THE FLORIDA SENATE 2024 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

CS/CS/SB 592 — Historical Preservation Programs

by Fiscal Policy Committee; Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee; and Senator Burgess

The bill creates a partnership between the Department of State (DOS) and the Florida African American Heritage Preservation Network (FAAHPN). Subject to legislative funding, the DOS and the FAAHPN will preserve Florida's black and African-American history by supporting museums, galleries, and archives, and by providing technology, training, and other technical assistance. The bill requires the FAAHPN to submit a list of member museums to the DOS. The DOS must independently verify that such museums are members of the FAAHPN. Additional eligible expenditures, such as internships and living history presentations, will be determined jointly by the DOS and the FAAHPN.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

Vote: Senate 31-5; House 112-0

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