

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

COMMERCE AND TOURISM
Senator Leek, Chair
Senator Arrington, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, January 21, 2026

TIME: 8:30—10:30 a.m.

PLACE: *Toni Jennings Committee Room*, 110 Senate Building

MEMBERS: Senator Leek, Chair; Senator Arrington, Vice Chair; Senators Bracy Davis, Davis, DiCeglie, Mayfield, McClain, Smith, Wright, and Yarborough

| TAB | BILL NO. and INTRODUCER | BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS | COMMITTEE ACTION |
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| 1 | SB 214 McClain (Identical H 273) | Special District Funding; Revising agency agreements that provide state financial assistance to recipients or subrecipients to include certain special districts as an entity to which such agency may provide for the payment of invoices under specified circumstances; revising the definition of "rural community" to include certain special districts, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Favorable ATD FP | Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0 |
| 2 | SB 482 Leek (Identical H 1395, Compare H 659) | Artificial Intelligence Bill of Rights; Prohibiting a governmental entity from extending or renewing a contract with specified entities; creating the "Artificial Intelligence Bill of Rights"; providing the rights of Floridians relating to the use of artificial intelligence; requiring companion chatbot platforms to prohibit a minor from creating new or maintaining existing accounts unless the minor's parent or guardian consents; prohibiting artificial intelligence technology companies from selling or disclosing the personal information of users unless the information is deidentified data, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Favorable AP | Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0 |
| Consideration of proposed bill: | | | |
| 3 | SPB 7030 | Public Records/Investigations by the Department of Legal Affairs; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for information relating to notifications of violations or investigations by the Department of Legal Affairs of certain companion chatbot violations; requiring certain information remain confidential and exempt upon the completion or cessation of an investigation; providing an exemption from public records requirements for information relating to notifications of violations or investigations by the department of certain bot-related consumer protection violations; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. | Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 10 Nays 0 |

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| 4 | SB 554 Bernard (Identical H 797) | Nonprofit Corporations; Renaming the “Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act” as the “Florida Nonprofit Corporation Act”; revising the circumstances in which a domestic or foreign corporation may correct a document filed with the department; requiring all courts, public offices, and official bodies to receive all certificates issued by the department as prima facie evidence of certain facts; authorizing a corporation to register under a name that is not otherwise distinguishable on the records of the department under certain circumstances; prohibiting a corporation from paying any dividend and making distributions of any part of its net income or net earnings to its members, directors, or officers, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Favorable JU FP | Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0 |
| 5 | SB 994 Gruters (Similar H 1205) | Florida Kratom Consumer Protection Act; Requiring that finished kratom products sold to consumers at certain establishments meet certain requirements; requiring that kratom products be manufactured only by a processor who holds a certain permit issued by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing requirements for finished kratom products produced in this state and subsequently shipped or transported out of this state for sale outside of this state; providing that a processor whose kratom product contains a controlled substance or other prohibited substances is in violation of the act, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Temporarily Postponed AEG FP | Temporarily Postponed |
| 6 | SB 998 Yarborough (Similar H 741) | Department of Commerce; Repealing provisions relating to the Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program Act; providing an exemption for certain conveyances of state lands to certain federal agencies which revert to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund if such land is not used for its intended purposes as a military installation buffer or if the military installation closes; requiring employers who are required to use the E-Verify system to verify a new employee's employment eligibility to maintain an E-Verify case result for each employee which shows that the employee is authorized to work; requiring the department to provide an employer knowingly employing an unauthorized alien with a written determination, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Favorable ATD RC | Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 4 |

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| 7 | SB 1004 Gaetz (Compare H 1521, S 1356) | Sale of Dogs and Cats; Requiring that if a pet sale is terminated for certain reasons, the financing agreement must be terminated without certain costs; requiring that all financial terms be disclosed to the consumer before the sale of the animal; requiring a pet dealer to provide copies of specified medical records to a consumer; providing that violations constitute an unfair method of competition or an unfair or deceptive act or practice in violation of specified provisions and subject to penalties, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Favorable JU RC | Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0 |
| 8 | SB 1074 Gaetz (Similar H 951) | One-cent Piece; Requiring dealers to round to the nearest nickel in certain circumstances; providing procedures for such rounding; requiring that the tax due on rounded transactions be calculated on the price before rounding; providing that rounding to the nearest nickel is not a deceptive and unfair trade practice in certain circumstances, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Favorable FT AP | Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0 |
| 9 | SB 1076 Calatayud (Identical H 847) | Research and Development Tax Credit; Increasing the combined total amount of tax credits which may be granted to business enterprises under the research and development tax credit, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Favorable FT AP | Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0 |
| 10 | SB 1266 Calatayud (Identical H 1081) | Cybersecurity Internships; Creating the Cybersecurity Experiential Internship and Clearance Readiness Program within the Department of Commerce; requiring the department to enter into an agreement with the Florida Center for Cybersecurity (Cyber Florida) to implement the program in collaboration with specified universities and institutions; requiring the department, using data and analyses provided by Cyber Florida, to submit a report by a specified date and annually thereafter to the Governor and the Legislature, etc. CM 01/21/2026 Fav/CS ATD AP | Fav/CS Yeas 10 Nays 0 |

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