

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2020 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Agriculture

CS/SB 1276 — Department of Citrus

by Appropriations Committee and Senator Albritton

The bill established the Friends of Florida Citrus Program within the Department of Citrus (department). It provides for the powers and duties of the program and requires any funds received to be deposited into the Florida Citrus Advertising Trust Fund within the department. It also creates the Friends of Florida Citrus Advisory Council, which is to advise and provide recommendations to the Florida Citrus Commission regarding the use of any funds received for the Friends of Florida Citrus Program.

The bill authorizes the department to loan its employees to or to share its employees with specified state and federal entities and to enter into related agreements with such entities. The bill also deletes provisions setting out the required work schedule and staffing of the department.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2020

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 116-0