

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

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**  
**Senator Simpson, Chair**  
**Senator Thompson, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Thursday, March 14, 2013  
**TIME:** 8:00 —10:30 a.m.  
**PLACE:** 301 Senate Office Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Simpson, Chair; Senator Thompson, Vice Chair; Senators Bradley, Hukill, Latvala, Smith, Soto, Stargel, and Thrasher

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| 1   | <b>SB 726</b><br>Simmons   | Regulation of Family or Medical Leave Benefits for Employees; Prohibiting a political subdivision from requiring or otherwise regulating family or medical leave benefits for employees; preempting regulation of family or medical leave benefits to the state; providing that the act does not prohibit a political subdivision from establishing family or medical leave benefits for its employees; providing that the act does not prohibit a federally authorized or recognized tribal government from requiring family or medical leave benefits under certain conditions, etc.<br><br>CA 03/07/2013 Temporarily Postponed<br>CA 03/14/2013 Fav/CS<br>HP<br>JU | Fav/CS<br>Yeas 6 Nays 2    |
| 2   | <b>CS/SB 848</b><br>Military and Veterans Affairs,<br>Space, and Domestic Security /<br>Gardiner<br>(Identical CS/H 135) | Spaceport Territory; Revising spaceport territory for purposes of the Space Florida Act to include certain property, etc.<br><br>MS 03/07/2013 Fav/CS<br>CA 03/14/2013 Fav/CS   | Fav/CS<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0    |
| 3   | <b>CS/SB 286</b><br>Judiciary / Negron<br>(Similar CS/H 575)   | Design Professionals; Redefining the term "design professional"; specifying conditions under which a design professional employed by a business entity or an agent of the business entity may not be held individually liable for damages resulting from negligence occurring within the course and scope of a professional services contract, etc.<br><br>RI 02/06/2013 Favorable<br>JU 03/06/2013 Fav/CS<br>CA 03/14/2013 Favorable   | Favorable<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0 |

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| 4   | <b>SB 444</b><br>Diaz de la Portilla<br>(Similar CS/H 707) | Domestic Wastewater Discharged Through Ocean Outfalls; Revising the measurement standard for the wastewater flow; revising the requirements for installation of a functioning reuse system by a utility that had a permit for a domestic wastewater facility on a specified date to discharge through ocean outfall; revising plan requirements for the elimination of ocean outfalls; requiring that the Department of Environmental Protection approve certain apportionment of reuse if a facility contracts with another facility to install a functioning reuse system, etc.<br><br>EP 03/07/2013 Favorable<br>CA 03/14/2013 Fav/CS<br>AGG<br>AP               | Fav/CS<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0    |
| 5   | <b>SB 602</b><br>Hukill<br>(Identical H 687)               | Local Bids and Contracts for Public Construction Works; Eliminating specified conditions under which a local government is exempt from the requirement to competitively award contracts, etc.<br><br>CA 03/14/2013 Temporarily Postponed<br>GO<br>RC  | Temporarily Postponed      |
| 6   | <b>SB 1118</b><br>Hays<br>(Compare H 181)                  | Public Contracting; Prohibiting a governmental unit that contracts for the construction, repair, remodeling, or improving of a facility from imposing conditions that requires, prohibits, encourages, or discourages certain bidders, contractors, or subcontractors from entering into or adhering to agreements with a collective bargaining organization; prohibiting certain terms from being placed in bid specifications, project agreements, or other controlling documents; revising the period during which an agency must file a protest following certain contract solicitations or awards, etc.<br><br>CA 03/14/2013 Temporarily Postponed<br>GO<br>JU | Temporarily Postponed      |
| 7   | <b>SB 1766</b><br>Transportation<br>(Similar H 7059)       | Driver Licenses; Revising requirements relating to exemptions from licensure requirements for nonresidents; deleting a requirement that residents of foreign countries hold an International Driving Permit to be exempt, etc.<br><br>CA 03/14/2013 Favorable   | Favorable<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0 |

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| 8   | <b>CS/SB 534</b><br>Governmental Oversight and<br>Accountability / Brandes<br>(Similar CS/H 599) | Publicly-funded Defined Benefit Retirement Plans;<br>Providing that the state is not liable for shortfalls in<br>local government retirement systems or plans;<br>requiring a defined benefit system or plan to report<br>certain information to the Department of Management<br>Services by a certain date and specifying the<br>assumptions and methods to be used in determining<br>the information submitted; requiring the plan sponsor<br>to make certain information available on certain<br>websites; requiring the department to provide a fact<br>sheet specifying certain information, etc.<br><br>GO 02/21/2013 Temporarily Postponed<br>GO 03/07/2013 Fav/CS<br>CA 03/14/2013 Temporarily Postponed<br>AP | Temporarily Postponed      |
| 9   | <b>SB 1064</b><br>Latvala<br>(Similar H 277)   | Assessment of Residential and Nonhomestead Real<br>Property; Excluding the value of certain installations,<br>changes, or improvements made after a specified<br>date from the assessed value of residential real<br>property; requiring a nonrefundable filing fee for a<br>petition to the value adjustment board; specifying<br>additional exceptions to the assessment of<br>homestead property at just value; repealing<br>provisions relating to the property tax exemption for<br>renewable energy source devices, etc.<br><br>CA 03/14/2013 Favorable<br>AFT<br>AP   | Favorable<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0 |
| 10  | <b>SB 1062</b><br>Latvala<br>(Identical H 421)   | Delinquent Real Property Taxes; Revising the interest<br>rate applicable to delinquent real property taxes, etc.<br><br>CA 03/14/2013 Favorable<br>AFT<br>AP   | Favorable<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0 |
| 11  | <b>CS/SB 404</b><br>Judiciary / Stargel<br>(Identical CS/H 267)                                  | Real Property Liens and Conveyances; Deleting a<br>requirement that blank spaces be included on a<br>warranty deed to allow for entry of social security<br>numbers of grantees on the deed; providing that<br>certain types of governmental or quasi-governmental<br>liens on real property are valid and effectual against<br>certain creditors and purchasers only if recorded in a<br>specified manner, etc.<br><br>JU 03/06/2013 Fav/CS<br>CA 03/14/2013 Favorable<br>AFT<br>AP   | Favorable<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0 |

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| 12  | <b>SB 928</b><br>Simpson<br>(Compare H 437, H 921, S 740) | Community Development; Deleting an ad valorem tax exemption for property owned by certain Florida-based limited partnerships and used for affordable housing for certain income-qualified persons; extending the expiration date applicable to the granting of community contribution tax credits against the sales and use tax, corporate income tax, and insurance premium tax for contributions to eligible sponsors of community projects approved by the Department of Economic Opportunity; revising the powers of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, etc.<br><br>CA 03/14/2013 Fav/CS<br>AFT<br>AP | Fav/CS<br>Yeas 8 Nays 0 |

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