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The Committee on Community Affairs (Hutson) recommended the following:

Senate Substitute for Amendment (169744) (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 129.021, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

129.021 County officer budget information.-

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision provisions of law, the budgets of all county officers, as submitted to the board of

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county commissioners, must be in sufficient detail and contain such information as the board of county commissioners may require in furtherance of their powers and responsibilities provided in ss. 125.01(1)(q), (r), and (v), and (6) and 129.01(2)(b).

- (2) (a) The tentative and final budgets of each constitutional officer must be posted on the county's official website and must provide a separate narrative explaining the budget priorities of the constitutional officer. This may be accomplished by posting to the county's official website a link to the constitutional officer's website.
- (b) The tentative budget for each constitutional officer must be posted on the county's official website at least 2 days before the public hearing and must be identified separately from the tentative budget of the county as a whole to clearly demarcate the constitutional officer's budget.

Section 2. Present subsection (6) of section 195.087, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (7) and amended, and a new subsection (6) is added to that section, to read:

195.087 Property appraisers and tax collectors to submit budgets to Department of Revenue. -

- (6) (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the tentative and final budgets of each property appraiser and tax collector must be detailed and must provide:
- 1. A separate line item for proposed expenditures for each program, division, or unit within the office.
 - 2. Existing and proposed reserves.
 - 3. A separate narrative explaining:
 - a. The budget priorities of the property appraiser or tax



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- b. Each budget line item that is unchanged from the budget for the prior fiscal year.
- c. Each budget line item that is increased or decreased from the budget for the prior fiscal year, with an explanation for the increase or decrease.
- (b) The tentative budget must be posted on each property appraiser's and tax collector's official website at the same time the tentative budget is submitted to the Department of Revenue.
- (7) (6) Each property appraiser and tax collector must post their final approved budget on their official website within 30 days after adoption and the budget must remain posted for the fiscal year covered by the budget. Each county's official website must have a link to the websites of the property appraiser or tax collector where the final approved budget is posted. If the property appraiser or tax collector does not have an official website, the final approved budget must be posted on the county's official website and the budget must remain posted for the fiscal year covered by the budget.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

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And the title is amended as follows: 6.3

> Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

66 A bill to be entitled

> An act relating to the budgets of county constitutional officers; amending s. 129.021, F.S.;

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requiring the tentative and final budgets of a county constitutional officer to be posted on the county's website, subject to certain requirements; amending s. 195.087, F.S.; providing criteria for submission of tentative and final budgets by the property appraiser and tax collector; requiring the tentative and final budgets to be posted on the website of the property appraiser or tax collector if such a website exists, subject to certain requirements; providing an effective date.