Senator Simmons moved the following:

**Senate Substitute for Amendment (438032) (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 301 - 363

and insert:

(6) A member or the executive director of the authority may not:

(a) Personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the authority for a period of 2 years following vacation of his or her position.

(b) After retirement or termination, have an employment or
contractual relationship with a business entity other than an agency as defined in s. 112.312, in connection with a contract in which the member or executive director personally and substantially participated in through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, rendering of advice, or investigation while he or she was a member or employee of the authority.

(7) The authority’s general counsel shall serve as the authority’s ethics officer.

(8) Authority board members, employees, and consultants who hold positions that may influence authority decisions shall refrain from engaging in any relationship that may adversely affect their judgment in carrying out authority business. To prevent such conflicts of interest and preserve the integrity and transparency of the authority to the public, the following disclosures must be made annually on a disclosure form:

(a) Any relationship a board member, employee, or consultant has which affords a current or future financial benefit to such board member, employee, or consultant, or to a relative or business associate of such board member, employee, or consultant, and which a reasonable person would conclude has the potential to create a prohibited conflict of interest. As used in this subsection, the term “relative” has the same meaning as in s. 112.312.

(b) Whether a relative of a board member, employee, or consultant is a registered lobbyist, and if so, the names of the lobbyist’s clients. Such names shall be provided in writing to the ethics officer.

(c) Any and all interests in real property that a board
member, employee, or consultant has, or that a relative, principal, client, or business associate of such board member, employee, or consultant has, if such real property is located within, or within a one-half mile radius of, any actual or prospective authority roadway project. The executive director shall provide a corridor map and a property ownership list reflecting the ownership of all real property within the disclosure area, or an alignment map with a list of associated owners, to all board members, employees, and consultants.

(9) The disclosure forms required under subsection (9) must be reviewed by the ethics officer or, if a form is filed by the general counsel, by the executive director.

(10) The conflict of interest process shall be outlined in the authority’s code of ethics.

(11) Authority employees and consultants are prohibited from serving on the governing body of the authority while employed by or under contract with the authority.

(12) The code of ethics policy shall be reviewed and updated by the ethics officer and presented for board approval at a minimum of once every 2 years.

(13) Employees shall be adequately informed and trained on the code of ethics and shall continually participate in ongoing ethics education.

(14) The requirements in subsections (6) through (14) are in addition to the requirements that the members and the executive director of the authority are required to follow under chapter 112.

(15) Violations of subsections (6), (8), and (11) are punishable in accordance with s. 112.317.
And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 23 - 33

and insert:

under certain circumstances; requiring authority board members, employees, and consultants to make certain annual disclosures; requiring an ethics officer to review such disclosures; requiring the authority code of ethics to include a conflict of interest process; prohibiting authority employees and consultants from serving on the board during their employment or contract period; requiring the code of ethics to be reviewed and updated at least every 2 years; requiring employees to participate in ongoing ethics education; providing penalties; amending s.