

## Committee on Rules

### **HB 7163 — Ratification of Rules/Department of Juvenile Justice**

by Rulemaking Oversight and Repeal Subcommittee; and Rep. Gaetz

The bill ratifies several administrative rules the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) has recently adopted, resulting in them becoming effective. On February 24, 2014, the DJJ adopted Chapters 63M-2 and 63N-1, implementing a legislative mandate to adopt rules ensuring the effective provision of ordinary medical care, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, and services to youth with developmental disabilities.

The statutorily required Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs showed Rules 63M-2.0052, 63M-2.006, 63N-1.0076, 63N-1.0084, and 63N-1.0085, F.A.C., each impose regulatory costs exceeding \$1 million over the first 5 years the rule is in effect. Accordingly, these rules must be ratified by the Legislature before they can become effective. The rules reflect existing policies, practices, and procedures of the DJJ. Therefore, according to the department, they are not expected to change the procedures used in providing the affected services or change the cost of providing those services.

The scope of the bill is limited to this rulemaking condition and does not adopt the substance of any rule into the statutes.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

*Vote: Senate 35-0; House 114-1*