) The vote of each member present of the committee on final passage of each bill.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

The Secretary shall enter in the Journal the recommended action of the committee on each bill reported, but shall not include that portion of the report relating to the date, time, and place of the meeting or the vote of each member on final passage of a measure. Reports of committees shall be preserved pursuant to law.

(3) In reporting a Senate measure, a standing committee may draft a new measure embracing the same or related subject matter to be returned to the Senate with the recommendation that the substitute be considered in lieu of the original measure.

(a) The substitute measure must be accompanied by the original measure referred to the committee and returned to the Secretary in the same manner as a favorable report.
(b) No other standing committee of reference shall consider the original measure but shall direct its attention to the substitute measure.
(c) A committee receiving a committee substitute from a prior committee of reference may also report a committee substitute and shall not be precluded from doing so with the substance of the bill as originally introduced.
(d) When reported, the substitute shall be read a first (1st) time by title, the original proposition shall be automatically tabled, and the substitute considered in lieu thereof without motion. The substitute shall carry the identifying number of the original and shall be returned to the Secretary in the same number of copies required for first (1st) introduction of a similar measure.
(e) The names of the introducer and each co-introducer of the original measure shall be shown by the committee administrative assistant on the committee substitute unless an introducer or co-introducer requests that it be omitted.
(f) A Senate committee may not recommend a Senate committee substitute for a House bill.

(4) All standing committee reports shall be filed with the Secretary's office as soon as practicable, but not later than 4:30 p.m. on the next day that is not a weekend or state holiday, except a committee drafting and recommending a committee substitute shall file such committee report no later than 4:30 p.m. on the second (2nd) such weekday. These reports must be accompanied by the original bill. Each report by a committee must set forth the identifying number of the bill. If amendments are proposed by the committee, the words "with amendments" shall follow the identifying number. Committee amendments shall be identified by barcode in the report. All bills reported unfavorably shall be laid on the table.

2.16—Standing subcommittee reports

(1) If reporting a matter referred to it, a standing subcommittee must report the matter directly to the standing committee, which shall promptly certify a copy to the Secretary. The standing subcommittee shall report a matter either:

(a) Favorably,
(b) Favorably with committee amendment,
(c) Favorably with committee substitute as defined in these Rules, or
(d) Unfavorably.

(2) Such reports shall also reflect:

(a) The date, time, and place of the meeting at which the action was taken, and
(b) The vote of each member of the subcommittee on final passage of each bill.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(3) In reporting a bill to the standing committee, a standing subcommittee may draft a new measure, embracing the same or related subject matter, to be returned to the standing committee with the recommendation that the substitute be considered in lieu of the original measure. The substitute measure must be accompanied by the original measure referred to the standing subcommittee and returned to the standing committee in the same manner as a favorable report.

(4) All standing subcommittee reports shall be promptly transmitted to the full committee. Each report by a standing subcommittee must set forth the identifying number of the measure. If amendments are proposed by the standing subcommittee, the words "with amendments" shall follow the identifying number. Standing subcommittee amendments shall accompany the report.

(5) All bills reported unfavorably shall be laid on the table by roll call vote when the standing committee considers the standing subcommittee's report. On motion by any member of the committee, adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those standing committee members present, the same may be taken from the table. When a bill is thus removed from the table by a standing committee, it shall receive a hearing de novo and witnesses shall be permitted to testify.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(6) When a bill with a favorable report by a standing subcommittee is considered by the standing committee, no additional testimony shall be permitted except by a majority vote of those standing committee members present before a vote on final passage; however, debate by members of the standing committee shall be allowed prior to such vote.

2.17—Quorum requirement

(1) A standing committee, standing subcommittee, or select committee is assembled only when a quorum constituting a majority of the members of that committee is present in person.

(2) A committee member may question the presence of a quorum at any time.

(3) No committee business of any type shall be conducted in the absence of a quorum. Any matter reported in violation of this Rule shall be recommitted by the President when it is called to the President's attention by a Senator.

2.19—Conference committee in deliberation; reports

(1) All meetings of Senate conferees with House conferees at which the business of the conference committee is discussed shall be open to the public subject to proper order and decorum. A meeting of the Senate and House conferees is a meeting of the two (2) groups, therefore, the rules governing each respective house apply. Meetings between a majority of the members of a conference committee may be held following a notice being filed with the Secretary by or at the direction of the person calling the meeting, at least one (1) hour in advance of the meeting. The notice shall indicate the names of the conferees and scheduled participants, the date, the time, and the place of the meeting. Conference committees may meet at any time with proper notice.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) A conference committee, other than a conference committee on a general or special appropriations bill and its related legislation, shall consider and report only on the differences existing between the Senate and the House, and no substance foreign to the bills before the conferees shall be included in the report or considered by the Senate.

(3) A conference committee may only report by recommending the adoption of a series of amendments to the House or Senate bill that was the subject of the conference, or it may offer an amendment deleting everything after the enacting clause of any such bill referred to the committee. Such amendments shall accompany the conference committee report. In any event, the conference committee may recommend, as part of its report, the adoption or rejection of any or all of the amendments theretofore adopted by either house. Conference committee reports must be approved and signed by a majority of the managers on the part of each house. All final actions taken in a conference committee shall be by motion.

(4) Each conference committee report shall contain a statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of the report on the measure to which it relates.

(5) When the President appoints a conference committee, a notice of the following meetings to discuss matters relating to the conference, stating the names of the conferees and scheduled participants, and the date, time, and place for the meeting, shall be filed with the Secretary by or at the direction of the person at whose call the meeting is convened, not less than one (1) hour preceding the time for the meeting:

(a) Meetings between the President (or a Senator designated to represent the President), the Governor, and the Speaker (or a Representative designated to represent the Speaker);
(b) Meetings between a majority of the members of any subcommittee of the conference committee;
(c) Meetings between the President or any Senator designated to represent the President and a conferee from the House of Representatives, or any meeting between a conferee from the Senate with the Speaker or any Representative designated to represent the Speaker; and
(d) Meetings of a majority of the Senate conferees; and when the bill that is the subject of the conference committee deals primarily with the general appropriations act or revenue matters, any meeting of three (3) or more conferees on the part of the Senate.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(6) Notice of meetings, as scheduled, between the chair of the Senate's conferees with the chair of the House's conferees, or between respective Senate and House committee chairs with each other, shall be published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor rotunda on the fourth (4th) floor of the Capitol. In the case of the appropriations conference, said notice shall also be posted outside the door of the offices of the appropriations committees.

(7) All meetings for which notice is required pursuant to this Rule shall be held in the Capitol Complex, but shall not be held in the Chamber of either house while it is sitting.

(8) When conferees on the part of the Senate report an inability to agree, any action of the Senate taken prior to such reference to a conference committee shall not preclude further action on the measure as the Senate may determine.

(9) After Senate conferees have been appointed for seven (7) calendar days and have failed to make a report, it is a motion of the highest privilege to move to discharge said conferees and to appoint new conferees, or to instruct said conferees. This motion shall have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn or recess, and questions of privilege. Further, during the last six (6) calendar days allowed under the *State Constitution* for any regular session, it shall be a privileged motion to move to discharge, appoint, or instruct Senate conferees after the Senate conferees have been appointed thirty-six (36) hours without having made a report.

PART TWO—COMMITTEES—OFFICERS

2.20—Appointment of chair and vice chair

A chair and a vice chair of each standing committee shall be appointed by the President and shall continue in office at the pleasure of the President. The President shall also appoint a chair for each standing subcommittee and select committee authorized by these Rules and may designate a vice chair, both of whom shall continue in office at the pleasure of the President.

2.21—Call to order

The chair or, in the chair's absence, the vice chair, shall call the committee to order at the hour provided by these Rules. A quorum being present, the committee shall proceed with consideration of its agenda.

2.22—Chair's control

The chair shall preserve order and decorum and shall have general control of the committee room. If there is a disturbance or disorderly conduct in the committee room, the chair may require participants in the disturbance to clear the room.

2.23—Chair's authority; appeals

(1) The chair shall approve all notices, subpoenas, or reports required or permitted by these Rules.

(2) The chair shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal by any Senator, and the appeal shall be certified by the chair to the Senate for a decision by the President during its next sitting following such certification. The ruling shall be entered in the Journal, shall constitute binding precedent on all committees of the Senate, and shall be subject to appeal as any other question.

(3) The proper method of taking exception to a ruling of the chair is by appeal. An appeal from a decision of the chair must be made promptly before debate has concluded or other business has intervened. A point of order on any other question is not in order while an appeal is pending, but a point of order relating to the appeal may be raised; if the determination of the appeal is dependent on this point, it may be decided by the chair. This second (2nd) decision is also subject to appeal.

(4) An appeal from a decision of the chair on a point of order is debatable even though the question from which it arose was not debatable.

(5) The chair may, or on the vote of a majority of the committee members present shall, certify a question of parliamentary procedure to the President as contemplated by the Rule without a formal appeal. Such certified question shall be disposed of by the President as if it had been on appeal.

(6) Final action on an appeal or the certification of a procedural question pursuant to this Rule shall not constitute an automatic stay to further legislative action on the measure under consideration.

2.24—Chair, vice chair; vote

The chair and vice chair shall vote on all matters before such committee. The name of the chair shall be called last.

See Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

2.25—Temporary alternate to chair

The chair may name any member of the committee to perform the duties of the chair if such substitution shall not extend beyond such meeting. If for any reason the chair is absent and fails to name a member, the vice chair shall assume the duties of the chair during the chair's absence.

2.26—Vice chair's duties

On the death, incapacitation, or resignation of the chair, the vice chair shall perform the duties of the office until the President appoints a successor. In the absence of the chair, the vice chair shall act as chair.

PART THREE—COMMITTEES—MEMBERS

2.27—Members' attendance, voting; proxy and poll votes prohibited

(1) Unless excused or necessarily prevented, every member of a committee shall be in attendance during each of its meetings.

(2) The chair may excuse any member for just cause from attendance at meetings of his or her committee for any stated period, and this excused absence shall be noted on the committee's records.

(3) Failure to attend two (2) consecutive regular meetings, unless excused from attendance in the Senate on those days as provided in these Rules or by the chair of the committee, shall constitute automatic withdrawal from the committee.

(4) No member of any committee shall be allowed to vote by proxy nor shall a vote be conducted by poll.

(5) A majority of all the committee members present shall agree by their votes on the disposition of any matter considered by the committee.

See Rule 11.4—Majority action.

PART FOUR—COMMITTEES—VOTING

2.28—Taking the vote

(1) The chair shall declare all votes and shall cause same to be entered on the records of the committee, but if any member questions a voice vote, then by a show of hands by two (2) members the chair shall count the yeas and nays. When the committee is equally divided, the question shall be lost.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(2) A member may request to:

(a) Vote, or
(b) Change his or her vote

before the results of a roll call are announced.

(3) After the results have been announced, a member with unanimous consent of those committee members present may vote or change his or her vote. If the vote alters the final action of the committee, no vote or change of vote shall be valid unless the matter has been reconsidered by the committee. On request of a member prior to consideration of other business, the chair shall order a verification of a vote.

2.29—Pair voting prohibited

No pair voting shall be permitted by the committee.

2.30—Casting vote for another

No Senator shall cast a vote for another Senator, nor shall any person not a Senator cast a vote for a Senator. In addition to such penalties as may be prescribed by law, any Senator who shall vote or attempt to vote for another Senator may be punished as the Senate may deem proper. Also, any person not a Senator who shall vote in the place of a Senator shall be excluded from the committee for the remainder of the session.

2.31—Explanation of vote

No member shall be permitted to defer or explain his or her vote during a roll call, but may submit his or her explanation in writing and file it with the chair. This explanation shall be kept as part of the committee record and a copy filed with the Secretary.

PART FIVE—COMMITTEES—MOTIONS AND PRECEDENCE

2.32—Motions; how made, withdrawn

(1) Every procedural motion may be made orally. On request of the chair, a member shall submit his or her motion in writing.

(2) After a motion has been stated or read by the chair, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the committee without a second, and shall be disposed of by vote of the committee members present.

(3) The mover may withdraw a motion at any time before the same has been amended, or before a vote shall have commenced. The mover of a motion to reconsider may withdraw that motion only with the unanimous consent of those committee members present.

2.33—Motions; precedence

(1) When a question is under debate, the chair shall receive no motion except:

(a) To rise
(b) To take a recess
(c) To reconsider instanter passage of a main question
(d) To reconsider
(e) To limit debate

(f) To temporarily postpone
(g) To commit to a select subcommittee
(h) To amend

which shall have precedence in the descending order given.

(2) The chair shall present all questions in the order in which they are moved unless the subsequent motion is of a higher precedence or a substitute of equal precedence.

(3) When a motion is under consideration, but prior to the commencement of the vote, a substitute motion shall be in order. Only one (1) substitute may be pending and the substitute shall be in the same order of precedence. If a substitute fails, another substitute of equal degree may be offered.

2.34—Division of question

A member may move for a division of a question when the sense will admit of it, which shall be decided by a majority vote. A motion to delete and insert shall be deemed indivisible; a motion to delete, being lost, shall neither preclude amendment nor a motion to delete and insert.

See Rule 6.3—Division of question.

2.35—Reconsideration generally

(1) When a question has been decided by a committee, any member voting with the prevailing side may move for reconsideration of the question.

(2) If a question has been decided by voice vote, any member, during the meeting at which the vote was taken, may so move.

(3) If the committee shall refuse to reconsider or, upon reconsideration, shall confirm its first decision, no further motion to reconsider shall be in order except upon unanimous consent of those committee members present.

(4) A motion to reconsider final passage of a measure or the confirmation of an executive appointment may be made prior to or pending a motion to rise. It shall not be taken up or voted on when made but shall be a special and continuing order of business for the succeeding committee meeting, and, unless considered during such meeting, shall be considered abandoned.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(5) At the next succeeding meeting, the reconsideration of such motion may be made by any member prior to a motion to rise.

(6) During the last fourteen (14) days of a regular session, a motion to reconsider shall be made and considered during the meeting at which the original vote was taken.

(7) A motion to reconsider instanter may be offered by a member voting on the prevailing side at the original meeting and shall be of a higher precedence than a motion to reconsider.

(a) If the motion to reconsider instanter is agreed to by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, it shall supersede a motion to reconsider and place the main question again before the committee for further consideration, amendment, and debate.
(b) If a motion to reconsider instanter is not agreed to, a motion to reconsider, if offered or pending as provided in subsection four (4) of this Rule, will be a special and continuing item on the committee agenda for the next meeting.

2.36—Reconsideration; vote required

The affirmative votes of a majority of the committee members present shall be required to adopt a motion to reconsider.

2.37—Reconsideration; debate allowed

Debate shall be allowed on a motion to reconsider only when the question proposed for reconsideration is debatable. When debate on a motion to reconsider is in order, no Senator shall speak thereon more than once nor longer than five (5) minutes.

2.38—Reconsideration; collateral matters

A motion to reconsider a collateral matter must be disposed of during the course of the consideration of the main subject to which it is related, and such motion shall be out of order after the committee has passed to other business.

PART SIX—COMMITTEES—AMENDMENTS

2.39—Amendments, proposed committee substitutes, and proposed committee bills; form, notice, manner of consideration; germanity

(1) No amendment or proposed committee substitute to any measure, or no proposed committee bill on any committee agenda shall be considered by that committee unless the amendment, proposed committee substitute, or proposed committee bill was prepared in proper form and filed with the committee administrative assistant at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the noticed meeting time. For the purpose of this rule, office hours are the weekdays of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Copies of such amendment, proposed committee substitute, or proposed committee bill shall be made reasonably available by the committee administrative assistant before the meeting to the members of the committee and to the public.

(a) After distribution of all timely filed amendments, amendments to amendments or substitute amendments may be filed to any measure to which an amendment was timely filed. Such amendments must be filed with the committee administrative assistant at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
(b) After distribution of all timely filed proposed committee substitutes and proposed committee bills, amendments, amendments to amendments, or substitute amendments to any proposed committee substitute or proposed committee bill must be filed with the committee administrative assistant at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
(c) Amendments to late-filed amendments, proposed committee substitutes, or proposed committee bills shall be considered timely filed if filed at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
(d) After the first fifty (50) days of a regular session, an amendment, proposed committee bill, or proposed committee substitute to any measure prepared prior to a committee meeting at which it is offered shall be filed with the committee administrative assistant at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
(e) The consideration of any amendment, proposed committee bill, or proposed committee substitute not timely filed in accordance with this rule, including any filed during a committee meeting in which it is to be offered, requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those committee members present, if any member requests that such a vote be taken. These time requirements do not apply to a committee's recommendation during a meeting to make a committee substitute which is merely a combination of the noticed bill and amendment.

(2) Amendments shall be filed on forms prescribed by the Secretary.

(a) An amendment shall be considered only after its sponsor, who is a member of the committee, gains recognition from the chair to move its adoption.
(b) An amendment shall be deemed pending only after its sponsor has been recognized by the chair and has moved its adoption. Amendments that have been filed but have not been formally moved for adoption shall not be deemed to be pending.
(c) No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted in the form of an amendment.

2.40—Sequence of amendments to amendments

(1) An amendment to a pending amendment may be received, but until it is disposed of, no other motion to amend will be in order, except a substitute amendment or an amendment to the substitute. Such amendments are to be disposed of in the following order:

(Amendment chart, as adopted, is not shown here but is included in the published Senate Rules Manual.)

(a) Amendments to the amendment are acted on before the substitute is taken up.
(b) Amendments to the substitute are next voted on.
(c) The substitute then is voted on.

(2) The adoption of a substitute amendment in lieu of an original amendment shall be treated and considered as an amendment to the bill itself.

(3) An amendment of the third (3rd) degree is out of order.

2.41—Deleting everything after enacting clause

A proposal to delete everything after the enacting clause of a bill, or the resolving clause of a resolution, and insert new language of the same or related subject as stated in the original title shall be deemed proper and germane and shall be treated as an amendment.

2.42—Amendment by section

The adoption of an amendment to a section shall not preclude further amendment of that section. If a bill is being considered section by section or item by item, only amendments to the section or item under consideration shall be in order. The chair, in recognizing members for the purpose of moving the adoption of amendments, shall endeavor to cause all amendments to section 1 to be considered first, then all those in section 2, and so on. After all sections have been considered separately, the entire bill shall be open for amendment.

2.43—Senate amendments to House bills

A House bill may be amended in the same manner as a Senate bill.

2.44—Amendments by previous committees

Amendments recommended by all committees of reference shall accompany a bill when filed with the Secretary. No committee shall remove an amendment by another committee but may recommend an amendment to an amendment, or a substitute for an amendment, by another committee. Any accompanying amendment shall be included in a subsequent committee substitute unless altered or negated by committee action. Amendments adopted by a committee to be incorporated in a committee substitute need not be filed with the Secretary as part of the reports required in Rules 2.15 and 2.16.

PART SEVEN—COMMITTEES—DECORUM AND DEBATE

2.45—Decorum and debate

When a member desires to speak or present a matter to the committee, the member shall address himself or herself to "Mr. or Madam Chair" and, on being recognized, may address the committee and shall confine any remarks to the question under debate, avoiding personality. A member shall not address or refer to another member by his or her first name. A member shall use the appellation of "Senator" or such appellation and the surname of the member referred to or addressed.

2.46—Chair's power to recognize

When two (2) or more members request to speak at once, the chair shall recognize the member who is to speak first.

2.47—Interruptions; when allowed

(1) No member shall be interrupted by another without the consent of the member who has the floor, except by:

(a) Rising to a question of privilege;
(b) Rising to a point of order requiring an immediate ruling;
(c) Rising to appeal a decision of the chair concerning a point of order (provided the appeal is made immediately following the decision);
(d) Rising to make a parliamentary inquiry requiring an immediate reply; or
(e) Rising to question the existence of a quorum.

(2) The chair shall strictly enforce this Rule.

2.48—Speaking rights

(1) When a member is speaking and another member interrupts to request recognition, the chair may permit the person rising to state why he or she desires the floor. If the question the member desires to raise is entitled to precedence, the member originally speaking shall relinquish the floor until the question having precedence is disposed of. The member is then entitled to resume the floor.

(2) The member making a debatable motion or the introducer of a bill, whether or not a member of the committee, shall have five (5) minutes in order to close debate.

2.49—Time for debate

No Senator shall speak longer than ten (10) minutes without yielding the floor, except by consent of a majority of those committee members present.

2.50—Limitation on debate

When a matter is under debate by the committee, a member may move to limit debate, and the motion shall be decided without debate. The introducer of the pending matter on which debate would be limited shall have five (5) minutes to discuss the motion, and the introducer may divide such time with, or waive it in favor of, another member. If the question is decided in the affirmative by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those committee members present, the debate shall be limited accordingly. The time allotted by such limitation shall be apportioned by the chair. Once limited, debate may be extended beyond the original debate time limit by a majority vote of the committee members present.

2.51—Priority of business; debate thereon

All questions relating to the priority of business shall be acted on and shall be decided without debate.

2.53—Repealed

See Rule 2.23—Chair's authority; appeals.

2.54—Repealed

See Rule 2.23—Chair's authority; appeals.

RULE THREE

BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS

3.1—Form of bills

(1) All bills shall contain a proper title, as defined in Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*, and the enacting clause, "Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:." The title of each bill shall be prefaced by the words, "A bill to be entitled An act." Standard rules of capitalization shall apply.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 6 Laws.

(2) The original must be approved by the introducer and backed in a folder-jacket. On these jackets shall be inscribed the name and district number of the introducer and any co-introducers or the introducing committee and its chair, and enough of the title for identification.

(3) Bills that propose to amend existing provisions of the *Florida Statutes* (as described in Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*) or the *Laws of Florida* shall contain the full text of the section, subsection, or paragraph to be amended. Joint resolutions that propose to amend the *State Constitution* shall contain the full text of the section to be amended.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 6 Laws.

(4) In general bills and joint resolutions that propose to create or amend existing provisions of the *Florida Statutes*, *Laws of Florida*, or the *State Constitution*, new words shall be inserted underlined, and words to be deleted shall be lined through with hyphens, except that the text of the General Appropriations Act shall not be underlined.

(5) When the change in language is so general that the use of these procedures would hinder, rather than assist, the understanding of the amendment, it shall not be necessary to use the coded indicators of words added or deleted but, in lieu thereof, a notation similar to the following shall be inserted immediately preceding the text of the provision being amended: "Substantial rewording of section. See s. [number], F.S., for present text." When such notation is used, the notation as well as the substantially reworded text shall be underlined.

(6) The words to be deleted and the above-described indicators of such words and of new material are for information and guidance and shall not be considered to constitute a part of the bill under consideration.

(7) Section catchlines of existing text shall not be typed with underlining.

3.2—Bills for introduction

A bill may not be introduced until properly filed with the Secretary.

See Rule 1.15—The Secretary examines legal form of bills for introduction.
See Rule 3.7—Bill filing deadline during regular session; bill filing between regular sessions.
See Rule 13.4—Delivery for introduction.

3.3—Form of local bills

As required by Article III, Section 10 of the *State Constitution*, all local bills must either embody provision for ratifying referenda (stated in the title as well as in the text of the bill) or be accompanied by an affidavit of proper advertisement. A form of affidavit may be found in section 11.03, *Florida Statutes*. All local bills that require publication shall, when introduced, have proof of publication securely attached to the original copy of the bill and the words "Proof of Publication Attached" clearly typed or stamped on the Senate side of the bill jacket or cover, or the same shall be rejected by the Secretary.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 10 Special laws.

3.4—Form of joint resolutions

All joint resolutions shall contain a proper title, as defined in Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*. Standard rules of capitalization shall apply. They shall contain the resolving clause, "Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:." Each joint resolution shall be prefaced by the words: "A joint resolution."

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 6 Laws.

3.5—Form of memorials

All memorials shall contain a proper title, as defined in Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*. Standard rules of capitalization shall apply. They shall contain the resolving clause, "Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:."

3.6—Form of resolutions; Senate and concurrent

(1) All Senate resolutions and all concurrent resolutions shall contain a proper title, as defined in Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*. Standard rules of capitalization shall apply. Senate resolutions shall contain the resolving clause: "Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:." Concurrent resolutions shall contain the resolving clause: "Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House of Representatives Concurring:."

(2) Only the Secretary shall prepare copies of Senate resolutions that are to be furnished any person after the resolution's adoption.

3.7—Bill filing deadline during regular session; bill filing between regular sessions

(1) All bills shall be filed for introduction with the Secretary no later than 12:00 noon of the first (1st) day of the regular session except:

(a) general appropriations bills,
(b) appropriations implementing bills,
(c) appropriations conforming bills,
(d) local bills,
(e) Senate resolutions,
(f) concurrent resolutions,
(g) committee bills,
(h) trust fund bills, and
(i) public-record exemptions that are linked to timely filed general bills.

(2) A motion to waive this Rule shall be referred to the Rules Committee for a hearing and its advisory recommendation as to the existence of an emergency reasonably compelling consideration of a bill notwithstanding this Rule and a recommendation shall be reported back to the Senate. The Secretary shall number each bill to provide identity and control until a permanent number can be affixed.

(3) Between regular sessions of the Legislature, bills may be filed by delivery to the Secretary.

3.8—Filed bills; consideration between regular sessions

(1) A filed bill complying with these Rules shall, in anticipation of the next regular session, be serially numbered in accordance with the permanent system required by these Rules.

(2) The Secretary shall provide each such numbered bill to the President for reference to a committee or committees pursuant to these Rules. The Secretary shall promptly forward each referenced bill to the first (1st) or only committee of reference. The Secretary shall make all filed bills available to each Senator, including the referencing data for each bill, and a calendar of all committee hearings, including the bills noticed for hearing by each.

(3) Each bill considered by a committee and reported to the Secretary during the interim shall be introduced and read on the first (1st) day of the regular session, pursuant to the *State Constitution, Laws of Florida,* and these Rules. The Journal shall reflect the committee reference and the report of the committee. All requirements for the referencing of bills to and the consideration of bills by Senate committees shall be deemed to have been met and discharged if the jurisdictional requirements of this Rule have been complied with as to each of such bills.

(4) Notwithstanding these Rules, a Senator may, during the day of introduction of filed bills, but no later than under the Order of Business of "Motions Relating to Committee Reference" on the second (2nd) day on which the Senate sits, move for reference to a different committee or for removal from a committee. This motion may be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present.

(5) Prior to the introduction of a bill on the first (1st) day of the regular session, a Senator may give written notification to the Secretary to withdraw his or her bill from further consideration of the Senate.

3.9—Copies of bills

When filed, bills (including committee bills and committee substitute bills) shall be published by the Secretary for the information of the Senate and the public. The absence of a published copy shall not delay the progress of a measure at any stage of the legislative process. Sufficient copies of the general appropriations bill proposed to be introduced by the Appropriations Committee shall be made available to the members and, upon request, to the public, at the Office of the Secretary and at the committee's office, no less than two (2) hours prior to the time the Appropriations Committee meets to consider the proposed committee bill.

3.10—Identification of bills

Bills and other measures requiring legislative action shall be introduced in the order they are received by the Secretary. They shall be serially numbered with even numbers as introduced, without differentiation in number as to type. The Secretary shall mark the original copy of each measure to ensure its identification, and each page thereof, as the item introduced in order to prevent unauthorized or improper substitutions. This identification may be made by any device to accomplish the purpose of this Rule. Such device shall be in the custody of the Secretary, and its use by any person not authorized by this Rule is prohibited.

3.11—Companion measures

(1) When a Senate bill is reached on the calendar of the Senate for consideration, either on second (2nd) or third (3rd) reading, and there is also pending on the calendar of the Senate a companion measure already passed by the House, it shall be in order to move that the House companion measure be substituted and considered in lieu of the Senate measure. Such motion may be adopted by a majority vote of those Senators present, provided the House measure is on the same reading; otherwise, the motion shall be to waive the Rules by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present and read such House measure.

(2) A companion measure shall be substantially the same and identical as to specific intent and purpose as the measure for which it is being substituted. Differences between the Senate bill and the House bill shall be explained by the mover prior to a vote on a substitution motion.

(3) At the moment the Senate passes the House companion measure, the original Senate measure shall be regarded as automatically tabled. Recommitment of a Senate bill shall automatically carry with it any House companion measure then on the calendar.

3.12—Introducers of bills; co-introducers; introducers no longer Senators

(1) Bills shall be approved for introduction by a Senator whose name is affixed to the original, or by any committee with the name of the committee and the name of the chair of the committee affixed to the original. A bill may be co-introduced by any Senator whose name is affixed to the original.

(2) A Senator who is not seeking or is ineligible for reelection and, therefore, will not be a Senator at the next regular session of the Legislature may not file a bill for that session. Once a Senator is no longer in office, any bill filed by that Senator for a current or future session of the Legislature shall be deemed withdrawn from further consideration of the Senate unless the bill has a co-introducer who, within seven (7) days, agrees to become the introducer of the bill.

3.13—Fiscal notes

(1) Upon being favorably reported by a committee, all general bills or joint resolutions affecting revenues, expenditures, or fiscal liabilities of state or local governments shall be accompanied by a fiscal note. Fiscal notes shall reflect the estimated increase or decrease in revenues or expenditures. The estimated economic impact, which calculates the present and future fiscal effects of the bill or joint resolution, must be considered. The fiscal note shall not express opinion relative to the merits of the measure, but may identify technical defects.

(2) Fiscal notes on those bills affecting any state retirement system shall be prepared after consultation with an actuary who is a member of the Society of Actuaries, and the cooperation of appropriate state agencies for necessary data shall be solicited.

(3) Fiscal notes shall be regarded as memoranda of factual information and shall be made available to Senators.

(4) If a bill or joint resolution is reported favorably by a committee without a fiscal note or economic impact statement, as defined in this Rule, a Senator may at any time prior to final passage raise a point of order, and the President shall order return of the bill or joint resolution to the committee. A fiscal note prepared for a Senate bill or joint resolution shall be presumed as prepared also for its House companion for the purposes of point of order.

RULE FOUR

ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CALENDAR

4.1—Sittings of the Senate

The Senate shall convene pursuant to a schedule provided by the President or at the hour established by the Senate at its last sitting. This schedule shall set forth hours to convene and adjourn and may contain a schedule for the Special Order Calendars submitted by the Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader. During the first fifty (50) days of a regular session, the Senate shall not convene before 7:00 a.m. nor meet or continue to meet after 8:00 p.m. Otherwise, the Senate shall not convene before 7:00 a.m. nor meet or continue to meet after 6:00 p.m.

See Rule 1.2—The President calls the Senate to order.

4.2—Quorum

A majority of the Senate shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day and compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as it may prescribe. A Senator at any time may question the existence of a quorum.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4 Quorum and procedure.

4.3—Daily Order of Business

(1) The Daily Order of Business shall be as follows:

(a) Roll Call
(b) Prayer
(c) Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
(d) Reports of Committees
(e) Motions Relating to Committee Reference
(f) Messages from the Governor and Other Executive Communications
(g) Messages from the House of Representatives
(h) Matters on Reconsideration
(i) Consideration of Bills on Third (3rd) Reading
(j) Special Order Calendars
(k) Consideration of Bills on Second (2nd) Reading
(l) Correction and Approval of Journal
(m) Unfinished Business

(2) The Secretary shall prepare and distribute, on each session weekday, a calendar corresponding to the Daily Order of Business; and within each order of business, matters shall be considered in the order in which they appear on such daily calendar. Local bills may be omitted from the formal calendar and may be distributed to Senators by the Secretary separately. Weekend calendars may be prepared when necessary to provide notice of meetings on Saturday or Sunday.

See Rule 4.16—Consideration out of regular order.

(3) Certain messages from the House of Representatives may be withheld from the Daily Order of Business pursuant to Rule 1.18 or on order of the President. Notwithstanding Rule 4.3(1), the Senate may, at the direction of the President, take up messages from the House at any time.

See Rule 1.18—The Secretary receives and delivers for reading messages from the House of Representatives; summaries of House amendments to Senate bills.

(4) Unless read during a sitting, first (1st) reading of a bill shall be accomplished by publication of the title thereof in the Journal pursuant to Article III, Section 7 of the *State Constitution*.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

(5) Except by unanimous consent of those Senators present at a sitting, no bill shall be considered by the Senate if the bill or a companion measure has not been first reported favorably by at least one (1) Senate committee.

4.4—Committee of the Whole

By a majority vote of those Senators present, the Senate may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole and, when thus constituted, may consider any question whether formally introduced in the Senate or not. The Senate may, however, restrict the subject matter to be considered by the Committee of the Whole, or its jurisdiction, by resolving itself into a Committee of the Whole for a specific and limited purpose. The President shall preside and maintain order and decorum. The Senate Rules relating to standing committees shall govern when applicable. The Committee of the Whole may consider and report, by majority vote of those committee members present, on any bill or question not formally introduced in the Senate and any bill on which all standing committees

of reference have rendered a favorable report. A bill on which committee action has been taken by the committee or committees of reference or on which an unfavorable committee report has been filed may be considered only by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those committee members present. Such vote shall also be required to favorably report any such bill to the Senate. A bill thus originating in a Committee of the Whole shall, when introduced as contemplated by the *State Constitution*, receive no further reference to committee. A favorable report by a Committee of the Whole on a bill having theretofore received an unfavorable report by a standing committee of reference shall not have the effect of withdrawing such bill from the table. Consideration by the Senate of such a bill shall be preceded by the adoption of the appropriate motion during a sitting of the Senate. Bills considered by a Committee of the Whole shall be read once, debated, amended, and acted on as a standing committee function. The body of a bill formally introduced shall not be interlined or defaced, but all amendments denoting the location shall be entered on a separate paper by the Secretary of the Committee of the Whole. The same shall be agreed to by the Committee of the Whole, and the report filed as otherwise provided in these Rules for committee reports. After report, the bill or other matter may be again debated and shall be subject to be again amended by the Senate. The quorum for a Committee of the Whole shall be the same as for the Senate, and when the Committee of the Whole shall rise, the roll shall be called to ascertain the presence of a quorum of the Senate.

4.5—Conference committee report

(1) The report of a conference committee appointed pursuant to Rule 1.5 shall be read to the Senate at two (2) consecutive sittings, and on the completion of the second (2nd) reading the vote shall be:

(a) on the adoption or rejection of the conference report and, if adopted, the vote shall then be
(b) on final passage of the measure as amended by the conference report.

During the last five (5) days of a regular session and during any extension thereof, the report shall be read only once. Copies of conference committee reports shall be available to the membership twelve (12) hours prior to the time such report is scheduled to be taken up on the Senate floor.

(2) The report must be acted on as a whole, being adopted or rejected.

(3) Each report shall include a statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of the report on the measure to which it relates.

(4) Except when the Senate is voting on a proposition, reports of conference committees shall always be in order.

4.6—Reference generally

(1) All bills, including those that are strictly local in nature, shall be referred by the President to appropriate committees and standing subcommittees. General appropriations bills, appropriations implementing bills, and appropriations conforming bills introduced by the Appropriations Committee may be placed on the calendar without reference.

(2) Bills received by the President during a regular session and within three (3) weeks next preceding the convening of a regular session shall be referred within seven (7) days. Upon failure of the President to reference such bills within this limitation, they shall be referred to committees as may be recommended by the introducer. In the event of extended absence of the President or the President's disability or incapacity, the President Pro Tempore shall assume the duty of referring bills.

(3) When the Legislature is not in session, the President may change or correct a bill reference by notice to the Secretary and the bill introducer.

(4) The review of a bill that appears to be local in nature shall be performed by the Secretary to determine whether such measure is local in nature for reference purposes and whether it responds to the legal requirements of a local bill.

(5) A bill is local in nature for referencing purposes if it does not substantially alter a law of general application throughout the state and it either affects no more than one (1) county or relates to a special district that is located wholly within no more than two (2) counties.

(6) When the Secretary, through staff review, has determined that the bill is not local in nature for referencing purposes, the Secretary shall report such determination to the President, who shall refer such bill to an appropriate standing committee for hearing. Such report shall be made within fifteen (15) days from date of receipt by the Secretary. When the Secretary, through staff review, has determined that a bill is local in nature for referencing purposes and that it responds to the legal requirements of a local bill, the bill shall be available for the calendar on local bills notwithstanding Rule 4.3(5).

4.7—Reference to more than one committee; effect

(1) When a bill receives more than one (1) reference, it shall be considered by each committee separately in the order in which the references are made. However, if any committee to which the bill is referred makes an unfavorable report on said bill, that report shall be filed with the Senate and no further consideration given by other committees except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present while sitting.

(2) If a committee reports a bill favorably with committee substitute or with any amendment which substantially amends the bill, the President may change or correct the reference of the reported bill. Notice shall be given to the Secretary and the introducer of the bill.

4.8—Review and reference of bills affecting appropriations, revenue, retirement, or county or municipal spending

(1) All bills authorizing or substantially affecting appropriations or tax revenue shall be referred to the appropriate revenue or appropriations committee.

(2) All bills substantially affecting a state-funded or state-administered retirement system shall be referred to the Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee.

(3) A bill containing a local mandate as described in Article VII, Section 18 of the *State Constitution* shall be referred to the Community Affairs Committee.

(4) A bill that is amended to substantially affect appropriations or tax revenue, a state retirement program, or expenditures or revenues as set forth in Article VII, Section 18 of the *State Constitution* may, before being placed before the Senate for final passage, be referred by the President along with all amendments to the appropriate revenue or appropriations committee.

4.81—Claim bills

(1) Claim bills are of two (2) types: excess judgment claims filed pursuant to section 768.28(5), *Florida Statutes*, and equitable claims filed without an underlying excess judgment.

(2) All claim bills shall be filed with the Secretary on or before August 1 in order to be considered by the Senate during the next regular session, except that Senators elected to the Senate during a general election or a special general election may have sixty-two (62) days from the date of that election to file a claim bill. Senators currently serving who are re-elected during a general election are not subject to the immediately preceding provision relating to sixty-two (62) days. A motion to introduce a claim bill notwithstanding the claim bill filing deadline shall be referred to the Rules Committee for a hearing and a determination as to the existence of an emergency reasonably compelling consideration of a claim bill notwithstanding the claim bill filing deadline. A House claim bill which does not have a Senate companion claim bill timely filed under this Rule shall not be considered by the Senate. Any motion to consider a House claim bill which does not have a timely filed Senate companion bill shall be referred to the Rules Committee for a hearing and a determination as to the existence of an emergency reasonably compelling consideration of a claim bill notwithstanding the claim bill filing deadline. The determination by the Rules Committee shall be reported back to the Senate. Upon a determination by the committee that an emergency does exist, the motion may be considered by the Senate and must be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present.

(3) If the President determines that a de novo hearing is necessary to determine liability, proximate cause, and damages, a special master shall conduct such hearing pursuant to reasonable notice. Discovery procedures shall be governed by the *Florida Rules of Civil Procedure* and the *Florida Evidence Code*, as applicable. The special master shall administer an oath to all witnesses, accept relevant documentary and tangible evidence properly offered, record the proceedings, and prepare a final report containing findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations. The report shall be signed by the special master who shall be available, in person, to explain his or her report to the committees and to the Senate.

(4) All claim bills shall be referred by the President to one (1) or more committees for review. On receipt of the special master's report and recommendations, if any, the Secretary shall, upon the President's reference, deliver each claim bill with the report attached to the committee or committees of reference.

(5) Stipulations entered into by the parties are not binding on the special master, the Senate, or its committees.

(6) The hearing and consideration of a claim bill shall be held in abeyance until all available administrative and judicial remedies have been exhausted; except that the hearing and consideration of a claim that is still within the judicial or administrative systems may proceed where the parties have executed a written settlement agreement. This subsection does not apply to a bill which relates to a claim of wrongful incarceration.

(7) All materials provided by litigants and others in connection with claim bills shall be submitted in a digital form prescribed by the Secretary.

4.9—Reference of resolutions

(1) Substantive resolutions shall be referred by the President to a standing committee.

(2) Resolutions that may be considered without reference to a committee include those addressing:

(a) Senate organization,
(b) condolence and commemoration that are of a statewide nonpolitical significance, and
(c) concurrent resolutions recalling a bill from the Governor's office, adopting Joint Rules of the Legislature, extending a session of the Legislature, or setting an effective date for a bill passed over the Governor's veto.

The resolutions listed in subsection (2) may be considered and read twice on the same day on motion and adopted at time of introduction without reference, except that resolutions of condolence or commemoration that are of a statewide nonpolitical significance may be shown as introduced, read, and adopted by publication in full in the Journal.

(3) A joint resolution setting an effective date for a bill passed over the Governor's veto may be considered on motion and introduced without reference.

4.10—Reference to different committee or removal

After the President has referred a bill, the Rules Chair may move for reference to a different committee or for removal from any committee after the introducer of the bill has filed a request with the Rules Chair signed by the chair of the affected committee, the Rules Chair, and the President. This motion may be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present.

4.11—Papers of miscellaneous nature

Papers of a miscellaneous nature addressed to the Senate may, at the discretion of the President, be read, noted in the Journal, or filed with an appropriate committee. When there is a demand to read a paper other than one on which the Senate is called to give a final vote and the same is objected to by any Senator, it shall be determined by a majority vote of those Senators present.

4.12—Reading of bills and joint resolutions

Each bill or joint resolution shall receive three (3) separate readings on three (3) separate days previous to a vote on final passage unless decided otherwise by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present as provided in Article III, Section 7 of the *State Constitution*.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

4.13—Reading of concurrent resolutions and memorials

(1) Each concurrent resolution or memorial shall receive two (2) separate readings by title on two (2) separate days previous to a voice vote on adoption, unless decided otherwise by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present.

(2) Concurrent resolutions recalling a bill from the Governor's office, adopting Joint Rules of the Legislature, extending a session of the Legislature, or setting an effective date for a bill passed over the Governor's veto may be read a first (1st) and second (2nd) time, and adopted on the same day.

4.14—Reading of Senate resolutions

Unless referred to a standing committee, on introduction, each Senate resolution shall be read two (2) times on the same day by title only before the question is put on adoption by voice vote.

4.15—Referral or postponement on third (3rd) reading

On the third (3rd) reading of a bill or joint resolution, it shall not be referred or committed (except as provided under Rule 4.8) or amended (except a corrective or title amendment) except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present, nor shall the vote on passage be postponed to a day certain without the consent of a majority of those Senators present.

4.16—Consideration out of regular order

A bill shall be considered out of regular order on the calendar on unanimous consent of those Senators present obtained in the following manner: prior to the consideration of the motion, the Senator moving for unanimous consent of those Senators present shall orally give the membership not fewer than fifteen (15) minutes' notice of his or her intention to move and shall specify the number of the bill and its position on the calendar. On entertainment of the motion, the moving Senator shall be allowed one (1) minute to explain his or her purpose, and unanimous consent of those Senators present shall be given or refused without further debate.

4.17—Procedure to establish Special Order Calendars and Consent Calendars

(1) Commencing fifteen (15) days prior to a regular session and continuing through any extension thereof, the Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader shall together submit a Special Order Calendar determining the list of bills for consideration by the Senate. The President shall determine the order in which such bills appear on the published Special Order Calendar.

(2) A Special Order Calendar submitted for the first (1st) day, second (2nd) day, or last fourteen (14) days of a regular session shall be published in one (1) daily calendar and may be considered on the day of publication. A Special Order Calendar for any other day during a regular session shall be published in two (2) daily calendars and may be considered on the second (2nd) day of publication.

(a) Bills that had been scheduled for a Special Order Calendar for a previous sitting may be included in the next Special Order Calendar. No other bills shall be considered until this Special Order Calendar has been completed by the Senate.
(b) A bill appearing on a Special Order Calendar may be stricken by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present.
(c) A bill appearing on the calendar of bills on second (2nd) reading may be added to the end of the Special Order Calendar by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of Senators present.
(d) All bills set as Special Orders for consideration at the same hour shall take precedence in the order in which they were given preference.

(e) A Special Order Calendar may not be submitted by the Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader and considered by the Senate on the same day.

(3) A two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present shall be required to establish a Special Order except as provided in this Rule.

(4) Notice of date, time, and place for the establishment of the Special Order Calendars shall be published in at least one (1) Senate calendar or by announcement from the floor.

(5) The Rules Chair, with the approval of the President, may submit a Consent Calendar, to be held in conjunction with the Special Order Calendars.

(a) When such a day is designated, all bills appearing on the Consent Calendar shall be considered in their order of appearance.
(b) Amendments shall be limited to accompanying committee amendments, noncontroversial and technical amendments, and amendments required to conform a House companion bill to the Senate bill.
(c) When a Senator objects to consideration of a bill on a Consent Calendar, the bill shall be removed from the Consent Calendar but retain its order on the Second (2nd) Reading Calendar.
(d) All Consent Calendar bills must have appeared in at least one (1) daily calendar.

4.18—Local Bill Calendar

Local bills shall be disposed of according to the calendar of bills of a local nature and shall be considered only at such time as determined by the Rules Chair and approved by the President. Any member of the delegation for the local area affected by a bill on the Local Bill Calendar may request that the bill be removed from such calendar.

4.19—Order after second (2nd) reading

(1) After a Senate bill has been read a second (2nd) time and amended and all questions relative to it have been disposed of, it shall be referred to the engrossing clerk to be immediately engrossed. It shall then be placed on the calendar of bills on third (3rd) reading to be considered during the next Senate sitting.

(2) Amendments filed with the Secretary, but not formally moved, shall not be construed as pending and shall not deter advancement of a bill to third (3rd) reading.

(3) A bill shall be available for its third (3rd) reading when it has been read a second (2nd) time on a previous day and no motion left pending.

(4) Bills calendared for second (2nd) or third (3rd) reading shall not be considered on such reading until reached in the proper order and read by title as directed by the President.

4.20—Enrolling

The Secretary shall be responsible for the enrolling of all Senate bills. After enrollment, all bills shall be signed by the President and the Secretary and the enrolling report shall be published in the Journal.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

4.21—Veto messages

All veto messages shall be referred to the Rules Committee.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 8 Executive approval and veto.

RULE FIVE

VOTING

5.1—Taking the yeas and nays

The President shall declare all votes, but, if five (5) Senators immediately question a voice vote by a show of hands, the President shall take the vote by yeas and nays or electronic roll call. When taking yeas and nays on any question, the electronic roll call system may be used and shall have the force and effect of a roll call taken as provided in these Rules. This system may also be used to determine the presence of a quorum. When the Senate is ready to vote on a question requiring roll call and the vote is by electronic roll call, the President shall state: "The Secretary will unlock the board and Senators prepare to vote." When sufficient time has elapsed for each Senator to vote, the President shall say: "Have all Senators voted?" And, after a short pause, shall state: "The Secretary shall now lock the board and record the vote." When the vote is completely recorded, the President shall announce the result to the Senate; and the Secretary shall enter in the Journal the result. When the Senate is equally divided, the question shall be lost.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

5.2—Change of vote; votes after a roll call; vote verification

(1) After the result of the vote has been announced by the President, a Senator with unanimous consent of those Senators present may change his or her vote or cast a late vote on the matter.

(2) Records of vote change and after the roll call requests shall be available at the Secretary's desk throughout the day's sitting.

(3) The original roll call shall not be altered, but, if no objections are raised before the close of business that day, timely filed changes of votes and votes after the roll call shall be accepted and recorded under the original roll call in the Journal.

(4) No such change of vote or vote after the roll call request shall be accepted if such vote would alter the result of the vote on final passage of the matter until the matter shall first have been returned to the desk and reconsidered.

(5) On request of a Senator before considering other business, the President shall order a verification of a vote.

5.3—Casting vote for another

(1) No Senator shall cast a vote for another Senator unless the Senator is present in the Chamber area and requests the casting of said vote, nor shall a person not a Senator cast a vote for a Senator.

(2) A Senator who shall, without such authorization, vote or attempt to vote for another Senator may be punished as the Senate may deem proper.

(3) A person not a Senator who votes in the place of a Senator shall be excluded from the Chamber for the remainder of the session.

5.4—Repealed

5.5—Explanation of vote

No Senator shall be permitted to explain his or her vote during a roll call but may submit his or her explanation in writing and file it with the Secretary. This explanation shall be entered in the Journal.

5.6—Election by ballot

In all cases of ballot, a majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. If, however, no one is elected on the first three (3) ballots, the names after the top two (2) in number of votes received on the third (3rd) tally shall be dropped, and the Senate shall ballot on the two (2) names remaining.

RULE SIX

MOTIONS AND PRECEDENCE

6.1—Motions; how made, withdrawn

(1) Procedural motions may be made orally. On request of the President, a Senator shall submit his or her motion in writing. After a motion has been stated or read by the President, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Senate and, without a second, shall be disposed of by vote of the Senate.

(2) The mover may withdraw a motion, except a motion to reconsider, as hereinafter provided, at any time before the same has been amended or before the vote shall have commenced.

6.2—Motions; precedence

(1) When a question is under debate, the President shall receive no motion except:

(a) To reconsider and leave pending a main question
See Rule 6.4—Reconsideration generally.
(b) To adjourn
1. At a time certain
2. Instanter
See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 3(e) Sessions of the legislature.
(c) To recess
(d) Questions of privilege
See Rule 8.11—Questions of privilege.
(e) To proceed to the consideration of executive business
(f) To reconsider
See Rule 6.4—Reconsideration generally.
(g) To limit debate
See Rule 8.6—Limitation on debate.
(h) To temporarily postpone
See Rule 6.11—Temporarily postpone.
(i) To postpone to a day certain
(j) To commit to the Committee of the Whole
See Rule 4.4—Committee of the Whole.
(k) To commit to a standing committee
(l) To commit to a select committee
(m) To amend
See Rule 7—Amendments.
(n) To postpone indefinitely
See Rule 6.9—Motion to indefinitely postpone.

which shall have precedence in the descending order given.

(2) A motion to discharge Senate conferees and to appoint or instruct said conferees as set forth in Rule 2.19 is a motion of the highest privilege and this motion shall have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn and questions of privilege.

(3) The President shall present all questions in the order in which they are moved unless the subsequent motion is of a higher precedence.

(4) When a motion is under consideration, but prior to the commencement of the vote, a substitute motion shall be in order. Only one (1) substitute shall be considered concurrently and the substitute shall be in the same order of precedence.

(5) Motions for the previous question and to lay on the table shall not be entertained.

6.3—Division of question

(1) A Senator may move for a division of a question when the sense will admit of it, which shall be decided by a majority vote.

(2) A motion to delete and insert shall be deemed indivisible; a motion to delete, being lost, shall neither preclude amendment nor a motion to delete and insert.

6.4—Reconsideration generally

(1) When a main question (the vote on passage of a measure, including a vote on a veto message, confirmation of executive appointments, removal or suspension from office) has been decided by the Senate, a Senator voting with the prevailing side may move for reconsideration of the question on the day the matter was decided or on the next day on which the Senate sits.

(a) If the question has been decided by voice vote, any Senator may move for reconsideration thereof.
(b) When a majority of those Senators present vote in the affirmative on the question but the proposition is lost because it is one in which the concurrence of more than a majority of those Senators present is necessary for adoption or passage, any Senator may move for reconsideration.

(2) Such motion to reconsider may be made prior to or pending a motion to recess or adjourn.

(3) Consideration of a motion to reconsider shall be a special and continuing order of business for the Senate at its next sitting and, unless taken up under the proper order of business on that day by motion of any Senator, shall be deemed abandoned. If the Senate shall refuse to reconsider or, on reconsideration, shall confirm its first decision, no further motion to reconsider shall be in order except on unanimous consent of those Senators present.

(4) During the last five (5) days of a regular session, a motion to reconsider shall be made and considered on the same day and time it is offered.

6.5—Reconsideration; vote required

The affirmative votes of a majority of those Senators present shall be required to adopt a motion to reconsider.

6.6—Reconsideration; debate

Debate shall be allowed on a motion to reconsider only when the question which it is proposed to reconsider is debatable. When the question is debatable, no Senator shall speak thereon more than once or longer than five (5) minutes.

6.7—Reconsideration; collateral matters and procedural motions

A motion to reconsider a collateral matter must be disposed of during the course of the consideration of the main subject to which it is related, and such motion shall be out of order after the Senate has passed to other business. Reconsideration of a procedural motion shall be considered on the same day and at the same time it is made.

6.8—Reconsideration; Secretary to hold for period

The Secretary shall hold all bills for the period after passage during which reconsideration may be moved. The adoption of a motion to waive the Rules by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present and immediately certify any bill to the House shall be construed as releasing the measure from the Secretary's possession for the period of reconsideration and shall, thereafter, preclude reconsideration. During the last five (5) calendar days of a regular session and during any extensions thereof, or during a special session, the bills shall be immediately transmitted to the House. Messages relating to Senate action on House amendments or to conference committee reports shall be transmitted by the Secretary forthwith.

See Rule 6.4—Reconsideration generally.

6.9—Motion to indefinitely postpone

The adoption of a motion to indefinitely postpone a measure shall dispose of it for the duration of the legislative session and all extensions thereof. A motion to postpone consideration to a time beyond the last day allowed under the *State Constitution* for the current legislative session shall be construed as a motion to indefinitely postpone. Motions to indefinitely postpone shall not be applicable to collateral matters.

6.10—Committee substitute; withdrawn

Once a bill has been reported as a committee substitute, it may be withdrawn from further consideration only by motion of the introducer and unanimous consent of the Senators present.

6.11—Temporarily Postpone

(1) The motion to temporarily postpone shall be decided without debate and shall cause a measure to be set aside but retained on the desk.

(2) If a main question has been temporarily postponed after having been debated or after motions have been applied and is not brought back up during the same sitting, it shall be placed under the order of unfinished business on the Senate calendar. If a main question is temporarily postponed before debate has commenced or motions have been applied, its reading shall be considered a nullity and the bill shall retain

its original position on the order of business during that sitting; otherwise, the bill reverts to the status of bills on second (2nd) or third (3rd) reading, as applicable.

(3) The motion to return to consideration of a temporarily postponed main question shall be made under the proper order of business when no other matter is pending.

(4) If applied to a collateral matter, the motion to temporarily postpone shall not cause the main question to be carried with it. After having been temporarily postponed, if a collateral matter is not brought back before the Senate in the course of consideration of the adhering or main question, it shall be deemed abandoned.

RULE SEVEN

AMENDMENTS

7.1—General form; notice; manner of consideration

(1) No amendment to a bill on any Senate calendar shall be considered by the Senate unless the amendment was prepared in proper form and filed with the Secretary no later than 5:00 p.m. the day before it is to be offered at a sitting. Copies of such amendments shall be made reasonably available by the Secretary before the sitting, upon request, to the Senators and to the public. The consideration of all amendments not timely filed in accordance with this rule, requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present, if any member requests that such vote be taken.

(2) Amendments shall be filed with the Secretary on forms prescribed by the Secretary but shall be considered only after sponsors gain recognition from the President to move their adoption, except that the chair of the committee (or, in the chair's absence, the vice chair or any member thereof) reporting the measure under consideration shall have preference for the presentation of committee amendments. An amendment shall be deemed pending only after its sponsor has been recognized by the President and has moved its adoption. Amendments that have been filed with the Secretary but have not been formally moved for adoption shall not be deemed to be pending.

(3) No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted in the form of an amendment.

(4) The following bills are out of order and shall not be admitted or considered in the form of an amendment to a bill on the calendar and under consideration by the Senate:

(a) Bills that have received an unfavorable committee report.
(b) Bills that have been withdrawn from further consideration by the introducer.
(c) Bills the substance of which have not been reported favorably by all committees of reference.
(d) Bills that have not been published in at least one (1) daily calendar under Bills on Second (2nd) Reading.

Amendments covered by this Rule shall be substantially the same and identical as to specific intent and purpose as the measure residing in the committee or committees of reference.

7.2—Adoption

(1) On second (2nd) reading, amendments may be adopted by a majority vote of those Senators present.

(2) On third (3rd) reading, amendments and amendments to amendments, including substitute amendments and amendments to the substitute, shall be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present.

(3) Amendments to the title or corrective amendments may be decided, without debate, by a majority vote of those Senators present on third (3rd) reading.

7.3—Sequence of amendments to amendments

(1) An amendment to a pending amendment may be received, but until it is disposed of, no other motion to amend will be in order, except a substitute amendment or an amendment to the substitute. Such amendments are to be disposed of in the following order:

(Amendment chart, as adopted, is not shown here but is included in the published Senate Rules Manual.)

(a) Amendments to the amendment are acted on before the substitute is taken up. Only one (1) amendment to the amendment is in order.
(b) Amendments to the substitute are next voted on.
(c) The substitute then is voted on.

(2) The adoption of a substitute amendment in lieu of an original amendment shall be treated and considered as an amendment to the bill itself.

(3) Amendments of the third (3rd) degree are out of order.

7.4—Deleting everything after enacting clause

A proposal to delete everything after the enacting clause of a bill, or the resolving clause of a resolution, and insert new language of the same or related subject as stated in the original title shall be deemed proper and germane and shall be treated as an amendment.

7.5—Amendment by section

The adoption of an amendment to a section shall not preclude further amendment of that section. If a bill is being considered section by section or item by item, only amendments to the section or item under consideration shall be in order. The President, in recognizing Senators for the purpose of moving the adoption of amendments, shall endeavor to cause all amendments to section 1 to be considered first, then all those in section 2, and so on. After all sections have been considered separately, the entire bill shall be open for amendment.

7.6—Printing in Journal

All amendments taken up by the Senate unless withdrawn shall be printed in the Journal, except that an amendment to the general appropriations bill constituting an entirely new bill shall not be printed until the filing of the conference committee report. All item amendments to the general appropriations bill shall be printed.

7.7—Senate amendments to House bills

A House bill may be amended in the same manner as a Senate bill. If a House bill is amended, the same shall be noted by the Secretary on the jacket before it is transmitted to the House.

7.8—House amendments to Senate bills

(1) After the reading of a House amendment to a Senate bill, the Senate may consider the following motions in order of their precedence:

(a) Amend the House amendment,
(b) Concur in the House amendment,
(c) Refuse to concur in the House amendment and ask the House to recede, or
(d) Request a conference committee.

(2) The adoption of any of the foregoing motions shall be by majority vote of those Senators present.

7.9—House refusal to concur in Senate amendment

(1) If the House shall refuse to concur in a Senate amendment to a House bill, the Senate may consider the following motions in order of their precedence:

(a) Recede,
(b) Insist that the House concur and request a conference committee, or
(c) Insist that the House concur.

(2) The adoption of any of the foregoing motions shall be by majority vote of those Senators present.

RULE EIGHT

DECORUM AND DEBATE

8.1—Decorum and debate

(1) When a Senator desires to speak or present a matter to the Senate, the Senator shall rise at his or her seat and address himself or herself to "Mr. or Madam President" and, on being recognized, may address the Senate from his or her desk or from the well of the Senate and shall confine any remarks to the question under debate, avoiding personality.

(2) A Senator shall not address or refer to another Senator by his or her first name. A Senator shall use the appellation of "Senator" or such appellation and the district number of the Senator being addressed, or a Senator may also use such appellation and the surname of the Senator referred to or addressed.

8.2—Presiding officer's power of recognition

When two (2) or more Senators rise at once, the presiding officer shall recognize the Senator who is to speak first.

8.3—Interruptions; when allowed

(1) No Senator shall be interrupted by another without the consent of the Senator who has the floor, except by:

(a) Rising to a question of privilege;
(b) Rising to a point of order requiring an immediate ruling;
(c) Rising to appeal a decision of the presiding officer concerning a point of order (if the appeal is made immediately following the decision);
(d) Rising to make a parliamentary inquiry requiring an immediate reply; or
(e) Rising to question the existence of a quorum.

(2) The presiding officer shall strictly enforce this Rule.

8.4—Senator speaking, rights

(1) When a Senator is speaking and another Senator interrupts to request recognition, the presiding officer may permit the person rising to state why he or she desires the floor. If the question the Senator desires to raise is entitled to precedence, the Senator originally speaking shall relinquish the floor until the question having precedence is disposed of. The Senator then is entitled to resume the floor.

(2) The Senator making a debatable motion or the introducer of a bill shall have five (5) minutes in order to close debate.

8.5—Limit on speaking

No Senator shall speak longer than thirty (30) minutes without yielding the floor, except by consent of a majority of those Senators present.

8.6—Limitation on debate

When a matter is under debate by the Senate, a Senator may move to limit debate, and such motion shall be decided without debate, except the introducer of the matter on which debate would be limited shall have five (5) minutes to discuss said motion. If, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present, the question is decided in the affirmative, debate shall be limited accordingly. Debate may be further extended by a majority vote.

8.7—Points of order, parliamentary inquiry, definitions

(1) A "point of order" is the parliamentary device used to require a deliberative body to observe its own rules and to follow established parliamentary practice.

(2) A "parliamentary inquiry" is a request for information from the presiding officer:

(a) About business pending or soon to be pending before the Senate; or
(b) A device for obtaining a predetermination of a rule or a clarification thereof which may be presented in hypothetical form.

8.8—Questioning decision not to abstain

A point of order questioning the decision of a Senator not to abstain from voting on account of a conflict of interest may be raised after the vote has been recorded and before the result is announced.

See Rule 1.20—Attendance, voting, and disclosure of conflicts.
See Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

8.9—Appeals

Taking exception to a ruling of a presiding officer shall be by appeal. An appeal from a decision of the presiding officer must be made promptly before debate has concluded or other business has intervened. A point of order on any other question is not in order while an appeal is pending, but a point of order relating to the appeal may be raised; and, if the determination of the appeal is dependent on this point, it may be decided by the presiding officer. This second (2nd) decision is also subject to appeal.

8.10—Appeals debatable

An appeal from a decision of the presiding officer on a point of order is debatable even though the question from which it arose was not debatable.

8.11—Questions of privilege

(1) Questions of privilege have two (2) forms:

(a) Privilege of the Senate—Those affecting the rights of the Senate collectively, its safety, dignity, and the integrity of its proceedings; and
(b) Privilege of a Senator—The rights, reputation, and conduct of Senators individually, in their representative capacity only.

(2) These shall have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn or recess. A question of privilege affecting either house collectively takes precedence over a question of privilege affecting an individual Senator.

RULE NINE

LOBBYING

9.1—Those required to register

All persons (except those specifically exempted) who seek to encourage the passage, defeat, or modification of legislation in the Senate or before its committees shall, before engaging in such activity, register as prescribed by law and the Joint Rules of the Florida Legislature.

9.2—Obligations of lobbyist

(1) A lobbyist shall supply facts, information, and opinions of principals to legislators from the point of view from which he or she openly declares. A lobbyist shall not offer or propose anything to improperly influence the official act, decision, or vote of a legislator.

(2) A lobbyist, by personal example and admonition to colleagues, shall uphold the honor of the legislative process by the integrity of his or her relationship with legislators.

(3) A lobbyist shall not knowingly and willfully falsify a material fact or make any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation or make or use any writing or document knowing the same contains any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or entry.

9.3—Lobbyists' requirements

A lobbyist shall adhere to the statutory requirements for lobbyists provided by law and the Joint Rules.

9.35—Contributions during sessions

During a regular legislative session, and during an extended or special session as further provided for in Rule 1.361(2), a lobbyist may not directly or indirectly contribute to a Senator's own campaign, or to any organization that is registered, or should have been registered, with the Rules Committee pursuant to Rule 1.361(3).

9.4—Advisory opinions

(1) A lobbyist, when in doubt about the applicability and interpretation of Rule Nine (9) in a particular context, may submit in writing a statement of the facts involved to the Rules Committee and may appear in person before said committee.

(2) The Rules Committee may render advisory opinions to any lobbyist who seeks advice as to whether or not the facts in a particular case will constitute a violation of these Rules. All opinions shall delete names and be numbered, dated, and published in the Journal.

9.5—Compilation of opinions

The Secretary shall compile all advisory opinions of the Rules Committee.

9.6—Violations; investigations, penalties

(1) Any person may file a sworn complaint with the Rules Chair alleging a violation of the Rules regulating the conduct and ethics of lobbyists. The complaint shall be based on personal knowledge, shall state detailed facts, shall specify the actions of the named lobbyist which form the basis for the complaint, and shall identify the specific Rule alleged by the complainant to have been violated by the lobbyist. Upon a determination by the Rules Chair that the complaint states facts supporting a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be referred to a special master. Upon a determination by the chair that the complaint fails to state facts supporting a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be dismissed. The special master shall conduct an investigation, shall give reasonable notice to the lobbyist who is alleged to have violated the Rules, and shall grant the lobbyist an opportunity to be heard unless the investigation fails to reveal facts supporting a finding of probable cause. A special master's report and recommendation is advisory only and shall be presented to the chair as soon as practicable after the close of the investigation. If the special master's report and recommendation conclude that the facts do not support a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be dismissed by the Rules Chair. If the complaint is not dismissed, the Rules Committee shall consider the special master's report and recommendation, shall grant the lobbyist an opportunity to be heard, and shall develop its own recommendation. If the Rules Committee votes to dismiss the complaint, the Rules Chair shall dismiss the complaint. Otherwise, the special master's report and recommendation and the recommendation of the Rules Committee shall be presented to the President. The President shall present the committee's recommendation, along with the special master's report and recommendation, to the Senate for final action.

(2) Any person determined to have violated the requirements of Rule Nine (9) shall be censured, reprimanded, placed on probation, or prohibited from lobbying for the duration of the session and from appearing before any Senate committee. Such determination shall be made by a majority vote of the Senate, on recommendation of the Rules Committee.

9.7—Committees to be diligent

Committees shall be diligent to ascertain whether those who appear before them, in other than an obviously individual capacity, have conformed to the requirements of Rule Nine (9), the Joint Rules, and any other applicable law, and shall report violations. No committee member shall knowingly permit an unregistered lobbyist to be heard.

9.8—Lobbyist expenditures and compensation

Chapter 2005-359, *Laws of Florida,* amends existing provisions of the law relating to legislative lobbying at the state level in Florida and adds new and substantial obligations, prohibitions, and requirements.

This Rule provides assistance to persons seeking to comply with the letter and spirit of the new law as it applies in the legislative context by refining the law and providing Interim Lobbying Guidelines and answers to 25 Frequently Asked Questions. It also is intended to provide guidance to the legislative committees that will participate in enforcing the new law.

Part One of the Guidelines refines and applies the new prohibition, with ten clearly stated exceptions, so that Senators and Senate employees can no longer directly or indirectly take any "expenditure" from a lobbyist or principal in either the public or private sector.

Part Two of the Guidelines refines and applies the underlying core requirement that "lobbying firms" must publicly disclose the compensation they receive for lobbying activities, and does so in a way that is narrowly tailored, furthers the state's compelling governmental interest in regulating legislative lobbying at the state level, and employs the least intrusive means available to do so.

This Rule sets out general principles. Outcomes depend heavily on underlying fact patterns that can vary greatly from case to case. Full disclosure of the operative facts must be provided and considered before a proper and correct answer can be derived.

A Senator may request an informal advisory opinion from the Senate General Counsel regarding the application of the new law and this Rule to a specific situation, on which the legislator may reasonably rely.

The houses of the Legislature are responsible for the administration and enforcement of the legislative lobbying portions of the new law. The legislative lobbying expenditure prohibitions are not part of the Florida Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees. Neither the Florida Commission on Ethics nor the Florida courts have jurisdiction to interpret these internal matters of the Legislature.

Part One—Expenditures

(1) General Guidelines

a) The Expenditure Prohibition

The new law contains a prohibition against lobbyists and principals making direct or *indirect* lobbying expenditures for legislators and legislative employees. It provides:

> [N]o lobbyist or principal shall make, directly or indirectly, and no member or employee of the Legislature shall knowingly accept, directly or indirectly, any *expenditure*.... (emphasis added).

The new expenditure prohibition applies only to expenditures made by lobbyists and principals. It applies whether or not the lobbyist, principal, legislator, or legislative employee is in Florida. Florida's gift law, section 112.3148, *Florida Statutes,* continues to apply to gifts to legislators and legislative employees from others.

Example: A legislator may accept a subscription to a newspaper or periodical that is neither published by, nor paid for, nor provided by a lobbyist or a principal.

Example: A legislator may not accept a free health screening or other personal service provided on behalf of an association that is a principal.

Example: A legislator may, as either a member or an invited guest, participate in meetings of, and partake of the food and beverage provided by a civic organization if the organization is not a principal.

The practical effect of this law is to prohibit expenditures for attempting to obtain the goodwill of a member or employee of the Legislature, and it is not designed to prohibit expenditures made in attempting to influence legislative action or non-action through oral or written communication.

b) Definitions

"Expenditure" is defined, essentially, as anything of value made by a lobbyist or principal *for the purpose of lobbying*.

"Lobbying," in turn, means: (1) influencing or attempting to influence legislative action through oral or written communication ("active lobbying"); or, (2) attempting to obtain the *goodwill* of a member or employee of the Legislature ("goodwill").

"Goodwill expenditure" is a gift, an entertainment, any food or beverage, lodging, travel, or any other item or service of personal benefit to a legislator or legislative employee.

Goodwill expenditures include contributions or donations from a lobbyist or a principal to a charitable organization that is, directly or indirectly, established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof.

A *"lobbyist"* is a person who is employed and receives payment, or who contracts for economic consideration, for the purpose of lobbying, or a person who is principally employed for governmental affairs by another person or governmental entity to lobby on behalf of that other person or governmental entity.

"Personal benefit" means a profit or gain pertaining to, directed toward, or affecting a person.

A *"principal"* means the person, firm, corporation, or other entity that has employed or retained a lobbyist. When an association has employed or retained a lobbyist, the association is the principal; *the individual members of the association are not principals merely because of their membership in the association*.

c) Honorarium-related Expenses

It is no longer permissible to accept from a lobbyist or principal, directly or indirectly, payment or reimbursement of expenses for travel, food, lodging, or beverage, related to speaking engagements or other honorarium-type events.

d) Indirect Expenditures

An indirect expenditure is an expenditure that is not made directly to a legislator or legislative employee, but is made to another with the purpose that the expenditure be used for the personal benefit of a legislator or legislative employee.

The new expenditure prohibition *expressly* prohibits any lobbyist or principal from directing prohibited lobbying expenditures through a surrogate or through any person who by his or her actions or activities is obligated to register as a lobbyist but has failed to do so. Third-party intermediaries, such as employees, members of associations and others, cannot be used to make prohibited expenditures.

Where an item or service (anything of value) is provided to a person *other* than a legislator or legislative employee by a lobbyist or principal and the item or service or the benefit attributable to the item or service ultimately is received by the legislator or employee, and where the item or service is provided with the intent to benefit the legislator or employee, such item or service constitutes a prohibited indirect expenditure to the legislator or employee.

Factors to be considered in determining whether a prohibited indirect expenditure has been made are set out on the following page in the joint functionality test:

TEST FOR DETERMINING LEGALITY OF AN INDIRECT EXPENDITURE

(1) The existence or nonexistence of communications by the lobbyist or principal indicating the lobbyist's or principal's intent to make or convey the item or service, or a personal benefit attributable to the item or service, to a legislator or employee rather than to the intervening third person;

(2) The existence or nonexistence of communications by the intervening third person indicating the intent to make or convey the lobbyist's or principal's item or service, or a personal benefit attributable to the item or service, to a legislator or employee rather than to the third person;

(3) The existence or nonexistence of any relationship between the lobbyist or principal and the third person, independent of the relationship between the lobbyist or principal and a legislator or employee, that would motivate the transfer to the third person;

(4) The existence or nonexistence of any relationship between the third person and a legislator or employee that would motivate the transfer;

(5) Whether the same or similar items or services have been or are being provided to other persons having the same relationship to the lobbyist or principal as the third person;

(6) Whether, under the circumstances, the third person had full and independent decision-making authority to determine whether a legislator or employee, or another, would receive the items or services, or a personal benefit attributable to the items or services;

(7) Whether the third person was acting with the knowledge or consent of, or under the direction of, the lobbyist or principal;

(8) Whether there were payments or the intention for any payments or bookkeeping transactions between the third person and the lobbyist or principal, reimbursing the third person for the items or services;

(9) The degree of ownership or control the lobbyist or principal had over the third person; and

(10) Whether a lobbyist or principal knew, or should have known, that an item or service provided to a third party would be used to provide a personal benefit to a legislator or employee, such as for the funding of a legislative reception or an event to be attended by legislators or employees.

The following examples illustrate some of the applications of the foregoing indirect expenditure criteria:

Example 1: A law firm which lobbies the Legislature invites all of its attorneys to attend a weekend retreat. The attorneys are encouraged to bring their spouses or significant others at the firm's expense. Legislator C is married to an attorney in the firm and has been asked by her spouse to attend the retreat. The lodging provided to Legislator C for the retreat, food and drink, firm t-shirts, and the like would be considered a gift to her from her spouse and thus not a prohibited indirect expenditure, because the firm's invitation was extended to Legislator C's spouse by virtue of his employment with the firm.

Example 2: Legislator D hosts a fox hunt attended by legislators and lobbyists. Lobbyists give money to a third person, who is not a legislator or a legislative employee, to pay for the food and beverages which will be served at the fox hunt. The third party orders and prepares the food and beverages. The money provided to the third person by the lobbyists would be a prohibited indirect expenditure to Legislator D because it was given with the intent of benefiting him and his guests at the fox hunt.

Example 3: Legislator N and spouse have arranged to take a vacation trip together. A legislative lobbyist meets with Legislator N's spouse and offers to pay for the spouse's travel expenses. The lobbyist and Legislator N's spouse know each other only through the lobbyist's involvement with the legislator. This would constitute a prohibited indirect expenditure to Legislator N under the new law.

e) Equal or Greater Compensation

An expenditure is not prohibited when equal or greater value is given contemporaneously by the recipient to the donor.

Therefore, it is not an expenditure if:

1. The fair market value of the event, meeting, or other activity, including any food, beverage, transportation, lodging, or any other thing of value, can readily be determined, and

2. The legislator or legislative employee pays his or her pro rata share of the total fair market value to the person or organization hosting the event contemporaneously with the time of attending or participating in the event.

Thus, if a lobbyist or principal provides $35 worth of goods or services to a legislator or legislative employee but the legislator or legislative employee *contemporaneously* provides *equal or greater consideration*, the lobbyist or principal has not provided *anything of value,* thus, there is no "expenditure."

f) Valuation

The law is silent as to the *valuation* of goods and services. *Fair market value* is the proper and applicable standard of valuation.

The retail price of an item or service is presumed to be its fair market value so long as it is reasonable in relation to the value of the item or service and the amount is not subsidized by a lobbyist or principal.

In valuing an expenditure, you may exclude the amount of additional expenses that are regularly required as a condition precedent to the donor's eligibility to make the expenditure if the amount expended for the condition precedent is primarily intended to be for a purpose other than lobbying, and is either primarily for the benefit of the donor or is paid to a charitable organization. Initiation fees and membership fees are examples of additional expenses that are regularly required as conditions precedent for eligibility to make an expenditure. Transportation expenses incurred to bring a member to an out-of-town event are not.

Entrance fees, admission fees, or tickets are normally valued on the face value or on a daily or per event basis. The portion of a ticket attributable to a charitable contribution is not included in the value. Conversely, if the ticket is subsidized by contributions of lobbyists or principals, the pro rata subsidized amount must be attributed to the face value.

A person providing transportation in a private automobile shall be considered to be making an expenditure at the then-current statutory reimbursement rate, which is currently 29 cents per mile. The value of transportation provided in other private conveyances must be calculated on its fair market value.

g) Exceptions

1. Relatives

A relative is an individual who is related to the member or employee as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, grandparent, grandchild, great grandchild, step grandparent, step great grandparent, step grandchild, or step great grandchild; any person who is engaged to be married to the member or employee or who otherwise holds himself or herself out as or is generally known as the person whom the member or employee intends to marry or with whom the member or employee intends to form a household; or any other natural person having the same legal residence as the member or employee.

This definition of "relative" is taken from former Joint Rule 1.4(4)(b), and has operated historically as an exception to the presumption that things of value given to a legislator or employee by a lobbyist or principal are intended for the purpose of engendering goodwill.

Example: A legislator is permitted to accept a Christmas gift from an aunt, even if she is a lobbyist. The gift is not deemed an expenditure made for the purpose of lobbying because of the family relationship between the donor and the donee.

2. Employment-related Compensation and Benefits

Salary, benefits, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses associated primarily with the recipient's employment, business, or service as an officer or director of a corporation or organization are not prohibited expenditures so long as they are given in an amount commensurate with other similarly situated employees, officers, or directors.

These sorts of expenditures are currently also excepted from the definition of a gift in section 112.312(12)(b), *Florida Statutes,* and are a necessary exception in order for many legislators to continue their employment or continue their service on boards and continue to serve in Florida's citizen Legislature.

Example: A legislator who is on the board of directors of an organization that has a lobbyist is nevertheless permitted to partake of food and beverage provided to the board members by the organization at its board meetings.

3. Political Organizations and Entities

An expenditure does not include contributions or expenditures reported pursuant to chapter 106, *Florida Statutes,* or its federal law counterpart; campaign-related personal services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering their time; any other contribution or expenditure made by a chapter 106 entity such as a candidate campaign, political committee, organization making electioneering communications, political party, or committee of continuous existence; or an entity qualified under section 501(c)(4) or section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Members are cautioned that these organizations or entities may not be used as a vehicle for skirting the new lobbying expenditure law. To the extent that funds come from lobbyists or principals, one should exercise great care that the expenditures are legal and appropriate for that particular organization or entity.

4. Communications Expenses

The expenditure prohibitions in the new law do not reach expenditures made by a lobbyist or principal for items such as "media advertising," "publications," "communications," and "research."

Expenditures for researching, gathering, collating, organizing, providing, or disseminating information for the *exclusive* purpose of "active lobbying" (influencing or attempting to influence legislative action through oral or written communication) are necessary for Floridians to be able to "instruct their representatives."

5. Office and Personal Expenses of Lobbyists and Principals

"Office expenses" and personal expenses of the lobbyist or principal for "travel," "lodging," and "food and beverages" as those items were defined in former Joint Rule 1.4(4)(c) are exempt from the prohibition on lobbying expenditures. This category does not include any expenses for legislators, legislative employees, or persons whose expenses would be attributed to them.

6. Government to Government Expenditures

Real property or a facility owned or operated by a state or local public agency or entity that is a lobbying principal and transportation to, from, and at the location provided by that agency or entity may, with the prior approval of the respective state legislative presiding officer or his or her designee, be used without payment, by a member, committee, or staff of the Legislature for a public legislative purpose. Such purposes include publicly noticed legislative committee meetings and site visits to operations conducted by the public agency or entity. Allowable free uses also specifically include legislative district offices and sub-offices and the normally attendant utilities, parking, janitorial services, building maintenance, and telecommunications equipment and services common to a government building in which the office is located. Allowable free use does not extend to sports or entertainment venues; does not include food, beverages, or entertainment; and does not include free parking privileges at any location other than a district office or sub-office.

7. Free and Open Public Events

Expenditures directly associated with events that are held within the Capitol complex, out-of-doors or under temporary shelter, open to the general public, widely and publicly noticed, free to all, not ticketed, and for which equal and totally unobstructed access to the general public is provided, are not prohibited expenditures made by lobbyists or principals, or when accepted by legislators or legislative employees.

Example: Atlas County, Florida, is holding Atlas Day in the plaza between the Capitol and the Historic Capitol. Lunch is served to all comers. The event was widely publicized and access to the event and the food and beverage is totally unobstructed. Legislators may partake as well.

8. Regional and National Legislative Organizations

The prohibition does not apply to expenditures made directly or indirectly by a state, regional, or national organization that promotes the exchange of ideas between, or the professional development of, governmental officials or employees, and whose membership is primarily composed of elected or appointed public officials or staff to members of

that organization or to officials or staff of the Legislature. This exception does not include extracurricular activities, entertainments, or items or services provided at conferences that are paid for or provided by a lobbyist or principal.

9. Monetary Value Impossible to Ascertain

The value of some items is *truly impossible* to quantify at the time of the expenditure. Expenditures for which a monetary value is not ascertainable at the time of the expenditure are not prohibited. Examples are: appearing on a news show or having a feature article about a legislator in a trade magazine or other medium, applause received by a legislator at an event, obtaining priority seating in a crowded restaurant or priority for obtaining services where there is an established queue, or the pro rata portion of a host's monthly or annual membership in an exclusive supper club.

10. Plaques and Certificates

The prohibition does not apply to personalized wall plaques, personalized photographs, or personalized certificates that have no substantial inherent value other than recognizing the donee's public, civic, charitable, or professional service.

h) Effect of Other Laws and Rules

To the extent that an expenditure is excluded or exempt from the new lobbying prohibition in section 11.045, *Florida Statutes, it is still subject to the restrictions and requirements in other statutes: most notably, the gift law (section 112.3148, Florida Statutes) and the campaign finance law (chapter 106, Florida Statutes).*

(2) Frequently Asked Questions

LEGISLATIVE EVENTS/RECEPTIONS

1. Question: Can a county legislative delegation or delegation office sponsor an annual event in Tallahassee on public grounds or in quarters belonging to either the Senate or the House of Representatives (i.e., "Flavors of Hillsborough")?

ANSWER: A county legislative delegation may host an annual event in Tallahassee *provided* that no free food, beverages, or other personal benefits to a legislator or legislative employee are paid for or provided by a lobbyist or principal, either directly or indirectly.

Legislators and legislative staff may pay an amount established and published by the delegation as the per-person cost of the event, or they may "pop in" and not partake of any food, beverage, or other personal benefit at the event. Alternatively, the delegation may make the event a free, open public event as described in Paragraph 1.g)7. above.

2. Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee go up to the 22nd floor of the Capitol and partake of free food and drink provided by an organization hosting a luncheon or event at the Capitol?

ANSWER: It depends. Yes, provided the organization hosting the event is not a principal *and* none of the food and beverages are paid for or provided by a lobbyist or principal. Otherwise, the legislator or legislative employee could attend the event but could not partake of the free food or beverages or they can pay the fair market value of what they consume.

3. Question: Can "legislative days" that provide food, beverages, entertainment, and other personal benefits to legislators or legislative employees during the session and are hosted by counties, cities, universities, and others that employ a lobbyist continue?

ANSWER: "Legislative days" and other legislative events funded by lobbyist or principal dollars may continue *provided* no free food, drink, entertainment, or other personal benefit is provided to a legislator or legislative employee, either directly or indirectly. Any such benefit would be a prohibited goodwill expenditure.

Legislators and legislative staff may pay an amount established and published by the sponsor as the per-person cost of the event, or they may "pop in" and not partake of any food, beverage, or other personal benefit at the event. Alternatively, the sponsor may make the event a free, open public event as described in Paragraph 1.g)7. above.

4. Question: Can a not-for-profit organization host receptions and events for legislators that provide food, beverages, entertainment, and other personal benefits to legislators or legislative employees through contributions solicited from lobbyists or principals who sponsor the reception or event?

ANSWER: The charity may host a reception or event for legislators and legislative employees *provided* that no free food, beverages, entertainment, or other personal benefit is provided to a legislator or legislative employee from the funds of lobbyists or principals.

Legislators and legislative employees may pay an amount established and published by the sponsor as the per-person cost of the event, or they may "pop in" and not partake of any food, beverage, or other personal benefit at the event. Alternatively, the sponsor may make the event a free, open public event as described in Paragraph 1.g)7. above.

5. Question: Can a lobbyist or principal host an event with food, beverages, entertainment, or other personal benefit for legislators or legislative employees and collect from each legislator or legislative employee, a flat, per-person entrance fee based on the total cost to plan, produce, stage, and clean up after the event, divided by the number of persons reasonably expected to attend?

ANSWER: Yes.

6. Question: Each year, a few associations host legislative receptions/BBQs and invite their members as well as legislators. They usually pass out campaign funds at these events to those who support their industry. Would it now be legal to host this event if it were called a "fundraiser?" Could legislators then accept free food and beverages at the event?

ANSWER: Senate Rule 1.361 precludes a senator, and House Rule 15.3 precludes a representative, from accepting a campaign contribution during a regular or special session, in addition to prohibiting them from accepting contributions on behalf of a section 527 or section 501(c)(4) organization, a political committee, a committee of continuous existence, a political party, or the campaign of any other senatorial candidate or candidate for representative, respectively. Thus, any fundraiser held during a regular or special session would violate the rules of each house.

Fundraisers not held during a regular or special session are outside the purview of the expenditure prohibitions in the new law. A goodwill lobbying expenditure does not include contributions or expenditures reported pursuant to chapter 106, *Florida Statutes.* However, if the facts and circumstances demonstrate that calling the event a "fundraiser" is merely an artifice for lobbyists or principals to provide free gifts, food, beverages, and other items or services of personal benefit to a legislator, not associated with influencing the results of an election, then the fundraiser would violate the expenditure prohibition of the new law. Note, also, that fundraisers remain subject to the contribution restrictions and requirements of Florida's campaign finance law (chapter 106, *Florida Statutes*).

HONORARIA EXPENSES

7. Question: Can a lobbyist or principal continue to pay or reimburse a legislator's or legislative employee's expenses for such items as food and beverages, travel, and lodging associated with an honorarium event?

ANSWER: No.

GIFTS TO LEGISLATORS

8. Question: Can a school child give a legislator a painting that he or she has made?

ANSWER: Yes. The prohibition against lobbying expenditures only applies to lobbyists and principals, and those acting on their behalf.

9. Question: Can a school student whose parent is a lobbyist or principal give a scarf that was purchased by the child's parent to a legislator as a gift?

ANSWER: It depends. The lobbying expenditure prohibition applies to all gifts from lobbyists or principals to legislators, directly or *indirectly*. A lobbyist or principal cannot use a third-party intermediary to circumvent the lobbying expenditure prohibition. Thus, if the facts and

circumstances demonstrate that the scarf is an indirect gift from the lobbyist or principal to the legislator, it would be prohibited.

10. Question: Can a legislator accept rent-free office space and associated building services from a city, county, or community college in his or her district that employs or retains a lobbyist?

ANSWER: Yes. See Paragraph 1.g)6. above for explanation and limitations.

11. Question: Can a legislator or legislative staff accept transportation services from another governmental entity?

ANSWER: Yes. See Paragraph 1.g)6. above for explanation and limitations.

12. Question: Are there any value limitations on the exceptions in the new law for "floral arrangements or other celebratory items given to legislators and displayed in chambers on the opening day of a regular session"?

ANSWER: Yes. All opening day flowers and floral arrangements are subject to the limitations and requirements of the gift law (section 112.3148, *Florida Statutes*). No other celebratory items will be allowed in either chamber on opening day of the regular session.

FOOD AND BEVERAGES/GIFTS

13. Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee and his or her spouse have dinner with a lobbyist friend the legislator or legislative employee has known for 30 years at the lobbyist's home, whether or not active lobbying occurs?

ANSWER: Yes, *provided* the legislator or legislative employee contemporaneously provides the lobbyist with the pro rata share of the total fair market value of the cost of the food and beverages provided to the legislator or legislative employee and his or her spouse, either in cash or barter (i.e., bottle of wine, flowers). Otherwise, the expenditure for food and beverages would constitute a prohibited goodwill expenditure, irrespective of the extent of the legislator's and lobbyist's friendship.

14. Question: Can a lobbyist or principal and legislator or legislative employee have dinner at a public restaurant?

ANSWER: Yes, *provided* the dinner is "Dutch treat."

15. Question: Can a lobbyist or principal and a legislator or legislative employee have dinner "Dutch treat" at the Governor's Club?

ANSWER: Yes, *provided* the legislator or legislative employee pays the total cost of all food and beverage that he or she was served or consumed, or that was served to or consumed by a person whose expenditures are attributed to the legislator or legislative employee.

16. Question: Can a lobbyist's business partner, employee, spouse, or child, who is not a registered lobbyist, accompany the lobbyist and legislator or legislative employee to dinner and pay for all the food and beverages if the partner, employee, spouse, or child does not actively lobby?

ANSWER: No. The lobbying expenditure prohibition applies to all food and beverages provided by lobbyists or principals to legislators or legislative employees, directly or *indirectly*. A lobbyist or principal cannot utilize a third-party intermediary to channel gifts to legislators to circumvent the lobbying expenditure prohibition.

17. Question: If someone offers a legislator or legislative employee a drink at a bar, or any other gift or personal benefit, does the legislator or legislative employee have a duty to inquire if the donor is a lobbyist or principal?

ANSWER: Yes. A legislator or legislative employee is liable for *knowingly* accepting an expenditure from a lobbyist or principal, or someone acting on behalf of a lobbyist or principal. "Knowingly" has many statutory definitions, including that a person: (1) has *actual knowledge* of the information; (2) acts in *deliberate ignorance* of the truth or falsity of the information; or, (3) acts in *reckless disregard* of the truth or falsity of the information. Therefore, prudence dictates that the legislator or legislative employee, at a minimum, make *reasonable inquiry* as to the source of the proposed expenditure to determine whether it is prohibited. *Reasonableness* will turn on the facts and circumstances of each individual situation.

For example, a legislator receiving an invitation to an event to be held the next week, from an organization he or she is not familiar with would likely require that the legislator, *at a minimum*, consult the online directory of legislative principals and lobbyists, and perhaps make further inquiry if facts or circumstances come to light indicating that the organization might be making the expenditure on behalf of a lobbyist or principal. Similarly, a legislator offered a drink from someone he or she doesn't know in a Tallahassee bar or restaurant generally known to be frequented by lobbyists would probably be required, *at a minimum*, to ask whether the person is a lobbyist or principal or affiliated with a lobbyist or principal. On the other hand, a Miami legislator on personal holiday with his or her spouse at Busch Gardens in Tampa, who strikes up a friendship with a couple they don't know visiting from Colorado and who subsequently offers to pay for the legislator's and spouse's dinner probably has less of a duty to inquire whether either member of the couple is a Florida lobbyist or principal.

CHARITIES

18. Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee raise funds from lobbyists or principals for charitable causes?

ANSWER: Yes, *provided* the charity for which funds are sought is not directly or indirectly established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof. Otherwise, such a contribution or donation would constitute a prohibited goodwill expenditure.

19. Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee establish or operate a charitable foundation that relies on lobbyist or principal support?

ANSWER: No. A legislator or legislative employee may establish or operate a charitable organization but none of the money contributed or donated to the charity may be from lobbyists or principals. Such a contribution or donation would constitute a prohibited goodwill expenditure.

20. Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee sit on the board of a charitable organization that is not established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof? Can he or she accept free food and beverages provided by the charity and be reimbursed by the charity for expenses associated with the work of the charity (i.e., travel, lodging)?

ANSWER: Yes. A legislator or legislative employee may sit on the board of a charitable organization that receives donations and contributions from lobbyists, and may partake of free food, beverages, and other personal benefits provided by the charity to board members in connection with their service, including reimbursement of personal expenses incurred by board members in furtherance of the charity's work. A goodwill expenditure does not include salary, benefits, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses associated primarily with a legislator's or legislative employee's employment, business, or service as an officer or director of a corporation or organization. *However*, any such salary, benefit, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses cannot be from funds earmarked by lobbyists or principals to the charity for such purpose and must be received only for the legislator's or legislative employee's service as a member of the board.

21. Question: Can a legislative caucus that is established as a nonprofit group raise funds from lobbyists for its charitable causes?

ANSWER: It depends. If the legislative caucus or the nonprofit group is directly or indirectly established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof, then the answer is no.

If the legislative caucus or the nonprofit group is not directly or indirectly established by, organized by, or operated primarily by, or con-

trolled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof, then the answer is yes.

22. Question: Can a legislative caucus that is established as a nonprofit group host its own charity golf tournament funded by lobbyist or principal "sponsors" at a private club, where the cost of sponsorship buys an opportunity to play golf with a member of the caucus, and to make a presentation to the caucus before and after the event?

ANSWER: Yes, provided the legislative caucus or the nonprofit group is not directly or indirectly established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof, and the legislators and legislative employees pay their own golf fees and the per-person cost for food and beverage.

OTHER

23. Question: What happens when a legislator is married to, related to, or living with a lobbyist? Can the lobbyist pay for meals, lodging, etc.?

ANSWER: Yes, *provided* the lobbyist does not use the expenditure to actively lobby the legislator. Expenditures by "relatives" of a legislator for food, lodging, travel, and the like are specifically exempt from the definition of a goodwill expenditure.

24. Question: Can a legislator be employed by a lobbyist or principal? Can a legislator go to the employer's retreat and partake of food and beverages?

ANSWER: Yes. A goodwill expenditure does not include salary, benefits, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses *associated primarily with a legislator's or legislative employee's employment*, business, or service as an officer or director of a corporation or organization.

25. Question: Where a lobbyist or principal leaves a gift, such as a box of chocolates, in a legislator's office, what should the legislator do with the item?

ANSWER: When a legislator or legislative employee receives an item that they believe violates the prohibition against accepting an expenditure from a lobbyist or principal, the item must either be sent back to the donor or delivered to the Sergeant at Arms for disposal.

Part Two—Compensation

(1) General Guidelines

Chapter 2005-359, *Laws of Florida,* for the first time, requires the reporting of *compensation* received by *lobbying firms* for each calendar quarter, both in the aggregate and for each individual principal. Much of the reporting is done in dollar categories; however, if compensation from a single principal is $50,000 or more in a calendar quarter, the lobbying firm must report the specific dollar amount of the compensation, rounded to the nearest $1,000.

A "lobbying firm" is any business entity with a lobbyist, or an individual contract lobbyist, who gets paid to lobby for a principal. It is the lobbying firm that must report, *not the individual lobbyists in the firm* (except in the case of an individual contract lobbyist, where the lobbyist also comprises the entire lobbying firm).

Reports are due no later than 45 days after the end of each calendar quarter. Compensation reports must be filed electronically using the online filing system of the Office of Legislative Services.

The new law requires the senior partner, officer, or owner of the lobbying firm to certify to the veracity and completeness of each compensation report. This requirement is designed to discourage the mischaracterization and thus omission of reportable compensation through designations such as "media fees," "consulting services," "professional services," "governmental services," and other such artifices.

For example, if a law firm were paid a lump sum for rendering multiple types of services to a client, only one of which is lobbying, then the person certifying the report is responsible for properly and reasonably allocating the portion of the total fee received for lobbying activities and for activities other than lobbying. Only the compensation received for *lobbying* activities is to be reported on the compensation form.

The Legislature will use random audits supplemented by the lobbyist disciplinary process to hold the person certifying the compensation report and the lobbying firm accountable for making a true, complete, properly-allocated report as required by law. In addition, the certification brings every compensation report filer within the scope of potential criminal penalties in section 837.06, *Florida Statutes,* for culpable violations.

(2) Frequently Asked Questions

1. Question: Is an in-house, salaried lobbyist for an association, a governmental entity, or a corporation that does not derive income from principals for lobbying required to report compensation?

ANSWER: No. An association, a governmental entity, a corporation or other business entity that does not derive income from principals for lobbying, and its employee lobbyists, are not a "lobbying firm" as defined in section 11.045(1)(g), *Florida Statutes.* Only "lobbying firms" must report compensation as provided in section 11.045(3)(a), *Florida Statutes.*

2. Question: Does the prohibition against providing compensation to an individual or business entity that is not a lobbying firm mean that in-house lobbyists must either become a lobbying firm or cease lobbying?

ANSWER: No. The provision in question merely clarifies that reportable "compensation" under the law must be provided to a "lobbying firm," and not contracted or subcontracted through some "straw man" to circumvent compensation reporting requirements. The provision in question clarifies and emphasizes the statutory definition of "compensation" in section 11.045(1)(b), *Florida Statutes*, as "anything of value provided or owed to a *lobbying firm*."

RULE TEN

CHAMBER OF THE SENATE

10.1—Persons entitled to admission

No person shall be admitted to the main floor of the Senate Chamber while the Senate is sitting except present members of the Senate, all officers and employees of the Senate in the performance of their duties, and persons charged with messages or papers to the Senate. Also entitled to admission are the Governor or one (1) representative designated by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, Cabinet officers, former Governors, present and former United States Senators, present and former members of the House of Representatives of the United States and of this State, Justices of the Supreme Court, former State Senators of Florida, and persons by invitation of the President. A special section of the gallery shall be reserved for members of the families of Senators.

10.2—Exception

Except at the discretion of the President, no person entitled to admission shall be admitted if registered pursuant to Rule Nine (9). During a sitting, no person admitted under this Rule shall engage in any lobbying activity for or against any measure under consideration in the Senate.

10.3—Admission of media by President

Members of the media, in performance of their duties, shall be assigned to a section specifically set aside for them, and shall not be allowed on the Senate floor while the Senate is sitting, except with the approval of the President.

10.4—Attire

All persons on the main floor of the Senate Chamber and in the gallery (with the exception of visitors in that portion of the gallery set aside for the general public) shall wear appropriate business attire at all times while the Senate is sitting.

10.5—Gallery

No food or beverages shall be allowed in the gallery at any time.

RULE ELEVEN

CONSTRUCTION AND WAIVER OF RULES

11.1—Interpretation of Rules

It shall be the duty of the President, or the temporary presiding officer, to interpret all Rules.

11.2—Waiver and suspension of Rules

(1) These Rules shall not be waived or suspended except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present. The motion, when made, shall be decided without debate.

(2) A motion to waive a Rule requiring unanimous consent of the Senate shall require unanimous consent of those Senators present for approval.

11.3—Changes in Rules

(1) All proposed revisions of the Senate Rules shall be first referred to the Rules Committee, which shall report as soon as practicable. Consideration of such a report shall always be in order.

(2) The Rules Committee may originate reports and resolutions dealing with the Senate Rules and the Order of Business which may be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, and such power shall be exclusive, provided, however, that any report made pursuant to this Rule may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Senators present.

11.4—Majority action

Unless otherwise indicated by the Senate Rules or the *State Constitution*, all action by the Senate or any of its committees or subcommittees, including references to members or Senators present, shall be by majority vote of those Senators present and voting.

See FLA. CONST. art. X, s. 12(e) Rules of construction.

11.5—Uniform construction

When in the Senate Rules reference is made to "two-thirds (2/3) of those present," "two-thirds (2/3) vote," "two-thirds (2/3) of the Senate," "two-thirds (2/3) of those voting," etc., these shall all be construed to mean two-thirds (2/3) of those Senators present and voting, except that two-thirds (2/3) of the membership of the Senate shall be required to consider additional proposed legislation in any extended session in accordance with Article III, Section 3 of the *State Constitution*.

11.6—General

When used in the Senate Rules, the following words shall, unless the text otherwise indicates, have the following respective meaning: the singular always includes the plural. Except where specifically provided or where the context indicates otherwise, the use of the word "bill," "measure," "question," or "matter" means a bill, joint resolution, concurrent resolution, resolution, or memorial; however, "matter" also means an amendment, an appointment, or a suspension.

11.7—Sources of procedural authority

The latest edition of *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*, *Jefferson's Manual*, or other manuals of comparable legislative application may be consulted, but shall not be binding, when a question of parliamentary procedure is not addressed by the *State Constitution*, these Rules, Joint Rules, or prior rulings of the presidents.

RULE TWELVE

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS, APPOINTMENTS, SUSPENSIONS, AND REMOVALS

PART ONE—EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

12.1—Executive session; authority

The business of the Senate shall be transacted openly and not in executive session except under conditions pursuant to Article III, Section 4(b) of the *State Constitution*.

12.2—Executive session; purpose

Pursuant to Article III, Section 4(b) of the *State Constitution*, the Senate may resolve itself into executive session for the sole purpose of considering appointment, removal, or suspension. No one shall be in attendance except Senators, the Secretary, and staff as approved by the President, who shall be sworn not to disclose any executive business without consent of the Senate.

12.3—Executive session; vote required

When the Senate agrees, by a majority of those Senators present, that specified appointments, removals, or suspensions shall be considered in executive session, such shall be calendared for formal consideration by the Senate.

12.4—Executive session; work product confidentiality

All information and remarks including committee work product concerning the character and qualification, together with the vote on each appointment, removal, or suspension considered in executive session shall be kept confidential except information on which the bans of confidentiality were lifted by the Senate while in executive session.

12.5—Executive session; separate Journal

A separate Journal shall be kept of executive proceedings of the Senate, and no information regarding same shall be made public except by order of the Senate or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

12.6—Violation of Rule

Violation of the above Rules as to the confidentiality of the proceedings of executive sessions shall be considered by the Senate as sufficient grounds for unseating the offending Senator.

PART TWO—APPOINTMENTS, SUSPENSIONS, AND REMOVALS

12.7—Procedure; generally

Except as otherwise herein provided, on receipt by the Senate of appointments or suspensions on which action by the Senate is required, the President shall refer each to the Ethics and Elections Committee, other appropriate committee or committees, or a special master appointed by the President. Any such committee, subcommittee, or special master shall make inquiry or investigation and hold hearings, as appropriate, and advise the President and the Senate with a recommendation and the necessity for deliberating the subject in executive session. Reports and findings of the committee, subcommittee, or special master appointed pursuant hereto are advisory only and shall be made to the President. The report of the committee, subcommittee, or special master may be privileged and confidential. The President may order the report presented to the Senate in either open or executive session, or the President may refer it to the Rules Committee for its consideration and report. When the report is presented to the Senate during an open sitting or received by the Rules Committee, the report shall lose its privileged and confidential character.

12.8—Procedure on executive appointments

(1) Upon receipt of a request from the Governor or other appointing official or authority for the return of the documentation of an appointment, which appointment has not been acted upon by the Senate, the Secretary, upon consultation with the President, shall return the appointment documentation and the return shall be noted in the Journal.

The appointee whose appointment was returned continues in office until the end of the next ensuing regular session of the Legislature or until the Senate confirms a successor, whichever occurs first.

(2) If the appointment returned was made by the Governor, official or authority's predecessor, the appointee shall not be subject to the provisions of section 114.05(1)(e) or (f), *Florida Statutes*, during the period of withdrawal.

(3) If the appointment returned was made by the Governor, official or authority requesting the return, for purposes of section 114.05(1)(e) and (f), *Florida Statutes*, the returned appointment shall be treated as if the Senate failed to consider the appointment.

12.9—Procedure upon receipt of an executive suspension

(1) Unless suspension proceedings are held in abeyance, the committee, subcommittee, or special master shall institute action by transmitting a notice of hearing for a prehearing conference or a hearing on the merits within three (3) months after the effective date of the suspension order. The Governor and the suspended official shall be given reasonable notice in writing of any hearing or prehearing conference before the committee, subcommittee, or special master. If the Governor files an amended suspension order, the attention of the Senate, committee, subcommittee, or special master shall be directed at the amended suspension order.

(2) An executive suspension of a public official who has pending against him or her criminal charges, or an executive suspension of a public official that is challenged in a court shall be referred to the Ethics and Elections Committee, other appropriate committee, or special master; however, all inquiry or investigation or hearings thereon shall be held in abeyance and the matter shall not be considered by the Senate, committee, subcommittee, or special master until the pending charges have been dismissed, or until final determination of the criminal charges at the trial court level, or until the final determination of a court challenge, if any, and the exhaustion of all appellate remedies for any of the above. The committee, subcommittee, or special master shall institute action within three (3) months after the conclusion of any pending proceedings. In a suspension case in which the criminal charge is a misdemeanor, the committee, subcommittee, or special master and the Senate may proceed if the written consent of counsel for the Governor and of the suspended official is obtained.

(3) The committee, subcommittee, or special master may provide for a prehearing conference with counsel for the Governor and the suspended official to narrow the issues involved in the suspension. At such conference, both the Governor and the suspended official shall set forth the names and addresses of all the witnesses they intend to call, the nature of their testimony, photocopies of all documentary evidence, and a description of all physical evidence that will be relied on by the parties at the hearing. Each shall state briefly what each expects to prove by such testimony and evidence. The suspended official may file with the Secretary, no later than ten (10) days prior to the first (1st) prehearing conference, or no later than the date set by the committee, subcommittee, or special master if no prehearing conference is held, all written defenses or matters in avoidance of the charges contained in the suspension order.

(4) When it is advisable, the committee, subcommittee, or special master may request that the Governor file a bill of particulars containing a statement of further facts and circumstances supporting the suspension order. Within twenty (20) days after receipt of the Governor's bill of particulars, the suspended officer shall file a response with the committee, subcommittee, or special master. Such response shall specifically admit or deny the facts or circumstances set forth in the Governor's bill of particulars, and may further make such representation of fact and circumstances or assert such further defenses as are responsive to the bill of particulars or as may bear on the matter of the suspension.

(5) The Senate may act on the recommendations of the committee, subcommittee, or special master at any time it is sitting but shall do so no later than the end of the next regular session of the Legislature.

(6) Within sixty (60) days after the Senate has completed final action on the recommendation of the committee, subcommittee, or special master, any party to the suspension matter may request the return, at that party's expense, of any exhibit, document, or other evidence introduced by that party. After the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date the Senate has completed final action, the committee, subcommittee, or special master may dispose of such exhibits or other evidence.

See FLA. CONST. art. IV, s. 7(b) Suspensions; filling office during suspensions.

12.10—Adjudication of guilt not required to remove suspended officer

For the purposes of Article IV, Section 7(b) of the *State Constitution*, the Senate may find that the suspended official has committed a felony notwithstanding that a court may have withheld adjudication of guilt upon which the suspension order is based in whole or in part.

12.11—Special master; appointment

The President may appoint and contract for the services of a special master to perform such duties and make such reports in relation to suspensions and removals as he or she shall prescribe.

12.12—Special master; floor privilege

With consent of the President, the special master may have the privilege of the Senate floor to present and explain the report and answer questions as to the law and facts involved.

12.13—Issuance of subpoenas and process

The committee, subcommittee, and special master shall each have the authority to request the issuance of subpoenas, subpoenas duces tecum, and other necessary process under Rule 2.2. The committee chair, subcommittee chair, and special master may each administer all oaths and affirmations in the manner prescribed by law to witnesses who shall appear to testify on matters pending before the committee, subcommittee, or special master.

12.14—Rule takes precedence

In any situation where there is a direct conflict between the provisions of Rule Twelve (12) and part V of chapter 112, *Florida Statutes*, Rule Twelve (12), derived from Article III, Section 4(a) of the *State Constitution*, shall take precedence.

RULE THIRTEEN

SPECIAL SESSION

13.1—Applicability of Senate Rules

All Senate Rules shall apply and govern during special sessions except to the extent specifically modified or contradicted herein.

13.2—Sittings of the Senate

The Senate shall convene pursuant to a schedule provided by the President or at the hour established by the Senate at its last sitting.

13.3—Committee meetings; schedule, notice

(1) Committee meetings shall be scheduled by the President.

(a) Meetings of committees scheduled in accordance with this Rule may be held after notice is published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor rotunda on the fourth (4th) floor of the Capitol for two (2) hours in advance of the meeting. If possible, such notice shall appear in the daily calendar.

(b) A committee may meet less than two (2) hours after the convening of a special session if a notice is filed with the Secretary by 5:00 p.m. of the day prior to the meeting.

(2) The notice shall include the date, time, and place of the meeting together with the name of the introducer, subject, number of each bill to be considered, and the amendment deadline for the meeting. All other

provisions for publication of notice of committee meetings are suspended.

13.4—Delivery for introduction

All bills for introduction may be delivered to the Secretary at any time.

13.5—Committee reports

(1) Bills referred to a standing committee or committees shall be reported to the Secretary before 4:30 p.m. of the third (3rd) calendar day after the day of reference (the day of reference not being counted as the first (1st) day) unless otherwise ordered by the Senate by majority vote of those Senators present.

(2) Any bill on which no committee report is filed as required above may be withdrawn from such committee and placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second (2nd) Reading on a point of order.

(3) Bills referred to a standing subcommittee shall be reported to the standing committee at a time specified by the chair of the standing committee which shall not be beyond the time allowed herein.

13.6—Conference committee reports

(1) The report of a conference committee appointed pursuant to Rule 1.5 shall be read to the Senate and, on the completion of the reading, the vote shall be on the adoption or rejection thereof and final passage of the measure as recommended. A conference committee report shall be made available to the membership two (2) hours prior to the beginning of debate of the report by the Senate.

(2) The report must be acted on as a whole, being adopted or rejected, and each report shall include a statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of the report on the measure to which it relates.

(3) Conference committees, other than a conference committee on a general or special appropriations bill and its related legislation, shall consider and report only on the differences existing between the Senate and the House, and no substance foreign to the bills before the conferees shall be included in the report or considered by the Senate.

(4) A conference committee may only report by recommending the adoption of a series of amendments to the House or Senate bill that was the subject of the conference, or it may offer an amendment deleting everything after the enacting clause of any such bill referred to the committee. In any event, the conference committee may recommend, as part of its report, the adoption or rejection of any or all of the amendments theretofore adopted by either house.

(5) When conferees on the part of the Senate report an inability to agree, any action of the Senate taken prior to such reference to a conference committee shall not preclude further action on said measure as the Senate may determine.

(6) After Senate conferees have been appointed for thirty-six (36) hours and have failed to make a report, it is a motion of the highest privilege to move to discharge said Senate conferees and to appoint new conferees, or to instruct said Senate conferees.

13.7—Reconsideration

A motion to reconsider shall be made and considered on the same day when made.

13.8—Procedure to establish Special Order Calendars

(1) The Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader shall together submit a Special Order Calendar determining the list of bills for consideration by the Senate. The President shall determine the order in which such bills appear on the published Special Order Calendar.

See Rule 4.16—Consideration out of regular order.

(2) Such Special Order Calendar shall be published in one (1) daily calendar and may be considered on the day published. The amendment deadline for bills on the Special Order Calendar shall be 5:00 p.m. or two (2) hours after the Special Order Calendar is announced, whichever occurs later.

RULE FOURTEEN

SEAL AND INSIGNIA

14.1—Seal and insignia

(1) There shall be an official seal of the Senate. The seal shall be the size of a circle of two and one-half inches diameter having in the center thereof a fan of the five flags which have flown over Florida, above a disc containing the words: "In God We Trust" arched above a gavel, quill, and scroll. At the top of the field of flags shall be the word: "Seal." At the bottom shall be the date: "1838." The perimeter of the seal shall contain the words: "Senate" and "State of Florida."

(2) There shall be an official coat of arms for the Senate. The coat of arms shall contain a fan of the five flags that have flown over Florida, above the Great Seal of Florida. At the base of the coat of arms shall be the words: "The Florida Senate."

(3) The Senate Seal, the Senate Coat of Arms, official Senate stationery, calling cards, and facsimiles thereof may be used only in connection with official Senate business.

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(With Revisions)

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Education

Senator Galvano, Chair; Senator Montford, Vice Chair; Senators Abruzzo, Bean, Benacquisto, Bullard, Detert, Hukill, Legg, Richter, Sachs, Simmons and Thrasher

Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax

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Joint Committee on Public Counsel Oversight
Senator Joyner, Alternating Chair; Senators Altman, Evers, Hukill and Stargel

Joint Legislative Auditing Committee
Senator Abruzzo, Alternating Chair; Senators Bradley, Hays, Ring and Simpson

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Senator Hays, Co-Chair; Senators Benacquisto, Grimsley, Ring and Soto

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Senator Negron, Alternating Chair; Senators Gardiner, Hays, Margolis, Richter, Smith and Thrasher

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

The Journal of March 27, 2012 Extraordinary Apportionment Session was corrected and approved.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Senator Thrasher, the Senate adjourned at 3:20 p.m. for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business to reconvene at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 12 or upon call of the President.

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