

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2017 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Appropriations

HB 5501 — Economic Programs

by Transportation and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee and Rep. Ingram

The bill:

- Eliminates the Displaced Homemaker Program.
- Terminates the Displaced Homemaker Trust Fund.
- Reduces the surcharge on marriage license applications by \$7.50.
- Institutes comprehensive transparency and accountability measures on Visit Florida.
- Institutes comprehensive transparency and accountability measures on Enterprise Florida.
- Redirects \$75 million of revenue from the State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund to the General Revenue Fund.
- Provides a \$25 million recurring appropriation for Visit Florida.
- Provides a \$16 million recurring appropriation for Enterprise Florida.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2017.

Vote: Senate 29-8; House 74-34