THE FLORIDA SENATE 2022 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

CS/SB 438 — United States Space Force

by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security Committee and Senator Burgess

The bill updates definitions and references in the Florida Statutes to include the United States Space Force, the newest branch of the United States Armed Forces. In several statutory references, the United States Space Force is added to existing illustrative lists of entities which are components of the United States Armed Forces.

CS/SB 438 also updates the names of two United States Space Force facilities which are located in Florida and which now operate as Space Launch Delta 45, a Space Force operational unit. The two facilities which are renamed are Patrick Space Force Base, previously known as Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Space Force Station, previously known as Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2022, except where otherwise provided.

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 113-0

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