# COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

**APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

**Senator Broxson, Chair**  
**Senator Diaz, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Wednesday, March 24, 2021  
**TIME:** 4:30—6:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** *Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building*

**MEMBERS:** Senator Broxson, Chair; Senator Diaz, Vice Chair; Senators Cruz, Gibson, Gruters, Hutson, Passidomo, Polsky, and Wright

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**PUBLIC TESTIMONY WILL BE RECEIVED FROM ROOM A3 AT THE DONALD L. TUCKER CIVIC CENTER, 505 W PENSACOLA STREET, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301**

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1 | CS/SB 86  
Education / Baxley  
(Compare H 281, CS/CS/S 52) | Student Financial Aid; Requiring the Board of Governors of the State University System to create an online dashboard; revising eligibility for an award under the Bright Futures Scholarship Program or the Benacquisto Scholarship Program; revising the formula for calculating how Florida Public Student Assistance Grant Program funds are distributed; authorizing a Florida Bright Futures Scholarship recipient to apply the unused portion of a Florida Academic Scholars award or Florida Medallion Scholars award toward graduate study for a specified academic year; establishing the Florida Bright Opportunities Grant Program; establishing the Florida Endeavor Scholarship Program, etc. | ED 03/09/2021 Temporarily Postponed  
ED 03/16/2021 Fav/CS  
AED 03/23/2021  
AED 03/24/2021  
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2 | CS/SB 486  
Education / Bradley  
(Similar H 723) | Juvenile Justice Education Programs; Increasing the percentage of certain funds that must be spent on specified costs; requiring that contracts between district school boards and juvenile justice education programs be in writing; requiring the Department of Education to provide mediation services for certain disputes; prohibiting school boards from delaying certain payments pending receipt of local funds, etc. | ED 03/02/2021 Fav/CS  
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| 3   | SB 1372 Burgess        | Literacy Improvement; Establishing the New Worlds Reading Initiative under the Department of Education; requiring the administrator, in consultation with a specified entity, to develop a selection of books; requiring the administrator to coordinate monthly book distribution to certain students; requiring the administrator to assist with local implementation of the initiative; requiring that a certain notification include information about the initiative, etc. | ED 03/16/2021 Favorable  
AED 03/23/2021  
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| 4   | SB 1898 Rodriguez      | Student Literacy; Revising and providing duties for the Just Read, Florida! Office within the Department of Education; requiring the Department of Education, in consultation with the Office of Early Learning, to implement a coordinated screening and progress monitoring system for students in the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program through grade 8; requiring certain students to participate in a certain coordinated screening and progress monitoring system; creating the "Reading Achievement Initiative for Scholastic Excellence Act", etc. | ED 03/16/2021 Favorable  
AED 03/23/2021  
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Review and Discussion of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Issues Relating to:
Department of Education  
Office of Early Learning  
Board of Governors

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