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**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**GOVERNMENTAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

Senator Avila, Chair  
 Senator Polsky, Vice Chair

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, March 7, 2023

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** *Mallory Horne Committee Room, 37 Senate Building*

**MEMBERS:** Senator Avila, Chair; Senator Polsky, Vice Chair; Senators Albritton, Davis, Hooper, Rodriguez, Rouson, and Wright

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	<b>SB 242</b> Garcia (Identical H 955)	<p>Fiscal Accountability; Requiring state entities to include any documents submitted which indicate the use of state funds as remuneration under certain contracts, beginning on a specified date; deleting a provision requiring state entities to publish payments on a specified website; requiring that contracts for services executed, amended, or extended beginning on a specified date require contractors to provide specified documentation to be included in the state contracting system and posted to the contractor's website, if applicable, etc.</p> <p>GO      03/07/2023 Fav/CS AP</p>	Fav/CS Yea 8 Nays 0
2	<b>SB 726</b> Rodriguez (Similar H 643)	<p>Library Cooperative Funding; Revising the funding source for a library cooperative from a grant provided by the state to an appropriation from the state; deleting a limitation on the funding a library cooperative is eligible to receive, etc.</p> <p>GO      03/07/2023 Fav/CS ATD AP</p>	Fav/CS Yea 8 Nays 0
3	<b>SB 110</b> Hooper (Compare H 1139)	<p>State Board of Administration; Authorizing the board and certain affiliated entities and ventures to issue securities and borrow money through specified means; requiring the ownership of an entity holding title to real property to be vested in the name of the System Trust Fund; requiring the board's evaluation of an investment to be based solely on pecuniary factors, etc.</p> <p>GO      03/07/2023 Fav/CS BI AP</p>	Fav/CS Yea 5 Nays 3

**A proposed committee substitute** for the following bill (SB 110) is expected to be considered:

<b>3</b>	<b>SB 110</b> Hooper (Compare H 1139)	<p>State Board of Administration; Authorizing the board and certain affiliated entities and ventures to issue securities and borrow money through specified means; requiring the ownership of an entity holding title to real property to be vested in the name of the System Trust Fund; requiring the board's evaluation of an investment to be based solely on pecuniary factors, etc.</p> <p>GO      03/07/2023 Fav/CS BI AP</p>	
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Governmental Oversight and Accountability

Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 4:00—6:00 p.m.

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
4	<b>SB 364</b>	Bereavement Benefits for Law Enforcement Officers; Citing this act as the "Respecting the Sacrifice of Law Enforcement Officers Act"; authorizing the head of a law enforcement agency to grant administrative leave to law enforcement officers under certain circumstances; authorizing the head of a law enforcement agency to designate specified travel as official state business; revising the sum paid on the behalf of specified law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty for funeral and burial expenses, etc.	Fav/CS Yea 8 Nays 0
GO	03/07/2023 Fav/CS		
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5	<b>SB 234</b>	Statutorily Required Reports; Revising the procedure for filing statutorily required or authorized reports; requiring state entities to redact exempt or confidential and exempt information from reports before filing; providing that the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State or the department, or any contractor thereof, is not responsible for redaction and may not be held liable for the failure of a state entity to redact exempt or confidential and exempt information from its reports; requiring the division to compile and annually update a list of all statutorily required reports and their submission dates, etc.	Favorable Yea 8 Nays 0
GO	03/07/2023 Favorable		
FP			
6	<b>SB 256</b>	Employee Organizations Representing Public Employees; Requiring a public employee who desires to be a member of an employee organization to sign a membership authorization form beginning on a specified date; requiring an employee organization to revoke a public employee's membership upon receipt of his or her written request for revocation; prohibiting certain employee organizations from having dues and uniform assessments deducted and collected by the employer from certain salaries; revising requirements for applications for initial registrations and renewals of registration of employee organizations; revising prohibitions for employee organizations and certain persons and entities relating to employee organizations, etc.	Fav/CS Yea 5 Nays 3
GO	03/07/2023 Fav/CS		
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Other Related Meeting Documents

**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

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BILL: CS/SB 242

INTRODUCER: Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senator Garcia

SUBJECT: Fiscal Accountability

DATE: March 8, 2023

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1. <u>Limones-Borja</u>	<u>McVaney</u>	<u>GO</u>	<u>Fav/CS</u>
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**Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:**

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

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## I. Summary:

CS/SB 242 requires any nonprofit organization that receives state funds through a contract with the State, on or after July 1, 2023, to post documents that indicate the amount of state funds it used for the remuneration of its board of directors or officers to the contract tracking system.

The bill requires state entities that execute, amend, or extend a contract with a nonprofit organization on or after July 1, 2023, to include in the contract a requirement that the contractor nonprofit provide documentation indicating its use of state funds for remuneration on a per-contract and per-allocation basis. The required documentation must specify the amounts and recipients of the remuneration. The bill also requires a state entity to post this documentation to the Florida Accountability Contract Tracking System, and the nonprofit organizations to post this documentation to its website, if it maintains one.

The impact on state government expenditures is indeterminate, but most likely insignificant. The Department of Financial Services will likely incur costs modifying the contract management system to include the information required by the bill.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

## II. Present Situation:

### Transparency Florida Act

Section 215.985, F.S., is referred to as the Transparency Florida Act (the Act). The Act mandates the Executive Office of the Governor, in consultation with the appropriations committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives, to establish and maintain a single website that provides access to all other websites required under s. 215.985, F.S. The single website, and other websites must:

- Be constructed for usability and provide an intuitive user experience;
- Provide a consistent visual design, interaction or navigation design and information or data presentation;
- Be deployed in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act; and
- Be compatible with all major web browsers.

The outcome of this requirement has been the single webpage known as “Transparency Florida,”<sup>1</sup> an initiative to ensure accountability in how the state spends its money. The Transparency Florida website allows Florida citizens to view state budgets, payments, and contracts in order to hold state government accountable. The website provides links to:

- Florida Accountability Contract Tracking System (FACTS);
- Local Government Financial Reporting;
- State Payments;
- State Financial Reports;
- State Employee Data;
- State Contract Audits;
- State Economic Incentives Program; and
- State Financial Reports.

### *Florida Accountability Contract Tracking System*

The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is required to establish and maintain a secure contract tracking system available for viewing and downloading by the public through a secure website.<sup>2</sup> The Department of Financial Services (DFS) maintains and updates the contract tracking system. The tracking system contains contracts, grant awards, and amendments to contracts.

Within 30 days after executing a contract, each state entity is required to post the following information relating to the contract on the contract tracking system:

- The names of the contracting entities;
- The procurement method;
- The contract beginning and ending dates;
- The nature or type of commodities or services purchased;
- Applicable contract unit prices and deliverables;
- Total compensation to be paid or received under the contract;

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<sup>1</sup> Department of Financial Services, *Transparency Florida*, available at <https://www.myfloridacfo.com/Transparency/> (last visited Feb. 24, 2023).

<sup>2</sup> Section 215.985(14), F.S.

- All payments made to the contractor to date;
- Applicable contract performance measures;
- If a competitive solicitation was not used to procure the goods and services, the justification of the action, including citation to a statutory exemption from competitive solicitation if any; and
- Electronic copies of the contract and procurement documents that have been redacted to exclude confidential information or exempt information.<sup>3</sup>

The state entity that is a party to the contract must update the information on the contract tracking system within 30 calendar days after an amendment to an existing contract.

Records made available on the contract tracking system may not reveal information made confidential or exempt by law. Each state entity that is a party to a contract must redact confidential and exempt information from the contract and procurement documents before posting an electronic copy on the contract tracking system.<sup>4</sup> A request to redact confidential and exempt information must be made in writing and delivered by mail, facsimile, electronic transmission, or in person to the state entity. The CFO and the DFS, or an employee thereof, is not responsible for redacting confidential or exempt information contained on the system or the failure of a state entity to redact the confidential or exempt information. The CFO may regulate and prohibit the posting of records that could facilitate identity theft or fraud. Such action by the CFO does not supersede the duty of a public entity to provide a copy of a public record upon request.<sup>5</sup>

### **Contract Terms**

Each public agency contract for services entered into or amended on or after July 1, 2020, must authorize the public agency to inspect the:

- Financial records, papers, and documents of the contractor that are directly related to the performance of the contract or the expenditure of state funds.
- Programmatic records, papers, and documents of the contractor that the public agency determines are necessary to monitor the performance of the contract or to ensure that the terms of the contract are being met.<sup>6</sup>

The contract must require the contractor to provide the records, papers, and documents requested by the public agency within 10 business days after the request is made.<sup>7</sup>

### **III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

**Section 1** amends s. 215.985, F.S., to require state entities to post to the Florida Accountability Contract Tracking System (FACT system) any documentation it receives pursuant to s. 216.1366, F.S., which evinces a contractor nonprofit organization's use of state funds for remuneration of its board of directors or officers. This requirement applies only to contracts with

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<sup>3</sup> Section 215.985(14)(a), F.S.

<sup>4</sup> Section 215.985(14)(d), F.S.

<sup>5</sup> Section 215.985(14)(f), F.S.

<sup>6</sup> Section 216.1366(1), F.S.

<sup>7</sup> Section 216.1366(2), F.S.

nonprofit organizations that are executed, amended, or extended on or after July 1, 2023, and pursuant to which the state entity makes a payment of state funds.

**Section 2** amends s. 216.1366, F.S., to require any contract for services executed, amended, or extended on or after July 1, 2023 with a nonprofit organization, to include the amount of state funds:

- Allocated to be used during the full term of the contract for remuneration to any member of the board of directors or an officer of the contractor.
- Allocated under each payment by the public agency to be used for remuneration of any member of the board of directors or an officer of the contractor.

The documentation must indicate the amounts and recipients of the remuneration.

Section 2 requires that such information be included in the FACT system maintained pursuant to s. 215.985, F.S., and be posted on the nonprofit's website, if it maintains one.

Section 2 defines the following terms:

- "Officer" means a chief executive officer, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, or any other position performing an equivalent function.
- "Remuneration" means all compensation earned by or awarded to personnel, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency, including bonuses, accrued paid time off, severance payments, incentive payments, contributions to a retirement plan, or in-kind payments, reimbursements, or allowances for moving expenses, vehicles and other transportation, telephone services, medical services, housing, and meals.
- "State funds" means funds paid from the General Revenue Fund or any state trust fund, funds allocated by the Federal Government and distributed by the state, or funds appropriated by the state for distribution through any grant program. The term does not include funds used for the state Medicaid program.

**Section 3** provides the bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

#### **IV. Constitutional Issues:**

##### **A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

Not applicable. The bill does not require counties and municipalities to spend funds, reduce counties' or municipalities' ability to raise revenue, or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties and municipalities.

##### **B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

##### **C. Trust Funds Restrictions:**

None.

**D. State Tax or Fee Increases:**

None.

**E. Other Constitutional Issues:**

None identified.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**

**A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

To implement section 2 of the bill, a nonprofit organization may incur costs associated with making changes necessary to post the required information on its website.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

To implement section 2 of the bill, DFS may incur costs in modifying its website to include the information required by the act.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends the sections 215.985 and 216.1366 of the Florida Statutes.

**Additional Information:**

**A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

**CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability on March 7, 2023:**

The committee substitute requires the state entity to post any documents submitted that indicate the use of state funds as remuneration to the contract tracking system. The term “state contracting system” in the original bill is corrected to read “state contract tracking system.” The committee substitute also makes conforming changes in the title.

**B. Amendments:**

None.

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This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Polksky) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

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3                   Before line 18

4                   insert:

5                   Section 1. Section 16.0156, Florida Statutes, is created to  
6                   read:

7                   16.0156 Legal representation contracts.—

8                   (1) As used in this section, the term:

9                   (a) "Department" means the Department of Legal Affairs.

10                   (b) "Legal representation contract" means any contract for



11 legal services, other than a contingency fee agreement, entered  
12 into by the department with a private attorney.

13 (c) "Private attorney" includes a law firm.

14 (2) Beginning July 1, 2023, any legal representation  
15 contract executed, amended, or extended between the department  
16 and a private attorney must require the private attorney to  
17 provide documentation that indicates the amount of state funds:

18 (a) Allocated to be used during the full term of the legal  
19 representation contract to pay any private attorney.

20 (b) Allocated under each payment by the department to the  
21 private attorney for services rendered. The documentation must  
22 include the private attorney's hourly rate and detailed  
23 contemporaneous time records to the nearest one-tenth of an hour  
24 which indicate the services rendered.

25 (3) The information required under subsection (2) must be  
26 included in the state contracting system maintained pursuant to  
27 s. 215.985 and must be posted on the private attorney's website,  
28 if the private attorney maintains a website.

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30 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====  
31 And the title is amended as follows:

32 Delete line 2

33 and insert:

34 An act relating to fiscal accountability; creating s.  
35 16.0156, F.S.; defining terms; requiring any legal  
36 representation contract between the Department of  
37 Legal Affairs and a private attorney to require the  
38 private attorney to provide specified documentation;  
39 requiring such information to be included in the state



40 contracting system and posted on the private  
41 attorney's website, if applicable; amending s.



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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Garcia) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

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3                   Delete lines 29 - 32

4 and insert:

5 or after July 1, 2023, the state entity shall post any documents  
6 submitted pursuant to s. 216. 1366 which indicate the use of  
7 state funds as remuneration under the contract or a specified  
8 payment associated with the contract on the contract tracking  
9 system By January 1,

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12 ===== TITLE AMENDMENT =====  
13 And the title is amended as follows:  
14 Delete lines 3 - 6  
15 and insert:  
16 215. 985, F.S.; requiring state entities to post any  
17 documents submitted on the contract tracking system,  
18 which indicate the use of state funds as remuneration  
19 under certain contracts, beginning on a specified  
20 date; deleting a provision



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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Garcia) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

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3                   Delete line 53

4 and insert:

5                   Such information must be included in the state contract  
6 tracking

7                   ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

8 And the title is amended as follows:

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10                  Delete line 12



11 and insert:  
12        to be included in the state contract tracking system  
13        and

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to fiscal accountability; amending s. 215.985, F.S.; requiring state entities to include any documents submitted which indicate the use of state funds as remuneration under certain contracts, beginning on a specified date; deleting a provision requiring state entities to publish payments on a specified website; amending s. 216.1366, F.S.; requiring that contracts for services executed, amended, or extended beginning on a specified date require contractors to provide specified documentation to be included in the state contracting system and posted to the contractor's website, if applicable; defining terms; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (14) of section 215.985, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

215.985 Transparency in government spending.—

(14) The Chief Financial Officer shall establish and maintain a secure contract tracking system available for viewing and downloading by the public through a secure website. The Chief Financial Officer shall use appropriate Internet security measures to ensure that no person has the ability to alter or modify records available on the website.

(c) For each contract for which a state entity makes a payment pursuant to a contract executed, amended, or extended on or after July 1, 2023, the state entity shall include any

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documents submitted pursuant to s. 216.1366 which indicate the use of state funds as remuneration under the contract or a specified payment associated with the contract ~~By January 1, 2014, each state entity shall post to the contract tracking system the information required in paragraph (a) for each existing contract that was executed before July 1, 2013, with payment from state funds made after June 30, 2013.~~

Section 2. Subsection (3) is added to section 216.1366, Florida Statutes, to read:

216.1366 Contract terms.—

(3) (a) For any contract for services executed, amended, or extended on or after July 1, 2023, with a nonprofit organization as defined in s. 215.97(2)(m), the contract must require the contractor to provide documentation that indicates the amount of state funds:

1. Allocated to be used during the full term of the contract for remuneration to any member of the board of directors or an officer of the contractor.

2. Allocated under each payment by the public agency to be used for remuneration of any member of the board of directors or an officer of the contractor. The documentation must indicate the amounts and recipients of the remuneration.

Such information must be included in the state contracting system maintained pursuant to s. 215.985 and must be posted on the contractor's website, if the contractor maintains a website.

(b) As used in this subsection, the term:

1. "Officer" means a chief executive officer, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, or any other

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59 position performing an equivalent function.

60 2. "Remuneration" means all compensation earned by or  
awarded to personnel, whether paid or accrued, regardless of  
contingency, including bonuses, accrued paid time off, severance  
payments, incentive payments, contributions to a retirement  
plan, or in-kind payments, reimbursements, or allowances for  
moving expenses, vehicles and other transportation, telephone  
services, medical services, housing, and meals.

67 3. "State funds" means funds paid from the General Revenue  
Fund or any state trust fund, funds allocated by the Federal  
Government and distributed by the state, or funds appropriated  
by the state for distribution through any grant program. The  
term does not include funds used for the state Medicaid program.

72 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.



The Florida Senate

## Committee Agenda Request

**To:** Senator Bryan Avila, Chair  
Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

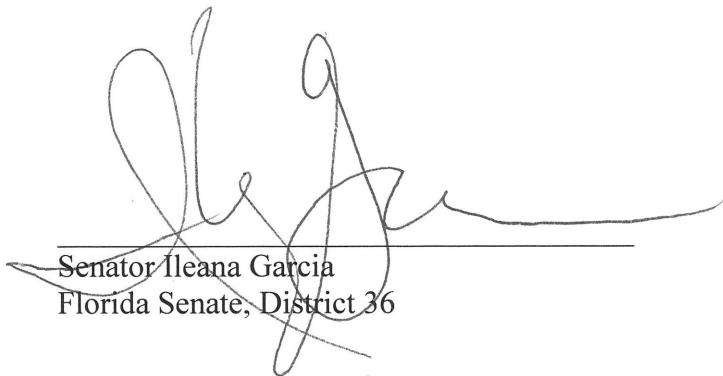
**Subject:** Committee Agenda Request

**Date:** February 27, 2023

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I respectfully request that **Senate Bill #242**, relating to Fiscal Accountability, be placed on the:

- committee agenda at your earliest possible convenience.
- next committee agenda.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ileana Garcia". Below the signature, a horizontal line is crossed through the text "Senator Ileana Garcia" and "Florida Senate, District 36".

3/7/23

Meeting Date

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**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

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BILL: CS/SB 726

INTRODUCER: Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senator Rodriguez

SUBJECT: Library Cooperative Funding

DATE: March 8, 2023

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1. Limones-Borja	McVaney	GO	Fav/CS
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**Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:**

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

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## **I. Summary:**

CS/SB 726 removes the cap of \$400,000 for the annual grant to the library cooperatives for the purpose of sharing library resources.

The bill is not expected to impact state or local government revenues and expenditures.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

## **II. Present Situation:**

### **The Division of Library and Information Services**

The Division of Library and Information Services (Division) was created within the Department of State (Department). The Division was designated as the state library administrative agency.<sup>1</sup> The Division is responsible for collecting, preserving, and providing public access to the published history of Florida.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Section 257.12, F.S.

<sup>2</sup> Department of State, *About the State Library of Florida*, available at <https://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/about-us/about-the-state-library-of-florida/> (Last visited Mar. 2, 2023).

### ***Allocation of State Funds***

State funds allocated to libraries must be expended only for library purposes in the manner prescribed by the Division. The Division must establish operating standards under which libraries and library cooperatives will be eligible to receive state funds<sup>3</sup> The Division is required to certify to the Chief Financial Officer the amount of funds paid to each county, municipality, special district, or special tax district on or before December 1 of each year.<sup>4</sup>

### **Library Cooperative Programs**

The Interstate Library Compact<sup>5</sup> provides that any two or more state library agencies...may undertake and conduct joint or cooperative library programs. The legislative intent of the library cooperatives program is to:

- Meet the needs of state residents which cannot be met independently by local libraries;
- Build upon the strength of local libraries and to augment their resources with regional and statewide services;
- Maintain local autonomy and to make cooperation in regional or statewide activities voluntary; and
- Recognize programs of cooperation undertaken by libraries and provide for state financial assistance to encourage library cooperative development.<sup>6</sup>

The administrative unit of a library cooperative is eligible to receive an annual grant (i.e., a library cooperative grant) from the state of not more than \$400,000 for the purpose of sharing library resources. The grant is based upon an annually updated 5 year, long-range plan. The plan must include a description of how the cooperative will share technology and be submitted to the Division.<sup>7</sup> A resource sharing needs assessment must also be completed. The assessment must include:

- A description of the needs;
- Rationale for addressing or not addressing items on the assessment;
- Information on the activities to be completed during the grant cycle; and
- A timeline of all the proposed activities.<sup>8</sup>

The assessment coupled with the long-range plan must determine which resource sharing needs the library cooperative will address during the grant cycle.

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<sup>3</sup> Sections 257.15 and 257.41(2), F.S. Section 257.41(2), F.S., further providing that the division must issue a certificate to each library cooperative that meets the standards and rules established.

<sup>4</sup> Section 257.22, F.S.

<sup>5</sup> Section 257.28, F.S.

<sup>6</sup> Section 257.40, F.S.

<sup>7</sup> Section 257.42, F.S.

<sup>8</sup> Florida Department of State, Division of Library and Information Services, *Library Cooperative Grant Guidelines*, available at <https://files.floridados.gov/media/705355/cooperative-grant-guidelines-2022-2023.pdf> (Last visited Mar. 2, 2023).

Florida's five Library Cooperative Grant Program service areas are shown on the following map:<sup>9</sup>



### ***Grant Awards and Local Cash Match***

The total amount available to fund the Library Cooperative Grant Program depends on the amount appropriated by the Legislature. In recent years, the Legislature has appropriated \$2 million annually for library cooperative grants. This means each cooperative received the maximum \$400,000 grant. There is no administrative rule regarding equal distribution of funds among the library cooperatives. If the Legislature appropriates less than the amount requested by the Division, the amount appropriated will be prorated equally among the approved grantees.<sup>10</sup> The administrative unit of a library cooperative is eligible to receive an annual grant as specified in law and must provide local cash matching funds equal to 10 percent of the grant award. If a library cooperative does not show sufficient funds from local sources to meet the requirement of a 10 percent cash match in its grant application, the Division will reduce the grant to a level that will enable the library cooperative to meet requirement.<sup>11</sup>

### ***Grant Agreement***

A grant agreement must be signed by both the grant recipient's governing body and the Division. Grant applications that are funded and any change requests will become a part of the grant agreement between the Division and the Grantee. Submission of a change request may necessitate an amendment to the grant agreement. No grant funds will be released before the grant agreement is executed between the Division and the grantee.

### ***Grant Payments***

Grant awards will be paid in five payments. Payments will be made upon satisfactory completion of the deliverables specified in the grant agreement. Payment requests and supporting documentation must be submitted on the Department Grants System. Any grant compliance

<sup>9</sup> Department of State, *Library Cooperative Grants*, available at <https://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/library-development/funding/cooperative/> (Last visited Mar. 2, 2023).

<sup>10</sup> Section 257.21, F.S.

<sup>11</sup> See *supra* note 10.

issues must be resolved before a grant award agreement may be executed and before grant payments for any Department grant may be released.<sup>12</sup>

### ***Use of Grant Funds***

All grant and the local matching funds must be spent on resource sharing activities. Specifically the funds may be used for:

- Resource sharing activities;
- Consultation in relation to resource sharing;
- Facilitation in relation to resource sharing;
- Technology related to resource sharing;
- Training; and
- Operational costs.<sup>13</sup>

## **III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

**Section 1** amends s. 257.42, F.S., to remove the \$400,000 cap on an annual library cooperative grant. Thus, if the Legislature appropriates more than \$2 million, the department will be able to allocate amounts over the current \$400,000 threshold.

**Section 2** provides the bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

## **IV. Constitutional Issues:**

### **A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

Not applicable. The mandate restrictions do not apply because the bill does not require counties and municipalities to spend funds, reduce counties' or municipalities' ability to raise revenue, or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties and municipalities.

### **B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

### **C. Trust Funds Restrictions:**

None.

### **D. State Tax or Fee Increases:**

None.

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<sup>12</sup> See supra note 10.

<sup>13</sup> See supra note 8.

**E. Other Constitutional Issues:**

None identified.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:****A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

None.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

A library cooperative will be permitted to receive a grant in excess of \$400,000.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends section 257.42 of the Florida Statutes.

**IX. Additional Information:****A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

**CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability on March 7, 2023:**

The committee substitute retains the current law language referring to library cooperatives as grants, rather than appropriations. The CS removes the cap on the amount a library cooperative may receive as a grant.

**B. Amendments:**

None.



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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Rodriguez) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

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3                   Delete everything after the enacting clause  
4 and insert:

5                   Section 1. Section 257.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
6 read:

7                   257.42 Library cooperative grants.—The administrative unit  
8 of a library cooperative is eligible to receive an annual grant  
9 from the state ~~of not more than~~ \$400,000 for the purpose of  
10 sharing library resources based upon an annual plan of service



11 and expenditure and an annually updated 5-year, long-range plan  
12 of cooperative library resource sharing. Those plans, which must  
13 include a component describing how the cooperative will share  
14 technology and the use of technology, must be submitted to the  
15 ~~division of Library and Information Services of the Department~~  
16 ~~of State~~ for evaluation and possible recommendation for funding  
17 in the division's legislative budget request. Grant funds may  
18 not be used to supplant local funds or other funds. A library  
19 cooperative must provide from local sources matching cash funds  
20 equal to 10 percent of the grant award.

21 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.  
22

23 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

24 And the title is amended as follows:

25 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
26 and insert:

27 A bill to be entitled

28 An act relating to library cooperative grants;  
29 amending s. 257.42, F.S.; deleting the limitation on  
30 the funding a library cooperative is eligible to  
31 receive; providing an effective date.

**By Senator Rodriguez**

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11       Section 1. Section 257.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
12 read:  
13       257.42 Library cooperative program grants.—The  
14 administrative unit of a library cooperative is eligible to  
15 receive an annual appropriation grant from the state ~~of not more~~  
16 ~~than \$400,000~~ for the purpose of sharing library resources based  
17 upon an annual plan of service and expenditure and an annually  
18 updated 5-year, long-range plan of cooperative library resource  
19 sharing. Those plans, which must include a component describing  
20 how the cooperative will share technology and the use of  
21 technology, must be submitted to the division ~~of Library and~~  
22 ~~Information Services of the Department of State~~ for evaluation  
23 and possible recommendation for funding in the division's  
24 legislative budget request. Program Grant funds may not be used  
25 to supplant local funds or other funds. A library cooperative  
26 must provide from local sources matching cash funds equal to 10  
27 percent of the appropriation grant award.  
28       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.



The Florida Senate

## Committee Agenda Request

**To:** Senator Bryan Avila, Chair  
Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

**Subject:** Committee Agenda Request

**Date:** February 24, 2023

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I respectfully request that **Senate Bill #726**, relating to Library Cooperative Funding, be placed on the:

- committee agenda at your earliest possible convenience.
- next committee agenda.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ana Rodriguez".

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Ana Maria Rodriguez  
Florida Senate, District 40

**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

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BILL: PCS/SB 110 (Barcode 133236)

INTRODUCER: Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senator Hooper

SUBJECT: State Board of Administration

DATE: March 6, 2023

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1. <u>Harmsen</u>	<u>McVaney</u>	<u>GO</u>	<u>Pre-meeting</u>
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3. _____	_____	<u>AP</u>	_____

**Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:**

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

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## I. Summary:

PCS/SB 110 makes several changes to the investing capabilities and other responsibilities of the State Board of Administration (SBA), relating to the administration of the Investment Plan.

Specifically, the proposed committee substitute:

- Allows the SBA to hold its real estate investments in subsidiaries, and allows them to be grouped into a real estate financing pool, through which it may generate additional income;
- Raises the cap on alternative investments from 20 to 30 percent;
- Amends the due diligence information required to be given to the Investment Advisory Council in advance of investment in vehicles that are not explicitly approved by statute;
- Clarifies that the SBA cannot pay benefits to a member of the Investment Plan who has been charged with, or convicted of, specific offenses that evince a breach of the public trust;
- Permits a waiver of the requirement that a member of the FRS who wishes to designate a non-spouse as his or her beneficiary receive an acknowledgement of that designation from the spouse; and
- Updates terminology.

The bill is not expected to impact state or local government revenues or expenditures.

The bill takes effect upon becoming law.

## II. Present Situation:

### State Board of Administration Investing Duties

The State Board of Administration (SBA) is created in Article IV, s. 4(e) of the Florida Constitution. Its trustees are the Governor, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Attorney General. The board derives its powers to oversee state funds from Article XII, s. 9 of the Florida Constitution.

The SBA has responsibility for investing the assets of the Florida Retirement System (FRS) Pension Plan and administering the FRS Investment Plan,<sup>1</sup> which combined represent approximately \$195 billion, or approximately 84 percent, of the \$232.5 billion in assets managed by the SBA, as of November 30, 2022. The Pension Plan is a defined benefit plan and the Investment Plan is a defined contribution plan that employees may choose in lieu of the Pension Plan. The SBA also manages over 25 other investment portfolios, with combined assets of \$37 billion, including the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, the Florida Lottery Fund, the Florida Prepaid College Plan, and various debt-service accounts for state bond issues.<sup>2</sup>

The SBA follows fiduciary standards of care, subject to certain statutory restrictions and limitations when investing its assets.<sup>3</sup> Pursuant to s. 215.444, F.S., a nine-member Investment Advisory Council provides recommendations on investment policy, strategy, and procedures. The SBA's authority to invest the funds, including FRS assets, is governed by s. 215.47, F.S., which provides for a "legal list" of the types of investments and for how much of any fund may be invested in each investment type.<sup>4</sup>

As part of its best interests, maximization, and diversification actions, the SBA invests in multiple asset classes: global equities, fixed income, real estate, strategic investments, and private equity. Relevant to this legislation, s. 215.47(15), F.S., limits the SBA's authority to invest funds in alternative investments at not more than 20 percent of any fund. "Alternative investment" means an investment in a private equity fund, venture fund, hedge fund, or distress fund or a direct investment in a portfolio company through an investment manager.<sup>5</sup> The use of

<sup>1</sup> Section 120.4501(8), F.S. *See also*, R. 19-13.001, F.A.C.

<sup>2</sup> State Board of Administration, *Annual Investment Report: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022*, p. 2, available at <https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2021-2022-AIR.pdf?ver=2022-12-20-133041-763> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

<sup>3</sup> Sections 215.44, 215.471, 215.472, 215.4725, and 215.273, F.S.

<sup>4</sup> Section 215.47, F.S., sets some key guidelines such as:

- No more than 80 percent of assets may be invested in domestic common stocks.
- No more than 75 percent of assets may be invested in internally managed common stocks.
- No more than 3 percent of equity assets may be invested in the equity securities of any one corporation, except when the securities of that corporation are included in any broad equity index or with approval of the Board; and in such case, no more than 10 percent of equity assets may be invested in the equity securities of any one corporation.
- No more than 80 percent of assets may be placed in corporate fixed income securities.
- No more than 25 percent of assets may be invested in notes secured by FHA-insured or VA-guaranteed first mortgages on Florida real property, or foreign government general obligations with a 25-year default-free history.
- No more than 25 percent of assets may be invested in foreign corporate or commercial securities or obligations.

<sup>5</sup> Section 215.4401(3)(a), F.S.

alternative investments vehicles was first authorized in 1996 at a maximum of 5 percent of a fund.<sup>6</sup> In 2007, the use was expanded to include a broader spectrum of alternative investments, including private equity funds, venture funds, hedge funds, and distress funds.<sup>7</sup> In 2008, this maximum threshold was increased to 10 percent.<sup>8</sup> In 2012, the threshold was again increased to 20 percent.<sup>9</sup>

The table below shows key valuation and asset allocation data relating to the investments of the FRS pension plan assets. Over the three year period, the amount invested in the alternative investments (Strategic Investments and Private Equity) grew from 15.9 percent of the assets of the FRS to 21.4 percent of the assets, narrowing the capacity available under the 20 percent maximum threshold.

Asset Class	Dollar Volume (\$ billions) 6/30/2019 <sup>10</sup>	Percentage of Fund 6/30/2019	Dollar Volume (\$ billions) 6/30/2022 <sup>11</sup>	Percentage of Fund 6/30/2022	Percentage Point Change in Assets Held by Fund
<b>Global Equities</b>	\$89.473	54.85%	\$87.054	48.40%	(6.45)
<b>Fixed Income</b>	\$30.715	18.83%	\$31.832	17.70%	(1.13)
<b>Real Estate</b>	\$15.266	9.36%	\$20.324	11.30%	1.94
<b>Strategic Investments</b>	\$14.029	8.60%	\$20.110	11.18%	2.58
<b>Private Equity</b>	\$11.902	7.30%	\$18.380	10.22%	2.92
<b>Cash</b>	\$1.747	1.07%	\$2.254	1.25%	(0.82)
<b>Total</b>	\$163.135	100%	\$179.855	100%	

The Private Equity asset class is generally described as illiquid with investment obligations contracted over at least a ten-year horizon. The Strategic Investments are typically quasi-liquid or illiquid with investment obligations contracted within a ten-year period. If the alternative investments pool volume begins to meet or exceed the statutory threshold, the SBA, in balancing its fiduciary duty against the statutory limitations, will be required to forego new investments in the assets class rather than divest in current active investments. Divesting in alternative investment vehicles to stay within the statutory threshold would require the SBA to sell assets prematurely, which may not be in the best interests of the fund.

## FRS Investment Plan Investment Funds

While the SBA manages the funds that constitute the Pension Plan, they do not manage investments for the Investment Plan. The Investment Plan offers a diversified mix of primary investment funds in which the member can choose to invest his or her funds. These investment

<sup>6</sup> Chapter 199-177, L.O.F., authorized the SBA to invest up to 5 percent of a fund in private equity through participation in limited partnerships and limited liability companies.

<sup>7</sup> Chapter 2007-98, L.O.F.

<sup>8</sup> Chapter 2008-31, L.O.F., increased the threshold to 10 percent and expanded this limitation to authorize SBA to invest in securities or investments that are not publicly traded and are not otherwise authorized in s. 214.47, F.S.

<sup>9</sup> Chapter 2012-112, L.O.F.

<sup>10</sup> State Board of Administration, *Annual Investment Report—Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019*, p. 16, available at [https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2018\\_2019\\_AIR.pdf?ver=2020-02-20-125811-027](https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2018_2019_AIR.pdf?ver=2020-02-20-125811-027) (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

<sup>11</sup> State Board of Administration, *Annual Investment Report—July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022*, available at <https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2021-2022-AIR.pdf?ver=2022-12-20-133041-763> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

funds are managed by private providers (such as Fidelity, Prudential, Stephens, T Rowe Price, and others) and have associated annual fees, as well as retirement objectives.<sup>12</sup>

### Forfeiture of Retirement Benefits

Article II, s. 8 of the Florida Constitution provides that “[a]ny public officer or employee who is convicted of a felony involving a breach of public trust shall be subject to forfeiture of rights and privileges under a public retirement system or pension plan in such manner as may be provided by law.”

Section 112.3173 provides for the forfeiture of all rights and benefits under any public retirement system (both the Pension Plan and Investment Plan) by a public officer or employee who is convicted before his or her retirement of the following specified offenses:

- Embezzlement of public funds;
- Theft from his or her employer;
- Bribery in connection with his or her public employment;
- Any crime relating to bribery or misuse of a public office, under ch. 838, F.S.;
- Any impeachable offense;
- Any felony committed with intent to defraud the public or the employing agency, and through the commission of which, the member used or attempted to use his or her position’s power, rights, privileges, or duties to profit, gain, or realize an advantage; and
- Felony-level lewd or lascivious acts against a victim younger than 16, or felony sexual battery against a victim younger than 18, committed by using the member’s powers, rights, privileges, or duties of the member’s public position.

Additionally, s. 121.091(5)(f)-(h), F.S., provides for the member’s forfeitures of benefits (other than the member’s accumulated contributions). Section 121.091(5)(i), F.S., prohibits the Division of Retirement from distributing benefits should a member be found to have committed one of the crimes specified in s. 112.3173. The Division of Retirement distributes pension plan benefits, and the SBA distributes investment plan benefits.

### III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

**Section 1** amends s. 121.091(5)(i), F.S., to clarify that the SBA cannot pay retirement benefits to any member who has been convicted of a lewd and lascivious offense against a victim under the age of 16 (as defined in s. 800.04, F.S.), or sexual battery against a victim younger than 18 (as defined in ch. 794, F.S.), through the member’s use or attempted use of the power, rights, privileges, duties, or position of the member’s public office or employment. The bill makes a conforming change to s. 121.091(5)(k), F.S., to prohibit the SBA from paying retirement benefits during the pendency of such charges against the member. Current law prohibits only the Division of Retirement from paying member benefits based on those specified crimes.

**Section 2** amends s. 121.4501(8), F.S., to allow the SBA to develop, create, and offer investment products in the investment plan as an alternative to those products offered by private provider.

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<sup>12</sup> Florida Retirement System, *Investment Plan—Investment Fund Summary, January 2023*, p. 5, available at [https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/invest\\_fund\\_summary.pdf](https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/invest_fund_summary.pdf) (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

Section 2 amends s. 121.4501(20), F.S., to allow the SBA to waive the requirement that a member's spouse acknowledge the member's choice of a beneficiary other than the spouse. This waiver would apply when (1) the married member designates someone other than his or her spouse, (2) the spouse either cannot be located, or fails to affirmatively acknowledge the designation, and (3) the member then submits an affidavit that explains the circumstances and requests waiver of the spousal acknowledgement by the state board.

A waiver is not required in the case of designation of non-spouse contingent beneficiaries.

Section 2 also amends s. 215.47(6), F.S., to reduce the specific information the SBA must give to its Investment Advisory Council in advance on an investment that is not specifically authorized by ss. 215.44-215.53, F.S., and instead allows for a "detailed analysis of the investment" for any such proposed investment activity. This aligns with the resolution adopted that directs the SBA to invest based on pecuniary factors.<sup>13</sup>

Lastly, section 2 amends s. 215.47(15), F.S., to increase the amount of funds that the SBA may invest in alternative investments to 30 percent of total fund assets from 20 percent of total fund assets.

**Section 3** amends s. 215.47(2), F.S., to allow the SBA to create subsidiary limited liability entities or joint ventures, otherwise known as a real estate financing pool. These subsidiary interests will be empowered to hold the SBA's investment mortgages and related instruments that are secured by real property, and instruments that contain provisions for equity or income participation or with provisions for convertibility to equity ownership, and interests in real property related collective investment funds.

The SBA is currently permitted to invest in these real estate vehicles, but states that the placement of the funds into subsidiaries would limit its liability exposure from these investments.

Current law allows the SBA to include costs for acquisition and operation of real property assets as part of its overall investment costs. The bill creates an additional method for the SBA to fund its real property subsidiaries' administrative operations by allowing both the SBA and those subsidiaries to issue securities and borrow money through loans or other financial obligations, including bonds, equity securities, and other security instruments. These instruments could be unsecured or secured by investments in real property or related cash flows, and guaranteed by the related fund or financial covenants.

The bill also makes conforming changes to terminology throughout to accommodate the SBA's creation of subsidiaries.

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<sup>13</sup> SBA, *A Resolution Directing an Update to the Investment Policy Statement and Proxy Voting Policies for the Florida Retirement System Defined Benefit Pension Plan, and Directing the Organization and Execution of an Internal Review* (Aug. 23, 2022), available at <https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/ESG-Resolution-Final.pdf> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

## Miscellaneous

The bill updates terms throughout, for example, substituting “entity” for “corporation” and “securities”<sup>14</sup> for “stock” in order to reflect current industry terminology.

**Sections 4, 5 and 6** respectively, reenact ss. 112.661, 420.503, and 1002.36, F.S., to incorporate the expansion of expressly authorized investments in s. 215.47, F.S., to apply to local retirement systems or plans, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, and the Board of Trustees of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind.

**Section 7** provides that the bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

## IV. Constitutional Issues:

### A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

Not applicable. The mandate restrictions do not apply because the bill does not require counties and municipalities to spend funds, reduce counties’ or municipalities’ ability to raise revenue, or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties and municipalities.

### B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

### C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

### D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

### E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None identified.

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<sup>14</sup> A “security” is any note, stock, treasury stock, security future, security-based swap, bond, debenture, evidence of indebtedness, certificate of interest or participation in any profit-sharing agreement, collateral-trust certificate, preorganization certificate or subscription, transferable share, investment contract, voting-trust certificate, certificate of deposit for a security, fractional undivided interest in oil, gas, or other mineral rights, any put, call, straddle, option, or privilege on any security, certificate of deposit, or group or index of securities, or any put, call, straddle, option, or privilege entered into on a national securities exchange relating to foreign currency, or in general, any interest or instrument commonly known as a ‘security’, or any certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for, receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe or purchase, any of the foregoing. 115 U.S.C. §77b. Securities are generally governed by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:****A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

None.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

The SBA's foray into real estate financing pool investments may help to create an infusion of additional money into the overall funds managed by the SBA, including those which support the Pension Plan. This diversification may therefore ensure longer-term financial stability of the Pension Plan.

The SBA states that the increase in alternative investments cap would allow for more investment flexibility, and permit the funds to take advantage of the currently strong private equity market. Additionally, the SBA states that it will be required to forego new investments in alternative investments, as their investments currently meet the cap.<sup>15</sup>

Similarly, the SBA states that the ability to manage its real estate holdings as a real estate financing pool (owned through subsidiaries) would allow for greater flexibility and lower management costs.<sup>16</sup>

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends sections 121.091, 121.4501, and 215.47 of the Florida Statutes.

This bill reenacts sections 112.661(5)(a), 420.503(3)(a), and 1002.36(4)(e) of the Florida Statutes.

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<sup>15</sup> SBA, *Senate Bill 110 Agency Analysis*, p. 3 (Mar. 3, 2023)(on file with the Senate Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability).

<sup>16</sup> *Id.* at p. 2.

**IX. Additional Information:**

A. **Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**  
(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

**PCS (133236) by Governmental Oversight and Accountability on March 6, 2023:**

- Clarifies that the SBA cannot pay benefits to a member of the Investment Plan who has been charged with, or convicted of, specific offenses that evince a breach of the public trust;
- Adds procedures to waive the requirement that a member of the FRS who wishes to designate a non-spouse as his or her beneficiary receive an acknowledgement of that designation from the spouse;
- Removes language that would direct the SBA to invest based on pecuniary factors only; and
- Removes approval to use subsidiary entities that hold alternative investments to issue securities and borrow money.

B. **Amendments:**

None.

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This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Hooper) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment**

2                   Delete lines 170 - 196

3                   and insert:

4                   (3) With no more than 80 percent of any fund in equity  
5                   securities or securities convertible into equity securities of  
6                   any entity common stock, preferred stock, and interest-bearing  
7                   obligations of a corporation having an option to convert into  
8                   common stock, provided that all of the following apply:

9                   (a) That the entity is either:



11       1. ~~The corporation is~~ organized under the laws of the  
12 United States, any state or organized territory of the United  
13 States, or the District of Columbia; or

14       2. ~~(b) The corporation is~~ listed on any one or more of the  
15 recognized national stock exchanges in the United States and  
16 conforms with the periodic reporting requirements under the  
17 Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

18       (b) (e) Not more than 75 percent of the fund may be in  
19 internally managed equity securities ~~common stock~~.

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21 The board may ~~shall~~ not invest more than 10 percent of the  
22 equity assets of any fund in the equity securities ~~common stock~~,  
23 ~~preferred stock, and interest-bearing obligations having an~~  
24 ~~option to convert into common stock,~~ of any one issuing entity  
25 ~~corporation;~~ and the board may ~~shall~~ not invest more than 3  
26 percent of the equity assets of any fund in such securities of  
27 any one issuing entity ~~corporation~~ except to the extent a higher  
28 percentage of the same issue is included in a nationally  
29 recognized market index, based on market values, at least as  
30 broad as the Standard and Poor's Composite Index of 500  
31 Companies, or except upon a specific finding by the board that  
32 such higher percentage is in the best interest of the fund.



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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Governmental  
Oversight and Accountability

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2                   An act relating to the State Board of Administration;  
3                   amending s. 121.091, F.S.; prohibiting the State Board  
4                   of Administration from paying benefits to a Florida  
5                   Retirement System investment plan member convicted of  
6                   specified felonies; requiring the state board to  
7                   return to a member contributions that were accumulated  
8                   up to the date of conviction; prohibiting the state  
9                   board from paying benefits until the resolution of the  
10                  proceedings of any potentially disqualifying offenses;  
11                  amending s. 121.4501, F.S.; authorizing the state  
12                  board to develop investment products to be offered in  
13                  the investment plan; revising the process for a  
14                  member's spouse to acknowledge that he or she is not  
15                  the primary beneficiary of the member's benefits;  
16                  authorizing a member to request a waiver of such  
17                  acknowledgement under certain circumstances; amending  
18                  s. 215.47, F.S.; revising the types of investments in  
19                  real property and related personal property which the  
20                  state board may invest in; authorizing the state board  
21                  and certain affiliated entities and ventures to issue  
22                  securities and borrow money through specified means;  
23                  authorizing the state board to use the proceeds of  
24                  loans or financing obligations as loans to or sources  
25                  of funding for certain entities or ventures; requiring  
26                  the ownership of an entity holding title to real  
27                  property to be vested in the name of the Florida

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28                   Retirement System Trust Fund; revising the funds in  
29                   which the state may invest no more than 80 percent of  
30                   its moneys available for investments; revising the  
31                   requirements of the proposed plan the state board must  
32                   present to the Investment Advisory Council to invest  
33                   in unauthorized investments; deleting authorization  
34                   for the council to obtain independent investment  
35                   counsel to provide expert advice on state board  
36                   investment activity; revising the threshold for the  
37                   amount that may be invested in alternative  
38                   investments; reenacting ss. 112.661(5)(a),  
39                   420.503(3)(a), and 1002.36(4)(e), F.S., relating to  
40                   authorized investments, the definition of "authorized  
41                   investments", and investments made on behalf of the  
42                   Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind,  
43                   respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s.  
44                   215.47, F.S., in references thereto; providing an  
45                   effective date.  
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47                   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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49                   Section 1. Paragraphs (i) and (k) of subsection (5) of  
50                   section 121.091, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:  
51                   121.091 Benefits payable under the system.—Benefits may not  
52                   be paid under this section unless the member has terminated  
53                   employment as provided in s. 121.021(39)(a) or begun  
54                   participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program as  
55                   provided in subsection (13), and a proper application has been  
56                   filed in the manner prescribed by the department. The department

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57 may cancel an application for retirement benefits when the  
58 member or beneficiary fails to timely provide the information  
59 and documents required by this chapter and the department's  
60 rules. The department shall adopt rules establishing procedures  
61 for application for retirement benefits and for the cancellation  
62 of such application when the required information or documents  
63 are not received.

64 (5) TERMINATION BENEFITS.—A member whose employment is  
65 terminated prior to retirement retains membership rights to  
66 previously earned member-noncontributory service credit, and to  
67 member-contributory service credit, if the member leaves the  
68 member contributions on deposit in his or her retirement  
69 account. If a terminated member receives a refund of member  
70 contributions, such member may reinstate membership rights to  
71 the previously earned service credit represented by the refund  
72 by completing 1 year of creditable service and repaying the  
73 refunded member contributions, plus interest.

74 (i) The division or the state board may not pay benefits to  
75 any member convicted of a felony committed on or after October  
76 1, 2008, defined in s. 800.04 against a victim younger than 16  
77 years of age, or defined in chapter 794 against a victim younger  
78 than 18 years of age, through the use or attempted use of power,  
79 rights, privileges, duties, or position of the member's public  
80 office or employment position. However, the division or the  
81 state board shall return the member's accumulated contributions,  
82 if any, that the member accumulated as of the date of  
83 conviction.

84 (k) Benefits may shall not be paid by the division or the  
85 state board pending final resolution of such charges against a



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86 member or beneficiary if the resolution of such charges could  
87 require the forfeiture of benefits as provided in paragraph (f),  
88 paragraph (g), paragraph (h), paragraph (i), ~~or~~ paragraph (j),  
89 or chapter 112.

90 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (20) of section  
91 121.4501, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (h) is  
92 added to subsection (8) of that section, to read:

93 121.4501 Florida Retirement System Investment Plan.—

94 (8) INVESTMENT PLAN ADMINISTRATION.—The investment plan  
95 shall be administered by the state board and affected employers.  
96 The state board may require oaths, by affidavit or otherwise,  
97 and acknowledgments from persons in connection with the  
98 administration of its statutory duties and responsibilities for  
99 the investment plan. An oath, by affidavit or otherwise, may not  
100 be required of a member at the time of enrollment.  
101 Acknowledgment of an employee's election to participate in the  
102 program shall be no greater than necessary to confirm the  
103 employee's election. The state board shall adopt rules to carry  
104 out its statutory duties with respect to administering the  
105 investment plan, including establishing the roles and  
106 responsibilities of affected state, local government, and  
107 education-related employers, the state board, the department,  
108 and third-party contractors. The department shall adopt rules  
109 necessary to administer the investment plan in coordination with  
110 the pension plan and the disability benefits available under the  
111 investment plan.

112 (h) The state board, consistent with its fiduciary  
113 responsibilities, may develop one or more investment products to  
114 be offered in the investment plan.



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115 (20) DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARIES.—  
116 (b) If a member is married, but does not designate his or  
117 her spouse as designates a primary beneficiary, the spouse must  
118 be notified and acknowledge that he or she has not been so  
119 designated. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the spouse cannot  
120 be located or fails to affirmatively acknowledge that he or she  
121 has not been so designated, the member may request that the  
122 acknowledgement requirement be waived by the state board by  
123 submitting an affidavit setting forth the particular facts and  
124 circumstances other than the member's spouse, the member's  
125 spouse must sign the beneficiary designation form to acknowledge  
126 the designation. This requirement does not apply to the  
127 designation of one or more contingent beneficiaries to receive  
128 benefits remaining upon the death of the primary beneficiary or  
129 beneficiaries.

130 Section 3. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) and subsections  
131 (3), (6), and (15) of section 215.47, Florida Statutes, are  
132 amended to read:

133 215.47 Investments; authorized securities; loan of  
134 securities.—Subject to the limitations and conditions of the  
135 State Constitution or of the trust agreement relating to a trust  
136 fund, moneys available for investments under ss. 215.44-215.53  
137 may be invested as follows:

138 (2) With no more than 25 percent of any fund in:

139 (e) Certain interests in real property and related personal  
140 property which may be owned through affiliated limited liability  
141 entities or joint ventures, which include, but are not limited  
142 to, including mortgages and related instruments secured by on  
143 commercial or industrial real property, and instruments

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144 containing with provisions for equity or income participation or  
145 with provisions for convertibility to equity ownership; and  
146 interests in real property-related collective investment funds.  
147 The State Board of Administration and its affiliated limited  
148 liability entities or joint ventures may issue securities and  
149 borrow money through loans or other financial obligations,  
150 including bonds, equity securities, and other security  
151 instruments, any of which may be unsecured or secured by  
152 investments in real property or related cash flows, guaranteed  
153 by the related fund, or governed by financial covenants. The  
154 proceeds of such loans or financing obligations may be loaned to  
155 or otherwise used as a source of funding for affiliated limited  
156 liability entities or joint ventures. Associated expenditures  
157 for acquisition and operation of assets purchased under this  
158 provision or of investments in private equity or other private  
159 investment partnerships or limited liability companies must  
160 shall be included as a part of the cost of the investment.

161 1. The title to real property, or ownership of the entity  
162 holding title to real property, acquired under this paragraph  
163 shall be vested in the name of the respective fund.

164 2. For purposes of taxation of property owned by any fund,  
165 the provisions of s. 196.199(2)(b) do not apply.

166 3. Real property acquired under the provisions of this  
167 paragraph may shall not be considered state lands or public  
168 lands and property as defined in chapter 253, and the provisions  
169 of that chapter does do not apply to such real property.

170 (3) With no more than 80 percent of any fund in equity  
171 securities or securities convertible into equity securities of  
172 any entity common stock, preferred stock, and interest-bearing

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173 ~~obligations of a corporation having an option to convert into  
174 common stock, provided:~~

175 (a) The entity corporation is organized under the laws of  
176 the United States, any state or organized territory of the  
177 United States, or the District of Columbia; or

178 (b) The entity corporation is listed on any one or more of  
179 the recognized national stock exchanges in the United States and  
180 conforms with the periodic reporting requirements under the  
181 Securities Exchange Act of 1934; or

182 (c) Not more than 75 percent of the fund may be in  
183 internally managed equity securities common stock.

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185 The board may shall not invest more than 10 percent of the  
186 equity assets of any fund in the equity securities common stock,  
187 preferred stock, and interest-bearing obligations having an  
188 option to convert into common stock, of any one issuing entity  
189 corporation; and the board may shall not invest more than 3  
190 percent of the equity assets of any fund in such securities of  
191 any one issuing entity corporation except to the extent a higher  
192 percentage of the same issue is included in a nationally  
193 recognized market index, based on market values, at least as  
194 broad as the Standard and Poor's Composite Index of 500  
195 Companies, or except upon a specific finding by the board that  
196 such higher percentage is in the best interest of the fund.

197 (6) With no more than 5 percent of any fund to be invested  
198 as deemed appropriate by the board, notwithstanding investment  
199 limitations otherwise expressed in this section. Before Prior to  
200 the board engages engaging in any investment activity not  
201 otherwise authorized under ss. 215.44-215.53, excluding



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202 investments in publicly traded securities, options, financial  
203 futures, or similar instruments, the board shall present to the  
204 Investment Advisory Council a proposed plan for such investment.

205 Such said plan must shall include, but not be limited to, a  
206 detailed analysis of the investment, the expected benefits and  
207 potential risks of such activity, and the methods for  
208 monitoring and measuring the performance of the investment, a  
209 complete description of the type, nature, extent and purpose of  
210 the investment, including description of issuer, security in  
211 which investment is proposed to be made, voting rights or lack  
212 thereof and control to be acquired, restrictions upon voting,  
213 transfer, and other material rights of ownership, and the  
214 existence of any contracts, arrangements, understandings, or  
215 relationships with any person or entity (naming the same) with  
216 respect to the proposed investment; and assurances that  
217 sufficient investment expertise is available to the board to  
218 properly evaluate and manage such activity. The Investment  
219 Advisory Council may obtain independent investment counsel to  
220 provide expert advice with regard to such proposed investment  
221 activity by the board, and the board shall defray such costs.

222 (15) With no more, in the aggregate, than 30 20 percent of  
223 any fund in alternative investments through participation in an  
224 alternative investment vehicle as those terms are defined in s.  
225 215.4401(3)(a), or in securities or investments that are not  
226 publicly traded and not otherwise authorized by this section.

227 Section 4. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments  
228 made by this act to section 215.47, Florida Statutes, in a  
229 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section  
230 112.661, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:



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231        112.661 Investment policies.—Investment of the assets of  
232 any local retirement system or plan must be consistent with a  
233 written investment policy adopted by the board. Such policies  
234 shall be structured to maximize the financial return to the  
235 retirement system or plan consistent with the risks incumbent in  
236 each investment and shall be structured to establish and  
237 maintain an appropriate diversification of the retirement system  
238 or plan's assets.

239        (5) AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS.—

240        (a) The investment policy shall list investments authorized  
241 by the board. Investments not listed in the investment policy  
242 are prohibited. Unless otherwise authorized by law or ordinance,  
243 the investment of the assets of any local retirement system or  
244 plan covered by this part shall be subject to the limitations  
245 and conditions set forth in s. 215.47(1)-(6), (8), (9), (11) and  
246 (17).

247        Section 5. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments  
248 made by this act to section 215.47, Florida Statutes, in a  
249 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section  
250 420.503, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

251        420.503 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:

252        (3) "Authorized investments" means any of the following  
253 securities:

254        (a) Investments permitted under s. 215.47(1) and (2),  
255 without regard to any limitation set forth therein.

256        Section 6. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments  
257 made by this act to section 215.47, Florida Statutes, in a  
258 reference thereto, paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section  
259 1002.36, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:



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260        1002.36 Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind.—

261        (4) BOARD OF TRUSTEES.—

262        (e) The board of trustees is invested with full power and  
263 authority to:

264        1. Appoint a president, faculty, teachers, and other  
265 employees and remove the same as in its judgment may be best and  
266 fix their compensation.

267        2. Procure professional services, such as medical, mental  
268 health, architectural, and engineering.

269        3. Procure legal services without the prior written  
270 approval of the Attorney General.

271        4. Determine eligibility of students and procedure for  
272 admission.

273        5. Provide for the students of the school necessary  
274 bedding, clothing, food, and medical attendance and such other  
275 things as may be proper for the health and comfort of the  
276 students without cost to their parents, except that the board of  
277 trustees may set tuition and other fees for nonresidents.

278        6. Provide for the proper keeping of accounts and records  
279 and for budgeting of funds.

280        7. Enter into contracts.

281        8. Sue and be sued.

282        9. Secure public liability insurance.

283        10. Do and perform every other matter or thing requisite to  
284 the proper management, maintenance, support, and control of the  
285 school at the highest efficiency economically possible, the  
286 board of trustees taking into consideration the purposes of the  
287 establishment.

288        11. Receive gifts, donations, and bequests of money or



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289 property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, from any  
290 person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity. However, the  
291 board of trustees may not obligate the state to any expenditure  
292 or policy that is not specifically authorized by law. If the  
293 bill of sale, will, trust indenture, deed, or other legal  
294 conveyance specifies terms and conditions concerning the use of  
295 such money or property, the board of trustees shall observe such  
296 terms and conditions.

297 12. Deposit outside the State Treasury such moneys as are  
298 received as gifts, donations, or bequests and may disburse and  
299 expend such moneys, upon its own warrant, for the use and  
300 benefit of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind and its  
301 students, as the board of trustees deems to be in the best  
302 interest of the school and its students. Such money or property  
303 does not constitute and may not be considered a part of any  
304 legislative appropriation.

305 13. Sell or convey by bill of sale, deed, or other legal  
306 instrument any property, real or personal, received as a gift,  
307 donation, or bequest, upon such terms and conditions as the  
308 board of trustees deems to be in the best interest of the school  
309 and its students.

310 14. Invest such moneys in securities enumerated under s.  
311 215.47(1), (2)(c), (3), (4), and (10), and in The Common Fund,  
312 an Investment Management Fund exclusively for nonprofit  
313 educational institutions.

314 15. After receiving approval from the Administration  
315 Commission, exercise the power of eminent domain in the manner  
316 provided in chapter 73 or chapter 74.

317 Section 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

The Florida Senate  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

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BILL: CS/SB 110

INTRODUCER: Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senator Hooper

SUBJECT: State Board of Administration

DATE: March 8, 2023

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1. <u>Harmsen</u>	<u>McVaney</u>	<u>GO</u>	<u>Fav/CS</u>
2. _____	_____	<u>BI</u>	_____
3. _____	_____	<u>AP</u>	_____

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**Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:**

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

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## I. Summary:

CS/SB 110 makes several changes to the investing capabilities and other responsibilities of the State Board of Administration (SBA), relating to the administration of the Investment Plan. Specifically, the proposed committee substitute:

- Allows the SBA to hold its real estate investments in subsidiaries, and allows them to be grouped into a real estate financing pool, through which it may generate additional income;
- Raises the cap on alternative investments from 20 to 30 percent;
- Amends the due diligence information required to be given to the Investment Advisory Council in advance of investment in vehicles that are not explicitly approved by statute;
- Clarifies that the SBA cannot pay benefits to a member of the Investment Plan who has been charged with, or convicted of, specific offenses that evince a breach of the public trust;
- Permits a waiver of the requirement that a member of the FRS who wishes to designate a non-spouse as his or her beneficiary receive an acknowledgement of that designation from the spouse; and
- Updates terminology.

The bill is not expected to impact state or local government revenues or expenditures.

The bill takes effect upon becoming law.

## II. Present Situation:

### State Board of Administration Investing Duties

The State Board of Administration (SBA) is created in Article IV, s. 4(e) of the Florida Constitution. Its trustees are the Governor, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Attorney General. The board derives its powers to oversee state funds from Article XII, s. 9 of the Florida Constitution.

The SBA has responsibility for investing the assets of the Florida Retirement System (FRS) Pension Plan and administering the FRS Investment Plan,<sup>1</sup> which combined represent approximately \$195 billion, or approximately 84 percent, of the \$232.5 billion in assets managed by the SBA, as of November 30, 2022. The Pension Plan is a defined benefit plan and the Investment Plan is a defined contribution plan that employees may choose in lieu of the Pension Plan. The SBA also manages over 25 other investment portfolios, with combined assets of \$37 billion, including the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, the Florida Lottery Fund, the Florida Prepaid College Plan, and various debt-service accounts for state bond issues.<sup>2</sup>

The SBA follows fiduciary standards of care, subject to certain statutory restrictions and limitations when investing its assets.<sup>3</sup> Pursuant to s. 215.444, F.S., a nine-member Investment Advisory Council provides recommendations on investment policy, strategy, and procedures. The SBA's authority to invest the funds, including FRS assets, is governed by s. 215.47, F.S., which provides for a "legal list" of the types of investments and for how much of any fund may be invested in each investment type.<sup>4</sup>

As part of its best interests, maximization, and diversification actions, the SBA invests in multiple asset classes: global equities, fixed income, real estate, strategic investments, and private equity. Relevant to this legislation, s. 215.47(15), F.S., limits the SBA's authority to invest funds in alternative investments at not more than 20 percent of any fund. "Alternative investment" means an investment in a private equity fund, venture fund, hedge fund, or distress fund or a direct investment in a portfolio company through an investment manager.<sup>5</sup> The use of

<sup>1</sup> Section 120.4501(8), F.S. *See also*, R. 19-13.001, F.A.C.

<sup>2</sup> State Board of Administration, *Annual Investment Report: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022*, p. 2, available at <https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2021-2022-AIR.pdf?ver=2022-12-20-133041-763> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

<sup>3</sup> Sections 215.44, 215.471, 215.472, 215.4725, and 215.273, F.S.

<sup>4</sup> Section 215.47, F.S., sets some key guidelines such as:

- No more than 80 percent of assets may be invested in domestic common stocks.
- No more than 75 percent of assets may be invested in internally managed common stocks.
- No more than 3 percent of equity assets may be invested in the equity securities of any one corporation, except when the securities of that corporation are included in any broad equity index or with approval of the Board; and in such case, no more than 10 percent of equity assets may be invested in the equity securities of any one corporation.
- No more than 80 percent of assets may be placed in corporate fixed income securities.
- No more than 25 percent of assets may be invested in notes secured by FHA-insured or VA-guaranteed first mortgages on Florida real property, or foreign government general obligations with a 25-year default-free history.
- No more than 25 percent of assets may be invested in foreign corporate or commercial securities or obligations.

<sup>5</sup> Section 215.4401(3)(a), F.S.

alternative investments vehicles was first authorized in 1996 at a maximum of 5 percent of a fund.<sup>6</sup> In 2007, the use was expanded to include a broader spectrum of alternative investments, including private equity funds, venture funds, hedge funds, and distress funds.<sup>7</sup> In 2008, this maximum threshold was increased to 10 percent.<sup>8</sup> In 2012, the threshold was again increased to 20 percent.<sup>9</sup>

The table below shows key valuation and asset allocation data relating to the investments of the FRS pension plan assets. Over the three year period, the amount invested in the alternative investments (Strategic Investments and Private Equity) grew from 15.9 percent of the assets of the FRS to 21.4 percent of the assets, narrowing the capacity available under the 20 percent maximum threshold.

Asset Class	Dollar Volume (\$ billions) 6/30/2019 <sup>10</sup>	Percentage of Fund 6/30/2019	Dollar Volume (\$ billions) 6/30/2022 <sup>11</sup>	Percentage of Fund 6/30/2022	Percentage Point Change in Assets Held by Fund
<b>Global Equities</b>	\$89.473	54.85%	\$87.054	48.40%	(6.45)
<b>Fixed Income</b>	\$30.715	18.83%	\$31.832	17.70%	(1.13)
<b>Real Estate</b>	\$15.266	9.36%	\$20.324	11.30%	1.94
<b>Strategic Investments</b>	\$14.029	8.60%	\$20.110	11.18%	2.58
<b>Private Equity</b>	\$11.902	7.30%	\$18.380	10.22%	2.92
<b>Cash</b>	\$1.747	1.07%	\$2.254	1.25%	(0.82)
<b>Total</b>	\$163.135	100%	\$179.855	100%	

The Private Equity asset class is generally described as illiquid with investment obligations contracted over at least a ten-year horizon. The Strategic Investments are typically quasi-liquid or illiquid with investment obligations contracted within a ten-year period. If the alternative investments pool volume begins to meet or exceed the statutory threshold, the SBA, in balancing its fiduciary duty against the statutory limitations, will be required to forego new investments in the assets class rather than divest in current active investments. Divesting in alternative investment vehicles to stay within the statutory threshold would require the SBA to sell assets prematurely, which may not be in the best interests of the fund.

## FRS Investment Plan Investment Funds

While the SBA manages the funds that constitute the Pension Plan, they do not manage investments for the Investment Plan. The Investment Plan offers a diversified mix of primary investment funds in which the member can choose to invest his or her funds. These investment

<sup>6</sup> Chapter 199-177, L.O.F., authorized the SBA to invest up to 5 percent of a fund in private equity through participation in limited partnerships and limited liability companies.

<sup>7</sup> Chapter 2007-98, L.O.F.

<sup>8</sup> Chapter 2008-31, L.O.F., increased the threshold to 10 percent and expanded this limitation to authorize SBA to invest in securities or investments that are not publicly traded and are not otherwise authorized in s. 214.47, F.S.

<sup>9</sup> Chapter 2012-112, L.O.F.

<sup>10</sup> State Board of Administration, *Annual Investment Report—Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019*, p. 16, available at [https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2018\\_2019\\_AIR.pdf?ver=2020-02-20-125811-027](https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2018_2019_AIR.pdf?ver=2020-02-20-125811-027) (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

<sup>11</sup> State Board of Administration, *Annual Investment Report—July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022*, available at <https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/Performance/Annual/2021-2022-AIR.pdf?ver=2022-12-20-133041-763> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

funds are managed by private providers (such as Fidelity, Prudential, Stephens, T Rowe Price, and others) and have associated annual fees, as well as retirement objectives.<sup>12</sup>

### Forfeiture of Retirement Benefits

Article II, s. 8 of the Florida Constitution provides that “[a]ny public officer or employee who is convicted of a felony involving a breach of public trust shall be subject to forfeiture of rights and privileges under a public retirement system or pension plan in such manner as may be provided by law.”

Section 112.3173 provides for the forfeiture of all rights and benefits under any public retirement system (both the Pension Plan and Investment Plan) by a public officer or employee who is convicted before his or her retirement of the following specified offenses:

- Embezzlement of public funds;
- Theft from his or her employer;
- Bribery in connection with his or her public employment;
- Any crime relating to bribery or misuse of a public office, under ch. 838, F.S.;
- Any impeachable offense;
- Any felony committed with intent to defraud the public or the employing agency, and through the commission of which, the member used or attempted to use his or her position’s power, rights, privileges, or duties to profit, gain, or realize an advantage; and
- Felony-level lewd or lascivious acts against a victim younger than 16, or felony sexual battery against a victim younger than 18, committed by using the member’s powers, rights, privileges, or duties of the member’s public position.

Additionally, s. 121.091(5)(f)-(h), F.S., provides for the member’s forfeitures of benefits (other than the member’s accumulated contributions). Section 121.091(5)(i), F.S., prohibits the Division of Retirement from distributing benefits should a member be found to have committed one of the crimes specified in s. 112.3173. The Division of Retirement distributes pension plan benefits, and the SBA distributes investment plan benefits.

### III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

**Section 1** amends s. 121.091(5)(i), F.S., to clarify that the SBA cannot pay retirement benefits to any member who has been convicted of a lewd and lascivious offense against a victim under the age of 16 (as defined in s. 800.04, F.S.), or sexual battery against a victim younger than 18 (as defined in ch. 794, F.S.), through the member’s use or attempted use of the power, rights, privileges, duties, or position of the member’s public office or employment. The bill makes a conforming change to s. 121.091(5)(k), F.S., to prohibit the SBA from paying retirement benefits during the pendency of such charges against the member. Current law prohibits only the Division of Retirement from paying member benefits based on those specified crimes.

**Section 2** amends s. 121.4501(8), F.S., to allow the SBA to develop, create, and offer investment products in the investment plan as an alternative to those products offered by private provider.

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<sup>12</sup> Florida Retirement System, *Investment Plan—Investment Fund Summary, January 2023*, p. 5, available at [https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/invest\\_fund\\_summary.pdf](https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/invest_fund_summary.pdf) (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

Section 2 amends s. 121.4501(20), F.S., to allow the SBA to waive the requirement that a member's spouse acknowledge the member's choice of a beneficiary other than the spouse. This waiver would apply when (1) the married member designates someone other than his or her spouse, (2) the spouse either cannot be located, or fails to affirmatively acknowledge the designation, and (3) the member then submits an affidavit that explains the circumstances and requests waiver of the spousal acknowledgement by the state board.

A waiver is not required in the case of designation of non-spouse contingent beneficiaries.

Section 2 also amends s. 215.47(6), F.S., to reduce the specific information the SBA must give to its Investment Advisory Council in advance on an investment that is not specifically authorized by ss. 215.44-215.53, F.S., and instead allows for a "detailed analysis of the investment" for any such proposed investment activity. This aligns with the resolution adopted that directs the SBA to invest based on pecuniary factors.<sup>13</sup>

Lastly, section 2 amends s. 215.47(15), F.S., to increase the amount of funds that the SBA may invest in alternative investments to 30 percent of total fund assets from 20 percent of total fund assets.

**Section 3** amends s. 215.47(2), F.S., to allow the SBA to create subsidiary limited liability entities or joint ventures, otherwise known as a real estate financing pool. These subsidiary interests will be empowered to hold the SBA's investment mortgages and related instruments that are secured by real property, and instruments that contain provisions for equity or income participation or with provisions for convertibility to equity ownership, and interests in real property related collective investment funds.

The SBA is currently permitted to invest in these real estate vehicles, but states that the placement of the funds into subsidiaries would limit its liability exposure from these investments.

Current law allows the SBA to include costs for acquisition and operation of real property assets as part of its overall investment costs. The bill creates an additional method for the SBA to fund its real property subsidiaries' administrative operations by allowing both the SBA and those subsidiaries to issue securities and borrow money through loans or other financial obligations, including bonds, equity securities, and other security instruments. These instruments could be unsecured or secured by investments in real property or related cash flows, and guaranteed by the related fund or financial covenants.

The bill also makes conforming changes to terminology throughout to accommodate the SBA's creation of subsidiaries.

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<sup>13</sup> SBA, *A Resolution Directing an Update to the Investment Policy Statement and Proxy Voting Policies for the Florida Retirement System Defined Benefit Pension Plan, and Directing the Organization and Execution of an Internal Review* (Aug. 23, 2022), available at <https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/ESG-Resolution-Final.pdf> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

## Miscellaneous

The bill updates terms throughout, for example, substituting “entity” for “corporation” and “securities”<sup>14</sup> for “stock” in order to reflect current industry terminology.

**Sections 4, 5 and 6** respectively, reenact ss. 112.661, 420.503, and 1002.36, F.S., to incorporate the expansion of expressly authorized investments in s. 215.47, F.S., to apply to local retirement systems or plans, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, and the Board of Trustees of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind.

**Section 7** provides that the bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

## IV. Constitutional Issues:

### A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

Not applicable. The mandate restrictions do not apply because the bill does not require counties and municipalities to spend funds, reduce counties’ or municipalities’ ability to raise revenue, or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties and municipalities.

### B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

### C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

### D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

### E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None identified.

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<sup>14</sup> A “security” is any note, stock, treasury stock, security future, security-based swap, bond, debenture, evidence of indebtedness, certificate of interest or participation in any profit-sharing agreement, collateral-trust certificate, preorganization certificate or subscription, transferable share, investment contract, voting-trust certificate, certificate of deposit for a security, fractional undivided interest in oil, gas, or other mineral rights, any put, call, straddle, option, or privilege on any security, certificate of deposit, or group or index of securities, or any put, call, straddle, option, or privilege entered into on a national securities exchange relating to foreign currency, or in general, any interest or instrument commonly known as a ‘security’, or any certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or interim certificate for, receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe or purchase, any of the foregoing. 115 U.S.C. §77b. Securities are generally governed by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:****A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

None.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

The SBA's foray into real estate financing pool investments may help to create an infusion of additional money into the overall funds managed by the SBA, including those which support the Pension Plan. This diversification may therefore ensure longer-term financial stability of the Pension Plan.

The SBA states that the increase in alternative investments cap would allow for more investment flexibility, and permit the funds to take advantage of the currently strong private equity market. Additionally, the SBA states that it will be required to forego new investments in alternative investments, as their investments currently meet the cap.<sup>15</sup>

Similarly, the SBA states that the ability to manage its real estate holdings as a real estate financing pool (owned through subsidiaries) would allow for greater flexibility and lower management costs.<sup>16</sup>

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends sections 121.091, 121.4501, and 215.47 of the Florida Statutes.

This bill reenacts sections 112.661(5)(a), 420.503(3)(a), and 1002.36(4)(e) of the Florida Statutes.

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<sup>15</sup> SBA, *Senate Bill 110 Agency Analysis*, p. 3 (Mar. 3, 2023)(on file with the Senate Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability).

<sup>16</sup> *Id.* at p. 2.

**IX. Additional Information:****A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**  
(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)**CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability on March 7, 2023:**

The CS makes the following changes:

- Clarifies that the SBA cannot pay benefits to a member of the Investment Plan who has been charged with, or convicted of, specific offenses that evince a breach of the public trust;
- Adds procedures to waive the requirement that a member of the FRS who wishes to designate a non-spouse as his or her beneficiary receive an acknowledgement of that designation from the spouse;
- Removes language that would direct the SBA to invest based on pecuniary factors only; and
- Removes approval to use subsidiary entities that hold alternative investments to issue securities and borrow money.

**B. Amendments:**

None.

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This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

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By Senator Hooper

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A bill to be entitled

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2 An act relating to the State Board of Administration;  
3 amending s. 215.47, F.S.; revising the types of  
4 investments in real property and related personal  
5 property which the board may make; authorizing the  
6 board and certain affiliated entities and ventures to  
7 issue securities and borrow money through specified  
8 means; authorizing the board to use the proceeds of  
9 loans or financing obligations as loans to or sources  
10 of funding for certain entities; requiring the  
11 ownership of an entity holding title to real property  
12 to be vested in the name of the System Trust Fund;  
13 revising the funds in which the state may invest no  
14 more than 80 percent of its moneys available for  
15 investments; revising the requirements of the proposed  
16 plan the board must present to the Investment Advisory  
17 Council to invest in unauthorized investments;  
18 deleting authorization for the council to obtain  
19 independent investment counsel to provide expert  
20 advice on board investment activity; requiring the  
21 board's evaluation of an investment to be based solely  
22 on pecuniary factors; defining the term "pecuniary  
23 factor"; providing construction; revising the  
24 threshold for the amount of the fund which may be  
25 invested in alternative investments; authorizing the  
26 board and certain affiliated entities to issue  
27 securities and borrow money through specified means;  
28 reenacting ss. 112.661(5)(a), 218.409(2)(a),  
29 420.503(3)(a), and 1002.36(4)(e), F.S., relating to

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30 authorized investments, administration of the trust  
31 fund, investments the board is permitted to make, and  
32 investments made on behalf of the Florida School for  
33 the Deaf and the Blind, respectively, to incorporate  
34 the amendments made to s. 215.47, F.S., in references  
35 thereto; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

39           Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subsection (2) and subsections  
40 (3), (6), (10), and (15) of section 215.47, Florida Statutes,  
41 are amended to read:

42        215.47 Investments; authorized securities; loan of  
43 securities.—Subject to the limitations and conditions of the  
44 State Constitution or of the trust agreement relating to a trust  
45 fund, moneys available for investments under ss. 215.44-215.53  
46 may be invested as follows:

(2) With no more than 25 percent of any fund in:  
(e) Certain interests in real property and related personal property that may be owned through affiliated limited liability entities or joint ventures, which include, but are not limited to, including mortgages and related instruments secured by on commercial or industrial real property, and instruments containing with provisions for equity or income participation or with provisions for convertibility to equity ownership; and interests in real property-related collective investment funds. The State Board of Administration and its affiliated limited liability entities or joint ventures may issue securities and borrow money through loans or other financial obligations,

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59 including bonds, equity securities, and other security  
 60 instruments, any of which may be unsecured, or secured by  
 61 investments in real property or related cash flows, guaranteed  
 62 by the related fund, or governed by financial covenants. The  
 63 proceeds of such loans or financing obligations may be loaned to  
 64 or otherwise used as a source of funding for affiliated limited  
 65 liability entities or joint ventures. Associated expenditures  
 66 for acquisition and operation of assets purchased under this  
 67 provision or of investments in private equity or other private  
 68 investment partnerships or limited liability companies shall be  
 69 included as a part of the cost of the investment.

70 1. The title to real property, or ownership of the entity  
 71 holding title to real property, acquired under this paragraph  
 72 shall be vested in the name of the respective fund.

73 2. For purposes of taxation of property owned by any fund,  
 74 the provisions of s. 196.199(2)(b) do not apply.

75 3. Real property acquired under the provisions of this  
 76 paragraph is shall not be considered state lands or public lands  
 77 and property as defined in chapter 253, and the provisions of  
 78 that chapter do not apply to such real property.

79 (3) With no more than 80 percent of any fund in equity  
 80 securities or securities convertible into equity securities of  
 81 any entity common stock, preferred stock, and interest-bearing  
 82 obligations of a corporation having an option to convert into  
 83 common stock, provided:

84 (a) The entity corporation is organized under the laws of  
 85 the United States, any state or organized territory of the  
 86 United States, or the District of Columbia; or

87 (b) The entity corporation is listed on any one or more of

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 89 the recognized national stock exchanges in the United States and  
 90 conforms with the periodic reporting requirements under the  
 91 Securities Exchange Act of 1934; -

92 (c) Not more than 75 percent of the fund may be in  
 93 internally managed equity securities ~~common stock~~.

94 The board is shall not to invest more than 10 percent of the  
 95 equity assets of any fund in the equity securities ~~common stock~~,  
 96 ~~preferred stock, and interest-bearing obligations having an~~  
 97 ~~option to convert into common stock~~, of any one issuing entity  
 98 corporation; and the board is shall not to invest more than 3  
 99 percent of the equity assets of any fund in such securities of  
 100 any one issuing entity corporation except to the extent a higher  
 101 percentage of the same issue is included in a nationally  
 102 recognized market index, based on market values, at least as  
 103 broad as the Standard and Poor's Composite Index of 500  
 104 Companies, or except upon a specific finding by the board that  
 105 such higher percentage is in the best interest of the fund.

106 (6) With no more than 5 percent of any fund to be invested  
 107 as deemed appropriate by the board, notwithstanding investment  
 108 limitations otherwise expressed in this section. Before ~~Prior to~~  
 109 the board engages ~~engaging~~ in any investment activity not  
 110 otherwise authorized under ss. 215.44-215.53, excluding  
 111 investments in publicly traded securities, options, financial  
 112 futures, or similar instruments, the board shall present to the  
 113 Investment Advisory Council a proposed plan for such investment.  
 114 The ~~The~~ said ~~said~~ plan must shall include, but is not be limited to, a  
 115 detailed analysis of the investment, the expected benefits and  
 116 potential risks of such activity, and the methods for

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117 monitoring and measuring the performance of the investment; a  
 118 ~~complete description of the type, nature, extent and purpose of~~  
 119 ~~the investment, including description of issuer, security in~~  
 120 ~~which investment is proposed to be made, voting rights or lack~~  
 121 ~~thereof and control to be acquired, restrictions upon voting,~~  
 122 ~~transfer, and other material rights of ownership, and the~~  
 123 ~~existence of any contracts, arrangements, understandings, or~~  
 124 ~~relationships with any person or entity (naming the same) with~~  
 125 ~~respect to the proposed investment; and assurances that~~  
 126 ~~sufficient investment expertise is available to the board to~~  
 127 ~~properly evaluate and manage such activity. The Investment~~  
 128 ~~Advisory Council may obtain independent investment counsel to~~  
 129 ~~provide expert advice with regard to such proposed investment~~  
 130 ~~activity by the board, and the board shall defray such costs.~~

131 (10) (a) Investments made by the State Board of  
 132 Administration must shall be designed to maximize the financial  
 133 return to the fund consistent with the risks incumbent in each  
 134 investment and must shall be designed to preserve an appropriate  
 135 diversification of the portfolio.

136 (b) The board shall discharge its duties with respect to a  
 137 plan solely in the interest of its participants and  
 138 beneficiaries. The board in performing the above investment  
 139 duties shall comply with the fiduciary standards set forth in  
 140 the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 at 29 U.S.C.  
 141 s. 1104(a)(1)(A) through (C).

142 (c) The board's evaluation of an investment may be based  
 143 only on pecuniary factors, and the board may not subordinate the  
 144 interests of the participants and beneficiaries to other  
 145 objectives and may not sacrifice investment return or take on

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146 additional investment risk to promote non-pecuniary benefits or  
 147 goals. The weight given to any pecuniary factor by the board  
 148 must appropriately reflect a prudent assessment of its impact on  
 149 risk and returns. As used in this paragraph, the term "pecuniary  
 150 factor" means a factor that the board prudently determines is  
 151 expected to have a material effect on the risk or return of an  
 152 investment, based on appropriate investment horizons consistent  
 153 with the fund's investment objectives and funding policy.

154 (d) In the event of any conflict between paragraphs (b) and  
 155 (c), paragraph (c) shall prevail. In case of conflict with other  
 156 provisions of law authorizing investments, the investment and  
 157 fiduciary standards set forth in this subsection shall prevail.

158 (15) With no more, in the aggregate, than 30 ~~20~~ percent of  
 159 any fund in alternative investments through participation in an  
 160 alternative investment vehicle as those terms are defined in s.  
 161 215.4401(3)(a), or in securities or investments that are not  
 162 publicly traded and not otherwise authorized by this section.  
 163 The State Board of Administration and its affiliated limited  
 164 liability entities, which the board may create, own, and use to  
 165 hold investments and for such other purposes as it deems  
 166 appropriate, may issue securities and borrow money through loans  
 167 or other financial obligations, including bonds, equity  
 168 securities, or other security instruments, any of which may be  
 169 unsecured, or secured by investments made which are authorized  
 170 under this subsection or related cash flows, guaranteed by the  
 171 related fund, or governed by financial covenants.

172 Section 2. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments  
 173 made by this act to section 215.47, Florida Statutes, in a  
 174 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section

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175 112.661, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

176 112.661 Investment policies.—Investment of the assets of  
177 any local retirement system or plan must be consistent with a  
178 written investment policy adopted by the board. Such policies  
179 shall be structured to maximize the financial return to the  
180 retirement system or plan consistent with the risks incumbent in  
181 each investment and shall be structured to establish and  
182 maintain an appropriate diversification of the retirement system  
183 or plan's assets.

184 (5) AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS.—

185 (a) The investment policy shall list investments authorized  
186 by the board. Investments not listed in the investment policy  
187 are prohibited. Unless otherwise authorized by law or ordinance,  
188 the investment of the assets of any local retirement system or  
189 plan covered by this part shall be subject to the limitations  
190 and conditions set forth in s. 215.47(1)-(6), (8), (9), (11) and  
191 (17).

192 Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments  
193 made by this act to section 215.47, Florida Statutes, in a  
194 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section  
195 218.409, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

196 218.409 Administration of the trust fund.—

197 (2) (a) The trustees shall ensure that the board or a  
198 professional money management firm administers the trust fund on  
199 behalf of the participants. The board or a professional money  
200 management firm shall have the power to invest such funds in  
201 accordance with a written investment policy. The investment  
202 policy shall be updated annually to conform to best investment  
203 practices. The standard of prudence to be used by investment

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204 officials shall be the fiduciary standards as set forth in s.  
205 215.47(10), which shall be applied in the context of managing an  
206 overall portfolio. Portfolio managers acting in accordance with  
207 written procedures and an investment policy and exercising due  
208 diligence shall be relieved of personal responsibility for an  
209 individual security's credit risk or market price changes,  
210 provided deviations from expectations are reported in a timely  
211 fashion and the liquidity and the sale of securities are carried  
212 out in accordance with the terms of this part.

213 Section 4. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments  
214 made by this act to section 215.47, Florida Statutes, in a  
215 reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section  
216 420.503, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

217 420.503 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:

218 (3) "Authorized investments" means any of the following  
219 securities:

220 (a) Investments permitted under s. 215.47(1) and (2),  
221 without regard to any limitation set forth therein.

222 Section 5. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments  
223 made by this act to section 215.47, Florida Statutes, in a  
224 reference thereto, paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section  
225 1002.36, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

226 1002.36 Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind.—

227 (4) BOARD OF TRUSTEES.—

228 (e) The board of trustees is invested with full power and  
229 authority to:

230 1. Appoint a president, faculty, teachers, and other  
231 employees and remove the same as in its judgment may be best and  
232 fix their compensation.

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233        2. Procure professional services, such as medical, mental  
 234        health, architectural, and engineering.  
 235        3. Procure legal services without the prior written  
 236        approval of the Attorney General.  
 237        4. Determine eligibility of students and procedure for  
 238        admission.  
 239        5. Provide for the students of the school necessary  
 240        bedding, clothing, food, and medical attendance and such other  
 241        things as may be proper for the health and comfort of the  
 242        students without cost to their parents, except that the board of  
 243        trustees may set tuition and other fees for nonresidents.  
 244        6. Provide for the proper keeping of accounts and records  
 245        and for budgeting of funds.  
 246        7. Enter into contracts.  
 247        8. Sue and be sued.  
 248        9. Secure public liability insurance.  
 249        10. Do and perform every other matter or thing requisite to  
 250        the proper management, maintenance, support, and control of the  
 251        school at the highest efficiency economically possible, the  
 252        board of trustees taking into consideration the purposes of the  
 253        establishment.  
 254        11. Receive gifts, donations, and bequests of money or  
 255        property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, from any  
 256        person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity. However, the  
 257        board of trustees may not obligate the state to any expenditure  
 258        or policy that is not specifically authorized by law. If the  
 259        bill of sale, will, trust indenture, deed, or other legal  
 260        conveyance specifies terms and conditions concerning the use of  
 261        such money or property, the board of trustees shall observe such

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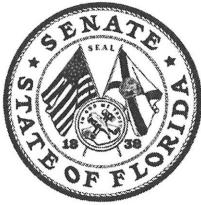
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262        terms and conditions.  
 263        12. Deposit outside the State Treasury such moneys as are  
 264        received as gifts, donations, or bequests and may disburse and  
 265        expend such moneys, upon its own warrant, for the use and  
 266        benefit of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind and its  
 267        students, as the board of trustees deems to be in the best  
 268        interest of the school and its students. Such money or property  
 269        does not constitute and may not be considered a part of any  
 270        legislative appropriation.  
 271        13. Sell or convey by bill of sale, deed, or other legal  
 272        instrument any property, real or personal, received as a gift,  
 273        donation, or bequest, upon such terms and conditions as the  
 274        board of trustees deems to be in the best interest of the school  
 275        and its students.  
 276        14. Invest such moneys in securities enumerated under s.  
 277        215.47(1), (2)(c), (3), (4), and (10), and in The Common Fund,  
 278        an Investment Management Fund exclusively for nonprofit  
 279        educational institutions.  
 280        15. After receiving approval from the Administration  
 281        Commission, exercise the power of eminent domain in the manner  
 282        provided in chapter 73 or chapter 74.  
 283        Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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*The Florida Senate*  
**Committee Agenda Request**

**To:** Senator Bryan Avila, Chair  
Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

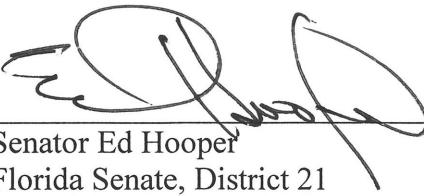
**Subject:** Committee Agenda Request

**Date:** January 17, 2023

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I respectfully request that **Senate Bill #110**, relating to State Board of Administration, be placed on the:

- committee agenda at your earliest possible convenience.
- next committee agenda.



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Senator Ed Hooper  
Florida Senate, District 21

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**RE: SENATE BILL 0110** **By: Senator Hooper**  
Appropriations Committee of the Florida Senate

## **I. SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 0110 (“SB 110”) amends several subsections of Section 215.47, Florida Statutes, to revise and clarify the investment authority of the State Board of Administration (the “Board”). The amendment to Section 215.47(2)(e) would authorize the Board to issue securities in association with financing real property investments. SB 110 amends Section 215.47(3) to clarify the Board’s authority to invest in various types of securities and limited liability entities, rather than only the stock of corporations. SB 110 amends Section 215.47(6) to require the Board to present a “detailed analysis” to the Investment Advisory Council of proposed investments that are not otherwise authorized under the Board’s investment authority. SB 110 amends Section 215.47(10) to provide that the Board’s investment decisions must be made based on pecuniary factors and may not sacrifice investment returns or take on additional risks to promote non-pecuniary factors. This will protect funds managed by the Board and their current and future beneficiaries from investment strategies that seek to maximize social, political, and ideological impacts above investment returns (consistent with incumbent risks on such investment). The proposed legislation would amend Section 215.47(15) to increase the percentage of investments the Board may make in alternative investments. Finally, the legislation would further amend subsection (15) to grant the Board additional authority to issue securities and borrow money.

Sections, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of SB 110 would incorporate the proposed amendments to Section 215.47 into associated statutes by making conforming revisions to Sections 12.661, 218.409, 420.503 and 1002.36, Florida Statutes, respectively.

## **II. PRESENT SITUATION**

The Board is a body corporate created by the Florida Constitution and is charged with the execution of statutory investment mandates including the statewide multi-employer Florida Retirement System Trust Fund (the “FRSTF”). All investments made by the Board pursuant to Sections 215.44 – 215.53, Florida Statutes, are subject to the restrictions and limitations set forth in Section 215.47, Florida Statutes, which is known as the “legal list.” This legal list requires the Board to abide by the fiduciary standard of ERISA and currently allows investments within certain percentage limitations in various types of assets, including real estate, equities, alternative investments (which include investments in private equity funds, venture funds, hedge funds, and distress funds), and other private investments.

Over time, as the investment market has changed and matured, the specific terminology and parameters included within the legal list have become outdated and have impaired the Board’s ability to fully participate in current market opportunities and to maximize the investment returns for the FRSTF. The legal list currently restricts the Board’s ability to access liquidity at lower costs based on portfolio positions in real estate and private investments. It also uses outdated terms such as “corporation” rather than recognizing other organizational structures for limited

liability entities. While the legal list requires all investment decisions to comply with the fiduciary duties of ERISA, the current market environment and recent revisions to the U.S. Department of Labor's rules make it imperative to clarify that investment decisions may not sacrifice investment returns or increase risks to satisfy non-pecuniary considerations. Finally, the legal list imposes a percentage limitation on alternative investments that is below current market standards. The proposed amendments to Section 215.47, Florida Statutes, would remedy these and other problems within the current statute.

### **III. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES**

The proposed legislation would amend Section 215.47, Florida Statutes, to allow the Board to access new market opportunities and keep up with current market standards, in addition to providing updates for clarification. Since the adoption of the original version of the statute, investment markets have changed and evolved over time and new investment products have become available. Portfolio level transactions in real estate and alternative investments are now available to enhance liquidity at lower costs and have become a potential tool for institutional investors, and limited liability structures for equity investments have expanded beyond traditional corporations. Most importantly, alternative investments have become a greater portion of institutional portfolios. Undoubtedly, other new investment opportunities may be developed that do not fit within traditional defined parameters, and the Board's Investment Advisory Council should have a detailed analysis of such investment options that may not be otherwise authorized under the legal list. In addition to these market changes, the Board believes it is important to clarify its fiduciary obligations under the statute to explicitly require the consideration of pecuniary factors in making investment decisions. The proposed statutory revision addresses each of these issues.

#### Section 215.47(2)(e):

First, the revision of Section 215.47(2)(e), Florida Statutes, would specifically allow for the use of portfolio level leverage through the issuance of bonds or other security instruments and would further clarify portions of the statute relating to real estate investments and the use of leverage.

The use of leverage is an essential part of a well-balanced real estate investment program. Leverage creates opportunities for enhanced risk adjusted returns and greater portfolio diversification. The main component of the Board's benchmark for the real estate asset class is the NCREIF Fund Index – Open-Ended Diversified Core Equity, net of fees (the "NFI-ODCE Index"). A key and growing part of the financing strategy within the underlying funds that comprise the NFI-ODCE Index is the use of fund-level financing, which creates material advantages within the context of managing the portfolios by allowing access to debt at lower costs, flexible term lengths (creating laddered maturities), and flexibility with managing the underlying assets.

However, because the legal list does not currently include the specific authority to issue bonds or securities to finance real estate investments, the Board is at a disadvantage in meeting its benchmark and at a disadvantage in comparison to some other public pension funds. Currently, the Board's real estate program utilizes individual loans that are each secured by the mortgage of a separate real estate investment. In contrast, many of the funds underlying the NFI-ODCE Index, as well as some public pension funds, use leverage at a portfolio level through unsecured private placement bonds or other security instruments. The advantages to the Board of using securities would include avoiding recorded liens against individual real estate investments, flexibility to pre-pay and/or release or substitute properties, lower overall closing costs, and less restrictive covenants and lender approval rights.

The proposed statutory amendment would allow the Board to take advantage of the benefits of using leverage at a portfolio level without encumbering individual assets.

#### Section 215.47(3):

The revision of this subsection would generally recognize the expanded universe of entity types

that may be used in equity investments. The current subsection makes several references to “corporations.” While traditional corporations still constitute many of the entities available for equity investments, many newly formed entities use different structures such as limited liability companies, limited partnerships, and other forms. The use of the words “securities” and “entities,” rather than “stock” and “corporations,” respectively, makes it clear that equity investments in these other organizational structures are authorized under the statute.

**Section 215.47(6):**

The revision of this subsection would require the Board to provide a “detailed analysis” to its Investment Advisory Council prior to undertaking an investment that is not otherwise authorized in the legal list. The requirement of a detailed analysis would replace the requirement of providing certain discrete information that is specifically delineated. As new investment opportunities become available, it is important for the Investment Advisory Council to have the information needed to properly review such investments. The proposed revision would allow for a more wholistic analysis of investments that are not otherwise authorized, rather than the provision of a simple list of information.

**Section 215.47(10):**

Section 8 amends Section 215.47 – Investments; Authorized Securities; Loan of Securities. Section 215.47 sets forth requirements for investing moneys available for investment under ss. 215.44 through 215.53. This bill section adds that, notwithstanding any other law, when deciding whether to invest and when investing the assets of any fund, the SBA must make decisions based solely on pecuniary factors and may not subordinate the interests of the participants and beneficiaries of the fund to other objectives, including sacrificing investment return or undertaking additional investment risk to promote any non-pecuniary factor. The section further states that the weight given to any pecuniary factor must appropriately reflect a prudent assessment of its impact on risk or returns. The term “pecuniary factor” is defined in this section as a factor that the SBA prudently determines is expected to have a material effect on the risk or return of an investment based on appropriate investment horizons consistent with applicable investment objectives and funding policy. The definition states that the term does not include the consideration or furtherance of any social, political, or ideological interest. The bill section also provides that, except as provided in Section 215.47(10)(b) (Section 8) to the extent Section 215.47(10) conflicts with other provisions of law authorizing investments, the investment and fiduciary standards in Section 215.47(10)(c) shall prevail.

**Section 215.47(15):**

The proposed revision would make two general changes to this subsection. First, it would increase the percentage limitation on investments in alternative investments from 20 percent to 30 percent. To diversify its investments, the Board invests in multiple asset classes: global equities, fixed income, real estate, strategic investments, and private equity. Section 215.47(15), F.S. limits the Board’s authority to invest funds in alternative investments to not more than 20 percent of any fund. “Alternative investments” is defined to include investments in private equity funds, venture funds, hedge funds or distress funds or direct investments in portfolio companies through an investment manager. The use of alternative investment vehicles was first authorized in 1996 at a maximum of five percent of a fund. In 2007, the use was expanded to include a broader spectrum of alternative investments, including private equity funds, venture funds, hedge funds and distress funds. In 2008, this maximum threshold was increased to 10 percent. In 2012, the threshold was again increased to 20 percent.

Over the past four years, the amount invested in alternative investments through the SBA’s Strategic Investments and Private Equity Asset Classes grew from 15.17 percent of the assets of the FRSTF as of June 30, 2018, to approximately 20 percent today, which is the current limitation. Private equity investments are generally illiquid with investment obligations contracted over multi-year periods. Investments within the Strategic Investments Asset Class are typically quasi-liquid or illiquid and also generally include obligations contracted over multi-year periods. If the volume of alternative investments begins to meet or exceed the statutory threshold, the Board, in meeting its statutory limitations, will be required to forego new investments that fall within the classification. Without the proposed increase in this percentage limitation, the Board

will be unable to participate in investments that would enhance the returns of the FRSTF.

The second revision to this subsection would provide the Board greater liquidity options in association with alternative investments by permitting the issuance of notes or security instruments. This would also expand the Board's ability to rebalance the fund's allocation to alternative investments.

The ability to generate liquidity and rebalance/reposition alternative investment portfolios has become an essential part of well-managed and high-performing alternative investment programs. For example, the Board's private equity program has been an active seller of private equity fund interests on the secondary market. These sales have generated liquidity for the FRSTF and allowed Board staff to strategically rebalance its portfolio, positioning the program for continued outperformance. The ability to realize performance when selling conditions are attractive has been a key driver in the private equity asset class's ability to outperform its benchmark. Over the last several years, additional tools allowing alternative investment programs to accomplish these same goals have expanded beyond secondary sales and have become widely adopted by large institutional investors. These tools include NAV-based facilities and collateralized fund obligations ("CFO"). Secondary sales, NAV facilities and CFOs all carry different cost/benefit trade-offs. Determining which is optimal often depends on market conditions and specific portfolio goals. For example, secondary sales represent a full exit of a position but tend to have a higher cost. While NAV facilities and CFOs offer partial liquidity at par but tend to have a lower cost and allow investors to retain upside potential. The current market environment and economic conditions play a key role in determining which option is most cost effective and provides the greatest benefit to alternative investment programs.

The ability of large alternative investment programs to use all available options in order to generate liquidity is a key part of managing portfolios through full market cycles. The Board's alternative investment programs are currently at a disadvantage by not having all options available to generate liquidity or rebalance/reposition its alternative programs should investment policy or conditions warrant.

The proposed statutory amendment would allow the Board to take advantage of the benefits of using all available options when managing its alternative investment programs.

**IV. ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACTS ON STATE AGENCIES:**

A. Recurring

None known.

B. Non-Recurring

None known.

**V. ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACTS ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:**

None known.

**VI. ESTIMATED IMPACTS ON PRIVATE SECTOR:**

None known.

**VII. LEGAL ISSUES**

A. Does the proposed legislation conflict with existing federal law or regulations? If so, what laws

and/or regulations?

None known.

B. Does the proposed legislation raise significant constitutional concerns under the U.S. or Florida Constitutions (e.g. separation of powers, access to the courts, equal protection, free speech, establishment clause, impairment of contracts)?

None known.

C. Is the proposed legislation likely to generate litigation and, if so, from what interest groups or parties?

None known.

D. Other:

**VIII. COMMENTS:**

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**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

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BILL: CS/SB 364

INTRODUCER: Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senator Avila

SUBJECT: Bereavement Benefits for Law Enforcement Officers

DATE: March 8, 2023

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
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**Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:**

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

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### I. Summary:

CS/SB 364 creates the “Respecting Their Sacrifice Act.” The bill requires the head of a law enforcement agency to grant up to 8 hours of administrative leave to a law enforcement officer in order for the officer to attend the funeral service of another officer who was killed in the line of duty. The bill authorizes the denial of such leave to maintain adequate staffing levels.

The bill authorizes the head of a law enforcement agency to designate the travel of a law enforcement officer from the agency to attend the funeral of another officer killed in the line of duty as official state business. The bill also authorizes a state employed law enforcement officer to use a state vehicle to attend a funeral within the state of another officer killed in the line of duty. The law enforcement officers must be reimbursed by the agency as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

The bill increases the amount that must be paid towards the funeral or burial expenses of a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer who was employed full time by a state agency and killed in the line of duty while performing law enforcement duties or as a result of an assault against the officer under riot conditions from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

The bill is expected to increase costs borne by state agencies employing law enforcement officers, correctional officers, correctional probation officers, and institutional security specialists.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

## II. Present Situation:

### Law Enforcement

A “law enforcement agency” means an agency that has a primary mission of preventing and detecting crime and enforcing the penal, criminal, traffic, and motor vehicle laws of the state and in furtherance of that primary mission employs law enforcement officers.<sup>1</sup> A “law enforcement or correctional officer” means a law enforcement officer, special agent, correctional officer, correctional probation officer, or institutional security specialist certified under chapter 943.<sup>2</sup>

The table below shows the number of certified law enforcement and correctional officers employed by each state agency.<sup>3,4</sup>

Agency	Number of Officers
Agriculture and Consumer Services	204
Business and Professional Regulation	77
Environmental Protection	19
Financial Services	264
Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles	1,995
Law Enforcement	491
Legal Affairs	59
Lottery	22
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission	806
State Attorney’s Office	241
State Court System	63
State University Police Departments	531
Florida School For Deaf And Blind Campus Police Security Services	10
Florida Department Of Corrections	14,938
Florida Department Of Corrections, Office Of Inspector General	122
Florida State Hospital	96
Florida State Hospital / Agency For Persons With Disabilities	37
North Florida Evaluation And Treatment Center	49
Wellpath Treasure Coast Forensic Treatment Center	81
<b>Total Number of Officers</b>	<b>20,105</b>

<sup>1</sup> Section 943.1718, F.S.

<sup>2</sup> Section 110.107(14), F.S.

<sup>3</sup> Florida Department of Law Enforcement, *Criminal Justice Agency Profile Report 2021, State Agencies*, available at <http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/CJSTC/Publications/CJAP/CJAP-2021/SA-Index.aspx> (Last visited Feb. 28, 2023).

<sup>4</sup> Florida Department of Law Enforcement, *Criminal Justice Agency Profile Report 2021, Schools and Ports*, available at <http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/CJSTC/Publications/CJAP/CJAP-2021/SA-Index.aspx> (Last visited Mar. 1, 2023).

### ***Burial or Funeral Benefits***

Section 112.19, F.S., requires the employer of a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, and correctional probation officer to provide death benefits, including a monetary payment, waiver of educational costs, and health insurance premiums, to surviving family members of an officer killed under certain circumstances. If a full-time law enforcement, correctional or correctional probation officer, who is certified pursuant to chapter 943 and employed by a state agency, is killed in the line of duty while engaged in the performance of their law enforcement duties as a result of an assault against the officer under riot conditions, the sum of \$1,000 must be paid toward the funeral and burial expenses of such officer.<sup>5</sup> The benefit is in addition to any other benefits to which the beneficiaries or estate are entitled under the Workers' Compensation Law or any other state or federal statutes. The officer's employing agency may also pay up to \$5,000 directly towards the venue expenses associated with the funeral and burial services.<sup>6</sup>

### **State Personnel Management System**

The state personnel management system provides means to recruit, select, train, develop, and maintain an effective and responsible workforce. The statutes include policies and procedures for employee hiring and advancement, training and career development, position classification, salary administration, benefits, discipline, discharge, employee performance evaluations, affirmative action, and other related activities.<sup>7</sup>

The Department of Management Services (DMS) is charged with establishing and maintaining a classification and compensation program addressing Career Service, Selected Exempt Service, and Senior Management Service positions.<sup>8</sup> The classification of a position determines the types of benefits assigned and its compensation and collective bargaining. A position must be classified as Career Service unless specifically exempted by statute.<sup>9</sup>

Career Service, Selected Exempt Service, and Senior Management Service employees may be granted paid time off in the form of administrative leave for a variety of authorized purposes. The employing agency is responsible for monitoring the use of administrative leave to ensure that its use is within the applicable statutory or rule cap, or does not otherwise exceed a reasonable amount consistent with the circumstances.<sup>10</sup> Generally, state employees may be granted administrative leave for the following purposes:

- Participating in certain international competitions;<sup>11</sup>
- Receiving treatment for a military-service disability;<sup>12</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> Section 112.19(2)(f)1., F.S.

<sup>6</sup> Section 112.19(2)(f)2., F.S.

<sup>7</sup> Section 110.105(1), F.S. Chapter 110, F.S., establishes the state's personnel management system.

<sup>8</sup> Section 110.2035(1), F.S.

<sup>9</sup> Section 110.205(1), F.S.

<sup>10</sup> Department of Management Services Division of State Human Resource Management Policy Guideline, *Administrative Leave – Prudent Fiscal Management Through Tracking and Monitoring*, available at [https://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/91707/528058/2018-005\\_Administrative\\_Leave\\_Prudent\\_Fiscal\\_Management\\_Through\\_Tracking\\_and\\_Monitoring\\_17](https://www.dms.myflorida.com/content/download/91707/528058/2018-005_Administrative_Leave_Prudent_Fiscal_Management_Through_Tracking_and_Monitoring_17) (last visited Feb. 21, 2023).

<sup>11</sup> Section 110.118, F.S.

<sup>12</sup> Section 110.119, F.S.

- Volunteering for certain disasters;<sup>13</sup>
- Participating in certain family activities;<sup>14</sup>
- Attending jury duty;
- When subpoenaed as a witness;
- Taking an examination for military service;
- Attending a family member's funeral;
- When offices are closed under emergency conditions;
- When an employee is under formal investigation;
- Voting in an election;
- Taking certain other examinations; or
- Participating in the Governor's Mentoring Initiative.<sup>15</sup>

### Travel Expenses of Public Employees

The rates, procedures, and limitations placed on the use of taxpayer funds for travel by state and local government employees and officers is standardized by general law.<sup>16</sup> For public officers and employees, all travel must be authorized and approved by the head of the employing agency.<sup>17</sup> The travel request must be accompanied by a signed statement by the traveler's supervisor stating the purpose of the travel and that such travel is for official business. The agency head may only pay for travel expenses necessary to achieve the public purpose and subject to limitations established by state law.<sup>18</sup>

Travel is divided into four categories:

- Class A: Continuous travel of 24 hours or more away from official headquarters.<sup>19</sup>
- Class B: Continuous travel of less than 24 hours which involves overnight absence from official headquarters.
- Class C: Travel for short or day trips where the travel is not away from official headquarters overnight.
- Foreign travel: Travel outside the United States.<sup>20</sup>

Reimbursements for travel time are calculated based on the type of travel. Class A travel is calculated based on a calendar day, while Class B travel is calculated based on the travel period.<sup>21</sup> For Class A and Class B travel, the travelers are reimbursed for each travel day included in the travel period at the rate of one-fourth of the authorized per diem rate for each six-hour period. Class C travelers are not reimbursed per diem, but may receive a subsistence

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<sup>13</sup> Section 110.120, F.S.

<sup>14</sup> See s. 110.1522, F.S., and R. 60L-34.0051, F.A.C.

<sup>15</sup> See R. 60L-34.0071, F.A.C.

<sup>16</sup> Section 112.061, F.S.

<sup>17</sup> Section 112.061(3)(a), F.S. (travel must be approved by "head of the agency"). The "head of the agency" is defined as the highest policymaking authority of a public agency. Section 112.061(2)(b), F.S.

<sup>18</sup> Section 112.061(3)(b), F.S.

<sup>19</sup> The official headquarters of an officer or employee assigned to an office is the city or town in which the office is located, unless an exception applies. See s. 112.061(4), F.S.

<sup>20</sup> Section 112.061(2)(k)-(m), F.S.

<sup>21</sup> Section 112.061(5)(a), F.S.

allowance based on the time of travel.<sup>22</sup> Class C travelers receive a subsistence allowance for \$6 for breakfast, \$11 for lunch, and \$19 for dinner.<sup>23</sup> The per diem and subsistence allowance for Class A and B travelers is the greater of \$80 per day or the sum of actual expenses for lodging at a single-occupancy rate plus the value of the subsistence allowance for Class C travelers for the same number of meals.<sup>24</sup>

Travelers are only reimbursed for the actual expenses of lodging or meals. When the lodging or meals are provided at a state institution the traveler may not be reimbursed.<sup>25</sup> Travelers may not be reimbursed, even when traveling out of state, for any meal or lodging included in a convention or conference registration fee paid for by the state.<sup>26</sup>

Public officers and employees may also receive reimbursement for transportation expenses.<sup>27</sup> Travel is reimbursed according to a usually traveled route, with any costs associated with deviation from that route being borne by the traveler. The agency head or designee must determine the most economical method of travel considering the nature of the business, the most efficient and economical means of travel (including a consideration of time and impact on productivity of the traveler), and the number of persons making the trip.<sup>28</sup> If the traveler pays for the cost of official travel out of pocket, the traveler must provide documentation for reimbursement.<sup>29</sup> Use of a personal vehicle for official business is reimbursed to the traveler at the rate of 44.5 cents per mile, or at the common carrier fare for such travel.<sup>30</sup> Mileage is calculated based on the current map of the Department of Transportation, plus vicinity mileage traveled for the conduct of official business.<sup>31</sup>

Travelers may also be reimbursed for:

- Taxi and ferry fares;
- Bridge, road, and tunnel tolls;
- Parking and storage fees;
- Communication expenses; and
- Convention registration fees, if the convention or conference serves a direct public purpose relating to the employer of the public official, including expenses such a banquet or other meal functions, if the traveler can show the charges were proper and necessary to enhance the public purpose of participation of the governmental entity at the conference.<sup>32</sup>

Counties, county constitutional officers, school boards, special districts, and metropolitan planning organizations may adopt per diem, subsistence, and mileage rates that vary from this framework, as long as their adopted rates are not less than the statutorily established rates in

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<sup>22</sup> Section 112.061(5)(b), F.S.

<sup>23</sup> Section 112.061(6)(b), F.S.

<sup>24</sup> Section 112.061(6)(a), F.S.

<sup>25</sup> Section 112.061(6)(a), F.S.

<sup>26</sup> Section 112.061(6)(c), F.S.

<sup>27</sup> See s. 112.061(7), F.S.

<sup>28</sup> Section 112.061(7)(a), F.S.

<sup>29</sup> Section 112.061(7)(c), F.S.

<sup>30</sup> Section 112.061(7)(d)1., F.S.

<sup>31</sup> Section 112.061(7)(d)3., F.S.

<sup>32</sup> Section 112.061(8)(a), F.S.

effect during the 2005 - 2006 fiscal year.<sup>33</sup> Alternative rates may be adopted by ordinance or resolution of the governing body. The rates must apply uniformly to all travel conducted by officers and employees of the government entity.<sup>34</sup>

Travelers are not required to provide notarized documentation of travel expenses, but must include a written declaration that the claimed travel expenses were necessary for the performance of official duties and accurately reflect travel costs. A traveler making a deliberate misrepresentation is guilty of a second-degree misdemeanor and is civilly liable for the amount of overpayment.<sup>35</sup>

### **Limitation on the use of motor vehicles**

State-owned vehicles are available for “official state business” as authorized by agency heads.<sup>36</sup> Agency heads are required to consider the following criteria in determining appropriate use of state vehicles:

- Carrying out state official or employee job assignments;
- Transporting an employee, state official, or other person for the purpose of conducting official state business or performing services for the state;
- Providing security; and
- Protecting life or property in any emergency situation which requires the use of a state vehicle.<sup>37</sup>

For law enforcement officers employed by the state, the term “official state business” is interpreted to permit the use of the motor vehicle during normal duty hours to and from lunch or meal breaks and incidental stops for personal errands if such use is at the direction of or with the permission of the agency head. However, substantial deviations from official state business are prohibited.<sup>38</sup>

## **III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

**Section 1** creates the “Respecting Their Sacrifice Act.”

**Section 2** creates s. 110.1205, F.S., to authorize the head of a law enforcement agency to grant up to eight hours of administrative leave to a state employee whose duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), F.S., in order for the officer to attend the funeral service of another officer who was killed in the line of duty. The head of a law enforcement agency is authorized to deny the use of administrative leave for such purpose in order to maintain adequate staffing levels.

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<sup>33</sup> Section 112.061(14)(a), F.S.

<sup>34</sup> Section 112.061(14)(b), F.S.

<sup>35</sup> Section 112.061(10), F.S. A second-degree misdemeanor is punishable by up to 60 days imprisonment and a \$500 fine. Sections 775.082 and 775.083, F.S.

<sup>36</sup> Section 287.17(1), F.S.

<sup>37</sup> Section 287.17(2), F.S.

<sup>38</sup> Section 287.17(3)(b), F.S.

**Section 3** amends s. 112.061, F.S., to authorize the head of a law enforcement agency to designate the travel of a state employee whose duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), F.S., to attend a funeral within the state of an officer killed in the line of duty as official state business.

**Section 4** amends s. 112.09, F.S., to increase from \$1,000 to \$10,000 the maximum amount that must be paid towards the funeral or burial expenses of a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer who was employed full time by a state agency and killed in the line of duty while performing law enforcement duties or as a result of an assault against the officer under riot conditions. With the continuation of the current statutory authority for an employing agency to pay up to an additional \$5,000 toward the venue expenses associated with funeral and burial services, the estate of a fallen law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer may receive up to \$15,000 to cover actual funeral or burial expenses.

**Section 5** amends s. 287.17, F.S., to expand the definition of “official state business” for a law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), F.S., to allow the use of a state vehicle to attend the funeral within the state of an officer from his or her agency who was killed in the line of duty.

**Section 6** provides that the bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

#### **IV. Constitutional Issues:**

##### **A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

Not applicable. The mandate restrictions do not apply because the bill does not require counties and municipalities to spend funds, reduce counties’ or municipalities’ ability to raise revenue, or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties and municipalities.

##### **B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

##### **C. Trust Funds Restrictions:**

None.

##### **D. State Tax or Fee Increases:**

None.

##### **E. Other Constitutional Issues:**

None identified.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:****A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

None.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

The bill is expected to have indeterminate negative fiscal impact on state government expenditures. The bill authorizes the head of a law enforcement agency to authorize travel expenses for a law enforcement officer to attend a funeral service within the state of another officer who was killed in the line of duty. The dollar amount of expenditures authorized by the bill depends upon whether the agency decides to authorize travel expenses and is otherwise indeterminate. In addition, the bill increases the amount that must be paid towards the funeral of a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer under certain circumstances from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

The bill is not expected to increase the costs to local governments employing law enforcement officers, correctional officers, and correctional probation officers.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends sections 112.061, 112.19, and 287.17 of the Florida Statutes.

This bill creates section 110.1205 of the Florida Statutes.

**IX. Additional Information:****A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

**CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability on March 7, 2023:**

The committee substitute:

- Changes the short title;
- Narrows the definition of law enforcement officer to be as defined in s. 943.10(1), F.S.; and

- Specifies that the head of a law enforcement agency may only authorize travel expenses and the use of a state vehicle to attend a funeral service within the state.

**B. Amendments:**

None.

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This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Avila) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

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3                   Delete everything after the enacting clause  
4 and insert:

5                   Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Respecting Their  
6 Sacrifice Act."

7                   Section 2. Section 110.1205, Florida Statutes, is created  
8 to read:

9                   110.1205 Administrative leave for law enforcement  
10 officers.—The head of a law enforcement agency may grant



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11 administrative leave not to exceed 8 hours, to a state employee  
12 whose duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined  
13 in s. 943.10(1), to attend the funeral service of a law  
14 enforcement officer from the agency who was killed in the line  
15 of duty. The head of the law enforcement agency may deny the use  
16 of administrative leave under this section in order to maintain  
17 minimum or adequate staffing levels.

18       Section 3. Paragraph (i) is added to subsection (3) of  
19 section 112.061, Florida Statutes, to read:

20       112.061 Per diem and travel expenses of public officers,  
21 employees, and authorized persons; statewide travel management  
22 system.—

23       (3) AUTHORITY TO INCUR TRAVEL EXPENSES.—

24       (i) The head of a law enforcement agency may authorize  
25 travel expenses for a state employee whose duties are those of a  
26 law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), to attend a  
27 funeral service within the state of a law enforcement officer  
28 who was killed in the line of duty.

29       Section 4. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section  
30 112.19, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

31       112.19 Law enforcement, correctional, and correctional  
32 probation officers; death benefits.—

33       (2)

34       (f) If a full-time law enforcement, correctional, or  
35 correctional probation officer who is certified pursuant to  
36 chapter 943 and employed by a state agency is killed in the line  
37 of duty while the officer is engaged in the performance of law  
38 enforcement duties or as a result of an assault against the  
39 officer under riot conditions:



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40       1. The sum of \$10,000~~\$1,000~~ must be paid, as provided for  
41 in paragraph (d), toward the funeral and burial expenses of such  
42 officer. Such benefits are in addition to any other benefits to  
43 which employee beneficiaries and dependents are entitled under  
44 the Workers' Compensation Law or any other state or federal  
45 statutes; and

46           2. The officer's employing agency may pay up to \$5,000  
47 directly toward the venue expenses associated with the funeral  
48 and burial services of such officer.

49                   Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 287.17, Florida  
50 Statutes, is amended to read:

51           287.17 Limitation on use of motor vehicles and aircraft.—  
52           (3)

53                   (c) For motor vehicles used by a state employee whose  
54                   duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined in s.  
55                   943.10(1), the term "official state business" shall be construed  
56                   to permit the use of the vehicle to attend a funeral service  
57                   within the state of a law enforcement officer who was killed in  
58                   the line of duty if such use is at the direction of or with the  
59                   permission of the agency head.

60 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

62 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

63 And the title is amended as follows:

64 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
65 and insert:

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67 An act relating to bereavement benefits for state  
68 employees; providing a short title; creating s.



69        110.1205, F.S.; authorizing a certain number of hours  
70        of administrative leave be granted to certain members  
71        of a law enforcement agency for a specified purpose;  
72        authorizing the head of a law enforcement agency to  
73        deny such administrative leave under certain  
74        circumstances; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; authorizing  
75        travel expenses for certain members of a law  
76        enforcement agency for a specified purpose; amending  
77        s. 112.19, F.S.; increasing the a mount of money to be  
78        paid toward the funeral and burial expenses of certain  
79        officers killed in the line of duty; amending s.  
80        287.17, F.S.; authorizing use of a state motor vehicle  
81        to attend a funeral in the state of a law enforcement  
82        officer killed in the line of duty; providing an  
83        effective date.

By Senator Avila

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19 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

21           Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Respecting the  
22 Sacrifice of Law Enforcement Officers Act."

23                   Section 2. Section 110.1205, Florida Statutes, is created  
24 to read:

110.1205 Bereavement leave for law enforcement officers.—  
The head of a law enforcement agency may grant administrative  
leave not to exceed 8 hours to a law enforcement officer from  
the agency to attend the funeral service of a law enforcement  
officer from the agency who was killed in the line of duty. Law

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30 enforcement agency heads may deny such use of administrative  
31 leave to maintain adequate staffing levels.

32 Section 3. Section 112.0615, Florida Statutes, is created  
33 to read:

34        112.0615 Bereavement travel.—The head of a law enforcement  
35        agency may designate as official state business the travel of a  
36        law enforcement officer from the agency to attend the funeral  
37        services of a law enforcement officer from the agency who was  
38        killed in the line of duty. The law enforcement officer must be  
39        reimbursed by the agency as provided in s. 112.061 for the  
40        expenses incurred traveling to and returning from the funeral  
41        service.

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57 the Workers' Compensation Law or any other state or federal  
58 statutes; and

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59        2. The officer's employing agency may pay up to \$5,000  
60 directly toward the venue expenses associated with the funeral  
61 and burial services of such officer.

62        Section 5. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (3) of  
63 section 287.17, Florida Statutes, to read:

64        287.17 Limitation on use of motor vehicles and aircraft.—

65        (3)

66        (c) For motor vehicles used by a state employee whose  
67 duties are those of a law enforcement officer, as defined in s.  
68 943.10, the employee may use a state vehicle to attend the  
69 funeral of a law enforcement officer from his or her agency who  
70 was killed in the line of duty.

71        Section 6. The Legislature determines and declares that  
72 this act fulfills an important state interest.

73        Section 7. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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**Miami-Dade County**

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**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

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BILL: **SB 234**

INTRODUCER: Senator Avila

SUBJECT: Statutorily Required Reports

DATE: **March 6, 2023**

REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1. <u>Harmsen</u>	<u>McVaney</u>	<u>GO</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
2. _____	_____	<u>FP</u>	_____

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## **I. Summary:**

SB 234 requires the Division of Library and Information Services within the Department of State to create and administer an online database to which state agencies, water management districts, and other state entities must electronically submit their statutorily required reports. The database will allow members of the public to search for and access statutorily required reports.

Each state entity must also redact its submissions if the submissions include any information that is not subject to public inspection. This bill does not impact a state entity's duties to retain or archive documents in accordance with law.

The bill appropriates \$1 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund to implement and maintain the new database.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

## **II. Present Situation:**

The Department of State's (DOS) Division of Library and Information Services (Division) manages the Florida State Library and the State Archives and operates the Florida State Publications Depository Program.<sup>1</sup>

The Florida State Publications Depository Program, which operates pursuant to s. 257.05, F.S., requires state agencies, departments, and boards to furnish their state publications to the Division for distribution to depository libraries. A state publication is any document created under the authority of, or at the expense of a state official, state department, state board, state court, or state agency, or that is otherwise required by state law to be publicly distributed; documents created

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<sup>1</sup> See generally, Florida DOS, Division of Library and Information Services, *About Us*, <https://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023). See also, OPPAGA, *Department of State Library and Information Services*, <https://oppaga.fl.gov/ProgramSummary/ProgramDetail?programNumber=4099> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

for internal use only are not considered a state publication.<sup>2</sup> For example, the State Library of Florida collects and preserves the following as state publications.<sup>3</sup>

- Annual reports;
- Periodicals;
- Newsletters;
- Research reports and studies;
- Statistical compilations;
- Bibliographies;
- Handbooks, manuals and guides for the public;
- Maps;
- Posters;
- Audio and video recordings;
- CDs, DVDs and other electronic media;
- Descriptive course catalogs from institutions of higher learning;
- Student art and literary magazines; and
- Law reviews that are published with state funds.

Agencies, departments, and boards must upload an electronic copy of their state publication to the State Publications Upload System, and furnish either 2 hard copies (if the agency printed less than 40 copies) or 35 hard copies (if the agency printed a total of more than 40 copies) to the Division. The Division then disseminates the copies to Florida's depository libraries and saves two copies (electronic or physical) in the State Library of Florida;<sup>4</sup> if only two copies were provided by the agency, then the Division maintains those copies and does not distribute a copy to the depository libraries.<sup>5</sup>

Section 286.001, F.S., separately requires any agency or officer of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of government, the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors, or the Public Service Commission (agencies) to file any report that they are required or authorized by law to make on a regular or periodic basis with the Division. The agencies must also file an abstract of their report with the statutorily designated recipient—often, the Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Senate President, or some combination thereof. An agency may submit their full report to the designated recipient in addition to the Division only if its agency head determines that the additional cost is justified, and submits a one-page justification thereof to the chairs of the Governmental Operations Committees of both houses of the Legislature.

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<sup>2</sup> Section 257.015(6), F.S.

<sup>3</sup> Florida Department of State, Division of Library and Information Services, *State Publications Collection Policy*, available at <https://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/research/florida-information/government/state-resources/government-documents/florida-state-publications-depository-program/collection-policy/> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

<sup>4</sup> Florida DOS, Division of Library and Information Services, *Florida State Publications Depository Program FAQ*, <https://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/research/florida-information/government/state-resources/government-documents/florida-state-publications-depository-program/state-agencies-faqs/> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

<sup>5</sup> Division of Library and Information Services, Bureau of Library and Network Services, *Florida Public Documents*, p. i (July-September 2022), available at <http://edocs.dlis.state.fl.us/fldocs/dos/dlis/publicdoc/2022/07-2022.pdf> (last visited Mar. 6, 2023).

The Division's duties pursuant to s. 286.001, F.S., include:

- Compiling and updating bibliographic information of the reports it receives;
- Distributing the bibliography; and
- Fulfilling the requirements of the State Publication Program (as discussed above).

The reports collected by the Division in its most recent quarterly bibliography include several state agencies' annual reports, a Citrus Reference Book from the Department of Citrus, the Florida State Plan on Aging from the Department of Elderly Affairs, the Florida Consumer Confidence Index from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Texting While Driving Report from the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, among many others.<sup>6</sup> The bibliography details the title of the report, the issuing agency, where it is located (at a depository library or not), its date of publication, a link to an electronic version (if applicable), and a series number and catalog number.

### **III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

**Section 1** amends s. 286.001, F.S., to require the Division to create and maintain a publicly available Internet-based database to which state entities must submit their statutorily required reports. This database will be separate from the State Publications Program, created by s. 257.05, F.S., and will be singularly dedicated to state entities' statutorily required reports, as compared to any document created with state funds.

The Division must ensure that anyone can search the database using the following search parameters:

- The report's designated recipient (e.g., Governor, Senate President, or Speaker of the House of Representatives);
- The name of the state entity that submitted the report;
- The date of report's submission;
- The law pursuant to which the state entity submitted the report;
- The title or topic of the report; and
- Any identifiable keywords.

Current law requires any agency or officer of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of state government, the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors of the State University System, or the Public Service Commission to submit their statutorily required reports to the Division. The bill adds water management districts that operate under the authority of chapter 373, F.S. to this list and defines these entities, collectively, as "state entities."

The Division is further tasked with creating a master list of statutorily required reports and their submission dates by November 1, 2023, and updating it annually thereafter. The Division must post this list to its publicly accessible website. In order to give periodic updates of the reports submitted for inclusion in the database, the Division must compile bibliographic information on each statutorily required report that it receives and disseminate it to the Governor, President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives each quarter, beginning April 15,

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<sup>6</sup> *Florida Public Documents*, *supra* note 5.

2024. The Division currently creates quarterly bibliographies for reports it receives pursuant to s. 286.001, F.S.

This section conversely requires that any state entity required or authorized by law to make a regular or periodic report to fulfill its duty to submit such report by electronically filing a copy with the Division. This does not affect reports that are created by a state entity outside of a statutory requirement to do so, or that lack a statutory requirement to submit to a specific entity.

If the statutorily required report contains information that the state entity may redact, the submitting state entity must perform the redactions and provide a copy of the redacted report as its submission to the Division with an accompanying statement that identifies the statutory basis for the redaction. The Division is not responsible for the redaction of exempt, or confidential and exempt information from the reports submitted to the database pursuant to this section.

A state entity that submits a report to the Division's database must maintain a complete copy of the report pursuant to its applicable records retention schedule, and provide a copy to parties that make an appropriate public records request for such records.

This section also deletes obsolete language that requires state entities to submit a half-page abstract of their report to the designated recipient, or submit a one-page summary detailing why the cost of submitting the full report to the designated recipient is justified; and to transition to the electronic storage and dissemination of reports as soon as practicable.

Finally, this section deletes a provision that states that s. 286.001, F.S., does not waive or modify the depository requirements in s. 257.02(2), F.S., relating to the provision of state publications to the Division.

**Section 2** appropriates \$1 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of State to offset costs associated with the creation of the reports database.

**Section 3** provides that the bill will take effect on July 1, 2023.

#### **IV. Constitutional Issues:**

##### **A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

Not applicable. The mandate restrictions do not apply because the bill does not require counties and municipalities to spend funds, reduce counties' or municipalities' ability to raise revenue, or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties and municipalities.

##### **B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

##### **C. Trust Funds Restrictions:**

None.

**D. State Tax or Fee Increases:**

None.

**E. Other Constitutional Issues:**

None identified.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**

**A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

None.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

The Division already collects these reports as part of their State Publications Program, but this bill will require that the Division post them to a separate, searchable database. The bill appropriates \$1 million from the General Revenue Fund for use in the creation of this database.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends section 286.001 of the Florida Statutes.

**IX. Additional Information:**

**A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

**B. Amendments:**

None.

By Senator Avila

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30       Legislature; requiring the division to implement and  
31       maintain a database for such reports by a specified  
32       date; specifying requirements for the database;  
33       deleting a provision requiring state entities to  
34       create, store, manage, update, retrieve, and  
35       disseminate statutorily required or authorized reports  
36       in an electronic format; deleting a provision related  
37       to construction; providing an appropriation; providing  
38       an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 286.001, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

286.001 Reports statutorily required; filing, maintenance, retrieval, and provision of copies.—

(1) For purposes of this section, the term "state entity" means any agency or officer of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of state government, the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors of the State University System, the Public Service Commission, or a water management district operating under the authority of chapter 373.

(2) A state entity Unless otherwise specifically provided by law, any agency or officer of the executive, legislative, or judicial branches of state government, the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors of the State University System, or the Public Service Commission required or authorized by law to make a regular or periodic report reports regularly or periodically shall fulfill the requirement to submit the report

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59 ~~by electronically filing such requirement by filing an abstract~~  
 60 ~~of the report with the statutorily or administratively~~  
 61 ~~designated recipients of the report and an abstract and one copy~~  
 62 ~~of the report with the Division of Library and Information~~  
 63 ~~Services of the Department of State, unless the head of the~~  
 64 ~~reporting entity makes a determination that the additional cost~~  
 65 ~~of providing the entire report to the statutorily or~~  
 66 ~~administratively designated recipients is justified. A one-page~~  
 67 ~~summary justifying the determination shall be submitted to the~~  
 68 ~~chairs of the governmental operations committees of both houses~~  
 69 ~~of the Legislature. The abstract of the contents of such report~~  
 70 ~~shall be no more than one half page in length. The actual report~~  
 71 ~~must shall be retained by the reporting agency or officer, and~~  
 72 ~~copies of the report must shall be provided to interested~~  
 73 ~~parties and the statutorily or administratively designated~~  
 74 ~~recipients of the report upon request.~~

75 (a) A state entity that submits a report pursuant to this  
 76 section is solely responsible for redacting any portion of the  
 77 report which is not subject to public inspection. The division  
 78 or the department, or any contractor thereof, is not responsible  
 79 for and may not be held liable for the failure of a state entity  
 80 to redact exempt or confidential and exempt information from its  
 81 reports.

82 (b) If a report is redacted, the state entity submitting  
 83 the report must provide to the division an accompanying  
 84 statement that identifies the specific statutory basis for the  
 85 redaction.

86 (3) The state entity shall retain or archive each report in  
 87 accordance with the applicable records retention schedule.

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88 (4) (2) With respect to reports statutorily required of  
 89 state entities agencies or officers within the executive,  
 90 legislative, or judicial branches of state government, the State  
 91 Board of Education, the Board of Governors of the State  
 92 University System, or the Public Service Commission, it is the  
 93 duty of the division, in addition to its duties under s. 257.05,  
 94 to:

95 (a) By November 1, 2023, with assistance from the state  
 96 entities, compile a list of statutorily required reports and  
 97 their submission dates. The division shall update this list by  
 98 each November 1 thereafter. The division shall publish the list  
 99 on the Department of State's publicly accessible website  
 100 Regularly compile and update bibliographic information on such  
 101 reports for distribution as provided in paragraph (b). Such  
 102 bibliographic information may be included in the bibliographies  
 103 prepared by the division pursuant to s. 257.05(3).

104 (b) Beginning January 1, 2024, compile bibliographic  
 105 information on each statutorily required report it receives for  
 106 publication in the database implemented and maintained under  
 107 paragraph (d). The division shall update the bibliographic  
 108 information on a quarterly basis. The bibliographic information  
 109 may be included in the bibliographies prepared by the division  
 110 pursuant to s. 257.05(3).

111 (c) Beginning April 15, 2024, and each calendar quarter  
 112 thereafter, distribute the most recently completed quarter's  
 113 bibliography created pursuant to paragraph (b) to the Governor,  
 114 the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
 115 Representatives.

116 (d) By January 1, 2024, implement and maintain a publicly

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available Internet-based database of the statutorily required reports and bibliographic information that it receives or creates pursuant to this section. The database must be searchable, at a minimum, by the report's designated recipient, the state entity that submitted the report, the date of the report's submission, the law requiring the state entity to submit the report, the title or topic of the report, and identifiable keywords. Provide for at least quarterly distribution of bibliographic information on reports to:

1. Agencies and officers within the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of state government, the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors of the State University System, and the Public Service Commission, free of charge; and
2. Other interested parties upon request properly made and upon payment of the actual cost of duplication pursuant to s. 119.07(1).

(3) As soon as practicable, the administrative head of each executive, legislative, or judicial agency and each agency of the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors of the State University System, and the Public Service Commission required by law to make reports periodically shall ensure that those reports are created, stored, managed, updated, retrieved, and disseminated through electronic means.

(4) This section may not be construed to waive or modify the requirement in s. 257.05(2) pertaining to the provision of copies of state publications to the division.

Section 2. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the sum of \$1 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is appropriated to the Department of State for the purpose of

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implementing and maintaining the database of statutorily required reports and bibliographic information as required by this act.

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149 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

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BILL: CS/SB 256

INTRODUCER: Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Senator Ingoglia

SUBJECT: Employee Organizations Representing Public Employees

DATE: March 8, 2023

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**Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:**

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

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## I. Summary:

CS/SB 256 enacts several new requirements of the employee organizations that represent public employees in collective bargaining. Specifically, the bill:

- Requires employees who wish to join certain employee organizations to sign a membership authorization form that is prescribed by the Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC), which must contain specific information.
- Requires specific employee organizations to allow a member to revoke his or her membership in the organization at any time, and without any reason.
- Allows the PERC to inspect specific employee organization's membership authorization forms and membership revocation forms.
- Prohibits certain employee organizations from receiving their members' dues and assessments via salary deduction from the members' public employer.
- Expands the information required in an employee organization's annual registration renewal with the PERC. This newly required information includes information that relates to the number and percentage of dues-paying members in each bargaining unit. In addition, the employee organization's current annual financial report must be audited by an independent certified public accountant.
- Authorizes the public employer or an employee who is eligible for representation in the bargaining unit to challenge the application for registration renewal. The PERC must investigate to confirm the information submitted.
- Requires the employee organization to be recertified as the bargaining agent if the number of employees paying dues to the employee organization during the last registration period is less than 60 percent of the number of employees eligible for representation in the bargaining unit.

- Requires the certified bargaining agent to provide certain information to its members, including the annual costs of membership.
- Expands the prohibited activities by certain employee organizations and its representatives.

The bill is expected to have an indeterminate fiscal impact on state and local government expenditures.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2023.

## **II. Present Situation:**

### **Right-to-Work**

The State Constitution provides that the “right of persons to work shall not be denied or abridged on account of membership or non-membership in any labor union or labor organization.”<sup>1</sup> Based on this constitutional right, Florida is regarded as a “right-to-work” state.

### **Collective Bargaining**

The State Constitution also guarantees that “the right of employees, by and through a labor organization, to bargain collectively shall not be denied or abridged.”<sup>2</sup> To implement this constitutional provision, the Legislature enacted ch. 447, F.S., which provides that the purpose of collective bargaining is to promote cooperative relationships between the government and its employees and to protect the public by assuring the orderly and uninterrupted operations and functions of government.<sup>3</sup> Public employees have the right to form, join, participate in, and be represented by an employee organization of their own choosing, or to refrain from forming, joining, participating in, or being represented by an employee organization.<sup>4</sup> Regardless of union membership, each employee is subject to the negotiated collective bargaining agreement that is applicable to the employee’s position. Through collective bargaining, public employees<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> FLA. CONST. art. 1, s. 6.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

<sup>3</sup> Section 447.201, F.S.

<sup>4</sup> Section 447.301(1) and (2), F.S.

<sup>5</sup> Section 447.203(3), F.S., defines the term “public employee” to mean any person employed by a public employer except:

- (a) Persons appointed by the Governor or elected by the people, agency heads, and members of boards and commissions.
- (b) Persons holding positions by appointment or employment in the organized militia.
- (c) Individuals acting as negotiating representatives for employer authorities.
- (d) Persons who are designated by the commission as managerial or confidential employees pursuant to criteria contained herein.
- (e) Persons holding positions of employment with the Florida Legislature.
- (f) Persons who have been convicted of a crime and are inmates confined to institutions within the state.
- (g) Persons appointed to inspection positions in federal/state fruit and vegetable inspection service whose conditions of appointment are affected by the following:
  1. Federal license requirement.
  2. Federal autonomy regarding investigation and disciplining of appointees.
  3. Frequent transfers due to harvesting conditions.
- (h) Persons employed by the Public Employees Relations Commission.
- (i) Persons enrolled as undergraduate students in a state university who perform part-time work for the state university.

collectively negotiate with their public employer<sup>6</sup> in the determination of the terms and conditions of their employment.<sup>7</sup> The Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC) is responsible for assisting in resolving disputes between public employees and public employers.<sup>8</sup>

### ***Registration of Employee Organization***

An employee organization<sup>9</sup> that seeks to become a certified bargaining agent for public employees must register with the PERC prior to (a) requesting recognition by a public employer for purposes of collective bargaining and (b) submitting a petition to the PERC to request certification as an exclusive bargaining agent.<sup>10</sup> The application for registration must include:

- The name and address of the organization and of any parent organization or organization with which it is affiliated;
- The names and addresses of the principal officers and all representatives of the organization;
- The amount of the initiation fee and of the monthly dues which members must pay;
- The current annual financial statement of the organization;
- The name of its business agent, if any; the name of its local agent for service of process, if different from the business agent; and the addresses where such person or persons can be reached;
- A pledge, in a form prescribed by the commission, that the employee organization will conform to the laws of the state and that it will accept members without regard to age, race, sex, religion, or national origin;
- A copy of the current constitution and bylaws of the employee organization; and
- A copy of the current constitution and bylaws of the state and national groups with which the employee organization is affiliated or associated. In lieu of this provision, and upon adoption of a rule by the commission, a state or national affiliate or parent organization of any registering labor organization may annually submit a copy of its current constitution and bylaws.<sup>11</sup>

A registration granted to an employee organization is valid for 1 year from the date of issuance. A registration must be renewed annually by filing an application for renewal under oath with the PERC. An application for renewal must reflect any changes in the information provided to the PERC in conjunction with the employee organization's preceding application for registration or previous renewal. Each application for renewal of registration must include a current annual financial report with the following information:<sup>12</sup>

- Assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the fiscal year;
- Receipts of any kind and the sources thereof;

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<sup>6</sup> The term "public employer" means the state or any county, municipality, or special district or any subdivision or agency thereof that the commission determines has sufficient legal distinctiveness properly to carry out the functions of a public employer. Section 447.203(2), F.S.

<sup>7</sup> Section 447.301(2), F.S.

<sup>8</sup> Section 447.201(3), F.S.

<sup>9</sup> Section 447.203(11), F.S., defines employee organization as any "labor organization, union, association, fraternal order, occupational or professional society, or group, however organized or constituted, which represents, or seeks to represent, any public employee or group of public employees concerning any matters relating to their employment relationship with a public employer."

<sup>10</sup> Section 447.305(1), F.S.

<sup>11</sup> Section 447.305(1)(a-h), F.S.

<sup>12</sup> Section 447.305(2), F.S.

- Salary, allowances, and other direct or indirect disbursements to each officer and to each employee who received during the fiscal year more than \$10,000 in the aggregate from the employee organization and any affiliated employee organization;
- Direct and indirect loans made to any officer, employee, member which aggregated more than \$250 during the fiscal year; and
- Direct and indirect loans to any business enterprise.

A registration fee of \$15 must be submitted for each registration and renewal.<sup>13</sup>

#### ***Certification of Employee Organization as bargaining agent***

After registering with the PERC, an employee organization may begin the certification process. Any employee organization that is selected by a majority of public employees in a designated unit as their representative for collective bargaining purposes can request recognition by the public employer.

The employer, if satisfied as to the majority status of the employee organization and the appropriateness of the unit, must recognize the employee organization as the collective bargaining representative of employees in the designated unit. Following recognition by the employer, the employee organization must immediately petition the commission for certification.<sup>14</sup> The PERC will review only the appropriateness of the unit proposed by the employee organization. Appropriateness is defined as the history of employee relations within the organization of the public employer concerning organization and negotiation and the interest of the employees and the employer.<sup>15</sup> If the unit is appropriate, the PERC will immediately certify the employee organization as the exclusive representative of all employees in the unit. If the unit is inappropriate, the PERC may dismiss the petition.

If the public employer refuses to recognize the employee organization, the employee organization may file a petition with the PERC for certification as the bargaining agent. The petition has to be accompanied by dated statements signed by at least 30 percent of the employees in the proposed unit. The PERC will investigate the petition to determine its sufficiency, and provide for an appropriate hearing upon notice, and may order an election by secret ballot. Any registered employee organization that desires to be placed on the ballot in any election may be permitted by the commission to intervene. If an employee organization is selected by the majority of the employees *who vote* in the election, the commission must certify the employee organization as the exclusive collective representative for all employees in the unit.<sup>16</sup>

#### ***Authority of the Certified Bargaining Agent***

The certified bargaining agent and the chief executive of the public employer must bargain collectively and in good faith in the determination of wages, hours, and terms and conditions of employment of the employees.<sup>17</sup> Any collective bargaining agreement reached between the

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<sup>13</sup> Section 447.305(3), F.S.

<sup>14</sup> Section 447.307(1)(a), F.S.

<sup>15</sup> Section 447.307(4)(f), F.S.

<sup>16</sup> Section 447.307(3)(a-d), F.S.

<sup>17</sup> Section 447.309(1), F.S.

parties must be put in writing and signed by the chief executive officer and the bargaining agent.<sup>18</sup> Such agreement is not binding on the employer until the agreement has been ratified by the employer and the employees in the bargaining unit.<sup>19</sup> Current law prohibits a collective bargaining agreement from providing for a term of existence of more than 3 years and requires the agreement to contain all of the terms and conditions of employment of the employees during such term.<sup>20</sup> The bargaining agent also has the authority to process grievances to settle disputes between the employer and the employees in the bargaining unit.<sup>21</sup>

An employee organization which has been certified as the bargaining agent has the right to have its dues and assessments deducted and collected by the employer from the salaries of those employees who authorize the deduction of said dues and assessments.<sup>22</sup>

For state agencies, the Department of Financial Services (DFS) must concur with the agencies before deductions are allowed. However, the deductions from salary for the membership dues of a certified bargaining agent does not require the concurrence of the DFS,<sup>23</sup> provided the deductions may be permitted only for an organization that has been certified as the exclusive bargaining agent for a unit in which the employee is included.<sup>24</sup>

Likewise, cities, counties and special districts are permitted in their sole discretion to make wage deductions as authorized and directed by the employee.<sup>25</sup>

### **Records Exempt from Public Records Inspection and Copying Requirements**

The petitions and statements signed and dated by employees indicating that the employee wants to be represented by an employee organization for purposes of collective bargaining are confidential and exempt from public inspection and copying requirements. However, the names appearing on the petition may be challenged by any employee, employer, or employer organization with sufficient reason to believe that the names were obtained by collusion, coercion, intimidation, or misrepresentation or are otherwise invalid.<sup>26</sup>

The payroll deduction records of an employee of a school board are confidential and exempt from public inspection and copying requirements.<sup>27</sup>

### **Prohibited Acts by Employee Organizations and Employees**

An employee organization, its members, agents, or representatives, or any person's action on its behalf is prohibited from:

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<sup>18</sup> *Id.*

<sup>19</sup> *Id.*

<sup>20</sup> Section 447.309(5), F.S.

<sup>21</sup> Section 447.401, F.S.

<sup>22</sup> Section 447.303, F.S.

<sup>23</sup> Section 110.114(1), F.S.

<sup>24</sup> Section 110.114(3), F.S.

<sup>25</sup> Section 112.171, F.S.

<sup>26</sup> Section 447.307(2), F.S.

<sup>27</sup> Section 1012.31(3)(a)4., F.S.

- Soliciting public employees during working hours of any employee involved in the solicitation;
- Distributing literature during working hours in areas where the actual work of public employees is performed; and
- Instigating or advocating support, in any positive manner, for an employee organization's activities from high school or grade school students during classroom time.<sup>28</sup>

Enforcement of these prohibitions is in the circuit court through injunctive relief and contempt proceedings. A public employee who is convicted of such violation may be discharged or disciplined otherwise.<sup>29</sup>

For state employees, an organization, entity, or person is prohibited from intentionally soliciting a state employee, through any means, for fundraising or business purposes within work areas during work hours.<sup>30</sup> This prohibition does not apply to state-approved communications by entities with whom the state has contracted to provide employee benefits or services,<sup>31</sup> noncoercive voluntary communications between state employees in work areas,<sup>32</sup> or activities at authorized public events that occur in nonwork areas of state owned or leased facilities.<sup>33</sup>

### **Revocation of certification**

An employee or group of employees who no longer desires to be represented by the certified bargaining agent may file with the PERC a petition to revoke certification. The petition must be accompanied by dated statements signed by at least 30 percent of the employees in the unit, indicating that such employees no longer desire to be represented by the certified bargaining agent. If the PERC finds the petition to be sufficient, it must immediately order an election by secret ballot.<sup>34</sup>

If a majority of voting employees vote against the continuation of representation by the certified bargaining agent, the organization's certification is revoked.<sup>35</sup> Otherwise, the employee organization is retained as the exclusive bargaining agent for the unit.<sup>36</sup>

### **Additional Requirements for Certified Bargaining Agents of Educational Personnel**

In 2018, the Legislature enacted an additional requirement for the renewal of registration of an employee organization certified as the bargaining agent for a unit of instructional personnel.<sup>37</sup> These employee organizations are required to report:

<sup>28</sup> Section 447.509(1), F.S.

<sup>29</sup> Section 447.509(3), F.S.

<sup>30</sup> Section 110.182, F.S.

<sup>31</sup> Section 110.182(1), F.S.

<sup>32</sup> Section 110.182(2), F.S.

<sup>33</sup> Section 110.182(3), F.S.

<sup>34</sup> Section 447.308(1), F.S.

<sup>35</sup> Section 447.308(2), F.S.

<sup>36</sup> Section 447.308(3), F.S.

<sup>37</sup> Section 1012.01(2), F.S., defines instructional personnel as any K-12 staff member whose functions include direct instructional services to students. This includes classroom teachers, student personnel services, librarians and media specialists, educational paraprofessionals, and other instructional staff such as specialists and trainers.

- The number of employees in the bargaining unit who are eligible for representation by the employee organization.
- The number of employees who are represented by the employee organization, specifying the number of members who pay dues and the number of members who do not pay dues.<sup>38</sup>

If a bargaining unit's dues-paying membership is less than 50 percent of the employees eligible for representation, the employee organization must petition PERC for recertification as the certified bargaining agent of that bargaining unit. If the petition is not filed within 1 month of the date of renewal registration, the employee organization's certification as the exclusive representative of the unit is revoked.<sup>39</sup>

For the 2021-22 renewal period, only one bargaining unit reported less than 50 percent due-paying membership. That employee organization petitioned for recertification and was approved by over 92 percent of the employees voting in the recertification election.<sup>40</sup>

The table below represents the key data reported for the 2021-22 fiscal year for the employee organizations representing instructional personnel bargaining units.<sup>41</sup>

Union Name	Number of Employees in the Bargaining Unit	Percentage Dues Paying
Alachua County Education Association	1868	70.45%
Association of Bay County Educators	1474	54.14%
Association of Calhoun Educators	145	51.72%
Baker County Education Association	330	64.24%
Bradford Education Association	242	55.79%
Brevard Federation of Teachers	4671	65.40%
Broward Teachers Union, Local 1975 (Rep. Broward County S.B)	13,964	64.25%
Broward Teachers Union, Local 1975 (Rep. Pembroke Pines Charter School)	352	55.40%
Charlotte FEA	1028	73.25%
Citrus County Education Association	1158	50.86%
Clay County Education Association	2816	59.77%
Collier County Education Association	3204	69.94%
Columbia Teachers Association	645	52.09%
DeSoto County Education Association	302	52.65%
Dixie County Education Association	132	50.00%
Duval Teachers United	7393	71.41%

<sup>38</sup> Section 1012.2325(4)(c)1., F.S.

<sup>39</sup> Section 1012.2315(4)(c)2., F.S.

<sup>40</sup> *Santa Rosa Professional Educators v. School Board of Santa Rosa County, Florida*, EL2022-018 (Sept. 15, 2022), [http://perc.myflorida.com/download.aspx?Prefix=EL&CaseYr=22&CaseNo=018&File=EL22018\\_Fil32\\_09152022\\_135328.pdf](http://perc.myflorida.com/download.aspx?Prefix=EL&CaseYr=22&CaseNo=018&File=EL22018_Fil32_09152022_135328.pdf).

<sup>41</sup> Email from Jennifer Okwabi, Impasse Resolution Coordinator, Public Employees Relations Commission, to Gabriela Limones-Borja, Legislative Research Assistant, The Florida Senate (Jan. 30, 2023) (on file with Governmental Oversight and Accountability).

Union Name	Number of Employees in the Bargaining Unit	Percentage Dues Paying
Education Association of St. Lucie	2770	62.17%
Escambia Education Association	2813	51.44%
Flagler County Education Association	802	61.60%
Florida School for the Deaf & Blind Education Association	160	74.38%
Franklin County Teachers Association	69	63.77%
Gadsden County Classroom Teachers Association	293	52.90%
Gilchrist Employees United	167	56.89%
Glades County Teachers Association	107	56.07%
Gulf County Education Association	151	58.28%
Hamilton County Education Association	120	58.33%
Hardee Education Association/United	347	51.59%
Hendry County Education Association	502	58.37%
Hernando County Teachers Association	1598	61.89%
Highlands County Education Association	800	50.50%
Hillsborough Classroom Teachers Association	14,160	63.10%
Holmes County Teachers Association	243	57.20%
Indian River CEA	1100	69.27%
Jackson County Education Association	487	57.70%
Lafayette Education Association	80	56.25%
Lake County Education Association	3134	50.70%
Leon Classroom Teachers Association	2023	51.71%
Levy County Education Association, AFT Local 4077	347	50.72%
Liberty Education Association	101	51.49%
Madison County Education Association	154	61.04%
Manatee Education Association	2924	53.04%
Marion Education Association	2881	53.21%
Martin County Education Association	1224	58.74%
Nassau Teachers Association	802	55.24%
Okaloosa County Education Association	1939	77.26%
Okeechobee County Education Association	447	56.38%
Orange County Classroom Teachers Association	14,322	54.00%
Osceola County Classroom Teachers Association	3984	54.94%
Palm Beach County Classroom Teachers Association	12,655	56.40%
Pinellas County Teachers Association	7,250	53.56%
Polk Education Association	6,978	50.34%
Putnam Federation of Teachers/United	601	61.06%
Santa Rosa Professional Educators	2104	36.07%
Sarasota Classified/Teachers Association, Incorporated	2857	85.68%
Seminole Education Association	4569	50.19%

Union Name	Number of Employees in the Bargaining Unit	Percentage Dues Paying
St. Johns Education Association	3198	53.75%
Sumter County Education Association	403	62.28%
Taylor Education Association	193	53.37%
Teachers Association of Lee County (TALC)	5265	66.57%
Union County Teachers Organization	173	68.21%
United School Employees of Pasco	5079	51.07%
United Teachers of Dade, Local 1974, FEA, AFT, NEA, AFL-CIO	27604	50.84%
United Teachers of Monroe, Local 3709, FEA, AFT, AFL-CIO	611	78.89%
United Teachers of Suwannee	385	57.66%
Volusia United Educators, Inc. Local 1605, FEA, AFT, NEA, AFL-CIO	4323	66.13%
Wakulla Classroom Teachers Association	337	51.34%
Walton County Education Association	767	52.67%
Washington County Education Association	274	50.73%
United Faculty of Florida - FAMU DRS	51	88.24%
United Faculty of Florida - FSU DRS	99	80.81%

### **Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees**

Section 112.313, F.S., sets forth the standards of conduct for public officers, agency employees, and local government attorneys.

Section 112.313(2), F.S., provides that:

No public officer, employee of an agency, local government attorney, or candidate for nomination or election shall solicit or accept anything of value to the recipient, including a gift, loan, reward, promise of future employment, favor, or service, based upon any understanding that the vote, official action, or judgment of the public officer, employee, local government attorney, or candidate would be influenced thereby.

Section 112.313(4), F.S., provides that:

No public officer, employee of an agency, or local government attorney or his or her spouse or minor child shall, at any time, accept any compensation, payment, or thing of value when such public officer, employee, or local government attorney knows, or, with the exercise of reasonable care, should know, that it was given to influence a vote or other action in which the officer, employee, or local government attorney was expected to participate in his or her official capacity.

The term “public officer” means any person elected or appointed to hold office in an agency.<sup>42</sup>

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<sup>42</sup> Section 112.313(1), F.S.

If a filed complaint alleges that a public officer has violated subsections (2) or (4) of section 112.313, F.S., the Commission on Ethics (Commission) has jurisdiction to investigate the complaint.<sup>43</sup> If the Commission finds that a violation has occurred, the Commission may recommend appropriate action to the agency or official having power to impose any penalty provided in s. 112.317.<sup>44</sup> Penalties for public officers include impeachment, removal from office, suspension from office, public censure and reprimand, forfeiture of a portion of salary for a time period, a civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000, and restitution of any pecuniary benefits received because of the violation committed.<sup>45</sup>

Section 838.015, F.S., provides that any person who commits bribery commits a felony of the second degree. “Bribery” means to knowingly and intentionally give, offer, or promise to any public servant, or, if a public servant, to knowingly and intentionally request, solicit, accept, or agree to accept for himself or herself or another, any pecuniary or other benefit not authorized by law with an intent or purpose to influence the performance of any act or omission which the person believes to be, or the public servant represents as being, within the official discretion of a public servant, in violation of a public duty, or in performance of a public duty.<sup>46</sup>

### **III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

**Section 1** amends s. 447.301, F.S., to require employees eligible for union representation to sign a membership authorization form in order to be a member of an employee organization beginning July 1, 2023. The form must be prescribed by the PERC and contain certain information and statements. A member of an employee organization must be allowed to revoke membership at any time upon the employee’s organization’s receipt of the written revocation. The PERC is granted rulemaking authority to implement the requirements of the membership authorization form and the revocation of membership.

The requirement for a signed membership form, and the provisions relating to the revocation of membership do not apply to members of an employee organization certified as a bargaining agent to represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, correctional probation officers, and firefighters.

This section is effective upon becoming a law.

**Section 2** amends s. 447.303, F.S., to prohibit an employee organization from having a public employer deduct dues and assessments from a public employee’s salary. However, an employee organization certified as a bargaining agent to represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, correctional probation officers, and firefighters continues to have the right to have its dues and assessments deducted and collected by the public employer from the salaries of those employees who authorize the deduction and collection of the dues and assessments. This section is effective July 1, 2023.

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<sup>43</sup> Section 112.322, F.S.

<sup>44</sup> Section 112.322((2)(a), F.S.

<sup>45</sup> Section 112.317(1)(a), F.S.

<sup>46</sup> Section 838.015(1), F.S.

**Section 3** amends s. 447.305, F.S., to expand the information that must be submitted to PERC by an employee organization at the time of registration and renewal of registration. The current annual financial statement of the employee organization must be “audited” by an independent certified public accountant.

Section 3 also requires an employee organization, at the time of its renewal of registration, to submit information regarding its membership and whether employees eligible for representation pay dues to the employee organization. If this information shows that less than 60 percent of the employees eligible for representation paid dues to the employee organization certified as the bargaining agent during its last registration period, the employee organization must petition PERC for recertification as the bargaining agent. This means the employee organization and the employer will share the cost of conducting an election. If the majority of the employees voting in this election choose to be represented by the employee organization, the employee organization retains its certification as the exclusive bargaining agent.

Section 3 allows the public employer or a bargaining unit employee to challenge an employee organization’s renewal of registration based on a belief that the application is inaccurate. If PERC finds the application is inaccurate or does not comply with the requirements of s. 447.305, F.S., the employee organization’s registration and certification must be revoked.

Section 3 grants PERC authority to initiate an investigation to confirm the validity of the information submitted in the registration or renewal of registration. The PERC may revoke or deny an employee organization’s registration or certification if PERC finds that the employee organization failed to cooperate with the investigation intentionally misrepresented the information submitted on the registration or renewal.

Section 3 requires each certified bargaining agent to provide its members an annual audited financial report and must notify its members of all costs of membership.

The following provisions of this section do not apply to employee organizations that have been certified as the bargaining agent to represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, correctional probation officers, or firefighters:

- Requirement to submit information regarding membership and dues payments;
- Requirement that an employee organization must petition for recertification as the bargaining agent if fewer than 60 percent of its eligible members pay dues;
- Right of public employer or bargaining unit employee to challenge the accuracy of the renewal application; and
- Authority of PERC to revoke or deny a registration or certification based on the employee organization’s failure to cooperate in an investigation.

**Section 4** amends s. 447.509, F.S., to expand the list of unlawful acts committed by an employee organization, its members, and agents to include:

- Offering anything of value to a public officer which the public officer is prohibited from accepting.
- Offering any compensation, payment, or thing of value to a public officer which the public officer is prohibited from accepting.

A public officer is defined to include “any person elected or appointed to hold office in any agency.”

This section is effective upon becoming a law.

**Section 5** amends s. 1012.2315, F.S., to repeal the current additional requirement on renewal of registration that applies only to employee organizations representing units of instructional personnel employees. This provision will no longer be necessary with the enactment of the process in s. 447.305 (section 3 of this bill) which applies to all employee organizations that do not represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, correctional probation officers, or firefighters. This section takes effect October 1, 2023, to coincide with the effective date of the section 3.

**Section 6** reenacts s. 110.114, F.S., to incorporate by reference the modifications made to s. 447.303, F.S.

**Section 7** reenacts s. 447.507(6)(a), F.S., to incorporate by reference the modifications made to s. 447.303, F.S.

**Section 8** provides that the act shall take effect upon becoming a law, except as otherwise expressly provided in this act.

#### **IV. Constitutional Issues:**

##### **A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

Article VII, s. 18(a) of the State Constitution provides, in pertinent part, that “no county or municipality shall be bound by any general law requiring such county or municipality to spend funds or take an action requiring the expenditure of funds unless the legislature has determined that such law fulfills an important state interest and unless:”

- The law requiring such expenditure is approved by two-thirds of the membership in each house of the legislature; or
- The expenditure is required to comply with a law that applies to all persons similarly situated, including state and local governments.

The State Constitution exempts a law from these requirements if the law has an insignificant fiscal impact on cities and counties.

Cities and counties will be required to incur additional workload to comply with the changes in the payroll deduction process. However, the workload should be absorbed within current resources and any additional expenditures should be insignificant. Cities and counties may also incur some costs associated with recertification elections. However, it is unclear how many elections will be required (and requested by the employee organizations), but any additional expenditures associated with these elections is expected to be minimal.

Based on these expected insignificant costs, it appears the bill is exempt from the mandates requirements.

**B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

**C. Trust Funds Restrictions:**

None.

**D. State Tax or Fee Increases:**

None.

**E. Other Constitutional Issues:**

None identified.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**

**A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

Employee organizations may experience additional workload and costs associated with the reporting requirements and maintaining the 60 percent dues-paying threshold. On the other hand, to the extent active membership increases for an employee organization the amount of revenue generated should increase proportionately.

An employee organization that does not have 60 percent dues-paying membership will incur additional costs to the extent the employee organization chooses to be recertified as the bargaining agent for the employee unit.

Employee organizations will incur additional expenses associated with the new requirement that an independent certified public accountant audit certain data submitted to the PERC.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

The DFS, as the common paymaster for employees of the State of Florida, and the counties, cities, school districts, and special districts with unionized employees will experience an initial short-term increase in workload associated with eliminating any payroll deductions that will no longer be authorized by law. In the long run, the DFS and the other public employers will have reduced workload as the number of payroll deductions permitted will be reduced. State agencies will experience similar workload impacts as the personnel units of each state agency adjusts its records for its employees.

The fiscal impact on the PERC is indeterminate.

The fiscal impact on public sector employers is indeterminate. To the extent employee organizations must conduct an election to be certified as the bargaining agent for public employees, the public employer (the State of Florida, counties, cities, school boards, and special districts) will incur some costs in holding the election for its employees to decide whether an employee organization will represent the employees in collective bargaining.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends sections 447.301, 447.303, 447.305, 447.509, and 1012.2315 of the Florida Statutes.

This bill reenacts portions of sections 110.114 and 447.507 of the Florida Statutes.

**IX. Additional Information:**

**A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**  
(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

**CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability on March 7, 2023:**

The committee substitute does not contain a new requirement placed on employee organizations to pledge that the salary of its officers will not exceed the highest salary of a member of the bargaining unit. The committee substitute does not modify the prohibition on the distribution of literature beyond the current statutory restriction of “during working hours in areas where the actual work . . . is performed.”

**B. Amendments:**

None.



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1                   **Senate Amendment**

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3                   Delete lines 193 - 201.



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1                   **Senate Amendment**

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3                   Delete lines 323 - 343

4 and insert:

5                   Section 4. Paragraphs (d) and (e) are added to subsection  
6 (1) of section 447.509, Florida Statutes, to read:

7                   447.509 Other unlawful acts.—

8                   (1) Employee organizations, their members, agents, or  
9 representatives, or any persons acting on their behalf are  
10 hereby prohibited from:



11        (d) Offering anything of value to a public officer as  
12        defined in s. 112.313(1) which the public officer is prohibited  
13        from accepting under s. 112.313(2).

14        (e) Offering any compensation, payment, or thing of value  
15        to a public officer as defined s. 112.313(1) which the public  
16        officer is prohibited from accepting under s. 112.313(4).



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By Senator Ingoglia

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1 A bill to be entitled  
 2 An act relating to employee organizations representing  
 3 public employees; amending s. 447.301, F.S.; requiring  
 4 a public employee who desires to be a member of an  
 5 employee organization to sign a membership  
 6 authorization form beginning on a specified date;  
 7 requiring that such form include a specified  
 8 statement; authorizing a public employee to revoke  
 9 membership in an employee organization at any time of  
 10 the year; requiring an employee organization to revoke  
 11 a public employee's membership upon receipt of his or  
 12 her written request for revocation; prohibiting an  
 13 employee organization from limiting an employee's  
 14 right to revoke membership to certain dates;  
 15 prohibiting a revocation form from requiring a reason  
 16 for the public employee's decision to revoke his or  
 17 her membership; requiring employee organizations to  
 18 retain such authorization forms and requests for  
 19 revocation for inspection by the Public Employees  
 20 Relations Commission; providing applicability with  
 21 respect to certain employee organizations; authorizing  
 22 the commission to adopt rules; amending s. 447.303,  
 23 F.S.; prohibiting certain employee organizations from  
 24 having dues and uniform assessments deducted and  
 25 collected by the employer from certain salaries;  
 26 authorizing public employees to pay dues and uniform  
 27 assessments directly to the employee organization;  
 28 authorizing certain employee organizations to have  
 29 dues and uniform assessments deducted and collected by

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30 the employer from certain salaries; amending s.  
 31 447.305, F.S.; revising requirements for applications  
 32 for initial registrations and renewals of registration  
 33 of employee organizations; providing procedures for  
 34 incomplete applications; requiring certain employee  
 35 organizations to petition the commission for  
 36 recertification as bargaining agents; authorizing a  
 37 public employer or bargaining unit employee to  
 38 challenge an employee organization's application for  
 39 renewal of registration; requiring the commission or  
 40 one of its designated agents to review the  
 41 application; requiring the commission to revoke the  
 42 registration and certification of the employee  
 43 organization in certain circumstances; authorizing the  
 44 commission to conduct investigations for specified  
 45 purposes; authorizing the commission to revoke or deny  
 46 an employee organization's registration or  
 47 certification under certain circumstances; specifying  
 48 that certain decisions issued by the commission are  
 49 reviewable final agency actions; providing  
 50 applicability with respect to certain employee  
 51 organizations; requiring certain employee  
 52 organizations to provide its members with an annual  
 53 audited financial report; requiring employee  
 54 organizations to notify its members annually of all  
 55 costs of membership; amending s. 447.509, F.S.;  
 56 revising prohibitions for employee organizations and  
 57 certain persons and entities relating to employee  
 58 organizations; amending s. 1012.2315, F.S.; removing

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59           duplicative provisions; reenacting ss. 110.114(3) and  
 60           447.507(6)(a), F.S., relating to employee wage  
 61           deductions and violation of strike prohibition and  
 62           penalties, respectively, to incorporate the amendment  
 63           made to s. 447.303, F.S., in references thereto;  
 64           providing effective dates.

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 66 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 68           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 447.301, Florida  
 69           Statutes, is amended to read:

70           447.301 Public employees' rights; organization and  
 71           representation.—

72           (1) (a) Public employees shall have the right to form, join,  
 73           and participate in, or to refrain from forming, joining, or  
 74           participating in, any employee organization of their own  
 75           choosing.

76           (b)1. Beginning July 1, 2023, a public employee who desires  
 77           to be a member of an employee organization must sign and date a  
 78           membership authorization form, as prescribed by the commission,  
 79           with the bargaining agent.

80           2. The membership authorization form must identify the name  
 81           of the bargaining agent, the name of the employee, the class  
 82           code and class title of the employee, the name of the public  
 83           employer and employing agency, if applicable, and the amount of  
 84           the initiation fee and of the monthly dues which the member must  
 85           pay.

86           3. The membership authorization form must contain the  
 87           following statement in 14-point type:

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 89           The State of Florida is a right-to-work state.  
 90           Membership or non-membership in a labor union is not  
 91           required as a condition of employment, and union  
 92           membership and payment of union dues and assessments  
 93           are voluntary. Each person has the right to join and  
 94           pay dues to a labor union or to refrain from joining  
 95           and paying dues to a labor union. No employee may be  
 96           discriminated against in any manner for joining and  
 97           financially supporting a labor union or for refusing  
 98           to join or financially support a labor union.

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 100           4. A public employee may revoke membership in the employee  
 101           organization at any time of the year. Upon receipt of the  
 102           employee's written revocation of membership, the employee  
 103           organization must revoke a public employee's membership. The  
 104           employee organization may not limit an employee's right to  
 105           revoke membership to certain dates. If a public employee must  
 106           complete a form to revoke membership in the employee  
 107           organization, the form may not require a reason for the public  
 108           employee's decision to revoke his or her membership.

109           5. An employee organization must retain for inspection by  
 110           the commission such membership authorization forms and any  
 111           revocations.

112           6. This paragraph does not apply to members of an employee  
 113           organization that has been certified as a bargaining agent to  
 114           represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, or  
 115           correctional probation officers as those terms are defined in s.  
 116           943.10(1), (2), or (3), respectively, or firefighters as defined

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117      in s. 633.102.

118      7. The commission may adopt rules to implement this  
119      paragraph.

120      Section 2. Effective July 1, 2023, section 447.303, Florida  
121      Statutes, is amended to read:

122      447.303 Dues; deduction and collection.—

123      (1) Except as authorized in subsection (2), an employee  
124      organization that has been certified as a bargaining agent may  
125      not have its dues and uniform assessments deducted and collected  
126      by the employer from the salaries of those employees in the  
127      unit. A public employee may pay dues and uniform assessments  
128      directly to the employee organization that has been certified as  
129      the bargaining agent.

130      (2) (a) An Any employee organization that which has been  
131      certified as a bargaining agent to represent law enforcement  
132      officers, correctional officers, or correctional probation  
133      officers as those terms are defined in s. 943.10(1), (2), or  
134      (3), respectively, or firefighters as defined in s. 633.102 has  
135      shall have the right to have its dues and uniform assessments  
136      deducted and collected by the employer from the salaries of  
137      those employees who authorize the deduction and collection of  
138      said dues and uniform assessments. However, such authorization  
139      is revocable at the employee's request upon 30 days' written  
140      notice to the employer and employee organization. Said  
141      deductions shall commence upon the bargaining agent's written  
142      request to the employer.

143      (b) Reasonable costs to the employer of said deductions is  
144      shall be a proper subject of collective bargaining.

145      (c) Such right to deduction, unless revoked under pursuant

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147      to s. 447.507, is shall be in force for so long as the employee  
148      organization remains the certified bargaining agent for the  
149      employees in the unit.

150      (3) The public employer is expressly prohibited from any  
151      involvement in the collection of fines, penalties, or special  
152      assessments.

153      Section 3. Effective October 1, 2023, section 447.305, Florida  
154      Statutes, is amended to read:

155      447.305 Registration of employee organization.—

156      (1) Every employee organization seeking to become a  
157      certified bargaining agent for public employees shall register  
158      with the commission pursuant to the procedures set forth in s.  
159      120.60 prior to requesting recognition by a public employer for  
160      purposes of collective bargaining and prior to submitting a  
161      petition to the commission requesting certification as an  
162      exclusive bargaining agent. Further, if such employee  
163      organization is not registered, it may not participate in a  
164      representation hearing, participate in a representation  
165      election, or be certified as an exclusive bargaining agent. The  
166      application for registration required by this section shall be  
167      under oath and in such form as the commission may prescribe and  
168      shall include:

169      (a) The name and address of the organization and of any  
170      parent organization or organization with which it is affiliated.

171      (b) The names and addresses of the principal officers and  
172      all representatives of the organization.

173      (c) The amount of the initiation fee and of the monthly  
174      dues which members must pay.

175      (d) The current annual audited financial statement of the

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175 organization.

176 (e) The name of its business agent, if any; if different  
177 from the business agent, the name of its local agent for service  
178 of process; and the addresses where such person or persons can  
179 be reached.

180 (f) A pledge, in a form prescribed by the commission, that  
181 the employee organization will conform to the laws of the state  
182 and that it will accept members without regard to age, race,  
183 sex, religion, or national origin.

184 (g) A copy of the current constitution and bylaws of the  
185 employee organization.

186 (h) A copy of the current constitution and bylaws of the  
187 state and national groups with which the employee organization  
188 is affiliated or associated. In lieu of this provision, and upon  
189 adoption of a rule by the commission, a state or national  
190 affiliate or parent organization of any registering labor  
191 organization may annually submit a copy of its current  
192 constitution and bylaws.

193 (i) A pledge, in a form prescribed by the commission, that  
194 the annual salary of an official of the employee organization  
195 will not exceed the highest salary of any employee member in its  
196 organization. This paragraph does not apply to an employee  
197 organization that has been certified as the bargaining agent to  
198 represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, or  
199 correctional probation officers as those terms are defined in s.  
200 943.10(1), (2), or (3), respectively, or firefighters as defined  
201 in s. 633.102.

202 (2) A registration granted to an employee organization  
203 pursuant to the provisions of this section shall run for 1 year

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204 from the date of issuance. A registration shall be renewed  
205 annually by filing application for renewal under oath with the  
206 commission, which application shall reflect any changes in the  
207 information provided to the commission in conjunction with the  
208 employee organization's preceding application for registration  
209 or previous renewal, whichever is applicable. Each application  
210 for renewal of registration shall include a current annual  
211 audited financial statement, certified by an independent  
212 certified public accountant licensed under chapter 473 and  
213 report, signed by the employee organization's its president and  
214 treasurer or corresponding principal officers, containing the  
215 following information in such detail as may be necessary  
216 accurately to disclose its financial condition and operations  
217 for its preceding fiscal year and in such categories as the  
218 commission may prescribe:

219 (a) Assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the  
220 fiscal year;

221 (b) Receipts of any kind and the sources thereof;

222 (c) Salary, allowances, and other direct or indirect  
223 disbursements, including reimbursed expenses, to each officer  
224 and also to each employee who, during such fiscal year, received  
225 more than \$10,000 in the aggregate from such employee  
226 organization and any other employee organization affiliated with  
227 it or with which it is affiliated or which is affiliated with  
228 the same national or international employee organization;

229 (d) Direct and indirect loans made to any officer,  
230 employee, or member which aggregated more than \$250 during the  
231 fiscal year, together with a statement of the purpose, security,  
232 if any, and arrangements for repayment; and

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233 (e) Direct and indirect loans to any business enterprise,  
 234 together with a statement of the purpose, security, if any, and  
 235 arrangements for repayment.

236 (3) In addition to subsection (2), an employee organization  
 237 that has been certified as the bargaining agent for public  
 238 employees must include for each such certified bargaining unit  
 239 the following information and documentation as of the 30th day  
 240 immediately preceding the date of renewal in its application for  
 241 any renewal of registration on or after October 1, 2023:

242 (a) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who are  
 243 eligible for representation by the employee organization.

244 (b) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who have  
 245 submitted signed membership authorization forms without a  
 246 subsequent revocation of such membership.

247 (c) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who paid  
 248 dues to the employee organization.

249 (d) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who did  
 250 not pay dues to the employee organization.

251 (e) Documentation provided by the public employer verifying  
 252 the information provided in paragraph (a).

253 (f) Documentation provided by an independent certified  
 254 public accountant retained by the employee organization which  
 255 verifies the information provided in paragraphs (b), (c), and  
 256 (d).

257 (4) The employee organization must provide a copy of its  
 258 application for renewal of registration relating to a public  
 259 employer's employees to the public employer on the same day the  
 260 application is submitted to the commission.

261 (5) An application for renewal of registration is

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262 incomplete and is not eligible for consideration by the  
 263 commission if it does not include all of the information and  
 264 documentation required in subsection (3). The commission shall  
 265 notify the employee organization if the application is  
 266 incomplete. An incomplete application must be dismissed if the  
 267 required information and documentation are not provided within  
 268 10 days after the employee organization receives such notice.

269 (6) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter relating  
 270 to collective bargaining, an employee organization that had less  
 271 than 60 percent of the employees eligible for representation in  
 272 the bargaining unit pay dues during its last registration period  
 273 must petition the commission pursuant to s. 447.307(2) and (3)  
 274 for recertification as the exclusive representative of all  
 275 employees in the bargaining unit within 1 month after the date  
 276 on which the employee organization applies for renewal of  
 277 registration pursuant to subsection (2). The certification of an  
 278 employee organization that does not comply with this section is  
 279 revoked.

280 (7) The public employer or a bargaining unit employee may  
 281 challenge an employee organization's application for renewal of  
 282 registration if the public employer or bargaining unit employee  
 283 believes that the application is inaccurate. The commission or  
 284 one of its designated agents shall review the application to  
 285 determine its accuracy and compliance with this section. If the  
 286 commission finds that the application is inaccurate or does not  
 287 comply with this section, the commission shall revoke the  
 288 registration and certification of the employee organization.

289 (8) The commission may conduct an investigation to confirm  
 290 the validity of any information submitted pursuant to this

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291 section. The commission may revoke or deny an employee  
 292 organization's registration or certification if it finds that  
 293 the employee organization:  
 294 (a) Failed to cooperate with the investigation conducted  
 295 pursuant to this subsection; or  
 296 (b) Intentionally misrepresented the information it  
 297 submitted pursuant to subsection (3).  
 298  
 299 A decision issued by the commission pursuant to this subsection  
 300 is a final agency action that is reviewable pursuant to s.  
 301 447.504.  
 302 (9) Subsections (3)-(8) do not apply to an employee  
 303 organization that has been certified as the bargaining agent to  
 304 represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, or  
 305 correctional probation officers as those terms are defined in s.  
 306 943.10(1), (2), or (3), respectively, or firefighters as defined  
 307 in s. 633.102.  
 308 (10)-(3) A registration fee shall accompany each application  
 309 filed with the commission. The amount charged for an application  
 310 for registration or renewal of registration shall not exceed  
 311 \$15. All such money collected by the commission shall be  
 312 deposited in the General Revenue Fund.  
 313 (11)-(4) Every employee organization shall keep accurate  
 314 accounts of its income and expenses, which accounts shall be  
 315 open for inspection at all reasonable times by any member of the  
 316 organization or by the commission. In addition, each employee  
 317 organization that has been certified as a bargaining agent must  
 318 provide to its members an annual audited financial report that  
 319 includes a detailed breakdown of revenues and expenditures, and

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320 an accounting of membership dues and assessments. The employee  
 321 organization must notify its members annually of all costs of  
 322 membership.  
 323 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section  
 324 447.509, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraphs (d) and  
 325 (e) are added to that subsection, to read:  
 326 447.509 Other unlawful acts.—  
 327 (1) Employee organizations, their members, agents, or  
 328 representatives, or any persons acting on their behalf are  
 329 hereby prohibited from:  
 330 (b)1. Distributing literature during working hours in areas  
 331 where the actual work of law enforcement officers, firefighters,  
 332 correctional officers, or correctional probation officers public  
 333 employees is performed, such as offices, warehouses, schools,  
 334 police stations, fire stations, and any similar public  
 335 installations. This section shall not be construed to prohibit  
 336 the distribution of literature during the employee's lunch hour  
 337 or in such areas not specifically devoted to the performance of  
 338 the employee's official duties.  
 339 2. Distributing literature in areas where the actual work  
 340 of public employees other than law enforcement officers,  
 341 firefighters, correctional officers, or correctional probation  
 342 officers is performed, such as offices, warehouses, schools, and  
 343 any similar public installations.  
 344 (d) Offering anything of value to a public officer as  
 345 defined in s. 112.313(1) which the public officer is prohibited  
 346 from accepting under s. 112.313(2).  
 347 (e) Offering any compensation, payment, or thing of value  
 348 to a public officer as defined in s. 112.313(1) which the public

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349 ~~officer is prohibited from accepting under s. 112.313(4).~~

350 Section 5. Effective October 1, 2023, paragraph (c) of

351 subsection (4) of section 1012.2315, Florida Statutes, is

352 amended to read:

353 1012.2315 Assignment of teachers.-

354 (4) COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.-

355 ~~(e) 1. In addition to the provisions under s. 447.305(2), an~~

356 ~~employee organization that has been certified as the bargaining~~

357 ~~agent for a unit of instructional personnel as defined in s.~~

358 ~~1012.01(2) must include for each such certified bargaining unit~~

359 ~~the following information in its application for renewal of~~

360 ~~registration:~~

361 ~~a. The number of employees in the bargaining unit who are~~

362 ~~eligible for representation by the employee organization.~~

363 ~~b. The number of employees who are represented by the~~

364 ~~employee organization, specifying the number of members who pay~~

365 ~~dues and the number of members who do not pay dues.~~

366 ~~2. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 447 relating~~

367 ~~to collective bargaining, an employee organization whose dues~~

368 ~~paying membership is less than 50 percent of the employees~~

369 ~~eligible for representation in the unit, as identified in~~

370 ~~subparagraph 1., must petition the Public Employees Relations~~

371 ~~Commission pursuant to s. 447.307(2) and (3) for recertification~~

372 ~~as the exclusive representative of all employees in the unit~~

373 ~~within 1 month after the date on which the organization applies~~

374 ~~for renewal of registration pursuant to s. 447.305(2). The~~

375 ~~certification of an employee organization that does not comply~~

376 ~~with this paragraph is revoked.~~

377 Section 6. Effective July 1, 2023, for the purpose of

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378 incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 447.303,

379 Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, subsection (3) of

380 section 110.114, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

381 110.114 Employee wage deductions.-

382 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and

383 (2), the deduction of an employee's membership dues deductions

384 as defined in s. 447.203(15) for an employee organization as

385 defined in s. 447.203(11) shall be authorized or permitted only

386 for an organization that has been certified as the exclusive

387 bargaining agent pursuant to chapter 447 for a unit of state

388 employees in which the employee is included. Such deductions

389 shall be subject to the provisions of s. 447.303.

390 Section 7. Effective July 1, 2023, for the purpose of

391 incorporating the amendment made by this act to section 447.303,

392 Florida Statutes, in a reference thereto, paragraph (a) of

393 subsection (6) of section 447.507, Florida Statutes, is

394 reenacted to read:

395 447.507 Violation of strike prohibition; penalties.-

396 (6) (a) If the commission determines that an employee

397 organization has violated s. 447.505, it may:

398 1. Issue cease and desist orders as necessary to ensure

399 compliance with its order.

400 2. Suspend or revoke the certification of the employee

401 organization as the bargaining agent of such employee unit.

402 3. Revoke the right of dues deduction and collection

403 previously granted to said employee organization pursuant to s.

404 447.303.

405 4. Fine the organization up to \$20,000 for each calendar

406 day of such violation or determine the approximate cost to the

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407 public due to each calendar day of the strike and fine the  
408 organization an amount equal to such cost, notwithstanding the  
409 fact that the fine may exceed \$20,000 for each such calendar  
410 day. The fines so collected shall immediately accrue to the  
411 public employer and shall be used by him or her to replace those  
412 services denied the public as a result of the strike. In  
413 determining the amount of damages, if any, to be awarded to the  
414 public employer, the commission shall take into consideration  
415 any action or inaction by the public employer or its agents that  
416 provoked, or tended to provoke, the strike by the public  
417 employees.

418 Section 8. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this  
419 act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

## Limones, Gabriela

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**From:** Limones, Gabriela  
**Sent:** Monday, January 30, 2023 10:43 AM  
**To:** McVaney, Joe  
**Subject:** FW: Instructional Information  
**Attachments:** Registration Info. FY 21-22.xlsx; Registration Info. FY 22 -23.xlsx

**From:** Okwabi, Jennifer <jennifer.okwabi@perc.myflorida.com>  
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**Subject:** Instructional Information

Ms. Limones,

Attached is the information requested for instructional unions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if additional information is needed.

Thank you,

*Jennifer*

Jennifer Okwabi  
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**Public Employees Relations Commission**

**Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022**

OR #	Union Name	Number of Employees in the Bargaining Unit	Number of Dues Paying Members	Number of Non Dues Paying Members	Percentage Dues Paying	Percentage Non Dues Paying	Total
OR-86-070	Alachua County Education Association	1868	1316	552	70.4%	29.6%	100%
OR-86-076	Association of Bay County Educators	1474	798	676	54.1%	45.9%	100%
OR-16-019	Association of Calhoun Educators	145	75	70	51.7%	48.3%	100%
OR-86-088	Baker County Education Association	330	212	118	64.2%	35.8%	100%
OR-16-004	Bradford Education Association	242	135	107	55.8%	44.2%	100%
OR-86-085	Brevard Federation of Teachers	4671	3055	1616	65.4%	34.6%	100%
OR-16-018	Broward Teachers Union, Local 1975 (Rep. Broward County School	13,964	8,972	4,992	64.3%	35.7%	100%
OR-16-018	Broward Teachers Union, Local 1975 (Rep. Pembroke Pines	352	195	157	55.4%	44.6%	100%
OR-17-007	Charlotte FEA	1028	753	275	73.2%	26.8%	100%
OR-86-104	Citrus County Education Association	1158	589	569	50.9%	49.1%	100%
OR-86-109	Clay County Education Association	2816	1683	1133	59.8%	40.2%	100%
OR-15-001	Collier County Education Association	3204	2241	963	69.9%	30.1%	100%
OR-86-306	Columbia Teachers Association	645	336	309	52.1%	47.9%	100%
OR-86-074	DeSoto County Education Association	302	159	143	52.6%	47.4%	100%
OR-86-080	Dixie County Education Association	132	66	66	50.0%	50.0%	100%
OR-86-075	Duval Teachers United	7393	5279	2114	71.4%	28.6%	100%
OR-05-006	Education Association of St. Lucie	2770	1722	1048	62.2%	37.8%	100%
OR-86-071	Escambia Education Association	2813	1447	1366	51.4%	48.6%	100%
OR-86-327	Flagler County Education Association	802	494	308	61.6%	38.4%	100%
OR-08-004	Florida School for the Deaf & Blind Education Association	160	119	41	74.4%	25.6%	100%
OR-90-023	Franklin County Teachers Association	69	44	25	63.8%	36.2%	100%
OR-90-007	Gadsden County Classroom Teachers Association	293	155	138	52.9%	47.1%	100%
OR-86-128	Gilchrist Employees United	167	95	72	56.9%	43.1%	100%
OR-86-062	Glades County Teachers Association	107	60	47	56.1%	43.9%	100%
OR-86-102	Gulf County Education Association	151	88	63	58.3%	41.7%	100%
OR-03-020	Hamilton County Education Association	120	70	50	58.3%	41.7%	100%
OR-12-006	Hardee Education Association/United	347	179	168	51.6%	48.4%	100%
OR-13-006	Hendry County Education Association	502	293	209	58.4%	41.6%	100%
OR-86-122	Hernando County Teachers Association	1598	989	609	61.9%	38.1%	100%
OR-17-019	Highlands County Education Association	800	404	396	50.5%	49.5%	100%
OR-86-066	Hillsborough Classroom Teachers Association	14,160	8,935	5,225	63.1%	36.9%	100%
OR-86-130	Holmes County Teachers Association	243	139	104	57.2%	42.8%	100%

OR-09-002	Indian River CEA	1100	762	338	69.3%	30.7%	100%
OR-17-018	Jackson County Education Association	487	281	206	57.7%	42.3%	100%
OR-18-012	Lafayette Education Association	80	45	35	56.3%	43.8%	100%
OR-86-079	Lake County Education Association	3134	1589	1545	50.7%	49.3%	100%
OR-86-093	Leon Classroom Teachers Association	2023	1046	977	51.7%	48.3%	100%
OR-86-077	Levy County Education Association, AFT Local 4077	347	176	171	50.7%	49.3%	100%
OR-06-009	Liberty Education Association	101	52	49	51.5%	48.5%	100%
OR-86-125	Madison County Education Association	154	94	60	61.0%	39.0%	100%
OR-86-072	Manatee Education Association	2924	1551	1373	53.0%	47.0%	100%
OR-86-103	Marion Education Association	2881	1533	1348	53.2%	46.8%	100%
OR-86-127	Martin County Education Association	1224	719	505	58.7%	41.3%	100%
OR-07-009	Nassau Teachers Association	802	443	359	55.2%	44.8%	100%
OR-86-090	Okaloosa County Education Association	1939	1498	441	77.3%	22.7%	100%
OR-86-121	Okeechobee County Education Association	447	252	195	56.4%	43.6%	100%
OR-86-083	Orange County Classroom Teachers Association	14,322	7,734	6,588	54.0%	46.0%	100%
OR-03-001	Osceola County Classroom Teachers Association	3984	2189	1795	54.9%	45.1%	100%
OR-12-004	Palm Beach County Classroom Teachers Association	12,655	7,138	5,517	56.4%	43.6%	100%
OR-93-007	Pinellas County Teachers Association	7,250	3,883	3,367	53.6%	46.4%	100%
OR-86-096	Polk Education Association	6,978	3,513	3,465	50.3%	49.7%	100%
OR-86-065	Putnam Federation of Teachers/United	601	367	234	61.1%	38.9%	100%
OR-86-089	Santa Rosa Professional Educators	2104	759	1254	36.1%	59.6%	96%
OR-86-114	Sarasota Classified/Teachers Association, Incorporated	2857	2448	409	85.7%	14.3%	100%
OR-17-020	Seminole Education Association	4569	2293	2276	50.2%	49.8%	100%
OR-86-108	St. Johns Education Association	3198	1719	1479	53.8%	46.2%	100%
OR-86-101	Sumter County Education Association	403	251	152	62.3%	37.7%	100%
OR-86-099	Taylor Education Association	193	103	90	53.4%	46.6%	100%
OR-11-025	Teachers Association of Lee County (TALC)	5265	3505	1760	66.6%	33.4%	100%
OR-08-007	Union County Teachers Organization	173	118	55	68.2%	31.8%	100%
OR-86-110	United School Employees of Pasco	5079	2594	2485	51.1%	48.9%	100%
OR-86-064	United Teachers of Dade, Local 1974, FEA, AFT, NEA, AFL-CIO	27604	14034	13570	50.8%	49.2%	100%
OR-86-068	United Teachers of Monroe, Local 3709, FEA, AFT, AFL-CIO	611	482	129	78.9%	21.1%	100%
OR-10-035	United Teachers of Suwannee	385	222	163	57.7%	42.3%	100%
OR-16-016	Volusia United Educators, Inc. Local 1605, FEA, AFT, NEA, AFL-	4323	2859	1464	66.1%	33.9%	100%
OR-86-119	Wakulla Classroom Teachers Association	337	173	164	51.3%	48.7%	100%
OR-86-082	Walton County Education Association	767	404	363	52.7%	47.3%	100%
OR-86-129	Washington County Education Association	274	139	135	50.7%	49.3%	100%
OR-86-144	United Faculty of Florida - FAMU DRS	51	45	6	88.2%	11.8%	100%
OR-86-144	United Faculty of Florida - FSU DRS	99	80	19	80.8%	19.2%	100%

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**Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023**

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OR-86-070	Alachua County Education Association						
OR-86-076	Association of Bay County Educators	1506	866	640	57.5%	42.5%	100%
OR-16-019	Association of Calhoun Educators	150	77	73	51.3%	48.7%	100%
OR-86-088	Baker County Education Association						
OR-16-004	Bradford Education Association						
OR-86-085	Brevard Federation of Teachers						
OR-16-018	Broward Teachers Union, Local 1975 (Rep. Broward County School)						
OR-16-018	Broward Teachers Union, Local 1975 (Rep. Pembroke Pines						
OR-17-007	Charlotte FEA	1,060	714	346	67.4%	32.6%	100%
OR-86-104	Citrus County Education Association	1201	609	592	50.7%	49.3%	100%
OR-86-109	Clay County Education Association						
OR-15-001	Collier County Education Association	3129	2206	923	70.5%	29.5%	100%
OR-86-306	Columbia Teachers Association	642	324	318	50.5%	49.5%	100%
OR-86-074	DeSoto County Education Association	269	150	119	55.8%	44.2%	100%
OR-86-080	Dixie County Education Association						
OR-86-075	Duval Teachers United	7,074	5,514	1,560	77.9%	22.1%	100%
OR-05-006	Education Association of St. Lucie						
OR-86-071	Escambia Education Association	2761	1408	1353	51.0%	49.0%	100%
OR-86-327	Flagler County Education Association	856	515	341	60.2%	39.8%	100%
OR-08-004	Florida School for the Deaf & Blind Education Association						
OR-90-023	Franklin County Teachers Association						
OR-90-007	Gadsden County Classroom Teachers Association						
OR-86-128	Gilchrist Employees United						
OR-86-062	Glades County Teachers Association	93	54	39	58.1%	41.9%	100%
OR-86-102	Gulf County Education Association						
OR-03-020	Hamilton County Education Association	132	68	64	51.5%	48.5%	100%
OR-12-006	Hardee Education Association/United						
OR-13-006	Hendry County Education Association						
OR-86-122	Hernando County Teachers Association						
OR-17-019	Highlands County Education Association	775	414	361	53.4%	46.6%	100%
OR-86-066	Hillsborough Classroom Teachers Association						
OR-86-130	Holmes County Teachers Association						

OR-09-002	Indian River CEA						
OR-17-018	Jackson County Education Association	485	267	218	55.1%	44.9%	100%
OR-18-012	Lafayette Education Association						
OR-86-079	Lake County Education Association						
OR-86-093	Leon Classroom Teachers Association						
OR-86-077	Levy County Education Association, AFT Local 4077	343	193	150	56.3%	43.7%	100%
OR-06-009	Liberty Education Association						
OR-86-125	Madison County Education Association	154	86	68	55.8%	44.2%	100%
OR-86-072	Manatee Education Association	2929	1522	1407	52.0%	48.0%	100%
OR-86-103	Marion Education Association						
OR-86-127	Martin County Education Association						
OR-07-009	Nassau Teachers Association	800	433	367	54.1%	45.9%	100%
OR-86-090	Okaloosa County Education Association	1958	1471	487	75.1%	24.9%	100%
OR-86-121	Okeechobee County Education Association						
OR-86-083	Orange County Classroom Teachers Association						
OR-03-001	Osceola County Classroom Teachers Association						
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OR-86-096	Polk Education Association						
OR-86-065	Putnam Federation of Teachers/United	587	343	244	58.4%	41.6%	100%
OR-86-089	Santa Rosa Professional Educators						
OR-86-114	Sarasota Classified/Teachers Association, Incorporated	2976	2443	533	82.1%	17.9%	100%
OR-17-020	Seminole Education Association	4541	2279	2262	50.2%	49.8%	100%
OR-86-108	St. Johns Education Association	3411	1860	1551	54.5%	45.5%	100%
OR-86-101	Sumter County Education Association						
OR-86-099	Taylor Education Association	190	100	90	52.6%	47.4%	100%
OR-11-025	Teachers Association of Lee County (TALC)	5,827	3,298	2,529	56.6%	43.4%	100%
OR-08-007	Union County Teachers Organization	170	127	43	74.7%	25.3%	100%
OR-86-110	United School Employees of Pasco	5,491	2,869	2,622	52.2%	47.8%	100%
OR-86-064	United Teachers of Dade, Local 1974, FEA, AFT, NEA, AFL-CIO	26,267	13,460	12,807	51.2%	48.8%	100%
OR-86-068	United Teachers of Monroe, Local 3709, FEA, AFT, AFL-CIO	593	473	120	79.8%	20.2%	100%
OR-10-035	United Teachers of Suwannee						
OR-16-016	Volusia United Educators, Inc. Local 1605, FEA, AFT, NEA, AFL-	4,411	2,754	1,657	62.4%	37.6%	100%
OR-86-119	Wakulla Classroom Teachers Association						
OR-86-082	Walton County Education Association						
OR-86-129	Washington County Education Association						
OR-86-144	United Faculty of Florida - FAMU DRS						
OR-86-144	United Faculty of Florida - FSU DRS						

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Meeting Date

Governmental Affairs

Committee

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Street

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Tallahassee FL

32302

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.

I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

myself today

I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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Government Oversight

Committee  
Accountability

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SB 256

Bill Number or Topic

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Phone

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

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Meeting Date

gov. oversight & acc.

Committee

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Live Oak , Fl

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Bill Number or Topic

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Gov. Oversight And Accountability

Committee

Name Joseph Brenner

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SB 256

Bill Number or Topic

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Government Oversight & Acc.

Committee

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Speaking:  For

Against

Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:

In Support

Against

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Governmental Oversight  
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Committee

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3-7-23

Meeting Date

Gov oversight

Committee

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Meeting Date  
Governmental Oversight  
and Accountability

Committee

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

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City

State

Zip

DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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March 7, 2023

Meeting Date

Gov't Oversight + Accountability

Committee

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City St. Augustine State FL Zip 32084

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Govt. Oversight & Acct.  
Committee

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SB256

Bill Number or Topic

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

Jacksonville FL 32225  
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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received  
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Meeting Date

Govt. Oversight and Accountability  
Committee

Name Victoria Kidwell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

City Middleburg State FL Zip 32068

Speaking:  For  Against  Information      **OR**      Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

FEA

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Name Valerie Chuckman Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

Tampa, FL

City State Zip 33604

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name Shari GewanterAmendment Barcode (if applicable)  
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Street

Email sharigewanter@comcast.netCity Tall. FlA

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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Committee

Resa Hunter

Phone

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Name

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Email

resa.hunter@yahoo.com

Address

Street

Greenwood Fl

State

32443

Zip

City

Speaking:  For Against Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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Name

Keith Hunter

Address

4558 Bakes Road

Street

Greenwood FL

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name Justin Katz

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City 33435 Zip

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)  
J61-827-0407

Email justinkatz123@yahoo.com

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

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Committee

Name Michael Sampson

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Street

Tallahassee

FL

32304

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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(904) 885-9923

Email msampson@flsenate.org

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Address

Street

Tallahassee fl

City

State

32312

Zip

Phone

Email

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR** Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

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Name CRAIG SCHADEUER Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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City Orlando

State FL

Zip 32807

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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Committee

Name Jordan Appelburg

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Street

Crestview

FL

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Phone (732) 648-1259  
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ST.COM

Street

Spring Hill, FL

State

34609

Zip

City

Speaking:  For

Against

Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support

Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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compensation or sponsorship.

I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

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(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),  
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Street  
City Baker State FL Zip 32531

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name

Ronald Pollard

Phone

Address

Street

Apopka

FL

32712

City

State

Zip

Email

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Email

atulocal1577@gmail.com

Street

P.J.Z.

City

FL

State 34953

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name

Dr. Rich Temp Lin

Phone

850-224-6926

Address

135 S. Monroe

Email

Street

Tallahassee

FL

32301

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

 I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

Florida AFL-CIO

 I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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Name Ivan Acuña

Address 3892 Lake Tahoe Cr

Street

Layton

FL

33409

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name

Heather Garcia

Phone

Address

Street

Email

Tallahassee, Fl. 32303

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name

Johnnie Bush Engram

Address

1406 Lehigh Dr

Street

Tallahassee, FL

City

State

32301

Zip

Speaking:

For

Against

Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:

In Support

Against

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Name

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Street

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32303

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name

Sarah De Cock

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Address

Street

Tallahassee FL

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

dec.sarah@  
gmail.comSpeaking:  For Against Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support Against

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Name Christina Deibler

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Street

Crawfordsville Fl 32321

City

State

Zip

Email Chmdeibler@gmail.com

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

I am appearing without  
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I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

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Tyler Foerst

3318 NW 60<sup>th</sup> Tw

Street

Gainesville FL 32606

City

State

Zip

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Bill Number or Topic

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

352-318-3018

Phone

Email

g+7089@6mail.com

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR** Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am appearing without  
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I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received  
something of value for my appearance  
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),  
sponsored by:

FL AFL-CIO

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Tall. F1.

City

State

Zip

32309

Phone

(850) 766-4288

Email

jennifer.redfern @  
wcsb.us

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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**Gov't Oversight & Accountability**

Committee

Name **Shelley Krach**

Address **4295 Four Oaks Blvd**

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**Tallahassee**

**FL**

**32311**

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

## Waive Speaking:

## In Support

Against

I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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Gov. Oversight & Accountability

Committee

Name **Stephanie Kunkel**

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Street

**Tallahassee**

**FL**

**32301**

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.

I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

**Florida Education Association**

I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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**Tallahassee**

**FL**

**32301**

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State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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## Government Oversight

Committee

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Street

**Midland**

**MI**

**48640**

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.

I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

**Mackinac**

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Street

midland

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20158

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

 I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing: I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

Workers for opportunity

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Phone (817) 455-4207

Email rbrown@freedomfoundation.com

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

I am appearing without  
compensation or sponsorship.

I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

Freedom Foundation

I am not a lobbyist, but received  
something of value for my appearance  
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),  
sponsored by:

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Name Sabrina OverPhone 850-509-3066

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Tallahassee

FL

32311

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Committee

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Zip

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813.493.7685

Email

Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Miami State FL Zip 33134Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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TRIEKSASSEE FL

State

Zip

City

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

FLORIDA ELECTRICAL WORKERS ASSN.

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Street

Apopka FL 32712

City

State Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received  
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Phone

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Email

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Street

**Plant City, Fl. 33563**

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

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Karen Scott

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

813 485 4489

Name

Phone

Address

Email

Street

City

State

Zip

2409 27<sup>th</sup> Ave

Tpa FL 33605

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

### PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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Tallahassee

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32308

City

State

Zip

Email

barbaradevane

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

 I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing:  
*PL Now* I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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 Street MILTON State FL Zip 32583  
 City

Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received  
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sponsored by:

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Name

Gwendolyn Szafranski

Phone

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Street

VALrico FL 33596

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

I am appearing without  
compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing: I am not a lobbyist, but received  
something of value for my appearance  
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),  
sponsored by:

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City

State

Zip

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donna802@gmail.com

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

## PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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Seminole, FL

City

33777

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Zip 33511

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.	<input type="checkbox"/> I am a registered lobbyist, representing:	<input type="checkbox"/> I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:
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Name

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FL

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Zip

33594

Bill Number or Topic

Gov't Oversight & Account

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

813-716-2423

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name

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City

State

Zip

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Name

Idabell Wilson

Phone

Address

Street

Email

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name Vicki Hall

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

(786) 344-1950

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Street

City

State

Zip

Email vhall@fsenate.org

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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compensation or sponsorship.

I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

I am not a lobbyist, but received  
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FL

32304

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Committee

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name

AL DIAZ

Phone

786-295-1056

Address

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Street

Sunrise

FL

33322

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Government Oversight/Accountability

Committee

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City State Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

FEA

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Committee

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Panama City FL 32404  
City State Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am appearing without  
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Accountability

Committee

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PORT ST LUCIE

FL

34983

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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32907

City

State

Zip

Email MCLARK1957@GMAIL.COM

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

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Committee

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33579

City

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Zip

Email

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Committee

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Street

Orlando

FL

32810

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Committee

Name Mark Avery Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_

Ocala  
City

FL  
State

34472  
Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Eleazar Balbuena

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City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Govt. Oversight & Acc  
Committee

Name

Jennifer Topper

Phone

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Tallahassee

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32301

City

State

Zip

Email

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Committee

Name Kim Strabow

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Email Kim.lctamp@gmail.com

Street

Havana FL

32333

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:** I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing: I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name Sandra Meador Phone \_\_\_\_\_Address 1074 Corby Ct. Email slameador@comcast.net  
StreetCity Tall. State FL Zip 32317-8191Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name Jessica O'Neal

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Street

City TallahasseeState FLZip 32311Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Name Michael Nelson

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FL

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City

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

352 497-8041

Phone

Email

to bigmike45@yahoo.com

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Street

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Citra

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32113

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State

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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City

State

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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City State Zip

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Name Brett FarrellPhone 352-65-4786Address 504 SW Beach Glen  
Street

Email \_\_\_\_\_

City Fort whiteState FLZip 32638Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:** I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing: I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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GOVT, oversight & accountability  
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Govt. Oversight

Committee

Name

Jenni Powell

Address

6624 NW 27<sup>th</sup> Terr.

Street

Gainesville

FL.

32653

City

State

Zip

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

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Committee

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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**SB 256**

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Gov Oversight

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 I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing: I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:FNA/PEIU Local 713 i FSLA Local 100

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

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Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Committee

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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SB 254

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:** I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing: I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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Speaking:  For Against Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support Against

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OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support Against

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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SB 250

Bill Number or Topic

Governmental oversight &  
accountability  
Committee

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information**OR**Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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GOV OVERSIGHT &amp; ACCOUNTABILITY

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OR

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Governor Oversight

Committee

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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OR

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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 I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship. I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

Florida Chamber of Commerce

 I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

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representing:*Foundation for Florida's Future* I am not a lobbyist, but received  
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(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),  
sponsored by:

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Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am appearing without  
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I am a registered lobbyist,  
representing:

*Americans for  
Prosperity*

I am not a lobbyist, but received  
something of value for my appearance  
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Waive Speaking:

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Americans for Prosperity

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

**OR**

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.

I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

Center For Independent Employees

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# CourtSmart Tag Report

Room: SB 37

Case No.:

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Judge:

Started: 3/7/2023 4:02:27 PM

Ended: 3/7/2023 6:37:42 PM Length: 02:35:16

4:02:27 PM Meeting called to order, roll call  
4:02:49 PM Quorum is present  
4:02:56 PM Chair Avila makes opening remarks  
4:03:16 PM Chair Avila passes the chair to Senator Albritton  
4:03:25 PM Tab 4- SB 364, Bereavement Benefits for Law Enforcement Officers by Senator Avila  
4:03:33 PM Chair Albritton recognizes Senator Avila  
4:03:42 PM Amendment 161486  
4:03:51 PM Senator Avila explains the amendment  
4:04:53 PM Chair Albritton reports the amendment  
4:05:02 PM Questions:  
4:05:03 PM Senator Davis  
4:05:17 PM Senator Avila  
4:05:55 PM Senator Davis  
4:06:00 PM Senator Avila  
4:06:30 PM Senator Davis  
4:06:48 PM Senator Avila  
4:07:43 PM Chair Albritton recognizes appearance cards  
4:08:07 PM Senator Avila waives close  
4:08:12 PM Roll call on CS/SB 364  
4:08:35 PM Chair Albritton reports the bill  
4:08:39 PM Tab 5- SB 234, Statutorily Required Reports by Senator Avila  
4:08:42 PM Chair Albritton recognizes Senator Avila  
4:08:45 PM Senator Avila explains the bill  
4:09:39 PM Questions:  
4:09:41 PM Senator Davis  
4:10:01 PM Senator Avila  
4:11:27 PM Senator Davis  
4:11:50 PM Senator Avila  
4:12:29 PM Senator Avila waives close  
4:12:36 PM Roll call on SB 234  
4:12:49 PM Chair Albritton reports the bill  
4:13:29 PM Tab 1- SB 242, Fiscal Accountability by Senator Garcia  
4:13:43 PM Chair Albritton recognizes Senator Garcia  
4:13:47 PM Senator Garcia explains the bill  
4:14:59 PM Amendment 356760  
4:15:09 PM Senator Polsky explains the amendment  
4:16:19 PM Senator Garcia  
4:16:40 PM Senator Polsky closes on the amendment  
4:17:54 PM Chair Albritton reports the amendment unfavorable  
4:18:03 PM Amendment 285192  
4:18:09 PM Senator Garcia explains the amendment  
4:18:38 PM Senator Garcia waives close  
4:18:45 PM Chair Albritton reports amendment  
4:18:52 PM Amendment 391172  
4:18:57 PM Senator Garcia explains the amendment  
4:19:08 PM Senator Garcia waives close  
4:19:18 PM Chair Albritton reports amendment  
4:19:42 PM Roll call on CS/SB 242  
4:19:47 PM Chair Albritton reports the bill  
4:20:13 PM Tab 2- SB 726, Library Cooperative Funding by Senator Rodriguez  
4:20:17 PM Chair Albritton recognizes Senator Garcia  
4:20:22 PM Senator Rodriguez explains the bill

4:21:06 PM Amendment 471342  
4:21:13 PM Senator Garcia explains the amendment  
4:21:32 PM Chair Albritton reports the amendment  
4:21:39 PM Questions:  
4:21:41 PM Senator Davis  
4:21:57 PM Senator Rodriguez  
4:22:02 PM Senator Davis  
4:22:05 PM Senator Rodriguez  
4:22:17 PM Senator Davis  
4:22:24 PM Senator Rodriguez  
4:22:56 PM Senator Davis  
4:23:16 PM Senator Rodriguez  
4:23:45 PM Roll call on SB 726  
4:23:59 PM Chair Albritton reports the bill  
4:24:03 PM Tab 3- SB 110, State Board of Administration by Senator Hooper  
4:24:24 PM Amendment 133236  
4:24:31 PM Senator Hooper explains the amendment  
4:27:08 PM Amendment 779990  
4:27:14 PM Senator Hooper explains the amendment  
4:27:35 PM Chair Albritton reports the amendment  
4:27:47 PM Questions:  
4:27:48 PM Senator Polsky  
4:28:17 PM Senator Hooper  
4:28:41 PM Senator Polsky  
4:29:13 PM Senator Hooper  
4:29:41 PM Chair Albritton recognizes Lamar Taylor to answer questions  
4:29:59 PM Lamar Taylor, SBA  
4:30:35 PM Senator Polsky  
4:31:15 PM Chair Albritton  
4:31:27 PM Senator Hooper  
4:31:50 PM Lamar Taylor  
4:32:11 PM Senator Polsky  
4:32:39 PM Lamar Taylor  
4:33:45 PM Senator Polsky  
4:34:05 PM Senator Hooper  
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4:37:57 PM Senator Hooper  
4:38:35 PM Senator Rouson  
4:39:07 PM Senator Hooper  
4:39:48 PM Senator Rouson  
4:40:00 PM Lamar Taylor  
4:41:06 PM Senator Hooper waives close  
4:41:14 PM Roll call on CS/SB 110  
4:41:29 PM Chair Albritton reports the bill  
4:41:36 PM Chair Albritton makes comments  
4:42:50 PM Tab 6- SB 256, Employee Organizations Representing Public Employees by Senator Ingoglia  
4:42:57 PM Chair Albritton recognizes Senator Ingoglia  
4:43:05 PM Senator Ingoglia explains the bill  
4:44:32 PM Amendment 857642  
4:44:41 PM Senator Hooper explains the amendment  
4:45:13 PM Chair Albritton reports the amendment  
4:45:21 PM Amendment 250528

**4:45:27 PM** Senator Hooper explains the amendment  
**4:46:36 PM** Chair Albritton reports the amendment  
**4:46:54 PM** Questions:  
**4:46:55 PM** Senator Polsky  
**4:47:08 PM** Senator Ingoglia  
**4:49:17 PM** Senator Polsky  
**4:49:30 PM** Senator Ingoglia  
**4:49:43 PM** Senator Polsky  
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**5:10:44 PM** Senator Ingoglia  
**5:12:22 PM** Senator Rouson  
**5:13:19 PM** Senator Ingoglia  
**5:13:40 PM** Senator Davis  
**5:14:33 PM** Senator Ingoglia  
**5:15:26 PM** Chair Albritton makes comments  
**5:15:48 PM** Chair Albritton reads appearance cards waiving  
**5:21:40 PM** Patrick Strong  
**5:22:58 PM** Stephen Simon  
**5:24:20 PM** Jordan Appelburg  
**5:25:46 PM** Charles Colon  
**5:28:05 PM** Craig Schradeuer  
**5:29:34 PM** Scott Mazur  
**5:30:42 PM** Michael Sampson  
**5:31:36 PM** Justin Katz  
**5:33:09 PM** Keith Hunter  
**5:34:19 PM** Resa Hunter  
**5:35:17 PM** Shari Gewanter  
**5:38:18 PM** Valerie Chuchman, FEA  
**5:39:13 PM** Victoria Kidwell, FEA  
**5:40:22 PM** AnneMarie O'Brien  
**5:41:15 PM** Morgan Mousley, FEA

5:42:13 PM Kelley Stephenson, FEA  
5:43:24 PM James Ingle  
5:44:58 PM Kim Hudson  
5:46:11 PM Megan Young, FEA  
5:47:16 PM Joseph Brenner  
5:49:35 PM Eric Rodriguez, FEA  
5:50:34 PM Alyssa Roelans, Service Employees International Union  
5:53:30 PM Ronald Pollard  
5:54:23 PM Marcus Rodriguez  
5:55:25 PM Dr. Rich Templin, Florida AFL-CIO  
5:56:48 PM Chair Avila receives permission from President Passidomo to extend under rule 2.10(2)  
5:57:18 PM Iran Acevedo  
5:58:02 PM Heather Garcia  
5:59:00 PM Jonnie Bush Engram  
6:00:14 PM Jonah Mundy  
6:02:23 PM Sarah De Cock  
6:03:19 PM Christina Deibler  
6:05:00 PM Tyler Foerst, Florida AFL-CIO  
6:06:39 PM Jennifer Redfern  
6:09:15 PM Dr. Shelley Krach  
6:11:25 PM Joseph Hellweg  
6:13:30 PM Stephanie Kunkel, Florida Education Association  
6:15:08 PM Sal Nuzzo, James Madison Institute  
6:16:45 PM Vincent Vernuccio, representing Workers for Opportunity and Mackinac  
6:18:56 PM Rusty Brown, Freedom Foundation  
6:20:47 PM Debate:  
6:20:50 PM Senator Polsky  
6:24:39 PM Senator Rouson  
6:27:36 PM Senator Davis  
6:32:03 PM Senator Ingoglia closes on the bill  
6:36:00 PM Roll call on CS/SB 256  
6:36:18 PM Chair Albritton reports the bill  
6:36:24 PM Chair Albritton returns the chair to Chair Avila  
6:36:53 PM Chair Avila makes a motion to record missed votes  
6:37:18 PM Meeting adjourned