

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 7163 PCB EDTS 11-02 Former Department of Labor and Employment Security

SPONSOR(S): Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee, Holder

TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** CS/SB 1346

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
Orig. Comm.: Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee	11 Y, 0 N	Kruse	Kruse
1) Economic Affairs Committee	17 Y, 0 N	Kruse	Tinker

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

The Department of Labor and Employment Security (DLES) was created in 1978 when it was removed from the Florida Department of Commerce. It consisted of one administrative support division, six program divisions, and administratively housed several independent entities. The process for the abolishment of DLES began in the 1999 Legislative Session, and subdivisions and programs of the department were transferred or repealed through several legislative bills until the department was formally abolished by the Legislature in 2002.

Current statute provides DLES with authority to enter into an agreement with a county tax collector for the purpose of appointing the county tax collector as the department's agent to accept applications for licenses or other similar registrations and applications for renewals of licenses or other similar registrations. Since DLES has been abolished, this statute is obsolete.

The bill repeals the section of law described above to remove it from the statutes.

The bill has no fiscal impact.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Background

Department of Labor and Employment Security

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Section 288.038, F.S., provides DLES with authority to enter into an agreement with a county tax collector for the purpose of appointing the county tax collector as the department's agent to accept applications for licenses or other similar registrations and applications for renewals of licenses or other similar registrations. The agreement had to specify the time within which the tax collector must forward any applications and accompanying application fees to the department.

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Changes made by the bill

The bill repeals s. 288.038, F.S., to remove this obsolete section of law.

The bill has no fiscal impact.

The bill provides an effective date of July 1, 2011.

B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1. Repeals s. 288.038, F.S.

Section 2. Provides an effective date of July 1, 2011.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

¹ Chapter 78-201, L.O.F.

² Chapter 99-240, L.O.F.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable. This bill does not appear to: require counties or municipalities to spend funds or take an action requiring the expenditure of funds; reduce the authority that counties or municipalities have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with counties or municipalities.

2. Other:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

None.