HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

BILL: CS for SB 758 [S0758.HMS]

SPONSOR: Senator Lee

SUBJECT: Growth Management

PREPARED BY: Senate Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs

DATE: May 2, 2000

I. Amendments Contained in Message

House Amendment 1---030373 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message

House Amendment 1

The amendment is a strike everything amendment which modifies the composition and charge of the GrowSmart Study Commission from the version of the commission set forth in CS/SB 758 and makes a number of substantive changes to chapters 163 & 380, F.S.

The significant changes to the GrowSmart Florida Commission include: increasing the representation of agricultural groups on the commission; modifying the charge of the commission to add property rights protection and the fiscal impact on Monroe County of the designation of the Florida Keys area of critical state concern and deletes rural policy, concurrency, infrastructure funding and the EAR process as issues for consideration; and providing that the chairman of the commission shall be appointed by the Governor rather than by the membership of the commission.

In addition, the bill makes a number of substantive changes to chapters 163 & 380, including:

- changing the judicial standard of review for challenges to development orders based on consistency with the comprehensive plan;
- requiring the Department of Community Affairs and the Department of Agriculture to conduct a study regarding innovative planning & development strategies for rural lands and to report with the GrowSmart Commission and deeming agricultural lands appropriate for certain innovative planning techniques;
- raising the number of small-scale comprehensive plan amendments a local government may adopt in a given year; and
- exempting marinas, petroleum-storage facilities and airports from development-of-regional impact (DRIs) and raising substantial deviation thresholds for certain DRIs.