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Beginning the Fiftieth Regular Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Florida Constitution as revised in 1968, and subsequently amended, and the 120th Regular Session since Statehood in 1845, at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, Florida, on Tuesday, the 9th of January, A.D., 2018, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for convening the Legislature.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President Negron at 9:30 a.m. A quorum present—37:

Mr. President	Gainer	Rodriguez
Baxley	Galvano	Rouson
Bean	Garcia	Simmons
Benacquisto	Gibson	Simpson
Book	Grimsley	Stargel
Bracy	Hukill	Steube
Bradley	Hutson	Stewart
Brandes	Mayfield	Taddeo
Braynon	Montford	Thurston
Broxson	Passidomo	Torres
Campbell	Perry	Young
Farmer	Powell	
Flores	Rader	

Excused: Senator Lee

ELECTION OF NEW SENATOR

The Department of State notified the Secretary of the Senate that Senator Annette Taddeo, Miami, had been elected on September 26, 2017, in a special general election as a member of the Senate, filling the vacancy in District 40.

Senator Taddeo was administered the oath of office by The Honorable Peggy Quince, Florida Supreme Court Justice, in the Senate Chamber on October 10, 2017.

The President appointed Senator Taddeo to the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Banking and Insurance; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Transportation.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION

By Executive Order Number 17-288, a special general election for Senate District 31 was set for April 10, 2018, by Governor Rick Scott.

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Father David Killeen, Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church, Tallahassee:

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, and for the wonder of life.

Give us wisdom and reverence to use the resources of your creation that no one may suffer from our abuse of them and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty. Open our ears and

hearts to the cries of the poor and give us courage to care for those in need.

In our Capitol, districts, and hometowns, we thank you for setting us at tasks that demand our best efforts and for leading us to accomplishments that satisfy and delight us. We thank you, also, for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. For yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Amen.

COLOR GUARD

At the direction of the President, the Sergeant at Arms opened the doors of the chamber and a Color Guard of the Florida National Guard marched into the chamber bearing flags of the United States of America and the State of Florida.

The Color Guard included the following members from the Florida National Guard: First Sergeant Chaddrick Faison; Staff Sergeant Curtis Miller; Staff Sergeant Bernice Watson; Staff Sergeant Tiffany Mitchell; and Sergeant Andre Bowen.

PLEDGE

Major General Michael Calhoun, Adjutant General of the Florida National Guard, led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

The President introduced The New 76ers members, Brian Durham, Danny Goddard, and Kelly Goddard, who sang *The Star Spangled Banner*. Kelly is a member of the staff of the Florida Historic Capitol Museum.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President introduced the following guests: Governor Rick Scott, Lieutenant Governor Carlos Lopez-Cantera, Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam, and Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis.

The President recognized the following Supreme Court Justices: Chief Justice Jorge Labarga, Justice Ricky Polston, Justice C. Alan Lawson, Justice Charles T. Canady, and Justice Barbara J. Pariente.

The President announced the Senate was honored by the presence of former Senate President Jim Scott.

The President introduced former Senators Dave Aronberg, Palm Beach County State Attorney; Curt Kiser; Van Poole; Charlie Dean; Steve Geller; and Carey Baker, who were present in the chamber.

Senator Stargel introduced the First Lady of the Florida Senate and Martin County School Board Member, Rebecca Negron.

The President welcomed all the other Senate spouses who were present in the chamber.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

The President recognized Dr. Ajoy Kumar of St. Petersburg as the doctor of the day. Dr. Kumar specializes in family medicine.

On motion by Senator Benacquisto, by unanimous consent—

SCR 1522—A concurrent resolution providing that the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session for the purpose of receiving a message from the Governor.

WHEREAS, Governor Rick Scott has expressed a desire to address the Legislature in Joint Session, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House of Representatives Concurring:

That the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session in the Chamber of the House of Representatives at 11:00 a.m. this day, January 9, 2018, for the purpose of receiving a message from the Governor.

—was taken up and read the first time by title. On motion by Senator Benacquisto, **SCR 1522** was read the second time in full, adopted, and, by two-thirds vote, immediately certified to the House.

On motion by Senator Benacquisto, by unanimous consent—

SCR 1524—A concurrent resolution providing for adjourning and reconvening of each house of the Legislature and providing for adjournment sine die during the 2018 Regular Session.

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House of Representatives Concurring:

That, pursuant to Section 3(e) of Article III of the State Constitution, each house of the Legislature may, without further consent from the other house, determine its respective dates and times for adjourning and reconvening during the 2018 Regular Session of the Legislature, beginning Tuesday, January 9, 2018, and ending Friday, March 9, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature shall adjourn sine die at the earlier of Friday, March 9, 2018, at 11:59 p.m. or upon concurrent motions to adjourn sine die.

—was taken up and read the first time by title. On motion by Senator Benacquisto, **SCR 1524** was read the second time in full, adopted, and, by two-thirds vote, immediately certified to the House.

ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT JOE NEGRON

Well, good morning again, Senators. It's great to see everyone back for the 2018 Legislative Session. I would like to begin today by addressing a very important issue that faces not only the Florida Senate but also our counterparts in Congress, the entertainment industry, employers large and small across the country, and our culture in general. Let me be clear: the Florida Senate has zero tolerance for sexual harassment or misconduct of any kind against any employee or visitor. State government should lead by example in instituting policies that ensure employees feel safe when they come to work and comfortable to confidentially report inappropriate behavior by any person.

As public and private entities around the country review their own policies related to sexual and workplace harassment, the Senate is also participating in this important dialogue. Led by Chair Benacquisto, the Senate is working to update its administrative policy on sexual and workplace harassment to make it even more abundantly clear to employees and anyone else that they can and should report sexual or workplace harassment to anyone they feel comfortable speaking with. During my six years in the Florida House and my service here in the Florida Senate, it has been my experience that a vast majority of elected

officials, professional staff, and visitors to the Capitol conduct themselves with a high standard of professionalism and dedication. In fact, in the Florida Senate, as you know, we are blessed with some of the most qualified and dedicated professional staff I have ever had the pleasure of working with. Many of our professional staff members have served this body for decades before us, and they will be here long after our public service comes to an end. I want every Senate employee to hear me when I say that as your President, I am committed to ensuring that we all have a safe workplace environment to do the people's business.

One of the most important issues affecting the people of Florida is addressing the recent hurricanes that have impacted our state. Let's start with Hurricane Irma. In the Senate, we have had 14 Senate committees that have held hearings on response, recovery, and lessons learned. We are reviewing the impacts to state parks and beaches, to utility infrastructure—an issue that is important to Senator Simmons—and fuel supply. Now while many parts of our state were hit by the hurricane and are still recovering, I think we can all agree that the Florida Keys were especially hard hit. They have shown a remarkable resiliency and, while there are workplace needs and there are businesses that are still getting back to full steam, I, for one, admire the resiliency that our fellow citizens in the Keys have shown getting that important part of our state back and functioning. In addition, Senator Galvano and Senator Grimsley are both working on comprehensive legislation to help our agriculture industry, particularly citrus, get back on its feet. One, and there are many, of the sad parts of Hurricane Irma was that our citrus industry was just on the verge of having probably their best year in a decade. With all of the challenges from greening and other challenges from overseas competition that they have faced, I've talked to many citrus owners and other employees who work in the citrus industry. They are 100 percent committed to getting back on their feet and to continuing to make Florida a place like we all grew up with. There are certain iconic symbols in Florida—the grapefruit, the orange—those are important parts of our state along with many other agricultural products that are grown in Florida. I am looking forward to their work.

Senator Stargel, Senator Book, and others are working to address issues surrounding the electricity outages that occurred throughout the state but particularly at our nursing homes. Most of you who know me know that I have been a long-time supporter, promoter, and believer in our nursing homes. I have visited nursing homes in my district and all over Florida. Some of you have heard this before, and it's ok, it is a good reminder for all of us. We know from demographics that the composite resident of a nursing home is an 85-year-old woman. Many of you have had the opportunity, as I have, to visit these women in their nursing homes and to see the character that they bring to our state, and have the same affection and feeling of responsibility toward them that I have. I always give credit to people to the best of my ability when they come up with a good way of saying something. I have to give credit to Senator Benacquisto for this statement because she told this to me and it's stuck with me all of these years: "These are the women who have shaped our communities." When you see them, they raised families, they worked, and many of them volunteered during World War II. I think it's critically important that every senior in a nursing home—men and women—are cared for with the highest level of safety and dignity. That will be one of our priorities this session.

A couple of final thoughts on hurricane recovery: I think an issue that I see as I travel throughout Florida is the need for removal of displaced vessels. I know that the Florida Wildlife Conservation Commission has taken a leadership role in that. We want to make sure that we give them the tools that they need. I think that is a very important part for safety and for the condition of our state. Senator Stargel, Senator Passidomo, and Senator Young have filed legislation for us to consider for a hurricane sales tax holiday. The Governor, our entire state, Senator Torres, and all of us welcome the tens of thousands of our fellow citizens from Puerto Rico who have chosen to make their new home in Florida. We will welcome them, and we will take whatever steps we need to in conjunction with the Governor regarding policy and budget to make sure that we welcome them as our fellow citizens to the State of Florida.

Next, I'd like to talk a couple of minutes about the opioid crisis. This is an area where Senators organically have been addressing in their own districts. I personally have attended some, but I attended one particularly in my home area. I represent western Palm Beach County. Senator

Rader co-hosted a forum on the opioid crisis in Palm Beach County. We have heard many things from everyone involved in that issue. Obviously, our hearts go out to families and individuals who have been affected by this issue. I have another phrase I want to give credit for and this goes to Senator Brandes. He and I were talking about this issue a couple of months ago, and this was the first time I had heard this phrase directed toward this issue. He said, "We need to have a multi-disciplinary approach to the opioid crisis." I think that really sums it up well. Senator Benacquisto is carrying the Governor's proposal, which will also include her personal policy recommendations. Senator Bean has a bill that addresses prescribing limits and what our policy should be in that regard. I know Senator Passidomo is very passionate. She has researched and gotten visits from personal knowledge on the pediatric aspects and the neonatal aspects of this issue both of which are so important. Senator Garcia has really been a passionate advocate on substance abuse and mental health treatment long before this particular issue arose, and I'm looking forward to contributions that he will make and continue to make on that idea. Senator Garcia, thank you for your leadership and many, many years on both substance abuse and mental health.

For people who are selling and trafficking in opioids, to me, that is a criminal law issue. We will do everything we can to support law enforcement to track down—do everything we can to stop the sale and distribution of opioids. At the same time, for those who are struggling with addiction, who want help, who reach out for help, to me, that is more of a public health issue. I think it is important that men and women who come forward to seek help, that we have appropriate solutions for them, that we have appropriate treatment, including medication-assisted treatment, to give them every opportunity to overcome their addiction. I'm very gratified that law enforcement policies are increasingly recognizing addiction as a medical issue and not simply as an issue for law enforcement to deal with. To me, there is a delicate balance. We need to respect the doctor-patient relationship. I don't think we should intrude unreasonably into the doctor-patient relationship. At the same time, we should and we will do everything we can to prevent addiction from happening in the first place.

Now, many of you will remember about two years ago—actually just more than a few years ago—I was here for a designation ceremony. I talked to you. Some people said, "Just talk about general things." I said, "No, I worked three and a half years to get this position, and I put 50,000 miles a year on my car. It was a long journey, and I'm going to talk about issues that I personally care about, that I know Senators care about because I've been to their districts and talked to them about it." I laid out some very specific goals. Just like in the classroom, we are now at the halfway point. This is a good time to review our progress and see what kind of scorecard we can have. My kids hear about this they'll like it because we have a thing in Martin County called Pinnacle. In the Martin County School District, it's a way for parents to conduct surveillance on their grades and academic progress of their students, and I am notorious for monitoring Pinnacle very closely for all three of our students who grew up. Now, we have an opportunity to do that with some things that I talked about and I know all of us care about.

What you will remember is number one: Let's make our good universities great. So how are we doing? The University of Florida, for the first time ever in the history of the university, ranked in the top ten for national public universities. I think we should all be proud of that accomplishment by the University of Florida. Florida State University is up ten spots in the rankings in the last two years. I think we are just getting started, and I want to set a goal for all of us. Some of our terms will expire by then, but I think we should set a goal as a state for the next five years that the University of Florida will be a top five national university, and Florida State University will be in the top 20. I think we can achieve that goal if we all work together with our universities and with our students. When you hear some information about some of the students we've brought here today, I think that goal is very attainable.

We accomplished over an 80 percent increase in need-based aid, our goal being every student, regardless of financial background. They may have to work. Their parents can contribute as they can. I would never want any student in Florida to be unable to attend the university or college to which he or she was admitted because of a financial barrier. We funded 109,000 previously unfunded college and university students for a total of 234,000 students receiving need-based aid in Florida. One of the pinnacles was when I got on a bus with several Senators and we went around the state. Most of you met us at one stop. I just kept

talking about how we are going to get Bright Futures back to 100 percent of tuition, fees and \$300 per semester for books because that's what it used to be. I am very proud of the Senate for leading the way and, obviously, for Speaker Corcoran, the House, and the Governor, that this is not now planned, this isn't something we're talking about doing. As we are here today, Bright Future academic scholars in Florida are receiving 100 percent of tuition and fees, \$300 a semester for books, and one summer school. I give credit to Governor Scott. I was at an education conference in Orlando. He is the first official who suggested, or recommended, that we pay for a summer through Bright Futures and we incorporated that into the Senate plan. We have over 40,000 students and families who are receiving that. Universities are currently using the increases that we provided to do many things. Hundreds of top-notch new faculty members have been hired and are on our campuses. We've reduced class size, upgraded aging infrastructure and research facilities, we have improved our law, business, and medical schools. One of the key factors, and one of the key initiatives for me in this, is that our universities are committed to a four-year graduation rate rather than a six-year rate for full-time students. Of course, we all understand that many students attend part-time. Students sometimes have a medical situation or a home situation where they have to take some time off from school. We understand that and the law takes that into account. For a typical student who arrives on a university campus, enrolls full-time, and is on or near campus and living there, we expect and we will work with students to make sure that they are able to graduate in four years. As Governor Scott mentions, the amount of money that this saves the families and the students is important, but also it helps our universities as they are striving to be the best that they can be. Students and families deserve certainty as they plan for the financial commitment of a university or college education. That leads me to Senate Bill 4 by our President Designate, Senator Galvano. We hope to take that bill up on Thursday. Among other things, Senate Bill 4 will make permanent the academic scholar benefits that I just previously described.

Additionally, we will raise the medallion level of Bright Futures to 75 percent of tuition where it used to be. Senator Bradley's idea was to provide them with the same one summer to make sure that they can graduate in four years if they need to get a few extra credits. Now, sometimes I have the media and others ask me, "Why is this an issue of rankings and improving our universities and this commitment to have national elite destination universities in Florida, like the University of Virginia and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill?" This is not about bragging rights. This isn't about being able to look at a ranking in the *U.S. News and World Report* or some other publication. It's beyond dispute that how our universities are perceived around the country and around the world have a direct effect on the prospects for our students. Obviously, there will be some students going to graduate school and that's fine. But for the majority of students, they are going to go into the workforce. They are going to get a job just like all of us have a job. My goal not only as a legislator, but as a parent as well, is that we want every student to march across the graduation stage and have a diploma in one hand and have a job offer in the other hand. We are seeing that more and more at our universities and colleges. I have talked to presidents, I have talked to those who are responsible for linking students with jobs and with internships, and we are seeing a significant increase in the number of companies and employers from around the country that are interviewing for our best and brightest students here in Florida.

Nowhere has our impact been more dramatic than with National Merit Scholars. Many of you remember, and I have talked about this before, Senator Benacquisto came to me back in 2013, when I was chairing the Appropriations Committee. She talked to me about the importance of trying to set some policies so that National Merit Scholars who are Floridians and are being recruited by other states with tremendous offers. Many of them were leaving Florida—not because they wanted to. I actually think it is good to export some of our best talent so that Florida is represented around the country. Some students were choosing to go to schools in other states strictly because of financial reasons, and that, I don't think, is something that we would want. This is the only part of statistics in this speech, but I am passionate about this issue. In 2013, Florida was ranked number nine in the United States among public universities for the number of National Merit Scholars. Fast forward to today. This is a good example of how legislators can make a difference, and make a difference a lot more quickly than you might think. We went from number nine in 2013. Today, we

are number three—only Texas and Oklahoma are ahead of us. I believe that if we pass Senate Bill 4 and it is signed into law by the Governor, we will then be able to recruit out of state National Merit Scholars to come to Florida. That will leave Oklahoma behind because Oklahoma has all kinds of benefits to attract National Merit Scholars from many states, and a lot of Floridians are attending the University of Oklahoma. Texas, of course, is a much larger state than Florida, but I am so proud of the fact that we have gone from number nine to number three with our National Merit Scholars.

Now let's talk about freshmen coming into our universities. In 2013, we had 163 National Merit Scholars who enrolled as freshmen in our universities. In the 2018-2019 year, our estimate is we expect 401 freshmen to enroll as National Merit Scholars in our universities, so we have more than doubled it. All told, right now, our best estimate, including this coming year, is that we will have over 1,000 Benacquisto National Merit Scholars enrolled in our universities and colleges. Senator Benacquisto, thank you for a great idea, and I'm so proud that we were able to accomplish that together with everyone else here. Thank you.

I'd also like to take just a moment to thank the Board of Governors Chair, Tom Kuntz, and Chancellor Marshall Criser. They have completely bought into the efforts of the Senate to raise the standings of our public universities. They've given us great ideas. They were gracious enough to have members of the Board of Governors, at least one representative, sometimes more, at every university stop when we visited all of our universities. I want to thank both of them for working with us because, obviously, it takes all of us together, a legislature with funding and policy but also the Board of Governors and other university leaders to join us. Now, before I introduce the students who have been personally impacted by your efforts and my efforts, I want to take a moment as a sports fan. I like to say, "If there is a ball involved and they keep score, the Negrons are interested." I want to congratulate the University of Central Florida for their undefeated, 13-0 football team. They beat Auburn, as most of us were watching, I was, in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl. It was the second most-watched Peach Bowl of all time because it was a great game. Those of us who root for UCF, we had a great conclusion to the game. Congratulations to them on an undefeated season.

Now, as promised, I want to introduce you to some students who are our fellow citizens here in Florida who have benefited from the extraordinary changes that we have made in funding initiatives in higher education. Ryan Aponte is a junior at the University of North Florida who moved to Florida when he was just eight years old. Ryan's dad is a retired New York City firefighter, and his mother is a neonatal nurse practitioner. Ryan is following in her footsteps by pursuing a career in nursing. Ryan is a recipient of the Academic Scholarship and a scholarship from the Air Force that will help him with his expenses. He is expected to graduate and be a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. Welcome.

Let me go to Gabriela Parpia. Gabriela is a junior at the University of Central Florida, majoring in interdisciplinary studies with a minor in business administration. Gaby was named a National Merit Finalist and a Benacquisto Scholarship recipient in 2015, and decided to stay here in Florida and follow in her mother's footsteps as a second-generation Knight. Gabriela was selected to participate in the highly selective Burnett Medical Scholars BS/MD Award. She is the Vice President of the campus Pre-Dental Student Association and has conducted mission trips to Panama and Nicaragua with the organization. She plans to attend a professional school and be a dentist like her mother. Welcome Gabriela. We will come back to our third introduction in just a moment.

But halfway through the academic year, on behalf of the hundreds of thousands of students who were realizing their dreams of a college or university education, I want to once again, thank you for your support. I look forward to seeing Senate Bill 4 signed into law in short order so that students and families can be confident in their planning for the upcoming school year.

Number two: Stop the discharges from Lake Okeechobee. Many of you will remember the issue of blue-green algae that was caused by discharges from Lake Okeechobee, both to the east to the St. Lucie River and then out the Caloosahatchee River to southwest Florida. This was a horrific situation and had an adverse effect on many other areas

of South Florida. Our Senate worked together, and as a result, we were able to pass an historic piece of legislation: Senate Bill 10. Senate Bill 10 was fully funded. It is ahead of schedule; it provides for what is an indispensable component to reduce, and ultimately eliminate, discharges, and that is increased storage south of Lake Okeechobee. The bill provides for 100 billion gallons of dynamic storage, and I am proud to report, this is not an idea; this is not something we are workshopping, having meetings. It is being fully implemented and has been embraced by Governor Scott, by the Department of Environmental Protection, and by the South Florida Water Management District. Everyone involved put this in real-time on the website; they are committed to making this a reality so that at some point, we will look back and say, "It was a period of time where we had these discharges, but we took steps, which, by the way, have been agreed upon by scientists, by elected leaders, by community leaders, by expert scientists in the field." What has been agreed to for 18 years was just always put at the end of the process. There was always a reason to keep postponing it: 2016, 2018, 2021. If you postpone something long enough, you can keep it from happening. And so as a result of what the Senate did, and what the Governor signed into law, we are moving forward with additional storage north of the lake, which we need. We need septic to sewer conversions. There are lots of components to this. We tackled the most difficult issue, which is southern storage, and I'm so pleased that the Water Management District, DEP, and the Governor are so committed to making sure that it's implemented in a very timely manner. I want to thank a few people who made that happen: Senator Bradley, the sponsor, who worked the bill and got the bill passed through the Senate; Senator Latvala, who shepherded the bill through the appropriations process; Senator Book, who is the Chair of our Environmental Appropriations Committee and made significant contributions to Senate Bill 10; and, finally, I would like to thank Senator Stewart for her contributions to the bill as well. She is the Vice Chair of the Environmental Preservation Committee. I want to thank everyone who has worked so hard on behalf of the millions of citizens who are directly affected, but all of us, as a state, are affected if we have pollution occurring in any part of Florida.

Number three: Let's not criminalize adolescence. The Senate passed legislation, as you know, to increase the use of civil citations. Senator Brandes, Senator Bracy, Senator Powell, and others are working with our colleagues in the House this session to find common ground on some efforts to increase our efforts and making sure, again, taking off of the table serious wrongdoing and criminality violence by young people—we cannot and will not tolerate that. On the other hand, we all know when there are mistakes in judgment that are made and we don't want young people to have a permanent record or to seriously and adversely affect their future because of a mistake they made when they were a teenager.

Number four: I said, "Let's embrace the Constitution." I want to briefly mention three areas where I think we made tremendous progress in that effort. Number one: Senator Baxley had a bill we passed, it's now law, protecting religious freedom in our public schools. Senator Baxley's legislation, now law, specifies that a school district may not discriminate against a student, parent, or school personnel on the basis of a religious viewpoint or religious expression. Freedom of religion is a central right protected by our Constitution. The government should not impose a religion, and I don't support that. Our Constitution is very clear about that. All too often, we see the other extreme where we are taking away people's right to free speech and their right to practice their faith, or to practice no faith, in a way that they believe is appropriate. Students of any faith or no faith have a right to free speech. I am proud that the Senate took the steps necessary to protect this important constitutional right of public school students, parents, teachers, and school administrators. Thank you, Senator Baxley.

Senator Baxley also sponsored and helped pass a bill on eyewitness identification. This bill didn't get a lot of attention. It was passed without great fanfare, but it's an issue that I think is very important to all of us who are committed to accountability and committed to the rule of law. We know from research, and I was a member of the Innocence Commission, appointed by President Haridopolos. We had many members from the judiciary and law enforcement determine what we could do on the issue of wrongful convictions. Because wrongful convictions are a tragedy, not just for the person who is wrongfully convicted. It's also a tragedy for the victim because the person who is actually responsible has not been held accountable. We learned from research that there are two primary reasons why we have wrongful identifications; they're never done intentionally. One is because you put so much pressure on a person, and all of us could imagine if you were in

this situation, where they're brought into the sheriff's department, shown a lineup to try to determine who may have committed the crime. The research shows that creates so much pressure on an individual that they feel obligated to pick someone because otherwise they're concerned that the investigation is not going to proceed. Sometimes, inadvertently, they select the wrong person. That's the first part of the bill. It simply says we are going to give a cautionary instruction to any person who is picking someone from a photo lineup, or from an actual lineup, that says, "Number one, this investigation will continue after this procedure regardless of what happens today, and secondly, the person who is a perpetrator may or may not be in this particular lineup." We know from research that this dramatically decreases the number of misidentifications. Secondly, we provide that the officer who is directly on the case and who knows who the suspect is, that we have another officer to conduct the lineup so that there isn't any inadvertent cue because the officer has knowledge that the other person doesn't have. I believe the passage of this law will, over time, prevent dozens and dozens of wrongful convictions and also make sure that people who have committed crimes are held accountable.

The third bill that I think also carries forward, and needs our obligation to protect the Constitution, was Senator Bradley's stand-your-ground defense. It clearly puts the burden of proof on the state to prove the guilt of any individual. I have said before that if the State of Florida wants to put a citizen in prison, the State of Florida should have the burden of proof at each and every stage of the proceeding to prove that a person is guilty. When it comes to the trial, they prove them guilty beyond and to the exclusion of every reasonable doubt.

Those are three very important bills that I believe met our goal to follow the Constitution. When I look back at last session, I see promises made and promises kept. In higher education, when I was thinking about this and talking to many of you about this as we were preparing for last session, the progress that we have made in higher education, in building reputations of our universities, and in providing benefits for students so that they're not struggling with financial insecurity, is way beyond the expectations that even I had, and how quickly we've been able to make a difference. I want to thank all of you for your efforts in making that happen.

Before I conclude on higher education, let me go back and complete the introductions. We introduced you to Gabriela. I now want to introduce you to Ryan Aponte. Ryan, will you stand? I made one mistake I want to correct. Ryan is a junior at the University of North Florida, as I said, who moved here when he was eight years old. His dad is a retired New York City firefighter. He is following in his mother's footsteps. You notice two out of three of our students—you don't think mothers are important—two out of three of our students are following their mothers' careers. He is pursuing a career in nursing, and he is a recipient of the Academic Scholar Award. He tells us—we had a chance to visit before we came to the floor today—that the Bright Futures Scholarship that he's received has made it possible for him to graduate without taking on any student loan debt. So, welcome Ryan, and congratulations on your career!

Jack Northrup is in his second year at the University of West Florida. He earned a Medallion Scholar Award and a National Air Force High School Scholarship. Jack is majoring in supply chain logistics. With the alignment of his academic program for Air Force ROTC and his major in the College of Business, Jack will graduate in four years, having earned his Bachelor's Degree and a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. Welcome Jack, and thank you for your service to the United States and to Florida!

Another promise we made to our constituents was the return of some of their hard-earned dollars. In recent years, as you know, we passed back-to-school sales tax holidays; we have reduced the corporate income tax; we permanently lowered sales tax with the business rent tax charged on commercial leases; we permanently eliminated the sales tax on machinery and manufacturing equipment; we permanently decreased the communications services tax on Floridians' phones and television services; we also provided a reduction in vehicle registration fees for every Floridian who registers a car or truck; and we eliminated the sales tax charged to returning service members and their families who have purchased a vehicle overseas. Last year, we sponsored and passed legislation by Senator Lee that gives voters the opportunity to increase the homestead property tax exemption by \$25,000. This year, Senator Stargel will sponsor legislation that gives the people of Florida

the opportunity to require a super majority of the Legislature to approve any future tax increase. The Senate record on tax relief is broad-based and bipartisan. It reflects the ideas and suggestions of Senators from every corner of Florida. I look forward to continuing that effort this session.

I want to talk a moment about Amendment 1. Amendment 1 was passed by over 70 percent of the vote, that exceeds the percentage of votes that many of us were elected by, myself included. This is an issue I think we must continue to work to keep our promise to the voters to fully implement Amendment 1—not only the spirit of Amendment 1, but also the intent of Amendment 1, and the actual language of Amendment 1. It is our responsibility to faithfully implement that amendment.

Among other issues that we will look at in that regard is legislation by Senator Bradley, who has legislation for \$100 million for Florida Forever; I believe Senator Hukill will have a bill that will create a permanent funding source for beach renourishment. I want to talk about an issue that Senator Gibson and I both care deeply about, and I don't know anyone in the chamber that is more committed to our military; we have members of the military obviously all throughout Florida, and we appreciate and respect each and every one of them. I have to say as someone who has traveled Florida, northwest Florida—and I would put in this category and several other areas—but Jacksonville, they appreciate the military in Jacksonville. And it is such an important part of that community. We have a strong bipartisan record of support for our active duty members of the military, including veterans and their families. We passed the Florida G.I. Bill, which waives out-of-state tuition for honorably discharged veterans. We've also dedicated funds to armory revitalization and to base buffering efforts that protect Florida's military bases from encroachment. Again, this year, we have many opportunities to honor the service and sacrifice of our active duty military and veteran families who call Florida home. Senator Gibson has done a tremendous job in leading this effort as Chair of our Military Committee, and I want to personally thank you.

Senator Gainer and Senator Broxson are working on legislation authorizing Florida colleges to waive certain fees for active duty members of the armed forces. Senator Young is sponsoring legislation to provide statewide, dedicated behavioral health care referral services to veterans and their families through Florida's existing 211 network. Senator Steube has a bill to eliminate the fee a veteran must pay to have the word "Veteran" displayed on an identification card for driver's licenses. Senator Baxley is working to create a veteran identification card to be used by veterans as proof of their veteran status. This identification card can be used to obtain discounts or fee waivers, and it would be available to veterans who have been honorably discharged. I am hopeful that these good bills, and other bills under consideration, will help solidify Florida's reputation as the most veteran-friendly state in the nation.

I want to talk about a couple of proposals from Governor Scott that I look forward to working on with him this session. I hope all of you will give close attention to the requests the Governor has made for additional pay raises for state law enforcement. The Senate has been on the forefront of this issue, as you know, and we have always focused our efforts as a strategic approach to look at where we have unfilled vacancies, where we have high turnover, and where we have high demand. I look forward to consideration of that proposal. As I mentioned earlier, I am committed, and I have talked with many of you and know that we are all committed, to supporting our fellow citizens from Puerto Rico who have come to Florida and intend to make Florida their home. I look forward to working with the Governor on many of the proposals that he has put forward, but I wanted to highlight those two.

The Speaker of the House, Speaker Corcoran, has some priorities that I think will be well received by the Florida Senate and they're priorities that I support and have supported. I think we will see initiatives come from the House that continue to move our state in a direction of school choice. I firmly believe that parents should make decisions of what is best for their students. Some students want to attend, and their families would like them to attend, a traditional public school, or would like to attend a charter school, and some would like to attend an independent or religious school. Some parents choose to homeschool their children. I don't love my children enough to homeschool them, but I respect the decision of families to homeschool. I know families that have one student who is homeschooled, one student who attends a charter school,

and one who goes to a traditional public school. Every student is different, and parents are in the best position to make those decisions. I had the privilege, because of Speaker Feeney, in 2001 as a House member, to do the very first bill that we had done in Florida in many years to establish corporate tax scholarships. I think it was a little over \$50 million at the time. It was something very new that had not been done around the country; that program has grown. I have talked to many of you who support the program and who see students in their district whose lives have been uplifted by the program. So, this is nothing new to me, nothing new to the Senate. I support school choice, and I look forward to consideration of school choice proposals that will come from the House.

On direct primary care, President Gaetz used to say, “Nothing happens in medicine until a patient sees a doctor.” I have great respect for the doctor-patient relationship. I think Senator Lee has the bill in the Senate. I expect we will get a bill from the House on direct primary care that eliminates some of the regulation barriers and other obstacles that right now create problems when doctors want to enter into direct relationships with their patients without the intervention of third parties. I think that all of us want to support our positions and we want to do everything we can to make sure that people who have actually gone to medical school, completed medical school, completed residencies, and have a license, practice medicine. Let’s make sure they are the ones making the decisions on your health care, my health care, and our families’ health care, and not people who are paying for that procedure. They have an important role to play. It is not the practice of medicine. It is the payment of claims. We should have the practice of medicine done by women and men with the credentials to do that. At the forefront and at the helm of that leadership are the medical doctors around our state. Thank you, doctor, for being here. A family doctor is someone who sees patients every single day and knows the look in a parent’s eyes when an 11-year-old child has a fever and doesn’t know whether it is spinal meningitis or just a cold. You know that and it is important that we value that relationship of doctors and patients.

I want to mention one other idea that was brought to me by several Senators, organically, over the past several months. It is an issue that we are all committed to and we have all worked on. We have all voted in favor of legislation, but it deserves another look. That is the reality that many of our smart, talented, gifted high school students are going to choose to receive specialized training whether at a state college or through some other mechanism that will lead them to industry certifications and specializations to go directly into the workforce without formally attending a university—sometimes without even formally attending a state college. We value and honor those students. Intelligence comes in all different forms. I remember when I was in first grade and I got a report card that came home to my parents. It said, “Joe talks too much in class and has difficulty stringing beads.” Now, we have a term for students who can’t string beads in the first grade. It is called “not smart,” “not having spatial skills,” “not likely to become an orthopedic surgeon,” and “not likely to be able to deal with the complexities of an automobile, or to do things in the construction industry.” I may have been better at some other things, but that is a gift, it is a talent, it is an intelligence. We respect those students and their accomplishments, even though sometimes we only talk about students and SAT scores and these different things. There are so many gifted, intelligent students who have gotten these industry certifications that are brilliant at what they do. They can create. I know Senator Gainer, Senator Stargel, Senator Baxley, and several others of you have talked to me about this, and so I hope this session that we will explore ways to promote and enhance these programs in our high schools. Of course, we want to give President Gaetz credit and all of us who worked on expanding industry certification, of which we now have tens of thousands of students who are taking advantage. But let us see what we can even do better so that we make sure that all students have opportunities and regardless of what you decide to do—to go straight to work, go in the military, or go to a college or university—eventually you are going to have to have some responsibilities with regards to money management. Senator Hukill, this is going to be the year, hopefully, for financial literacy. I know it will be in the Senate. That is an important issue with student loans and everything that hits students and hits people that go into the workforce—to make sure that they have a basic understanding of finances. I am looking forward to that bill moving forward.

As you can see, there are a number of great proposals from the House. There are proposals from the Senate, from both political parties. We have ideas and recommendations from the Governor. One thing I know

is that it doesn’t matter at all to the Floridians we represent where these ideas originate. They are worried about taking care of their families, getting their students to ballet practice, to little league practice, and, in the Negron family, to meetings at church that occur on Wednesday night. Whatever it is that you are doing, families are busy trying to survive and prosper. They don’t care about this home and away football game mentality that some have. I am happy to do school choice; I am happy to help our medical profession; and I am happy to protect consumers, protect patients, improve our universities and our colleges; and improve our K-12 system. We want ideas from everyone. I want to conclude with a quote by Ronald Reagan: “There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don’t care who gets the credit.” I look forward to working with each of you during the 2018 Session as we continue to represent the citizens of Florida in this place. Thank you all very much. Thank you.

COMMITTEE RECEIVED

A committee from the House of Representatives composed of Representative Diaz, Chair; and Representatives Altman, Peters, Plakon, McGhee, Edwards-Walpole, Berman, and DuBose was received and informed the Senate that the House of Representatives was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the session. The committee then withdrew from the chamber.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

On motion by Senator Benacquisto that a committee be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the 2018 Session, the President appointed Senator Gibson, Chair; and Senators Broxson, Torres, Grimsley, and Garcia. The committee was excused.

COMMITTEE DISCHARGED

The committee appointed to notify the House of Representatives returned to the Senate Chamber and reported to the President that its duty had been performed. The committee was thanked for its service and discharged.

MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Benacquisto, the Senate adjourned at 10:52 a.m. and, pursuant to **SCR 1522**, will meet in joint session at 11:00 a.m. this day for the purpose of receiving a message from the Governor and conducting other Senate business.

(See remainder of Senate business following the joint session.)

JOINT SESSION

Pursuant to **SCR 1522**, the Senate formed in processional order and marched as a body to the chamber of the House of Representatives where they were received in due form. The joint session was called to order by The Honorable Richard Corcoran, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Lieutenant Governor, members of the Cabinet, and Justices of the Supreme Court were received and seated.

The Speaker invited The Honorable Joe Negron, President of the Senate, to the rostrum, and requested that the President preside over the joint session.

THE PRESIDENT PRESIDING

The President declared a quorum of the joint session present.

Representative Mel Ponder delivered the prayer.

Senate President Pro Tempore Anitere Flores and House Speaker Pro Tempore Jeanette Nuñez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

On motion by Representative Chris Sprowls that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the joint session was assembled to receive his message, the President appointed Senator Hukill, Co-Chair;

and Senators Bean, Rouson, Stargel, and Taddeo. On behalf of the Speaker, the President appointed Representative Renner, Co-Chair; and Representatives Grall, Jenne, and Stafford. The committee withdrew from the chamber.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President recognized the following guests: First Lady of the House of Representatives, Anne Corcoran; and First Lady of the Senate, Rebecca Negron.

The committee appointed to wait upon the Governor subsequently returned to the chamber escorting His Excellency, the Honorable Rick Scott, Governor, who was escorted to the rostrum.

The President recognized First Lady, Ann Scott, who was present in the gallery.

The President presented the Governor to the joint assembly.

ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT

Good morning. I am honored to deliver my final state of the state today. I would first like to recognize: Speaker of the House Richard Corcoran. Speaker, I appreciate your commitment to cutting taxes and for fighting to make sure every Florida student can get a great education. Senate President Joe Negron. President, your focus on Lake Okeechobee and Florida's environment will benefit countless Floridians and visitors for generations.

Lieutenant Governor Carlos Lopez-Cantera. Thank you for all you do for our great state and for joining me in the fight for freedom and democracy in Cuba and Venezuela. Attorney General Pam Bondi. You have been a true advocate for crime victims and have been a leading voice in our fight against the opioid epidemic. There's no doubt that your efforts have saved lives. Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis. I was proud to appoint you as CFO and in a very short time, you have done so much to help Florida families. Thank you for all you are doing to support our brave firefighters. Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam. Thank you for always fighting for Florida's critical agriculture community and for all you have done to help Florida's citrus industry after Hurricane Irma. Chief Justice Labarga and members of the Florida Supreme Court. Thank you for your service to our state.

I would like to thank my wife, Ann. There isn't a day that goes by that I am not thankful for your unwavering support. As First Lady, you have done so much to help Florida families. From visiting schools, to promoting literacy and helping find forever homes for kids in foster care, I am so proud of all you have done. You took a chance on me 45 years ago, a skinny kid without a penny in his pocket, who talked too fast, with only a dream. You have believed in me every day since then, including the day I told you I wanted to run for Governor. When no one else thought I had a shot, you stood by me. I love you. I would like to also recognize my son-in-law Pierre and my oldest grandson, Auguste. Auguste wants to either be a paratrooper like his great-grandfather or a police officer when he grows up.

I know how disappointed you all must be that you won't get to hear me give another great speech like this, try to hold back the tears. Putting jokes aside, I stand here today, at the beginning of my last year as Governor, thankful for the opportunity that we have all had to help our beloved State of Florida. I am thankful that in 2010, with the amazing support of my family, the people of Florida gave me the chance to turn our state around. This has been the most rewarding job.

There were the naysayers who told us there was no way that a businessman with no experience in politics or government could possibly be successful at helping to turn Florida's economy around. Fortunately for all of us, the naysayers were wrong.

When I was in business, I would see politicians come and go and always make promises that they would be business-friendly, cut taxes and reduce regulations. And usually, it was all just talk. Nothing much ever happened. I have done business in almost every state, and when I brought an issue about permits or licensing to government leaders, they

would often just repeat their same promises and reassure me that they would get back with me. Of course, they rarely ever did.

In 2010, when I ran for Governor, I promised to change the status quo and create an environment where businesses can succeed and create jobs for Florida families. And the results speak for themselves: Working together, we've created an environment where our private sector has added nearly 1.5 million jobs; our GDP has grown 26 percent; home values have skyrocketed; we've decreased state debt by \$9 billion; and our unemployment rate has dropped from over 10 percent when I took office to a more than 10-year low of 3.6 percent—even lower than the national rate.

Those are some great statistics, but this is not about statistics. It's about real people. Like many people, I grew up in poverty and I can tell you firsthand having a job is not something we should ever take for granted. Florida has experienced this incredible economic revival because we have worked hard to cut taxes over 80 times, which has saved Florida families more than \$7.5 billion. Working together, we have taken billions of dollars out of the government's hands and given it back to Floridians.

Like many of you here, this is my last year in this position. This is my last session to cut taxes. And, we must acknowledge that, unfortunately, at some point, there will be politicians sitting in this chamber who are not as fiscally responsible as we are today.

I am sure there will be people who hold our jobs down the road who will want to increase taxes, otherwise known as taking more money from hard working Floridians. Decades ago, Florida voters approved an amendment to the constitution that prohibited a state income tax. The skeptics warned that bad things would happen—the skeptics were wrong.

I want 2018 to be the year that Florida voters pass a constitutional amendment that makes it harder for politicians to raise taxes. My proposal would require 2/3 of the legislature to vote on a tax increase for it to become law. Some have asked if this proposal would be in effect during a financial emergency or another national recession, and my answer is clear—ABSOLUTELY.

It is during times of economic downturn where this proposal is needed the most. It will force leaders to contemplate living within their means rather than taking the easy way out and just sticking it to the public by raising taxes on families and job creators.

I ask all of you to join me in this fight and ensure we do all we can to not let future politicians undo the hard work we have done to grow Florida's economy and create jobs. We need to secure a strong economy for our children and grandchildren.

I also have put forward a tax cut package this year that will truly benefit every single Floridian. Before I took office, everyone who had a driver's license faced a massive fee increase. This year, I want to reduce those fees back to pre-2009 levels by cutting the fee for the renewal of a regular drivers license by more than 58 percent from \$48 to \$20; I want to cut the fee on an original regular driver's license by more than 43 percent from \$48 to \$27; and I want to cut the fee on an original Commercial Driver's License by more than 10 percent. My dad was a truck driver and if he had extra money back in his pocket, that would have been a big deal.

My tax cut proposal also includes sales tax holidays to help families prepare for the school year and hurricane season. After the storms we experienced last year, we need to have a longer sales tax holiday so people have time to buy the supplies they need like generators, batteries and flashlights. My proposal extends the current one-week sales tax holiday to three weeks over a three-month period to ensure people have ample time to get the goods they need before the start of hurricane season. I don't think anyone in this room could have predicted the mammoth storm Hurricane Irma would become. There wasn't a portion of our state that was safe from Irma. We saw it shift, turn, and literally cover our entire state. It was like a scene from a movie.

But, Floridians came together and faced Hurricane Irma head on. As I traveled around the state, I heard story after story of families helping one another and communities standing together. The response and solidarity that was shown by our state was one of the proudest moments

that I have had as Governor. And when I was urging people to get prepared for the storm and to evacuate, so many of you were there to help raise awareness in your communities. Thank you.

And after the storm, we showed up. From handing out water, to working at food banks, so many Floridians and many of you in this room helped your neighbors in need. And I believe Florida has come back even stronger.

Florida demonstrated to the entire world how to prepare and respond to a natural disaster, and two heroes who helped Florida prepare and respond to Hurricane Irma are with us today. I would like to introduce you to Lauren and Michael Davis from Jacksonville. Lauren and Michael both serve in the Florida National Guard and were deployed along with thousands of our brave National Guard members during the storm. However, their deployment was at a very inconvenient time for the young couple. Their wedding was set in Jacksonville Beach the same week as the hurricane was impacting Florida.

So, instead of postponing getting married, Lauren and Michael decided to exchange vows in full uniform in front of their fellow guardsmen at the Orange County Convention Center as they prepared for post-storm response. Lauren and Michael chose to put “service before self,” a trait we should all strive to have. Lauren and Michael, thank you for your sacrifice to protect your fellow Floridians. And please be sure to give all these legislators the details on your wedding registry.

Just when we thought we got through Irma, Maria was quickly approaching Puerto Rico. While we are so blessed Florida was spared, sadly our fellow Americans in Puerto Rico were devastated. Like many of you in this room, I have been focused on helping Puerto Rico recover and rebuild. I have visited Puerto Rico twice following the storm. I saw firsthand the devastation on the island and I have tried to help the people of Puerto Rico any way I could. We have had hundreds of thousands of Puerto Ricans come to Florida since Maria and my goal is that Florida be the most welcoming place for people displaced by the storm. We have set up centers to help Puerto Ricans get connected to services and resources, made it easier for students to get enrolled in our schools and removed barriers for professional licenses so people can quickly get to work in our state.

But, there is still more we can do together to help Puerto Ricans displaced by the storm. This year, I am proposing \$12 million in funding to establish the English Language Learners Academy. This program will focus on reading improvements and making sure students displaced by Hurricane Maria have access to important learning programs. And, I ask that you join me in supporting this important program this year.

As we saw throughout this entire hurricane season, our first responders came to the rescue of so many. Not only did our first responders and National Guard do an outstanding job during Hurricanes Irma and Nate here in Florida, but they came to the rescue of our friends outside of Florida. Following Maria, 50 Florida Highway Patrol members deployed to Puerto Rico to help with security and traffic control in San Juan. And following Hurricane Harvey in Texas, more than two dozen Florida Fish and Wildlife officers helped rescue more than 500 people trapped in flooded areas. While they are not here with us today, please join me in a round of applause to thank these brave men and women.

Our law enforcement have done an incredible job protecting Florida families and I hope each of you will support my proposed pay raise of \$30 million for all state sworn officers this year. I am also proud to support a measure that is going through the Constitutional Revision Commission to give free tuition to the families of fallen first responders, state law enforcement officers, and military members who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Since I have taken office, 41 officers have tragically been killed in the line of duty. These brave men and women died as heroes and it is important that the state does everything possible to take care of the families who lost a loved one who was working to protect our communities. When you think about it, it's the least we can do. The last thing our military men and women and first responders need to be thinking about when they go to work every day is, “Will my family be taken care of if I am gone?”

Two of those heroes that died in the line of duty last year are Sergeant Sam Howard and Officer Matthew Baxter. They were senselessly shot while on patrol in Kissimmee. Sergeant Howard's wife and daughter, Billie Jo and Unique, are here today. Officer Baxter's wife, Sadia, is also here and was recently sworn in as a special agent for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Billie Jo, Unique, and Sadia, we will continue to do all we can to honor Sam and Matthew.

Another incredible hero who was tragically killed in the line of duty is Lieutenant Deborah Clayton. She was executed in cold blood and I have fought hard to ensure that her accused killer is prosecuted to the absolute fullest extent of the law. I will stop at nothing to fully support the families of fallen police officers like Deborah Clayton. That is why I removed cases from a prosecutor last year who refused to seek justice for fallen law enforcement officers.

I want to be very clear—in Florida we have zero tolerance for anyone who attacks our law enforcement officers and I will fight to make sure justice is swift and these killers are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

That doesn't stop with law enforcement. We have to take care of all crime victims in our state. No one in Florida who has been a victim of crime should feel ashamed. Victims of crime or harassment deserve to have their voices heard. Last year, I was stunned to learn that state employees who reported incidents of sexual harassment did not have their identities protected in many circumstances. If you were a state employee who was the victim of sexual harassment and you filed a complaint with your agency, your name and other identifying information was not always confidential. I have daughters and learning that there was not a public records exemption for this really bothered me, so I vowed to change the law. With the help of all of you in this room, we passed a law to protect state employees who were victims of sexual harassment. Working together, we took a step forward to protect those in state government who were victimized. But, it is clear that more must be done.

Last month, I signed an executive order that outlines the process for sexual harassment training, reporting, investigating, and recovery for victims at all of my agencies. I urge both chambers and all of the cabinet agencies to follow our lead and do the same. I also want to take a step further and encourage the Legislature to pass a bill that protects state employees who witness their colleagues being harassed or victimized. I want to ensure the identities of these brave individuals are protected so they feel encouraged to participate in investigations.

Unfortunately, we have seen this play out all over the country, including Tallahassee. Things have got to change, and it starts right here in this building. The people of Florida deserve better than what they are reading about in the news. We all must join together and send a very strong message: Florida stands with victims.

I now want to turn to another serious topic that I believe, by working together, we must combat in our state. Like so many families, I have had to watch a loved one struggle with drug abuse. It is hard and so painful. When I first took office, I worked with General Bondi and many of you in this chamber to crack down on pill mills. We fought hard to get pills off our streets, but as we have seen with the national opioid epidemic, our fight against drugs is not over.

I would like to introduce you to Sarah Sheppard. Sarah is a Parent Partner at Healthy Start, a non-profit organization in Daytona Beach, that is one of our many state partners in the fight against the opioid epidemic. After overcoming her own addiction seven years ago, Sarah now dedicates her time to helping parents during the challenging recovery process so that they can be reunited with their children. Overcoming addiction requires incredible strength and bravery and we must make sure that resources are available to help people get the treatment they need.

This year, I have proposed to invest \$53 million to fight opioid abuse in Florida. I have also proposed legislation to prevent drug addiction on the front end, reduce the ability for dangerous drugs to spread in Florida's communities, give vulnerable Floridians the support they need, and ensure law enforcement officers have resources to protect those impacted by opioids. I ask that all of you support these measures this session so we can help Sarah in this important work she and so many others do in our state each day. Thank you, Sarah.

I know I talk about jobs numbers a lot, to the point where the reporters all roll their eyes, but there are some other statistics that are pretty impressive and show great strides in our state.

Since 2011, 20,000 children in foster care have been adopted. Think about that, 20,000 more kids are in a home with a loving family in just the last seven years. One of those thousands of families is with us today.

I would like to recognize recent new mom, Erica Ford, from Tallahassee. Erica is a Child Protective Investigator with the Department of Children and Families, who has also worked to help children in need by serving as a foster parent. In 2015, Erica was asked to foster a baby boy named Adam. She quickly fell in love with him and when his younger brother, Avery, was born the next year, she also began caring for him. Erica wanted to do all she could to give them both a better life, and she made the decision to permanently open her heart and home to these children by officially adopting the two young brothers as a proud single mother. Erica, thank you for changing the lives of these precious children. Your profound actions will no doubt inspire more Floridians to adopt.

I am also proud that since 2013, I have awarded nearly 13,000 Florida veterans with the Governor's Veterans Service Award. And one of these recipients is here today. Let's welcome Paul Huszar. Paul is the owner of VetCor, a restoration company in Tampa. He is also a veteran and served more than 20 years in the military. As a small business owner, Paul has seen the result of our efforts to cut taxes first hand.

He has been able to invest in his company and create more than 20 new jobs in just five years. Paul's business is also one of the many job creators that have worked to hire Florida veterans through the Veterans Florida Employment and Training Services program. I am proud that we've worked together to make it easier for businesses like Paul's to create jobs so more Florida veterans can support their families. Thank you, Paul.

Before I close, we must also recognize the larger role Florida plays globally. Over the past few years, we've seen the conditions deteriorate drastically in Venezuela. As I have travelled the state, I have heard from Floridians who are worried about the situation the Maduro Regime has created in Venezuela. Make no mistake—Maduro and his gang of thugs pose a problem for the entire world, especially for us here in Florida. Florida is home to a vibrant Venezuelan population and many of our friends and neighbors still have family there.

There is no free speech, people like Leopoldo Lopez are imprisoned or put under house arrest for fighting for democracy and there is limited access to food and medicine. The people of Venezuela deserve better. They deserve freedom and democracy. To do our part, I proposed to ban state investments going to benefit the Maduro Regime. And, last year, the entire Florida Cabinet supported this effort. Thank you. Now, I am fighting for legislation that takes this important step further by blocking state agencies from doing the same. I ask all of you to join us in this fight and pass this important legislation.

I would like to introduce you to Sebastian Ghiragossian and Mariana Cortez from Miami who desperately want to see change in Venezuela. In 2011, Sebastian escaped the crisis in Venezuela by moving to Miami, where he met his wife Mariana. Together, they opened Bunnie Cakes, a vegan bakery that employs more than 20 Floridians. Sebastian is one of the many people who had to flee their home in Venezuela for freedom and opportunity. While we are proud to have him here in Florida, we must continue to stand with the people of Venezuela against the Maduro dictatorship. Sebastian and Mariana, I am going to fight to make sure Florida does everything possible to bring freedom and democracy to Venezuela.

I have spent every day since taking office fighting to grow our economy and ensure we have the most prosperous state for generations to come. I am proud of the work we have accomplished together to secure Florida's future by creating an environment where Floridians of all ages have the tools they need to succeed in our state. But, our work is not done.

We must secure our future by investing record funding in our environment, our education system and our transportation infrastructure. We must secure our future by helping those with disabilities have access to great jobs. We must secure our future by ensuring we remain the

most military and veteran-friendly state in the nation. And, we must secure our future by making sure Florida remains the global destination for jobs.

We have a finite amount of time left in these positions. Let's all fight together until our last minute in office to secure Florida's future for every family. Thank you, God bless you and God bless the great State of Florida.

DISSOLUTION OF JOINT SESSION

Following the Governor's address, the previously appointed committee escorted the Governor from the rostrum and from the House Chamber, followed by the Justices of the Supreme Court, the Lieutenant Governor, and members of the Cabinet.

SPEAKER CORCORAN PRESIDING

On motion by Senator Benacquisto, the joint session was dissolved at 12:13 p.m., and the Senators were escorted from the House Chamber by the Senate Sergeant at Arms.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

SB 2—Not used.

By Senators Galvano, Perry, Young, Bradley, Stewart, Stargel, Simpson, Steube, Passidomo, Bean, Baxley, Hukill, and Benacquisto—

SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act relating to higher education; providing a short title; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; requiring state universities to identify internship opportunities in high-demand fields; amending s. 1001.7065, F.S.; revising the preeminent state research universities program graduation rate requirements and funding distributions; deleting the authority for such universities to stipulate a special course requirement for incoming students; requiring the Board of Governors to establish certain standards by a specified date; amending s. 1001.92, F.S.; requiring certain performance-based metrics to include specified graduation rates and access benchmarks; amending s. 1004.28, F.S.; directing a state university board of trustees to limit the services, activities, and expenses of its direct-support organizations; requiring the chair of the board of trustees to appoint at least one representative to the board of directors and executive committee of a university direct-support organization; requiring the disclosure of certain financial documents; creating s. 1004.6497, F.S.; establishing the World Class Faculty and Scholar Program; providing the purpose and intent; authorizing state university investments in certain faculty retention, recruitment, and recognition activities; specifying funding as provided in the General Appropriations Act; requiring an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; creating s. 1004.6498, F.S.; establishing the State University Professional and Graduate Degree Excellence Program; providing the purpose; listing the quality improvement efforts that may be used to elevate the prominence of state university medicine, law, and graduate-level business programs; specifying funding as provided in the General Appropriations Act; requiring an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 1008.30, F.S.; authorizing certain state universities to continue to provide developmental education instruction; amending ss. 1009.22 and 1009.23, F.S.; removing the prohibition on the inclusion of a technology fee in the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program award; amending s. 1009.24, F.S.; removing the prohibition on the inclusion of a technology fee and a tuition differential fee in the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program award; requiring each state university board of trustees to implement a block tuition policy for specified undergraduate students beginning in a specified academic semester; requiring the Chancellor of the State University System to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 1009.53, F.S.; authorizing a student to use Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program awards for summer term enrollment; amending s. 1009.534, F.S.; specifying Florida Academic Scholars award amounts to cover tuition, fees, textbooks, and other

educational expenses; amending s. 1009.535, F.S.; specifying Florida Medallion Scholars award amounts to cover specified tuition and fees; amending s. 1009.701, F.S.; revising the state-to-private match requirement for contributions to the First Generation Matching Grant Program beginning in a specified fiscal year; extending the program to include Florida College System institution students; amending s. 1009.893, F.S.; extending coverage of the Benacquisto Scholarship Program to include tuition and fees for qualified nonresident students; creating s. 1009.894, F.S.; creating the Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship Program; providing a purpose; requiring the Department of Education to administer the scholarship program; providing student eligibility criteria; specifying award amounts and distributions; providing for funding as specified in the General Appropriations Act; amending s. 1009.98, F.S.; providing that certain payments from the Florida Prepaid College Board to a state university on behalf of a qualified beneficiary may not exceed a specified amount; providing for retroactive application; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

SB 6—Not used.

By Senators Benacquisto, Perry, Stargel, Bean, and Passidomo—

SB 8—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substances; creating s. 456.0301, F.S.; authorizing certain boards to require practitioners to complete a specified board-approved continuing education course to obtain authorization to prescribe controlled substances as part of biennial renewal; providing exceptions; providing course requirements; prohibiting the department from renewing a license of a prescriber under specified circumstances; requiring a licensee to submit confirmation of course completion; providing for each licensing board requiring such continuing education course to include hours of completion with the total hours of continuing education required in certain circumstances; authorizing rulemaking; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; authorizing disciplinary action against practitioners for violating specified provisions relating to controlled substances; amending s. 456.44, F.S.; defining the term “acute pain”; providing for the adoption of standards of practice for the treatment of acute pain; providing that failure of a practitioner to follow specified guidelines is grounds for disciplinary action; limiting opioid prescriptions for the treatment of acute pain to a specified period under certain circumstances; authorizing prescriptions for such opioids for an extended period if specified requirements are met; amending ss. 458.3265 and 459.0137, F.S.; requiring certain pain management clinic owners to register approved exemptions with the department; requiring certain clinics to obtain certificates of exemption; providing requirements for such certificates; authorizing rulemaking relating to specified exemptions; amending ss. 465.0155 and 465.0276, F.S.; providing requirements for pharmacists and practitioners for the dispensing of controlled substances to persons not known to them; defining the term “proper identification”; amending s. 893.03, F.S.; conforming the state controlled substances schedule to the federal controlled substances schedule; amending s. 893.055, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; revising requirements for the prescription drug monitoring program; authorizing rulemaking; requiring the department to maintain an electronic system for certain purposes to meet specified requirements; requiring certain information to be reported to the system by a specified time; specifying direct access to system information; authorizing the department to enter into reciprocal agreements or contracts to share prescription drug monitoring information with certain entities; providing requirements for such agreements; authorizing the department to enter into agreements or contracts for secure connections with practitioner electronic systems; requiring specified persons to consult the system for certain purposes within a specified time; providing exceptions to the duty of specified persons to consult the system under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to issue nondisciplinary citations to specified entities for failing to meet certain requirements; prohibiting the failure to report the dispensing of a controlled substance when required to do so; providing penalties; authorizing the department to enter into agreements or contracts for specified purposes; providing for the release of information obtained by the system; allowing specified persons to have direct access to information for the purpose of reviewing the controlled

drug prescription history of a patient; providing prescriber or dispenser immunity from liability for review of patient history when acting in good faith; providing construction; prohibiting the department from specified uses of funds; authorizing the department to conduct or participate in studies for specified purposes; requiring an annual report to be submitted to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing report requirements; providing exemptions; establishing direct-support organizations for specified purposes; defining the term “direct-support organization”; requiring a direct-support organization to operate under written contract with the department; providing contract requirements; requiring the direct-support organization to obtain written approval from the department for specified purposes; authorizing rulemaking; providing for an independent annual financial audit by the direct-support organization; providing that copies of such audit be provided to specified entities; providing for future repeal of provisions relating to the direct-support organization; amending s. 893.0551, F.S.; revising provisions concerning release of information held by the prescription drug monitoring program; amending ss. 458.331, 459.015, 463.0055, 782.04, 893.13, 893.135, and 921.0022, F.S.; correcting cross-references; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

SB 10—Not used.

SB 12—Not used.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 14—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Danielle Maudsley; providing an appropriation to compensate the Estate of Danielle Maudsley for Ms. Maudsley’s death, sustained as a result of the alleged negligence of Trooper Daniel Cole and the Florida Highway Patrol, a division of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing that certain payments and the appropriation satisfy all present and future claims related to the alleged acts; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 16—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Charles Pandrea by the North Broward Hospital District; providing for an appropriation to compensate Charles Pandrea, husband of Janet Pandrea, for the death of Janet Pandrea as a result of the negligence of the North Broward Hospital District; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 18—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of C.M.H.; providing an appropriation to compensate C.M.H. for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of the Department of Children and Families, formerly known as the Department of Children and Family Services; requiring certain funds to be placed into an irrevocable trust; providing a limitation on attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 20—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Maury Hernandez; providing an appropriation to compensate him for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the alleged negligence of the Department of Corrections; providing legislative intent for the waiver of certain liens; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 22—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Brian Pitts; directing the Division of Administrative Hearings to appoint an administrative law judge or special master to determine a basis for equitable relief for the purpose of compensating Mr. Pitts for the wrongful acts or omissions of the State of Florida or officials thereof; requiring a report to the Legislature; authorizing compensation to Mr. Pitts upon a determination by an administrative law judge; providing an appropriation to compensate Mr. Pitts for injuries and damages sustained; providing a limitation on attorney fees and costs; directing that certain court orders and judgments be declared null and void; directing that the clerk of the court for the Supreme Court and for the Sixth Judicial Circuit remove access to specified cases; directing the Department of Law Enforcement to remove access to criminal records related to Mr. Pitts and to ensure the compliance, execution, and enforcement of specified provisions; specifying the limited circumstances under which Mr. Pitts may represent himself or others in judicial or administrative proceedings; directing the Department of Law Enforcement to investigate certain illegal acts committed by certain persons; authorizing the Governor, the President of the Senate, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives to sever portions of this act under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 24—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Justice-2-Jesus Charitable Trust; providing an appropriation to compensate the trust for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence and inaction of state government; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 26—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Eric Scott Tenner by Miami-Dade County; providing for an appropriation to compensate his estate for damages sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 28—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Christopher Cannon; providing an appropriation to compensate him for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the alleged negligence of the City of Tallahassee; providing that the appropriation satisfies all present and

future claims arising out of the alleged negligent acts; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 30—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Barney Brown, who was wrongfully incarcerated for 38 years; providing an appropriation to compensate him for his wrongful incarceration; providing that the act does not waive certain defenses or increase the state's liability; providing that the appropriation satisfies all present and future claims related to the wrongful incarceration; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation, fees, and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 32—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Reginald Jackson by the City of Lakeland; providing an appropriation to compensate Reginald Jackson for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of Mike Cochran, a police officer for the Lakeland Police Department; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 34—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Shuler Limited Partnership by the Florida Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, formerly known as the Division of Forestry, and the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund; providing for an appropriation to compensate Shuler Limited Partnership for costs and fees and for damages sustained to 835 acres of its timber as a result of the negligence, negligence per se, and gross negligence of employees of the Florida Forest Service and their violation of ch. 590, F.S.; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 36—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Marcus Button by the Pasco County School Board; providing an appropriation to compensate Marcus Button for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Pasco County School Board; providing an appropriation to compensate Mark and Robin Button, as parents and natural guardians of Marcus Button, for injuries and damages sustained by Marcus Button; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 38—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Erin Joynt by Volusia County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Erin Joynt for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of Volusia County; providing that certain payments and the appropriation satisfy all present and future claims related to the negligent act; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 40—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa; providing an appropriation to compensate the Estate of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa for Dr. Aversa's death as a result of the negligence of the Department of Transportation; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to establish spending authority from unappropriated trust fund balances of the department for compensation to the Estate of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 42—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Vonshelle Brothers on behalf of her daughter Iyonna Hughey; providing an appropriation to compensate Iyonna Hughey for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the alleged negligence of the Brevard County Health Department, an agency of the Department of Health; providing that certain payments and the appropriation satisfy all present and future claims related to the alleged negligent acts; providing a limitation on the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 44—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Cristina Alvarez and George Patnode; providing appropriations to compensate them for the death of their son, Nicholas Patnode, a minor, due to the negligence of the Department of Health; providing for the repayment of Medicaid liens; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 46—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Ramiro Companioni, Jr., by the City of Tampa; providing for an appropriation to compensate Mr. Companioni for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the City of Tampa; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation and fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 48—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Ashraf Kamel and Marguerite Dimitri by the Palm Beach County School Board; providing for an appropriation to compensate Ashraf Kamel and Marguerite Dimitri for the wrongful death of their minor child, Jean A. Pierre Kamel, as a result of the negligence of the Palm Beach County School Board; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Gainer—

SB 50—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Colton Merville; providing an appropriation to compensate him for injuries and damages sustained as result of the negligence of the Department of Corrections in connection with the shooting death of his mother, Camilla Claudine Merville; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 52—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Cathleen Smiley by Brevard County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Cathleen Smiley for personal injuries and damages sustained in an automobile accident caused by a Brevard County employee; providing for payment by Brevard County; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation and attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Torres and Stewart—

SB 54—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Robert Allan Smith by Orange County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Mr. Smith for injuries he sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of Orange County; providing for repayment of Medicaid liens; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Book, Passidomo, Perry, and Stewart—

SB 56—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a tax exemption for diapers and incontinence products; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; exempting from the sales and use tax the sale for human use of diapers, incontinence undergarments, incontinence pads, or incontinence liners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 58—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax-exempt income; amending s. 220.14, F.S.; increasing the amount of income that is ex-

empt from the corporate income tax; amending s. 220.63, F.S.; increasing the amount of income that is exempt from the franchise tax imposed on banks and savings associations; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Hukill and Steube—

SB 60—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.031, F.S.; reducing the tax levied on rental or license fees charged for the use of real property; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Hukill, Passidomo, Hutson, Baxley, Latvala, Gainer, Bean, Mayfield, Young, Perry, and Broxson—

SB 62—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the assignment of property insurance benefits; creating s. 627.7152, F.S.; defining the term “assignment agreement”; prohibiting certain awards of attorney fees to certain persons or entities in suits based on claims arising under property insurance policies; providing that an assignment agreement is not valid unless specified requirements are met; prohibiting certain provisions in an assignment agreement; specifying requirements for an assignee or transferee; requiring an assignee to meet certain requirements as a condition precedent to filing suit under a policy; providing construction; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

SB 64—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senators Rouson, Thurston, Stewart, Bracy, Book, Rodriguez, Young, Taddeo, Farmer, Braynon, Torres, Garcia, Powell, Montford, Rader, Gibson, and Flores—

SB 66—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited discrimination; creating the “Florida Competitive Workforce Act”; amending s. 509.092, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination in public lodging establishments and public food service establishments; providing an exception for constitutionally protected free exercise of religion; amending s. 760.01, F.S.; revising the purposes of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 to conform to changes made by the act; reordering and amending s. 760.02, F.S.; defining the terms “gender identity” and “sexual orientation”; amending s. 760.05, F.S.; revising the functions of the Florida Commission on Human Relations, to conform; amending s. 760.07, F.S.; revising provisions regarding remedies for unlawful discrimination to include discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, to conform; amending s. 760.08, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination in places of public accommodation; amending s. 760.10, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination with respect to specified unlawful employment practices; providing an exception for constitutionally protected free exercise of religion; amending s. 760.22, F.S.; defining the terms “gender identity” and “sexual orientation” for purposes of the Fair Housing Act; amending ss. 760.23, 760.24, 760.25, and 760.26, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination with respect to the sale or rental of housing, provision of brokerage services, financing of housing or in residential real estate transactions, and land use decisions and in permitting of development, respectively; amending s. 760.29, F.S.; revising an exemption from the Fair Housing Act regarding the appraisal of real property, to conform; amending s. 760.60, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination with respect to practices of certain clubs; amending s. 419.001, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; and Rules.

SB 68—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senators Rodriguez, Garcia, Torres, Bracy, Perry, and Powell—

SB 70—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state investments; amending ss. 215.471 and 215.472, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Administration to divest investments of any institution or company doing business with the government of Venezuela; prohibiting the State Board of Administration and state agencies from investing in any institution or company that does business with or invests in the government of Venezuela; authorizing the Governor to waive the investment prohibitions if certain conditions exist; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

SB 72—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

SB 74—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 76—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a Small Business Saturday sales tax holiday; defining the term “small business”; providing that small businesses are not required to collect the sales and use tax on the retail sale of certain items of tangible personal property during a specified timeframe; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Campbell and Rader—

SB 78—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a motor vehicle insurance online verification system; creating s. 324.252, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to establish an online verification system for motor vehicle insurance; specifying requirements for the system; requiring the department to conduct a pilot program to test the system; authorizing the department to contract with a private vendor for a specified purpose; requiring the system to be installed and operational by a specified date; authorizing law enforcement officers to access information from the system for specified purposes; specifying requirements for insurers; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; providing requirements relating to the registration of motor vehicles upon implementation of the system; amending s. 324.0221, F.S.; requiring the department to implement by rule a method of insurance verification using the system under certain circumstances; requiring the system to provide certain procedures; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 80—A bill to be entitled An act relating to direct primary care; creating s. 456.0625, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing primary care providers or their agents to enter into direct primary care agreements for providing primary care services; providing applicability; specifying requirements for direct primary care agreements; creating s. 624.27, F.S.; providing construction and applicability of the Florida Insurance Code as to direct primary care agreements; providing an exception for primary care providers or their agents from certain requirements under the code under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 82—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative treatment options for veterans; creating s. 295.156, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing the Department of Veterans' Affairs to contract with certain individuals and entities to provide alternative treatment options for certain veterans; requiring direction and supervision by certain licensed providers; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lee—

SB 84—A bill to be entitled An act relating to municipal conversion of independent special districts; amending s. 165.0615, F.S.; adding a minimum population standard as a criteria that must be met before qualified electors of an independent special district commence a certain municipal conversion proceeding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 86—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal hoarding; amending s. 828.02, F.S.; defining the term “animal hoarding”; amending s. 828.12, F.S.; prohibiting animal hoarding; providing penalties and remedies for animal hoarding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Hukill, Latvala, Rouson, Baxley, Benacquisto, Stewart, Rodriguez, Mayfield, Farmer, and Book—

SB 88—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school graduation requirements; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; revising the requirements for the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards to include financial literacy; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; revising the required credits for a standard high school diploma to include one-half credit of instruction in personal financial literacy and money management and seven and one-half, rather than eight, credits in electives; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Perry, Garcia, Mayfield, Rodriguez, and Campbell—

SB 90—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices while driving; amending s. 316.305, F.S.; revising the legislative intent relating to the authorization of law enforcement officers to stop motor vehicles and issue citations to persons who are texting while driving; requiring deposit of fines into the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund; deleting a provision requiring that enforcement of the Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law be accomplished only as a secondary action; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Book and Stewart—

SB 92—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children in motor vehicles; amending s. 316.6135, F.S.; prohibiting a parent, legal guardian, or other person responsible for a child younger than a specified age from leaving the child unattended or unsupervised in a motor vehicle for any length of time; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

SR 94—Not introduced.

By Senators Steube, Book, Mayfield, Farmer, and Campbell—

SB 96—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human trafficking education in schools; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising the required health education in public schools to include information regarding the dangers and signs of human trafficking; authorizing a student to opt out of a specified portion of the health education under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 98—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurer authorization; amending s. 627.42392, F.S.; redefining the term “health insurer”; defining the term “urgent care situation”; prohibiting prior authorization forms from requiring certain information; requiring health insurers and pharmacy benefits managers on behalf of health insurers to provide certain information relating to prior authorization by specified means; prohibiting such insurers and pharmacy benefits managers from implementing or making changes to requirements or restrictions to obtain prior authorization except under certain circumstances; providing applicability; requiring such insurers and pharmacy benefits managers to authorize or deny prior authorization requests and provide certain notices within specified timeframes; creating s. 627.42393, F.S.; defining terms; requiring health insurers to publish on their websites and provide to insureds in writing a procedure for insureds and health care providers to request protocol exceptions; specifying requirements for such procedure; requiring health insurers, within specified timeframes, to authorize or deny a protocol exception request or respond to appeals of their authorizations or denials; requiring authorizations or denials to specify certain information; requiring health insurers to grant protocol exception requests under certain circumstances; authorizing health insurers to request documentation in support of a protocol exception request; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to identification card and driver license fees for veterans; amending ss. 322.051 and 322.14, F.S.; deleting fees for adding the word “Veteran” to an identification card or a driver license; revising acceptable forms of identification required to add the word “Veteran” to an identification card or a driver license; amending s. 322.135, F.S.; prohibiting tax collectors from charging certain driver license service fees to veterans who present specified forms of identification; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discrimination in employment screening; creating s. 760.105, F.S.; prohibiting an employer from inquiring into or considering an applicant's criminal history on an initial employment application unless otherwise required to do so by law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to small business financial assistance; creating s. 295.231, F.S.; creating the Veterans Employment Small Business Grant Program within the Department of Economic Opportunity; directing Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to administer the program; defining terms; authorizing the corporation to accept and administer moneys appropriated for such grants; specifying grant amounts; limiting the amount that a small business may receive under the program; requiring a small business to apply to and enter into an agreement with the corporation to receive grants; prescribing minimum criteria for such agreements; requiring the corporation to notify the appropriate regional small business development center of a small business' participation; authorizing the department to adopt rules; prescribing reporting requirements; providing for termination of the program; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firesafety standards; amending s. 633.208, F.S.; authorizing certain buildings to have specified balcony guard openings; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; establishing the Kidcare Operational Efficiency and Health Care Improvement Workgroup as a task force administratively housed in the Department of Health to maximize the return on investment and enhance the operational efficiencies of the Florida Kidcare program; providing for duties and membership of the workgroup; requiring a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing for expiration of the workgroup; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to language requirements for state agency websites and advertisements; creating s. 286.31, F.S.; defining terms; requiring specified information to be published on state agency websites in certain languages; providing applicability; requiring state agencies to disseminate certain advertisements to the public in languages other than English through specified media outlets in certain counties; providing applicability; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to publish certain information on its website; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to involuntary examinations under the Baker Act; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; authorizing physician assistants and advanced registered nurse practitioners to execute a certificate under certain conditions stating that they have examined a person and find the person appears to meet the criteria for involuntary examination; amending ss. 39.407, 394.495, 394.496, 394.9085, 409.972, and 744.2007, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to small business participation in state contracting; creating s. 287.0577, F.S.; defining the terms “contract bundling” and “small business”; specifying circumstances under which agencies must avoid contract bundling; requiring agencies to conduct market research and include written summaries and analyses of such research in solicitations for bundled contracts; requiring agencies to award a percentage of contracts to small businesses; requiring contract vendors to use small businesses in the state as subcontractors or subvendors; providing requirements with respect to payment of prime contractors and subcontractors; prohibiting agencies, general contractors, and prime contractors from requiring certain bonds or other sureties for certain contracts; requiring the rules ombudsman in the Executive Office of the Governor to establish a system for reporting small business participation in state contracting; requiring agencies to cooperate with such reporting; requiring specified annual reports; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Baxley, Passidomo, and Book—

SB 116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to operation of vehicles; amending s. 316.126, F.S.; requiring drivers to vacate lanes closest to, or reduce speed and pass, vulnerable road users, authorized emergency, sanitation, and utility service vehicles or workers, and wrecker operators under certain circumstances, subject to certain requirements; deleting requirements of drivers approaching certain authorized emergency vehicles, sanitation vehicles, utility service vehicles, and wreckers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Hukill, Book, and Mayfield—

SB 118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the visitation of schools by state legislators; amending s. 1001.4205, F.S.; authorizing a member of the State Legislature to visit any district school in his or her legislative district; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearms; creating s. 768.38, F.S.; providing legislative intent; requiring a business, organization, or entity that prohibits a concealed weapon or firearm licensee from carrying a weapon or firearm onto its property to assume certain responsibility for the safety and defense of such licensee; providing that the responsibility of such business, organization, or entity extends to the conduct of certain people and animals; providing a cause of action for a concealed weapon or firearm licensee who incurs injury, death, damage, or loss as the result of certain acts or attacks occurring on the property of such business, organization, or entity or on other specified properties; authorizing a licensee to recover attorney fees and specified

costs; specifying a statute of limitations for bringing such action; requiring a business, organization, or entity with such prohibition to clearly display specified information; specifying requirements that a plaintiff must prove to prevail in a cause of action; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign financing; amending s. 106.011, F.S.; redefining the term “contribution” to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 106.07 and 106.0703, F.S.; modifying and clarifying the schedule governing campaign finance reporting for candidates, political committees, and electioneering communications organizations; revising reporting requirements regarding transfers made by political committees and electioneering communications organizations, to conform; creating s. 106.38, F.S.; prohibiting a political committee or an electioneering communications organization from transferring funds to certain entities; providing a transitional provision regarding final monthly reports by candidates, political committees, and electioneering communications organizations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a tobacco settlement agreement; repealing s. 569.23, F.S., relating to security requirements for tobacco settlement agreement signatories, successors, parents, and affiliates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Torres, Bracy, Farmer, Taddeo, Latvala, Gibson, Perry, Thurston, Braynon, Powell, and Stewart—

SB 126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers’ compensation for first responders; amending s. 112.1815, F.S.; revising the standard by which a mental or nervous injury must be demonstrated for purposes of determining eligibility for benefits for employment-related accidents and injuries; removing the limitation that only medical benefits are payable for a mental or nervous injury unaccompanied by a physical injury; revising eligibility for certain payments provided under the Workers’ Compensation Law; providing that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing education for barbers, cosmetologists, and specialists; amending ss. 476.154 and 477.019, F.S.; requiring the Department of Professional Regulation and the Board of Cosmetology to prescribe by rule a 1-hour course on domestic violence and sexual assault awareness as a condition of license or registration renewal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senators Farmer and Rodriguez—

SB 130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marriage equality; repealing s. 741.212, F.S., relating to marriages between persons of the same sex; removing a prohibition on the recognition of marriages entered into between persons of the same sex in this state, another state,

or another jurisdiction, either domestic or foreign; removing a prohibition on giving effect to any public act, record, or judicial proceeding of another jurisdiction respecting a marriage or relationship not recognized in this state or a claim arising from such a marriage or relationship; removing the definition of the term “marriage,” which limits marriage only to a legal union between one man and one woman; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animals; amending s. 823.15, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent; requiring animal rescue organizations to prepare, maintain, and make available for public inspection and dissemination certain records for a specified period; extending an existing monthly reporting requirement to animal rescue organizations; providing for the sterilization of all dogs and cats sold or released for adoption from animal rescue organizations, subject to certain requirements; providing an exception to the requirement that a prospective adopter pay the costs of sterilization; prohibiting animal shelters, animal rescue organizations, humane organizations, and certain animal control agencies from importing animals into the state; prohibiting individuals from importing animals into the state for transfer to such shelters, organizations, and agencies; providing an exception during declared emergencies and natural disasters; providing criminal and noncriminal penalties for specified violations and for subsequent violations; requiring the Commissioner of Agriculture to report certain suspected violations to the United States Department of Agriculture under certain circumstances; providing requirements for such a report; directing the commissioner or his or her designee to bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction against an entity or individual who violates specified provisions; amending s. 828.29, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for specified violations by certain individuals, shelters, organizations, or agencies; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Steube and Grimsley—

SB 134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed weapons or firearms; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; authorizing a concealed weapons or concealed firearms licensee to temporarily surrender a weapon or firearm if the licensee approaches courthouse security or management personnel upon arrival and follows their instructions; defining the term “courthouse”; preempting certain ordinances, rules, orders, and regulations that conflict with that definition or with certain rights; subjecting the persons or entities responsible for enacting, or causing the enforcement of, preempted ordinances, rules, orders, and regulations to specified penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SJR 136—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VII and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution authorizing the Legislature to exempt certain manufacturing equipment from the tangible personal property tax or permitting such equipment to be assessed at less than just value pursuant to an accelerated depreciation method established by general law, and providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Book—

SB 138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to perinatal mental health; providing a short title; creating s. 383.014, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish and maintain a toll-free hotline accessible to the general public and a toll-free hotline accessible to health care providers; requiring the department to create public service announcements to educate the public on perinatal mental health care; requiring the department to encourage certain health care providers to attend continuing medical education courses on perinatal mental health care; amending s. 383.318, F.S.; revising components that are included in the postpartum evaluation and followup care provided by birth centers to include a mental health screening and the provision of certain information on postpartum depression; amending s. 395.1053, F.S.; requiring hospitals that provide birthing services to provide the same postpartum evaluation and followup care that is required to be provided by birth centers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Benacquisto, Simpson, Book, Hutson, Perry, and Bracy—

SB 140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marriage of minors; amending s. 741.0405, F.S.; prohibiting the issuance of a marriage license to any person under the age of 18 years; amending s. 741.04, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Sun Sea Smiles license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Grimsley and Stargel—

SB 144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult cardiovascular services; amending s. 408.0361, F.S.; establishing criteria that must be included by the Agency for Health Care Administration in rules relating to the licensure of certain hospitals performing percutaneous coronary intervention procedures; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Bean and Bradley—

SB 146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to appointment of attorneys for dependent children with special needs; providing a short title; amending s. 39.01305, F.S.; requiring the payment of due process costs of litigation of all pro bono attorneys appointed to represent dependent children with certain special needs, subject to appropriations and review for reasonableness; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to weapons and firearms; amending s. 790.053, F.S.; deleting a statement of applicability relating

to violations of carrying a concealed weapon or firearm; reducing the penalties applicable to a person licensed to carry a concealed weapon or firearm for a first or second violation of specified provisions relating to openly carrying weapons; making a fine payable to the clerk of the court; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; providing that a person licensed to carry a concealed weapon or firearm does not violate certain provisions if the firearm is temporarily and openly displayed; reenacting ss. 943.051(3)(b) and 985.11(1)(b), F.S., both relating to fingerprinting of a minor for violating specified provisions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 790.053, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance; repealing ss. 627.730, 627.731, 627.7311, 627.732, 627.733, 627.734, 627.736, 627.737, 627.739, 627.7401, 627.7403, and 627.7405, F.S., which comprise the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; repealing s. 627.7407, F.S., relating to application of the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; amending s. 316.646, F.S.; revising a requirement for proof of security on a motor vehicle and the applicability of the requirement; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; revising the motor vehicle insurance coverages that an applicant must show to register certain vehicles with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; deleting a requirement that specified information be included on a certain insurance proof-of-purchase card; revising construction; amending s. 320.0609, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; revising requirements for furnishing certain insurance coverage information on an application for a motor vehicle dealer; revising insurance coverage requirements for certain motor vehicle dealers; amending s. 320.771, F.S.; revising garage liability coverage requirements for a recreational vehicle dealer license applicant; amending ss. 322.251 and 322.34, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.011, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 324.021, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms “motor vehicle” and “proof of financial responsibility”; revising, at specified timeframes, minimum coverage requirements for proof of financial responsibility; defining the term “for-hire passenger transportation vehicle”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.022, F.S.; revising, at specified timeframes, minimum liability coverage requirements for motor vehicle owners and operators; revising authorized methods for meeting such requirements; revising the vehicles that are excluded from the definition of the term “motor vehicle” and providing security requirements for certain excluded vehicles; deleting the definition of the term “owner”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending s. 324.0221, F.S.; revising applicability of certain insurer reporting and notice requirements as to policies providing certain coverages; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.023, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 324.031, F.S.; revising applicability of a provision authorizing certain methods of proving financial responsibility; revising, at specified timeframes, the amount of a certificate of deposit required for a specified method of proof of financial responsibility; revising excess liability coverage requirements for a person electing to use such method; amending s. 324.032, F.S.; revising requirements of financial responsibility for for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; revising applicability of such requirements; revising a requirement for a motor vehicle liability policy obtained to comply with such requirements; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 324.051, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 324.071, F.S.; revising the fee for reinstating an owner’s or operator’s license or registration that has been suspended for specified reasons; amending s. 324.091, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 324.151, F.S.; revising requirements for a motor vehicle liability policy that serves as proof of financial responsibility for certain operators or owners; authorizing an insurer to exclude liability coverage in the policy under certain circumstances; defining terms; amending s. 324.161, F.S.; revising requirements for a certificate of deposit that is required if a person elects a certain method of providing financial responsibility; amending s. 324.171, F.S.; revising, at specified timeframes, the minimum net worth requirements to qualify certain persons as self-insurers; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.251,

F.S.; revising the short title and an effective date; amending s. 400.9905, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “clinic”; amending ss. 400.991 and 400.9935, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 409.901, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “third-party benefit”; amending s. 409.910, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “medical coverage”; making technical changes; amending s. 456.057, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; revising specified grounds for discipline for certain health professions; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; revising types of insurance coverage applicable to certain prohibited acts; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 626.989, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “fraudulent insurance act”; amending s. 627.06501, F.S.; revising coverages that may provide for a reduction in motor vehicle insurance policy premium charges under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.0652, F.S.; revising coverages that must provide a premium charge reduction under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.0653, F.S.; revising coverages subject to premium discounts for specified motor vehicle equipment; amending s. 627.4132, F.S.; revising the coverages of a motor vehicle policy which are subject to a stacking prohibition; amending s. 627.7263, F.S.; revising provisions relating to designation of primary coverages for rental and leasing driver’s insurance; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 627.7265, F.S.; defining terms; requiring specified motor vehicle liability insurance policies to include medical payments coverage; specifying requirements for such medical payments coverage; authorizing insurers to exclude medical payment benefits under certain circumstances; specifying required benefits and limitations for medical payments coverage; specifying requirements, procedures, and prohibitions relating to the payment of medical payments benefits; specifying requirements, procedures, limitations, and prohibitions relating to charges and billing for care of bodily injuries under medical payments coverage; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules; defining the terms “countersign” and “countersignature”; specifying requirements and procedures relating to specified notices and advisories to insureds; specifying requirements and procedures relating to discovery of facts about an injured person and disputes; defining the term “receipt”; specifying requirements, procedures, and prohibitions relating to required mental and physical examinations of injured persons and physician reports; defining the term “active practice”; providing applicability of certain provisions regulating attorney fees; specifying requirements and procedures for prelitigation demand letters to be provided to insurers; requiring specified claims to be brought in a single civil action; providing that an insurer engages in an unfair or deceptive practice if it fails, in a certain manner, to pay valid claims; authorizing the Department of Legal Affairs to investigate and initiate certain actions; providing construction relating to an insurer’s cause of action for insurance fraud; specifying requirements for a fraud advisory notice provided by an insurer under certain circumstances; providing construction relating to non-reimbursable claims; authorizing certain notices, documentation, transmissions, or communications to be transferred electronically in a secure manner; authorizing a medical payments insurer to include a certain right of subrogation provision in its policy; requiring the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; providing applicability and construction; amending s. 627.727, F.S.; revising the legal liability of an uninsured motorist coverage insurer; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.7275, F.S.; revising applicability and required coverages for a motor vehicle insurance policy; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.728, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.7295, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “policy” and “binder”; revising the coverages of a motor vehicle insurance policy for which a licensed general lines agent may charge a specified fee; revising applicability; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 627.7415, F.S.; revising, at specified intervals, the minimum levels of certain liability insurance required for commercial motor vehicles; amending s. 627.8405, F.S.; revising coverages in a policy sold in combination with an accidental death and dismemberment policy, which a premium finance company may not finance; revising rulemaking authority of the commission; amending ss. 627.915, 628.909, 705.184, and 713.78, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 817.234, F.S.; revising coverages that are the basis of specified prohibited false and fraudulent insurance claims; conforming a cross-reference; providing applicability and construction relating to this act; defining the term “minimum security requirements”; providing requirements and procedures relating to motor vehicle insurance policies that include personal injury protection as of a specified date; requiring an insurer to provide, by a specified date, a specified notice to policyholders relating to re-

quirements under the act; providing for construction relating to suspensions for failure to maintain required security in effect before a specified date; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of firearms; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; requiring Department of Law Enforcement procedures to allow the payment or transmittal of processing fees for criminal history checks of potential firearms buyers by electronic means; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance coverage for mental and nervous disorders; amending s. 627.668, F.S.; requiring specified entities that transact group health insurance or provide pre-paid health care to make available to policyholders under specified policies and contracts certain benefits for the care and treatment of mental and nervous disorders without an additional premium; providing that alternative residential treatment benefits offered by certain entities may not be less than a specified level of benefits; defining the term “residential treatment”; revising coverage limit requirements on inpatient hospital benefits, outpatient benefits, and partial hospitalization benefits; requiring policies and contracts to provide for the transfer of unused inpatient hospital benefits to outpatient benefits or residential treatment benefits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Florida black bears; creating s. 379.3018, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; prohibiting the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission from allowing the recreational hunting of Florida black bears mothering cubs that weigh less than 100 pounds under a black bear hunting permit; specifying a penalty for the unlawful harvesting of saw palmetto berries on state lands; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to designate certain habitats and to update such habitat information as necessary; amending s. 590.125, F.S.; prohibiting prescribed burns in certain designated habitats during specified times; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Communities Trust; amending s. 380.507, F.S.; revising the permissible activities and projects that may be undertaken, coordinated, or funded by the Florida Communities Trust to include flood mitigation projects; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 380.508, F.S.; specifying the purpose of flood mitigation projects under the trust; requiring funds for such projects to be specified separately from other funds in the trust; specifying a maximum grant award for such projects; providing an exception and a process for exceeding the maximum award; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to establish by rule an application process for such grants; requiring the department to rank applications according to specified priorities; requiring the department to develop and impose reporting requirements on grant recipients; requiring grant recipient reports to be publicly available; authorizing the

department to adopt rules; amending s. 380.510, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; establishing an annual use fee for the Ducks Unlimited license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; revising the distribution of proceeds for the Fallen Law Enforcement Officers license plate; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Ducks Unlimited license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Steube and Mayfield—

SB 162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the payment of health care claims; amending s. 627.6131, F.S.; prohibiting a health insurer from retroactively denying a claim under specified circumstances; providing applicability; amending s. 641.3155, F.S.; prohibiting a health maintenance organization from retroactively denying a claim under specified circumstances; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mammography; amending s. 404.031, F.S.; defining the term “mammography”; amending s. 404.22, F.S.; conforming a change made by the act; creating s. 402.221, F.S.; requiring facilities performing mammography to include certain information in a summary of the mammography report which must be provided to each patient; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the minimum wage; amending s. 448.110, F.S.; revising the formula for the adjusted state minimum wage; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonnative animals; creating s. 379.2311, F.S.; defining the terms “pet dealer” and “priority invasive species”; providing legislative findings; requiring the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to establish a pilot program for the eradication of priority invasive species; providing the goal of the pilot program; authorizing the commission to enter into specified contracts; specifying parameters for the implementation of the pilot program; specifying procedures for the capture and disposal of animals that belong to priority invasive species; requiring the commission to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring animals that belong to certain nonnative species to be implanted with a passive integrated transponder tag before sale, resale, or being offered for sale by a pet dealer; requiring the commission to adopt rules; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Rural Economic Development Initiative; amending s. 288.0656, F.S.; revising legislative intent relating to the Rural Economic Development Initiative; redefining the term “rural area of opportunity”; revising the duties, responsibilities, and membership of the Rural Economic Development Initiative; deleting a provision limiting the number of rural areas of opportunity that may be designated; deleting a provision listing the economic development incentives for which the Governor may waive criteria requirements or similar provisions; deleting a requirement that certain catalyst projects be identified as such by Enterprise Florida, Inc.; revising reporting requirements; amending ss. 163.3177, 163.3187, 257.193, 288.019, 288.06561, 290.0055, 290.06561, 337.403, 339.2818, 339.2819, 339.63, 479.16, and 627.6699, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Agriculture; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Brandes and Galvano—

SB 172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates for persons with disabilities; amending s. 320.0842, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, upon application, to issue a specified license plate to the owners or lessees of motor vehicles who reside in this state and who qualify for two other specified license plates; specifying requirements for the plate; providing that the license plate entitles the person to specified privileges; requiring the name of the eligible applicant to be noted on the registration certificate when more than one registrant is listed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Hukill, Book, Hutson, and Mayfield—

SB 174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coastal management; amending s. 161.101, F.S.; revising the criteria to be considered by the Department of Environmental Protection in determining and assigning annual funding priorities for beach management and erosion control projects; specifying tiers for such criteria; requiring tiers to be given certain weight; requiring the department to update active project lists on its website; redefining the term “significant change”; revising the department’s reporting requirements; specifying allowable uses for certain surplus funds; revising the requirements for a specified summary; requiring that funding for certain projects remain available for a specified period; amending s. 161.143, F.S.; specifying the scope of certain projects; revising the list of projects that are included as inlet management projects; requiring that certain projects be considered separate and apart from other specified projects; revising the ranking criteria to be used by the department to establish certain funding priorities for certain inlet-caused beach erosion projects; revising provisions authorizing the department to spend certain appropriated funds for the management of inlets; deleting a provision authorizing the department to spend certain appropriated funds for specified inlet studies; revising the required elements of the department’s report of prioritized inlet management projects; revising the funds that the department must make available to certain inlet management projects; requiring the department to include specified activities on the inlet management project list; deleting provisions requiring the department to make available funding for specified projects; deleting a requirement that the Legislature designate a project as an Inlet of the Year; requiring the department to update and maintain a report regarding the progress of certain inlet management projects; revising the requirements for the report; deleting certain temporary provisions relating to specified appropriations; amending s. 161.161, F.S.; revising requirements for the comprehensive long-term management plan; requiring the plan to include a strategic beach management plan, a critically eroded beaches report, and a statewide long-range budget plan; providing for the de-

velopment and maintenance of such plans; deleting a requirement that the department submit a certain beach management plan on a certain date each year; requiring the department to hold a public meeting before finalization of the strategic beach management plan; requiring the department to submit a 3-year work plan and a related forecast for the availability of funding to the Legislature; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; requiring certain funds from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to be used for projects that preserve and repair state beaches; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic infraction detectors; repealing s. 316.003(35) and (89), F.S., relating to the definitions of “local hearing officer” and “traffic infraction detector”; repealing ss. 316.008(8), 316.0083, and 316.00831, F.S., relating to the installation and use of traffic infraction detectors to enforce specified provisions when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal, provisions that authorize the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, a county, or a municipality to use such detectors, and the distribution of penalties collected for specified violations; repealing s. 316.07456, F.S., relating to transitional implementation of such detectors; repealing s. 316.0776, F.S., relating to placement and installation of traffic infraction detectors; repealing s. 318.15(3), F.S., relating to a required notification; repealing s. 321.50, F.S., relating to the authorization to use traffic infraction detectors; amending ss. 28.37, 316.003, 316.640, 316.650, 318.121, 318.14, 318.18, 320.03, 322.27, and 655.960, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Garcia and Steube—

SB 178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crimes evidencing prejudice; amending s. 775.085, F.S.; requiring reclassified crimes to include actual or perceived sex, creed, or employment in specified jobs of the victims; defining the term “emergency service employee”; reenacting s. 921.0022(2), F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code and the offense severity ranking chart, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.085, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to computer coding instruction; amending s. 1007.2616, F.S.; authorizing, but not requiring, high schools to offer students opportunities to take specified computer coding courses beginning with a specified school year; requiring the Commissioner of Education to identify such courses that satisfy two credits of sequential foreign language instruction under certain circumstances; requiring Florida College System institutions and state universities to recognize the credits as foreign language credits; requiring each student and his or her parent to sign a specified statement; requiring the inclusion of certain computer coding courses in the Course Code Directory; authorizing the Florida Virtual School to offer computer coding courses identified in the Course Code Directory; requiring the Department of Education to annually report certain information to the Board of Governors and the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Small Business Roadway Construction Mitigation Grant Program; creating s.

339.28154, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Transportation to create a Small Business Roadway Construction Mitigation Grant Program; defining the terms “construction mitigation zone” and “qualified business”; requiring the program to disburse grants using funds allocated to the department by the Legislature to certain qualified businesses for the purpose of maintaining the businesses during a construction project of the department; providing restrictions on the amount of each grant; providing application requirements; providing eligibility criteria; requiring the department to make a report and to submit the report to the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to initiate rulemaking by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Thurston and Hutson—

SCR 184—A concurrent resolution requesting the Joint Committee on the Library of Congress to approve the replacement of the statue of Confederate General Edmund Kirby Smith in the National Statuary Hall Collection with a statue of Mary McLeod Bethune.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the resign-to-run law; amending s. 99.012, F.S.; requiring an officer who qualifies for federal public office to resign from the office he or she presently holds if the terms, or any part thereof, run concurrently; prescribing requirements for the written resignation; providing for an automatic irrevocable resignation in the event of noncompliance; specifying that a resignation creates a vacancy in office; revising an exception to the resign-to-run law; amending s. 121.121, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school transportation; amending s. 1006.21, F.S.; requiring district school boards to provide transportation to certain students; amending s. 1006.23, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “student”; revising the speed and road conditions that meet the requirements for a hazardous walking condition; requiring a district school superintendent to request a review of a hazardous walking condition upon receipt of a written request from a parent of a student; amending ss. 1002.20 and 1011.68, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to E911 systems; creating s. 365.176, F.S.; requiring that the Technology Program within the Department of Management Services develop and implement a plan to require that emergency dispatchers be able to transfer an emergency call from one E911 system to another E911 system in the state; amending s. 365.172, F.S.; revising the applicability of definitions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; amending s. 286.011, F.S.; defining terms; specifying conditions under which members of any board or commission of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of any county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision may participate in fact-finding exercises or excursions; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senators Steube and Young—

SJR 194—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article IX of the State Constitution to limit the terms of office for a member of a district school board.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Education; and Rules.

By Senators Stewart and Taddeo—

SB 196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gun safety; creating s. 790.30, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the sale or transfer of an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting possession of an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; requiring certificates of possession for assault weapons or large-capacity magazines lawfully possessed before a specified date; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to adopt rules by a certain date; limiting transfers of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines represented by such certificates; providing conditions for continued possession of such weapons or large-capacity magazines; requiring certificates of transfer for transfers of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; providing for relinquishment of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; providing requirements for transportation of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; providing criminal penalties; specifying circumstances in which the manufacture or transportation of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines is not prohibited; exempting permanently inoperable firearms from provisions; amending s. 775.087, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for certain offenses when committed with an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; reenacting ss. 27.366, 921.0024(1)(b), and 947.146(3)(b), F.S., relating to legislative intent and policy in certain cases, the Criminal Punishment Code worksheet key, and the Control Release Authority, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.087, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fireworks; repealing ss. 791.013 and 791.015, F.S., relating to the testing and approval of sparklers and the registration of manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, and retailers of sparklers, respectively; repealing s. 791.02, F.S., relating to the sale and use of fireworks; repealing s. 791.03, F.S., relating to the bond of licensees; amending ss. 791.01, 791.012, and 791.04, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal cruelty; creating s. 828.127, F.S.; prohibiting the malicious or capricious killing of dogs or cats; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health and substance abuse; amending s. 397.675, F.S.; revising the criteria for involuntary admission for behavioral health services due to substance abuse; amending s. 397.6772, F.S.; revising duties of a law enforcement officer with respect to transporting a person for involuntary admission to a hospital or licensed detoxification or addictions receiving facility or detaining such person in a detention facility for a specified time under certain conditions; amending ss. 397.6793, 397.6798, 397.6814, and 397.6951, F.S.; revising provisions relating to emergency admission, alternative involuntary assessment of minors, and contents of petitions for involuntary assessment and stabilization and involuntary services to include additional criteria for involuntary admission; amending s. 397.6957, F.S.; providing additional requirements for a hearing on a petition for involuntary services; amending s. 397.697, F.S.; requiring a respondent to be released from involuntary substance abuse treatment if the court makes certain determinations regarding the respondent; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Bradley, Perry, Stewart, and Bean—

SB 204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; requiring a specified appropriation for certain projects related to the St. Johns River and its tributaries or the Keystone Heights Lake Region; requiring the distribution to be reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid on certain bonds; deleting an obsolete provision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway memorial markers; creating s. 335.094, F.S.; providing legislative intent; requiring the Department of Transportation to establish a process, including the adoption of any forms deemed necessary by the department, for submitting applications for installation of a memorial marker; specifying the persons who may submit such applications to the department; requiring the department to establish criteria for the design and fabrication of memorial markers; authorizing the department to install a certain sign at no charge to an applicant; providing that memorial markers may incorporate the available emblems of belief approved by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs National Cemetery Administration upon the request of the applicant and payment of a reasonable fee set by the department to offset production costs; authorizing an applicant to request an emblem of belief not specifically approved by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs National Cemetery Administration for incorporation in a memorial marker, subject to certain requirements; requiring the department to notify applicants if additional information is required and to advise them that no further action on the application will be taken until the additional information is provided; providing requirements for placement of the memorial marker by the department; requiring the department to remove memorial markers if the department determines that the presence of a marker creates a safety hazard; providing for disposition of such markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marriage of minors; amending s. 741.0405, F.S.; deleting provisions that allow the issuance of marriage licenses to minors under 16 years of age in certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SR 210—A resolution recognizing August 15, 2018, as “India Independence Day” and August 2018 as “India Heritage Month” in Florida.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reentry into the state by certain persons; creating s. 877.28, F.S.; prohibiting a person from entering or being present in this state if he or she has been denied admission, excluded, deported, or removed from the United States unless the United States Attorney General consents to his or her admission or the person can establish that federal law does not require advance consent; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

SB 214—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Book—

SB 216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to schools of hope; amending s. 1001.292, F.S.; revising enrollment requirements for a hope operator to receive a loan under the Schools of Hope Revolving Loan Program; amending s. 1002.333, F.S.; redefining the term “school of hope”; requiring hope operators to employ school administrators and instructional and noninstructional personnel who meet specified certification requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the safe storage of loaded firearms; amending s. 790.174, F.S.; making technical changes; revising the locations and circumstances in which a loaded firearm is required to be kept or secured with a trigger lock; deleting conditions that pertain to the crime of failing to safely store, leave, or secure a loaded firearm in a specified manner; reenacting s. 409.175(5)(f), F.S., relating to rules of the Department of Children and Families requiring the adoption of a form used by child-placing agencies, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 790.174, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bankruptcy matters in foreclosure proceedings; creating s. 702.12, F.S.; authorizing lienholders to use certain documents as an admission in an action to foreclose a mortgage; providing that submission of certain documents in a foreclosure action creates a rebuttable presumption that the defendant has waived any defenses to the foreclosure; requiring a court to take judicial

notice of orders entered in bankruptcy cases under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the guardian ad litem direct-support organization; amending s. 39.8298, F.S.; abrogating the future repeal of provisions related to the guardian ad litem direct-support organization; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Book and Farmer—

SB 224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to legal holidays; amending s. 683.01, F.S.; removing the designations of the birthdays of Robert E. Lee and Jefferson Davis and Confederate Memorial Day as legal holidays; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to inmate reentry services; creating s. 944.8025, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to allow representatives from nonprofit organizations to apply to be registered with the department for the purpose of providing inmate reentry services; requiring the department to develop and adopt policies and procedures for screening, approving, and registering those nonprofit organizations and their representatives; authorizing the department to deny approval and registration to an organization or a representative from an organization if the department determines that the organization or representative does not meet the department’s screening guidelines; authorizing the department and each of the correctional facilities in this state to retain the discretion to deny entry into a correctional facility at any time to a representative of an organization; requiring the department to post certain information on its public website for certain purposes; prohibiting the department from endorsing or sponsoring any faith-based reentry program or endorsing any specific religious message; prohibiting the department from requiring an inmate to participate in a faith-based program; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to serving commercially sexually exploited children; amending s. 409.1754, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to collect certain data; requiring the department to gather feedback on the efficiency of screening and assessment instruments from users and to review such feedback annually; requiring the department to improve such instruments that remain invalidated; requiring each region of the department and each community-based care lead agency to establish a plan to recruit providers of specialized services to commercially sexually exploited children and to increase the service capacity of existing providers in order to develop the necessary capacity to meet the needs of commercially sexually exploited children; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 230—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards; requiring the Commissioner of Education to propose revisions to the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards in visual and performing arts by a specified date; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt, reject, or modify any proposed revisions by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Book and Farmer—

SB 232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coral reefs; establishing the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Area; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to youthful offenders; creating s. 944.805, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date of each year on specified information regarding prisoners in the custody of the department who are of certain years of age; defining the term “state correctional facility”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Book—

SB 236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a tax credit for baby changing tables in restaurants; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; defining the terms “baby changing table” and “restaurant”; authorizing a sales and use tax credit for restaurants purchasing and installing baby changing tables on their premises; specifying limitations on the credit; authorizing excess amounts of the credit to be taken on future submitted tax returns for a specified timeframe; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the conditional medical release program; amending s. 947.149, F.S.; defining the term “inmate with a debilitating illness”; expanding eligibility for conditional medical release to include inmates with debilitating illnesses; providing criteria for eligibility; requiring that certain persons whose eligibility is verified by the Commission on Offender Review be placed on conditional medical release; requiring the Department of Corrections to refer an eligible inmate to the commission; requiring that the department’s referral for release include certain information; requiring the commission to review the information and verify an inmate’s eligibility within a certain timeframe; authorizing electronic monitoring for an inmate on conditional medical release; reenacting ss. 316.1935(6), 775.084(4)(k), 775.087(2)(b) and (3)(b), 784.07(3), 790.235(1), 794.0115(7), 893.135(1)(b), (c), and (g) and (3), 921.0024(2), 944.605(7)(b), 944.70(1)(b), 947.13(1)(h), and 947.141(1), (2), and (7), F.S., all relating to authorized conditional medical release granted under s. 947.149, F.S., to incorporate the amendment made to s. 947.149, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

SB 240—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 242—A bill to be entitled An act relating to developmental disabilities; providing a short title; amending s. 393.063, F.S.; revising the term “developmental disability” to include the disorder and symptoms attributable to Duchenne muscular dystrophy; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic wastewater collection system assessment and maintenance; creating s. 403.1839, F.S.; defining the terms “commission” and “program”; providing legislative findings; establishing the blue star collection system assessment and maintenance program and providing its purpose; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to review and approve program applications for certification; requiring the Environmental Regulation Commission to adopt certification standards for the program; specifying the documentation a utility must submit to qualify for certification; authorizing the department to waive certain requirements for utilities for certain smaller populations; providing for certification expiration and renewal; requiring the department to publish an annual list of certified blue star utilities; requiring the department to allow public and not-for-profit utilities to participate in the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program; authorizing the department to reduce penalties for a certified utility and allow the utility to apply the amount of a penalty toward certain system investments; amending s. 403.067, F.S.; creating a presumption of compliance for certain total maximum daily load requirements for certified utilities; amending s. 403.087, F.S.; requiring the department to provide extended operating permits when a certified utility applies for permit renewal; amending s. 403.1838, F.S.; allowing for additional recipients and uses of Small Community Sewer Construction grants; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crime reports; amending s. 943.05, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Information Program to establish, implement, and maintain a system for submitting an annual report to the Federal Bureau of Investigation; specifying the data the program must include in the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county court judges; amending s. 34.022, F.S.; increasing the number of county court judges authorized for Citrus and Flagler Counties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ambulatory surgical centers and mobile surgical facilities; amending s. 395.002, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms “ambulatory surgical center” and “mobile surgical facility”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state employee higher education fee waivers; amending s. 1009.265, F.S.; providing that credit hours eligible for tuition and fee waivers be determined on a calendar year basis, rather than per academic term; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

SB 254—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 256—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property insurance; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; prohibiting certain attorney fees and costs paid by a property insurer from being included in such insurer's rate base and from being used to justify a rate increase or rate change; amending s. 627.422, F.S.; prohibiting certain property insurance policies from prohibiting or limiting the post-loss assignment of benefits; providing that an assignment agreement is not valid unless it meets specified requirements; providing requirements and prohibitions for assignees of post-loss benefits; requiring insurers to provide specified contact information on their websites and in policies; requiring assignees to deliver executed assignment agreements to insurers within a specified timeframe; requiring insurers, upon receiving such agreements, to make any initial inspections of covered property within specified timeframes; requiring insureds or assignees to provide a certain prelitigation notice and invoice to insurers within a specified timeframe; providing construction; requiring certain settlement proposals to a plaintiff to be served no earlier than a specified time; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to require each insurer to report annually certain data relating to claims paid pursuant to assignment agreements; requiring insurers to report certain information to opposing counsel for verification or certification; requiring the opposing counsel to verify or certify such information to the office; providing applicability; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; prohibiting specified acts of insurers relating to homeowners' insurance policies under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance rates; amending ss. 627.062 and 627.428, F.S.; prohibiting attorney fees paid pursuant to specified provisions under the Workers' Compensation Law and the Florida Insurance Code from being included in an insurer's rate base or used to justify a rate or rate change; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Book, Flores, and Hukill—

SB 260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to students with disabilities in public schools; amending s. 1003.573, F.S., relating to the seclusion and restraint of students with disabilities; providing definitions; providing requirements for the use of restraint; prohibiting specified physical restraint techniques; providing requirements for the use of exclusionary and nonexclusionary time; providing requirements for school districts to report and publish training procedures; providing for student-centered followup; providing requirements for documenting, reporting, and monitoring the use of restraint and seclusion; revising school district policies and procedures relating to restraint and seclusion; amending s. 1012.582, F.S.; requiring continuing education and inservice training for teaching students with emotional or behavioral

disabilities; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to searches by law enforcement officers; creating s. 933.50, F.S.; prohibiting a law enforcement officer in this state from searching a person or his or her property without first informing the person of his or her lawful right to decline the search request by the law enforcement officer; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Gibson, Stewart, Book, and Rodriguez—

SCR 264—A concurrent resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to equal rights for men and women.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 266—A bill to be entitled An act relating to covenants and restrictions; creating s. 712.001, F.S.; providing a short title; amending s. 712.01, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 712.05, F.S.; revising the notice filing requirements for a person claiming an interest in land and other rights; authorizing a property owners' association to preserve and protect certain covenants or restrictions from extinguishment, subject to specified requirements; providing that a failure in indexing does not affect the validity of the notice; extending the length of time certain covenants or restrictions are preserved; deleting a provision requiring a two-thirds vote by members of an incorporated homeowners' association to file certain notices; providing that a property owners' association or clerk of the circuit court is not required to provide certain additional notice for a specified notice that is filed; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 712.06, F.S.; exempting a specified summary notice and amendment from certain notice content requirements; revising the contents required to be specified by certain notices; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 712.11, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 712.12, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing the parcel owners of a community not subject to a homeowners' association to use specified procedures to revive certain covenants or restrictions, subject to certain exceptions and requirements; authorizing a parcel owner to commence an action by a specified date under certain circumstances for a judicial determination that the covenants or restrictions did not govern that parcel as of a specified date and that any revitalization of such covenants or restrictions as to that parcel would unconstitutionally deprive the parcel owner of rights or property; providing applicability; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; requiring a board to take up certain provisions relating to notice filings at the first board meeting; creating s. 720.3032, F.S.; requiring any property owners' association desiring to preserve covenants from potential termination after a specified period by certain operation to record in the official records of each county in which the community is located a notice subject to certain requirements; providing a document form for recording by an association to preserve certain covenants or restrictions; requiring a copy of the filed notice to be sent to all members; requiring the original signed notice to be recorded with the clerk of the circuit court or other recorder; amending ss. 702.09 and 702.10, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 712.095, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending ss. 720.403, 720.404, 720.405, and 720.407, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 744.21031, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain identifying and location information of current or former public guardians, public-guardian case managers, and the spouses and children thereof; providing for retroactive application; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 270—A bill to be entitled An act relating to involuntary examination and involuntary admission of minors; amending s. 394.462, F.S.; authorizing a designated law enforcement agency to decline to transport a minor 14 years of age or younger to a receiving facility for mental health or substance abuse evaluation if the parent or guardian of the minor agrees to transport the minor to the receiving facility; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; providing circumstances under which a minor 14 years of age or younger may be taken to a receiving facility for involuntary examination; requiring the examination of a minor 14 years of age or younger to be initiated within 8 hours after the patient's arrival at the receiving facility; requiring a receiving facility to release a minor 14 years of age or younger to the minor's parent or guardian; providing exceptions; amending ss. 394.4599 and 790.065, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local tax referenda; amending s. 166.211, F.S.; providing that a municipality may increase the millage rate of ad valorem taxes levied on real and tangible personal property only by a vote of a specified percentage of the municipality's governing body approving the increase; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; revising the voter approval threshold required to pass a referendum to adopt or amend local government discretionary sales surtaxes when the referendum is held at any date other than a general election; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Stargel and Grimsley—

SB 274—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed weapons and firearms in multiuse facilities; amending s. 790.115, F.S.; providing that a person licensed to carry a concealed weapon or concealed firearm is not prohibited by specified laws from such carrying on the property of certain institutions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Education; and Rules.

By Senators Hutson and Baxley—

SB 276—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter registration list maintenance; amending s. 98.075, F.S.; authorizing the Department of State to enter into certain interstate agreements or to become a member of a nongovernmental entity to verify voter registration information; establishing requirements for participation in such agreements or memberships; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide specified information to the Department of State; establishing reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Hutson and Baxley—

SB 278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 98.075, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain information received by the Department of State from another state which is confidential or exempt pursuant to the laws of that state; providing for release of such information to specified persons; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 280—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telehealth; amending s. 110.123, F.S.; encouraging the state group health insurance program to offer health insurance plans that include telehealth coverage for state employees; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to pay for certain telehealth services as optional Medicaid services; creating s. 456.4501, F.S.; defining terms; establishing the standard of care for telehealth providers; authorizing telehealth providers to use telehealth to perform patient evaluations; providing that telehealth providers, under certain circumstances, are not required to research a patient's history or conduct physical examinations before providing services through telehealth; providing that a nonphysician telehealth provider using telehealth acting within her or her relevant scope of practice is not deemed to be practicing medicine without a license; authorizing certain telehealth providers to use telehealth to prescribe specified controlled substances; providing for construction; requiring the Department of Health to develop and disseminate certain educational materials to specified licensees by a specified date; providing requirements for recordkeeping by telehealth providers; providing requirements for patient consent for telehealth treatment; amending s. 627.0915, F.S.; encouraging insurers offering certain rating plans for workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance, which are approved by the Office of Insurance Regulation, to include in the plans services provided through telehealth; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

SB 282—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senators Book, Hutson, and Rouson—

SB 284—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing home and assisted living facilities; amending s. 400.19, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to determine compliance with standards for electricity and emergency power sources during the routine inspection of a licensed nursing home facility; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; requiring the agency, in consultation with the Department of Health and the Department of Elderly Affairs, to adopt and enforce rules requiring a licensed nursing home facility to have adequate electrical equipment, an emergency power source, and a supply of fuel which meets a specified criterion; amending s. 429.34, F.S.; requiring the agency to determine compliance with certain standards during the routine inspection of a licensed assisted living facility; amending s. 429.41, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs, in consultation with the agency, the Department of Children and Families, and the Department of Health, to adopt and enforce rules requiring a licensed assisted living facility to maintain equipment sufficient to provide adequate day-to-day electricity within the facility, an emergency power source, and a supply of fuel which meets a specified criterion; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 286—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Slavery Memorial; creating s. 265.006, F.S.; providing legislative intent; establishing the Florida Slavery Memorial; providing for administration of the memorial by the Department of Management Services; directing the department to develop a specified plan for the design, placement, and cost of the memorial and submit the plan to the Governor and Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 288—A bill to be entitled An act relating to data collection on direct filing; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to begin collecting on a certain date specified information relating to children who qualify for prosecution as adults and for children who are transferred to adult court for criminal prosecution; requiring the department to work with the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to generate a report analyzing the data on juveniles transferred for criminal prosecution as adults during a certain period; requiring the department to provide the report to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; requiring the department to work with the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to generate an annual report that includes certain information, and to provide the report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Rouson and Rader—

SB 290—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle registration applications; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; requiring the application for motor vehicle registration to include language to indicate an applicant is hearing impaired; requiring such information to be included in certain databases; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 292—A bill to be entitled An act relating to private property rights; amending s. 366.02, F.S.; exempting from the definition of “public utility” property owners who own and operate a renewable energy source device and who produce renewable energy from that device and provide and sell such renewable energy to users on that property, under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 294—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory retention; amending s. 1008.25, F.S.; removing the requirement for mandatory retention of a third grade student based on his or her performance on the English Language Arts assessment; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; correcting a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 296—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; repealing s. 564.05, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual wine containers; amending s. 564.055, F.S.; authorizing the packaging, filling, refilling, or sale of cider in growlers; amending s. 564.09, F.S.; revising provisions authorizing a restaurant to allow a patron to remove certain containers from a restaurant for off-premises consumption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 298—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expunction of criminal history records; amending s. 943.0585, F.S.; revising the elements that must be attested to by a petitioner in a statement submitted in support of the expunction of a criminal history record; revising the circumstances under which the Department of Law Enforcement must issue a certificate of eligibility for expunction of a criminal history record; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Rouson and Campbell—

SB 300—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Commission on Human Relations; amending s. 112.31895, F.S.; increasing the length of time that a person alleging a prohibited personnel action under the Whistle-blower’s Act has to file a complaint with the commission or the Chief Inspector General; revising the length of time by which receipt of the complaint must be acknowledged and copies thereof provided to named parties; revising the commission’s duties with respect to the process of fact finding regarding an allegation of a prohibited personnel action; revising the timeframes by which the commission must terminate an investigation following the receipt of the fact-finding report or the failure of an agency to implement corrective action recommendations; revising the length of time by which a complainant may file a complaint with the Public Employees Relations Commission following termination of the Florida Commission on Human Relations’ investigation; amending s. 760.03, F.S.; revising what constitutes a quorum for commission meetings and panels thereof; amending s. 760.065, F.S.; revising the number of persons the commission must annually recommend to the Governor for inclusion in the Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame; amending s. 760.11, F.S.; specifying that an aggrieved person alleging certain violations of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 must file a civil action within a certain timeframe upon the commission’s failure to conciliate or determine reasonable cause; amending s. 760.29, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring a facility or community claiming an exemption under the Fair Housing Act to register with the commission; amending s. 760.31, F.S.; removing a requirement for commission rules, to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 760.60, F.S.; removing the requirement that the commission or the Attorney General investigate alleged discriminatory practices of a club within a specified timeframe; revising the timeframe by which a complainant or the Attorney General may commence a civil action in response to discriminatory practices of a club; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 302—A bill to be entitled An act relating to federal waivers for health insurance; amending s. 624.25, F.S.; prohibiting public entities, unless specifically authorized by the Legislature, from applying for a waiver under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act which would waive requirements for, or authorize the exclusion or limitation of, coverage of any essential health benefit by non-grandfathered health plans; defining terms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 304—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the conditional release program; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; providing that persons convicted of a noncapital offense and sentenced for a life term qualify for conditional release, subject to certain terms and conditions; requiring that the Department of Corrections within a specified timeframe review certain records of persons serving life-term sentences and compile such information for the Florida Commission on Offender Review to use in making certain determinations regarding conditional release; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senators Rouson and Campbell—

SB 306—A bill to be entitled An act relating to housing discrimination; amending s. 760.07, F.S.; removing housing discrimination as a cause of action for certain relief and damages stemming from violations of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992; amending s. 760.34, F.S.; revising the conditions under which an aggrieved person may commence a civil action in any appropriate court against a specified respondent to enforce specified rights; providing that the aggrieved person does not need to take specified actions before bringing a civil action; making technical changes; amending s. 760.35, F.S.; authorizing, rather than requiring, a civil action to commence within 2 years after an alleged discriminatory housing practice; authorizing an aggrieved person to commence a civil action regardless of whether a specified complaint has been filed and regardless of the status of any such complaint; prohibiting an aggrieved person from filing a specified action in certain circumstances; providing an exception; prohibiting an aggrieved person from commencing a specified civil action if an administrative law judge has commenced a hearing on the record on the allegation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Bean and Steube—

SB 308—A bill to be entitled An act relating to federal immigration enforcement; providing a short title; creating ch. 908, F.S., relating to federal immigration enforcement; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; prohibiting sanctuary policies; requiring state entities, local governmental entities, and law enforcement agencies to comply with and support the enforcement of federal immigration law; prohibiting restrictions by such entities and agencies on taking certain actions with respect to information regarding a person's immigration status; providing requirements concerning certain criminal defendants subject to immigration detainers or otherwise subject to transfer to federal custody; authorizing a law enforcement agency to transport an unauthorized alien under certain circumstances; providing an exception to reporting requirements for crime victims or witnesses; requiring recordkeeping relating to crime victim and witness cooperation in certain investigations; specifying duties concerning certain arrested persons; specifying duties concerning immigration detainers; authorizing a board of county commissioners to adopt an ordinance to recover costs for complying with an immigration detainer; authorizing local governmental entities and law enforcement agencies to petition the Federal Government for reimbursement of certain costs; requiring report of violations; providing penalties for failure to report a violation; providing whistle-blower protections for persons who report violations; requiring the Attorney General to prescribe the format for submitting complaints; providing requirements for entities to comply with document requests from state attorneys concerning violations; providing for investigation of possible violations; providing for injunctive relief and civil penalties; requiring written findings; prohibiting the expenditure of public funds for specified purposes; providing a cause of action for personal injury or wrongful death attributed to a sanctuary policy; providing that a trial by jury is a matter of right; requiring written

findings; requiring a court to provide a copy of the final judgment to the Governor within 30 days after rendition; providing for suspension or removal from office of a sanctuary policymaker; providing for ineligibility for funding from nonfederal grant programs for a specified duration; providing for applicability to certain education records; prohibiting discrimination on specified grounds; requiring repeal of existing sanctuary policies within a specified period; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Steube and Baxley—

SB 310—A bill to be entitled An act relating to threats to kill or do bodily injury; amending s. 836.10, F.S.; prohibiting a person from making a threat to kill or do bodily injury to another person in a writing or other record and transmitting that threat in any manner; deleting requirements that a threat be sent to a specific recipient to be prohibited; providing a penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 312—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the excise tax on documents; amending s. 201.02, F.S.; providing an exception, under certain circumstances, from the tax on deeds or other instruments transferring or conveying homestead property or interests in homestead property between spouses; providing applicability; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 314—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mortgage brokering; amending s. 494.00115, F.S.; providing an exemption from regulation under parts I and II of ch. 494, F.S., for certain securities dealers, investment advisers, and associated persons; providing requirements for certain solicitations and referrals; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Environmental Regulation Commission; amending s. 20.255, F.S.; requiring the Governor to appoint a new member to the commission within a certain timeframe after the occurrence of a vacancy; amending s. 403.805, F.S.; requiring certain proposed rules submitted to the commission to receive specified vote totals for approval or modification; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

SB 318—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an internship tax credit program; creating s. 220.198, F.S.; providing a short title; defining the terms “degree-seeking student” and “qualified business”; authorizing a corporate income tax credit up to a specified amount to a qualified business paying wages to a degree-seeking student during the student's internship at the business; specifying conditions and limitations on the tax credit; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; authorizing qualifying businesses to carry forward unused portions of the tax credit for a specified timeframe; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 320—A bill to be entitled An act relating to access to clinics; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 762.01, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 762.02, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 762.03, F.S.; defining the term “minor child or ward”; prohibiting a person from committing certain acts against reproductive health services clients, providers, or assistants; prohibiting a person from damaging certain properties; providing penalties; providing construction; creating s. 762.04, F.S.; providing criminal penalties and fines for first offenses and for second and subsequent offenses; providing requirements for departures from the sentences and fines; creating s. 762.05, F.S.; providing civil remedies for those aggrieved by specified violations against reproductive health services clients, providers, or assistants or against certain properties; authorizing the Attorney General, a state attorney, or a city attorney to bring a civil action for such violations; creating s. 762.06, F.S.; requiring a court to take actions necessary to safeguard the health, safety, or privacy of specified persons under certain circumstances, including granting restraining orders that may prohibit or restrict the photographing of such persons; authorizing the court to authorize specified persons to use pseudonyms in a civil action; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Book and Baxley—

SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees charged by tax collectors; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; providing for allocation of fees from certain driver license examinations administered by tax collectors; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; providing for allocation of fees from certain driver license reinstatement services performed by tax collectors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Young—

SB 324—A bill to be entitled An act relating to impact fees; amending s. 163.31801, F.S.; specifying the earliest time of collection that a local government may require for impact fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Young—

SB 326—A bill to be entitled An act relating to services for veterans and their families; creating s. 394.9087, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Children and Families establish the Florida Veterans’ Care Coordination Program to provide veterans and their families with behavioral health care referral and care coordination services; requiring that the department contract with managing entities to enter into agreements with Florida 211 Network participants for such services; providing program goals; providing for the statewide delivery of specified services by program teams; requiring Florida 211 Network participants to collect certain data on the implementation of the program and submit the data to the department; requiring the department to submit a report on the program’s implementation to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 328—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veteran identification; creating s. 322.0511, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to create a veteran identification card for certain purposes; providing for the design of the card; providing veteran eligibility requirements; providing for fee disposition; prohibiting use of the card for certain purposes; providing for termination of the card; providing for future repeal; amending ss. 472.015, 493.6105, 493.6107, 493.6202, 493.6302, 493.6402, 501.015, 501.605, 501.607, 507.03, 527.02, 539.001, 559.904, 559.928, and 626.171, F.S.; authorizing use of the card as proof of veteran status for obtaining waivers of license or registration fees relating to land surveying and mapping, private investigation services, private security services, repossession services, health studios, commercial telephone sellers or entities providing substance abuse marketing services, salespersons, movers and moving brokers, the sale of liquefied petroleum gas, pawnbrokers, motor vehicle repair shops, sellers of travel, and insurance representatives; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; authorizing use of the card as proof of veteran status for expedited processing of an application for a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gainer—

SB 330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 332—A bill to be entitled An act relating to probation and community control; amending s. 948.011, F.S.; authorizing a trial court to order certain defendants to perform community service or participate in a work program, instead of ordering payment of a fine and as a condition of probation or community control; amending ss. 921.187 and 948.06, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 334—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearm purchases; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to include on a standard form certain questions concerning a potential firearm buyer’s criminal history or other information relating to the person’s eligibility to make the firearm purchase; requiring the department to notify law enforcement officials when a potential sale or transfer receives a nonapproval number; providing requirements for such notice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to law enforcement vehicles; amending s. 338.155, F.S.; exempting a law enforcement officer operating an official vehicle, rather than only a marked official vehicle, while on official law enforcement business from paying the toll at a toll facility; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 338—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victims of human trafficking; creating s. 509.210, F.S.; requiring the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, in consultation with the Attorney General and state and national lodging associations, to adopt by rule one or more educational programs to train employees in the identification and reporting of suspected human trafficking activity; requiring that the rule require the operator of a public lodging establishment to train employees within a certain period after their hiring or by a certain date and to maintain documentation of such training; authorizing the division to impose administrative sanctions; creating s. 787.061, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 787.062, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 787.063, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating a civil cause of action for victims of human trafficking against a trafficker or facilitator; providing procedures and requirements for bringing a claim; requiring a court to impose a civil penalty against a defendant if a victim prevails; requiring a court to impose a civil penalty and award it equitably to one or more law enforcement agencies under certain circumstances; providing that such actions are not subject to a statute of limitations; providing for administration of the Trust Fund for Victims of Human Trafficking and Prevention by the Department of Legal Affairs; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to recommend one or more educational programs designed to train employees of public lodging establishments in the identification and reporting of suspected human trafficking; providing that the owner or operator of a public lodging establishment may not be held vicariously liable if certain employees complete such educational programs in accordance with specified provisions; providing exemptions; creating s. 787.064, F.S.; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to issue an annual report to the Legislature which includes specified information, by a specified date; amending s. 960.196, F.S.; increasing the allowable time for the filing of a claim for relocation assistance by a victim of human trafficking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 340—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 787.065, F.S.; providing for closed hearings in certain civil actions upon the request of victims; providing for redaction and sealing of personal identifying information of victims of human trafficking upon request; exempting from public records requirements the redacted and sealed information; exempting from public records requirements the personal identifying information of victims of human trafficking; providing for future review and repeal of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 342—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 787.066, F.S.; creating the Trust Fund for Victims of Human Trafficking and Prevention within the Department of Legal Affairs; providing the purposes of, and funding sources for, the trust fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to offender probation, parole, and supervision; creating s. 948.95, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 948.951, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 948.952, F.S.;

requiring the Department of Corrections and certain local governmental agencies, hereinafter known as “the agency,” to adopt policies and rules that by a specified date result in all supervised individuals being supervised in accordance with evidence-based practices, or practices developed based upon evidence-based practices; requiring the agency to consult with and seek recommendations from local law enforcement agencies, circuit courts, state attorney offices, and community corrections programs on adopting policies and rules for evidence-based supervision practices; providing requirements for the adopted policies and rules; requiring, by a specified date, all postrelease supervision programs receiving state funds to be established in accordance with evidence-based practices or developed based upon evidence-based practices; requiring the agency, by a specified date, to eliminate supervision policies, procedures, programs, and practices intended to reduce recidivism but which scientific research demonstrates do not reduce recidivism; requiring certain data collected and maintained regarding recidivism rates to be collected and maintained in a specified manner; creating s. 948.953, F.S.; requiring the agency to adopt policies and rules that improve crime victim satisfaction with the criminal justice system, subject to certain requirements; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to develop a victim satisfaction survey for use by the agency; creating s. 948.954, F.S.; requiring the agency to provide its employees and supervising agents with intensive initial and ongoing training and professional development services to support the implementation of evidence-based practices, subject to certain requirements; creating s. 948.955, F.S.; authorizing the department to form partnerships or enter into contracts with certain institutions or other organizations for assistance with data collection, analysis, and research; creating s. 948.956, F.S.; requiring the agency to submit, beginning on a specified date and each year thereafter, to the Governor, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and the Legislature a comprehensive report on its efforts to implement this act; providing requirements for the report; requiring the agency to make the report and an executive summary of the report available to the general public on its website; creating s. 948.957, F.S.; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 346—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motorcycle and moped riders; amending s. 316.211, F.S.; increasing the age at which persons who are operating or riding upon a certain motorcycle are exempt from protective headgear requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disposable plastic bags; creating s. 403.70325, F.S.; defining the term “coastal community”; authorizing certain municipalities to establish pilot programs to regulate or ban disposable plastic bags; providing program criteria; providing for expiration of a certain required ordinance; directing participating municipalities to collect data and submit reports to the municipal governing bodies and the Department of Environmental Protection; republishing s. 403.7033, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 350—A bill to be entitled An act relating to revoking, suspending, and withholding driving privileges; repealing s. 61.13016, F.S., relating to suspension of a driver license and motor vehicle registration of a support obligor who is delinquent in payment or who has failed to comply with subpoenas or a similar order to appear or show cause relating to paternity or support proceedings; repealing s. 322.055, F.S.,

relating to revocation or suspension of, or delay of eligibility for, a driver license for a person of a specified age or older convicted of certain drug offenses; repealing s. 322.056, F.S., relating to mandatory revocation or suspension of, or delay of eligibility for, a driver license for a person under a specified age found guilty of certain alcohol, drug, or tobacco offenses; repealing s. 322.057, F.S., relating to discretionary revocation or suspension of a driver license for certain persons who provide alcohol to persons under a specified age; repealing s. 322.058, F.S., relating to suspension of driving privilege due to support delinquency; repealing s. 322.059, F.S., relating to mandatory surrender of a suspended driver license and registration; amending s. 322.245, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to suspension of a driver license for failure to pay child support in certain non-IV-D cases; amending s. 569.11, F.S.; revising penalties for a person under a specified age who knowingly possesses a tobacco product or misrepresents his or her age or military service for the purpose of obtaining any tobacco product from a person or a vending machine; amending s. 877.112, F.S.; revising penalties for a person under a specified age who knowingly possesses any nicotine product or a nicotine dispensing device or misrepresents his or her age or military service for the purpose of obtaining any nicotine product or nicotine dispensing device from a person or a vending machine; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue, reinstate, or renew any driver license or driving privilege without fee which the department has withheld issuance of, suspended, or revoked pursuant to specified provisions under certain circumstances; requiring the department to create a report on the implementation of this act, subject to certain requirements; requiring the department to file the report with the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to conduct a study on the feasibility of reducing the amount of time unsafe driver points remain on a driver history record; requiring the department to submit a report on the study, along with recommendations, to the Legislature by a specified date; amending ss. 61.1814, 318.14, 322.05, 322.34, 409.256, 409.2598, 562.11, and 562.111, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Garcia, Hutson, and Taddeo—

SB 352—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sports franchise facilities; creating s. 288.11633, F.S.; prohibiting a sports franchise from constructing, reconstructing, renovating, or improving a facility on leased public land; requiring that a lease of a facility on public land by a sports franchise or a sale of public land for a sports franchise facility be at fair market value; providing requirements for a contract to fund the construction, reconstruction, renovation, or improvement of such a facility; defining the terms “facility” and “sports franchise”; specifying that the act does not impair contracts entered into before July 1, 2018; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to government accountability; amending s. 11.40, F.S.; specifying that the Governor, the Commissioner of Education, or the designee of the Governor or of the commissioner, may notify the Legislative Auditing Committee of an entity’s failure to comply with certain auditing and financial reporting requirements; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; defining the terms “abuse,” “fraud,” and “waste”; revising definitions; excluding water management districts from certain audit requirements; removing a cross-reference; authorizing the Auditor General to conduct audits of tourist development councils and county tourism promotion agencies; revising reporting requirements applicable to the Auditor General; amending s. 28.35, F.S.; revising reporting requirements applicable to the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation; amending s. 43.16, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the Justice Administrative Commission, each state attorney, each public defender, the criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, the capital collateral regional counsel, and the Guardian Ad Litem Program, to include the establishment and maintenance of certain internal controls; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; revising certain

lodging rates for the purpose of reimbursement to specified employees; authorizing an employee to expend his or her funds for certain lodging expenses; defining the term “statewide travel management system”; requiring agencies and the judicial branch to report certain travel information of public officers and employees in the statewide travel management system; requiring executive branch state agencies and the judicial branch to use the statewide travel management system for certain purposes; amending ss. 129.03, 129.06, and 166.241, F.S.; requiring counties and municipalities to maintain certain budget documents on the entities’ websites for a specified period; amending s. 215.86, F.S.; revising the purposes for which management systems and internal controls must be established and maintained by each state agency and the judicial branch; amending s. 215.97, F.S.; revising certain audit threshold requirements; amending s. 215.985, F.S.; revising the requirements for a monthly financial statement provided by a water management district; amending s. 218.32, F.S.; revising the requirements of the annual financial audit report of a local governmental entity; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to request additional information from a local governmental entity; requiring a local governmental entity to respond to such requests within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to notify the Legislative Auditing Committee of noncompliance; amending s. 218.33, F.S.; requiring local governmental entities to establish and maintain internal controls to achieve specified purposes; amending s. 218.39, F.S.; requiring an audited entity to respond to audit recommendations under specified circumstances; amending s. 218.391, F.S.; revising membership for the audit committee; prohibiting an audit committee member from being an employee, a chief executive officer, or a chief financial officer of the respective governmental entity; requiring an auditor to include certain information in a management letter; requiring the chair of a governmental entity’s governing body to submit an affidavit containing certain information when the entity contracts with an auditor to conduct an audit; providing requirements and procedures for selecting an auditor; requiring the Legislative Auditing Committee to determine whether a governmental entity should be subject to state action under certain circumstances; amending s. 286.0114, F.S.; prohibiting a board or commission from requiring an advance copy of testimony or comments from a member of the public as a precondition to being given the opportunity to be heard at a public meeting; amending s. 373.536, F.S.; deleting obsolete language; requiring water management districts to maintain certain budget documents on the districts’ websites for a specified period; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; authorizing additional internal audits as directed by the district school board; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the governing board of a charter school to include the establishment and maintenance of internal controls; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; requiring completion of an annual financial audit of the Florida Virtual School; specifying audit requirements; requiring an audit report to be submitted to the board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School and the Auditor General; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 1010.01, F.S.; requiring each school district, Florida College System institution, and state university to establish and maintain certain internal controls; amending s. 1010.30, F.S.; requiring a district school board, Florida College System institution board of trustees, or university board of trustees to respond to audit recommendations under certain circumstances; amending s. 218.503, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; declaring that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 356—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exemptions from toll payment; amending s. 338.155, F.S.; exempting a law enforcement officer from the payment of tolls when operating an official vehicle while on official business; updating terms; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Broxson, Book, and Baxley—

SB 358—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in specified counties; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Rules.

By Senators Mayfield, Rouson, Broxson, and Torres—

SB 360—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer protection from nonmedical changes to prescription drug formularies; creating s. 627.42393, F.S.; prohibiting specified changes to certain insurance policy prescription drug formularies, except under certain circumstances; providing construction and applicability; amending s. 627.6699, F.S.; requiring small employer carriers to limit specified changes to prescription drug formularies under certain health benefit plans; amending s. 641.31, F.S.; prohibiting certain health maintenance organizations from making specified changes to health maintenance contract prescription drug formularies, except under certain circumstances; providing construction and applicability; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 362—A bill to be entitled An act relating to growth management; amending s. 163.3167, F.S.; requiring local governments to address the protection of private property rights in their comprehensive plans; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; requiring the comprehensive plan to include a private property rights element that sets forth principles, guidelines, standards, and strategies to achieve certain objectives; requiring counties and municipalities to adopt within a specified period land development regulations consistent with the private property rights element; providing a deadline by which each local government must adopt a private property rights element; requiring the state land planning agency to approve the private property rights element adopted by each local government if it is substantially in a specified form; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senators Grimsley and Mayfield—

SB 364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state group health insurance and prescription drug programs; amending s. 110.1228, F.S.; defining the term “water management district”; authorizing a water management district to participate in the state group health insurance program and the prescription drug coverage program upon the affirmative vote of a district’s governing board; establishing conditions and restrictions regarding participation; providing that monthly premium amounts be based on an actuarial analysis conducted by the Department of Management Services; requiring small counties, small municipalities, district school boards, and water management districts participating in the programs to bear the costs of the actuarial analysis; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 373.605, F.S.; conforming a provision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SR 366—Not introduced.

By Senators Brandes and Rouson—

SB 368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Management Services; creating the Statewide Procurement Efficiency Task Force within the department; specifying the purpose and mem-

bership of the task force; providing meeting requirements; providing for administrative and technical support of the task force; providing that task force members shall serve without compensation or reimbursement of expenses; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; providing for the termination of the task force; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bradley, Stewart, Perry, Bean, Taddeo, and Mayfield—

SB 370—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; requiring a specified annual appropriation to the Florida Forever Trust Fund; deleting an obsolete provision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to post-hurricane relief for residents of health care facilities; creating s. 366.042, F.S.; requiring the Florida Public Service Commission to ensure that public utilities effectively prioritize the restoration of services to certain health care facilities in the event of emergencies; amending s. 400.19, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to conduct an annual inspection of each licensed nursing home facility to ensure that the facility is in possession of the required emergency power source and fuel; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; requiring the agency, in consultation with the Department of Health and the Department of Elderly Affairs, to adopt and enforce rules requiring each facility to have an emergency power source and a supply of fuel which meet certain criteria; amending s. 429.34, F.S.; requiring the agency to conduct an annual inspection of each licensed assisted living facility to ensure that the facility is in possession of the required emergency power source and fuel; amending s. 429.41, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs, in consultation with the agency, the Department of Children and Families, and the Department of Health, to adopt and enforce rules requiring each facility to have an emergency power source and a supply of fuel which meet certain criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fantasy contests; creating s. 546.13, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting certain fantasy contests; exempting fantasy contests from certain regulations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senators Book, Latvala, Taddeo, and Montford—

SB 376—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers’ compensation benefits for first responders; amending s. 112.1815, F.S.; deleting certain limitations relating to workers’ compensation benefits for first responders; amending s. 440.093, F.S.; providing that law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics are entitled to benefits under the Workers’ Compensation Law for mental or nervous injuries, whether or not such injuries are accompanied by physical injuries requiring medical treatment, under specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 378—A bill to be entitled An act relating to parking garages; creating ss. 125.01075 and 166.0441, F.S.; prohibiting a county, municipality, or other local governmental entity from adopting or maintaining in effect an ordinance or a rule which has the effect of prohibiting a driver from, or authorizing the issuance of a citation to a driver for, back-in parking a motor vehicle in a parking space located in a parking garage; providing that any such ordinance or rule in effect on a specified date is void; defining the term “back-in parking”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Transportation; and Rules.

SB 380—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Book—

SB 382—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Brandes and Galvano—

SB 384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electric vehicles; requiring the Florida Transportation Commission to review all sources of revenue for transportation infrastructure and maintenance projects and prepare a report to the Governor and the Legislature when the commission determines that electric vehicles make up a certain percentage or more of the total number of vehicles registered in this state; authorizing the commission, in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to use certain commercially available data; requiring the commission, in consultation with the Division of Emergency Management, to make an assessment of transportation infrastructure with respect to emergency evacuations and electric vehicles; specifying requirements for the report; requiring the report to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; amending s. 339.175, F.S.; requiring a long-range transportation plan to consider infrastructure and technological improvements necessary to accommodate the increased use of autonomous technology and electric vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Garcia and Taddeo—

SB 386—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer finance; amending s. 516.031, F.S.; revising a provision relating to the maximum delinquency charge that may be charged for consumer finance loans; amending s. 516.36, F.S.; revising a requirement relating to installment repayments for consumer finance loans; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 388—A bill to be entitled An act relating to anchoring limitation areas; amending s. 327.4108, F.S.; revising the anchoring limitation areas within the state to include additional specified areas; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

SB 390—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 392—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice; amending s. 985.556, F.S.; increasing the age of a child at which a state attorney may, or is required to, request a court to transfer the child to adult court for criminal prosecution; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; increasing the age of a child at which a state attorney may, or is required to, file an information against the child for prosecution as an adult; making a technical change; reenacting s. 985.15(1), F.S., relating to filing decisions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 985.556, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 985.265(5) and 985.565(4), F.S., relating to children in adult jails and sentencing alternatives for juveniles prosecuted as adults, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 985.556 and 985.557, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 985.26(2)(c), F.S., relating to the length of detention, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 985.557, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 394—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire safety; amending s. 633.408, F.S.; requiring the Division of State Fire Marshal to establish specified courses as a part of firefighter and volunteer firefighter training and certification; amending s. 633.412, F.S.; revising firefighter certification requirements; amending s. 633.508, F.S.; specifying the division’s authority to adopt rules for training related to cancer and mental health risks within the fire service; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senators Hukill, Young, and Hutson—

SB 396—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance coverage for windshield glass; amending s. 627.7288, F.S.; authorizing a motor vehicle insurance policy providing comprehensive or combined additional coverage to require an inspection of the damaged windshield of a covered motor vehicle before the windshield repair or replacement is authorized by the insurer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Bracy and Campbell—

SR 398—A resolution recognizing the relationship between and shared interests of the people of Taiwan and the United States and supporting these interests, as well as future opportunities for international trade between the two nations.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 400—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed weapons or concealed firearms; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to issue a license if, in addition to other specified criteria, the applicant has undergone a mental health evaluation conducted by certain licensed professionals and has been determined to be competent; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 402—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board; amending chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended; revising the composition of the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board; revising the terms of the board members; providing for the election and terms of the chair and vice chair; authorizing the board to regulate local licensure and discipline local contractors; authorizing the board to employ personnel and incur expenses; providing that board staff are employees of Pinellas County; providing that the board is a dependent agency of the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County; authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt rules; requiring the board to provide an annual report on finances and administrative activities; subjecting the board to periodic audits; requiring members of the board to file financial disclosure statements; specifying the board is eligible for state funding to support its operations during transition to the county; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 404—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state symbols; amending s. 15.0386, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of the state saltwater reptile designation; amending s. 15.0526, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of the state horse designation; creating s. 15.0527, F.S.; designating the Florida Cracker Cattle as the official state heritage cattle breed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 406—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; providing an exception to the reemployment after retirement limitations to authorize a retiree of the Florida Retirement System to be reemployed by an employer under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 408—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure of cardiovascular programs; amending s. 408.0361, F.S.; establishing additional criteria that must be included by the Agency for Health Care Administration in rules relating to adult cardiovascular services at hospitals seeking licensure for a Level I program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 410—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance rates; amending s. 627.0651, F.S.; providing that the use of a United States Postal Service zip code or a combination of zip codes as a rating territory for motor vehicle insurance rates is deemed unfairly discriminatory; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 412—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer protection; creating s. 501.172, F.S.; requiring the Department of Agriculture and

Consumer Services to operate and maintain a central consumer complaint hotline; requiring the department to establish a toll-free telephone number and a web-based chat function; stating the purpose of the hotline; requiring the department to promote the hotline; specifying the information the department must provide to consumer complainants; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 414—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of credit information for motor vehicle insurance; amending s. 626.9741, F.S.; revising the purpose of the section; prohibiting insurers from requesting or using credit reports or credit scores of applicants or insureds for underwriting or rating purposes as to personal lines motor vehicle insurance; prohibiting insurers from making adverse decisions against such applicants or insureds based on the applicants' or insureds' credit reports or credit scores; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 416—A bill to be entitled An act relating to governance of banks and trust companies; amending s. 658.21, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the financial institution experience of certain proposed directors and officers of a proposed bank or trust company; amending s. 658.33, F.S.; revising applicability of the residency requirement for directors of a bank or trust company; revising requirements relating to the financial institution experience of certain officers of a bank or trust company; amending s. 658.67, F.S.; revising a limitation on investments by banks in corporations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 418—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice data collection; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; requiring each law enforcement agency to report to the Department of Law Enforcement the number of persons arrested and released without being charged and the race and ethnicity of those persons; requiring each state attorney to report to the department the number of persons against whom formal charges were brought and subsequently dismissed and the race and ethnicity of those persons; requiring each clerk of the circuit court to report to the department the number of persons admitted into programs for diversion from prosecution and the race and ethnicity of those persons; requiring the department to publish such data on its public website; authorizing the department to coordinate and consult with agencies or entities to compile such information; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bracy and Taddeo—

SB 420—A bill to be entitled An act relating to judicial nominating commissions; amending s. 43.291, F.S.; revising the composition of judicial nominating commissions; establishing additional restrictions regarding commission members; terminating the terms of commission members as of a specified date; providing for initial appointments and staggered terms for the reconstituted commissions; prohibiting a commission member from serving more than two full terms; providing an exception; requiring appointing authorities to consider certain attributes in making appointments to ensure diversity on commissions; re-

quiring appointing authorities to collect and release certain demographic data regarding commission members and applicants to commissions; specifying circumstances under which a commission member may not vote on a matter and must disclose a conflict; requiring a commission member to complete an educational course after his or her appointment; prescribing minimum requirements for the course; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 422—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elder abuse fatality review teams; creating s. 415.1103, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating elder abuse fatality review teams in each judicial circuit housed, for administrative purposes only, in the Department of Elderly Affairs; providing for membership; specifying the duties of the review teams; providing immunity from liability for acts conducted in furtherance of a review team's duties; prohibiting a review team and its members from disclosing certain information; exempting certain information and records acquired by a review team from discovery or introduction into evidence in specified actions or proceedings; providing an exception; prohibiting a person from being required to testify regarding records or information produced or presented during meetings or other activities of a review team; providing an exception; requiring each judicial circuit to organize by public notice the review team's initial meeting; providing requirements for the initial meeting; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 424—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 415.1103, F.S.; specifying that information obtained by an elder abuse fatality review team which is confidential or exempt from public records requirements retains its protected status; providing an exemption from public records requirements for identifying information of an elder abuse victim in records created by a review team; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of review team meetings at which confidential or exempt information or the identity of an elder abuse victim is discussed; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Appropriations.

SR 426—Not introduced.

By Senators Thurston and Perry—

SJR 428—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 8 of Article IV of the State Constitution, relating to restoration of civil rights, to authorize the Legislature to prescribe additional circumstances under which certain fines and forfeitures may be suspended or remitted, reprieves may be granted, civil rights may be restored, and punishments may be commuted.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Thurston and Perry—

SB 430—A bill to be entitled An act relating to restoration of civil rights; providing a short title; providing findings and purpose; creating s. 944.294, F.S.; providing for automatic restoration of a former felon's civil rights, other than the right to own, possess, or use firearms, after completion of his or her sentence of incarceration and supervision;

providing conditions for and exemptions from automatic restoration; providing for education concerning the civil rights of people who have felony convictions; amending s. 944.292, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 944.705, F.S.; requiring release orientation program instructions to include restoration of civil rights; providing retroactive applicability; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 432—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community redevelopment agencies; creating s. 112.327, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a person from lobbying a community redevelopment agency until he or she has registered as a lobbyist with that agency; providing registration requirements; requiring an agency to make lobbyist registrations available to the public; requiring a database of currently registered lobbyists and principals to be available on certain websites; requiring a lobbyist to send a written statement to the agency canceling the registration for a principal that he or she no longer represents; authorizing an agency to remove the name of a lobbyist from the list of registered lobbyists under certain circumstances; authorizing an agency to establish an annual lobbyist registration fee, not to exceed a specified amount; requiring an agency to be diligent in ascertaining whether persons required to register have complied, subject to certain requirements; requiring the Commission on Ethics to investigate a lobbyist or principal under certain circumstances, subject to certain requirements; requiring the commission to provide the Governor with a report of its findings and recommendations in such investigations; authorizing the Governor to enforce the commission's findings and recommendations; authorizing community redevelopment agencies to adopt rules to govern the registration of lobbyists; amending s. 112.3142, F.S.; requiring ethics training for community redevelopment agency commissioners; specifying requirements for such training; amending s. 163.340, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "blighted area"; amending s. 163.356, F.S.; revising reporting requirements; deleting provisions requiring certain annual reports; amending s. 163.357, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, a governing body that consists of five members to appoint two additional persons to act as members of the community redevelopment agency; providing requirements for the additional members; amending s. 163.367, F.S.; requiring ethics training for community redevelopment agency commissioners; amending s. 163.370, F.S.; revising the list of projects that are prohibited from being financed by increment revenues; requiring community redevelopment agencies to follow certain procurement procedures; creating s. 163.371, F.S.; providing annual reporting requirements; requiring a community redevelopment agency to publish annual reports and boundary maps on its website; creating s. 163.3756, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to declare inactive community redevelopment agencies that have reported no financial activity for a specified number of years; providing hearing procedures; authorizing certain financial activity by a community redevelopment agency that is declared inactive; providing for application; requiring the department to maintain a website identifying all inactive community redevelopment agencies; amending s. 163.387, F.S.; effective on a specified date, revising requirements for the use of redevelopment trust fund proceeds; limiting allowed expenditures; revising requirements for the annual budget of a community redevelopment agency; requiring municipal community redevelopment agencies to provide an annual budget to the county commission; revising requirements for use of moneys in the redevelopment trust fund for specific redevelopment projects; revising requirements for the annual audit; requiring the audit to be included with the financial report of the county or municipality that created the community redevelopment agency; amending s. 218.32, F.S.; revising criteria for finding that a county or municipality failed to file a report; requiring the Department of Financial Services to provide a report to the Department of Economic Opportunity concerning community redevelopment agencies reporting no revenues, expenditures, or debts; amending s. 163.524, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Passidomo, Book, Young, Hutson, and Campbell—

SB 434—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a neonatal abstinence syndrome pilot project; creating s. 409.9134, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Department of Children and Families, to establish a pilot project to license one or more facilities in Medicaid Region 8 to treat infants who suffer from neonatal abstinence syndrome in certain circumstances; providing a start and end date for the pilot project, subject to appropriation; requiring the agency, in consultation with the department, to adopt by rule minimum licensure standards for facilities providing care under this section; requiring certain criteria to be included in licensure standards; authorizing the agency to charge an initial licensure fee and a biennial renewal fee; establishing minimum requirements for a facility to obtain licensure and participate in the pilot project; prohibiting a facility licensed under this section from treating an infant for longer than 6 months; requiring background screening of certain facility personnel; subjecting facilities licensed under this section to specific licensing requirements; providing that facilities licensed under this section are not required to obtain a certificate of need; requiring the Department of Health to contract with a state university to study certain components of the pilot project and establish certain baseline data for studies on the neurodevelopmental outcomes of infants with neonatal abstinence syndrome; requiring the Department of Health to report results of the study to specified legislative officials by a certain date; requiring facilities licensed under this section, hospitals meeting certain criteria, and Medicaid managed medical assistance plans to provide financial and medical data to the university under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Galvano and Mayfield—

SB 436—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1001.10, F.S.; authorizing the Commissioner of Education to coordinate with specified educational entities to assess needs for resources and assistance in the event of an emergency situation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 438—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing care contracts; amending s. 651.011, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 651.012, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; deleting an obsolete date; amending s. 651.013, F.S.; revising applicability of specified provisions of the Florida Insurance Code as to the Office of Insurance Regulation's authority to regulate providers of continuing care and continuing care at-home; amending s. 651.019, F.S.; revising notice and filing requirements for providers and facilities with respect to new and additional financing and refinancing; amending s. 651.021, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 651.022, F.S.; revising information required in an application for a provisional certificate of authority; specifying requirements for application amendments if material changes occur; revising procedures and requirements for the office's review of such applications; making technical changes; amending s. 651.023, F.S.; revising requirements for an application for a certificate of authority; revising procedures and requirements for the office's review of such applications; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending s. 651.024, F.S.; providing and revising applicability of certain requirements for a person seeking to acquire or assume a specified role of a provider or seeking specified ownership, possession, or control of a provider's assets; providing applicability of certain requirements for a person seeking to acquire and become the provider for a facility; providing procedures for filing a disclaimer of control; providing construction; creating s. 651.0245, F.S.; prohibiting a person, without the office's prior written approval, from acquiring a facility operating under a subsisting certificate of authority and engaging in the business of providing continuing care; specifying requirements for an application for the simultaneous acquisition of a facility and issuance of a certificate of authority and for the applicant; defining terms; providing standing to the office to petition a specified circuit court under certain circum-

stances; providing procedures for filing a disclaimer of control; providing construction; requiring and authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt, amend, and repeal rules; creating s. 651.0246, F.S.; requiring written approval from the office before construction or marketing for specified expansions of a certificated facility may commence; providing applicability; specifying application requirements; requiring the office to consider certain factors in reviewing such applications; specifying requirements for moneys to be escrowed and for the release of the moneys; defining the term "initial entrance fee"; providing procedures and requirements for the office's review of applications; providing construction; creating s. 651.025, F.S.; prohibiting persons who served in specified capacities with insolvent facilities or providers within a specified timeframe from thereafter serving in such capacities, except under certain circumstances; amending s. 651.026, F.S.; revising requirements for annual reports filed with the office by providers and facilities; amending s. 651.0261, F.S.; revising requirements for quarterly statements filed with the office by providers and facilities; authorizing the office to require, under certain circumstances, providers or facilities to file monthly statements and certain other information; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; amending s. 651.033, F.S.; revising requirements for and restrictions on agents of escrow accounts; revising permissible investments for funds in an escrow account; creating s. 651.034, F.S.; specifying requirements for providers if a company information level event occurs; specifying procedures and requirements for the office's review of provider company information reports; requiring the office to take specified actions if a regulatory action level event occurs; authorizing the office to retain consultants for specified purposes; requiring affected providers or parties directed by the office to bear fees, costs, and expenses for such consultants; requiring and authorizing the office to take certain actions if an impairment occurs; requiring the office to transmit any notice that may result in regulatory action; providing construction; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; authorizing the office to exempt a provider from specified requirements under certain circumstances; amending s. 651.035, F.S.; revising provider minimum liquid reserve requirements under specified circumstances; deleting an obsolete date; authorizing providers to withdraw funds from specified reserves with the office's consent; providing procedures and requirements to request approval for certain withdrawals; providing procedures and requirements for the office's review of such requests; authorizing the office, under certain circumstances, to order the immediate transfer of funds in the minimum liquid reserve to the custody of the Department of Financial Services; requiring facilities to file annual calculations of their minimum liquid reserves with the office and maintain such reserves beginning at specified periods; creating s. 651.043, F.S.; defining the term "management"; providing requirements for a contract for management; specifying procedures and requirements for providers filing notices of change in management with the office; specifying procedures and requirements for the office's review of such changes; requiring management disapproved by the office to be removed within a specified timeframe; authorizing the office to take certain disciplinary actions; requiring providers to immediately remove management under certain circumstances; amending s. 651.051, F.S.; requiring all provider records and assets to be maintained in this state; requiring the office's prior approval for a certain electronic storage platform; amending s. 651.057, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 651.071, F.S.; revising construction as to the priority of continuing care and continuing care at-home contracts in the event of receivership or liquidation proceedings against a provider; amending s. 651.091, F.S.; revising requirements for continuing care facilities and providers relating to the availability, distribution, and posting of reports and records; amending s. 651.105, F.S.; providing applicability of a provision of the Insurance Code relating to examinations and investigations to the office's authority in examining certain applicants and providers; authorizing the office to examine certain parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates to ascertain the financial condition of a provider; creating s. 651.1055, F.S.; requiring providers to cooperate with the office; amending s. 651.106, F.S.; authorizing the office to deny an application on certain grounds; revising and adding grounds for application denial or disciplinary action by the office; creating s. 651.1065, F.S.; prohibiting certain persons of a continuing care retirement community, except with the office's written permission, from permitting the retirement community to solicit or accept new continuing care contracts if they knew or should have known that the retirement community was impaired or insolvent; providing a criminal penalty; amending s. 651.111, F.S.; authorizing residents to file complaints that include requests for an inspection of a provider's records and related financial affairs; revising procedures of and re-

quirements for the office's review and response to such complaints; amending s. 651.114, F.S.; authorizing the office to request that a provider make a plan for obtaining compliance or solvency in delinquency proceedings; providing construction; defining the term "impaired"; requiring a provider to provide, within a specified timeframe, a certain notice to residents after the initiation of a delinquency proceeding; providing procedures and requirements for providers in delinquency proceedings; revising conditions under which the office's rights are subordinate to the rights of a trustee or lender pursuant to certain instruments; creating s. 651.1141, F.S.; providing that violations of certain provisions constitute an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare; authorizing the office to issue an immediate final order to cease and desist from such violations; amending s. 651.1151, F.S.; requiring providers to submit to the office certain administrative, vendor, and management contracts; authorizing the office to disapprove such contracts under certain circumstances; deleting an obsolete date; amending s. 651.121, F.S.; revising the composition of the Continuing Care Advisory Council; amending s. 651.125, F.S.; providing a criminal penalty for certain actions performed without a valid provisional certificate of authority; making a technical change; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Garcia, Bean, Young, Flores, Simpson, Mayfield, Perry, Galvano, Gainer, Passidomo, Taddeo, Campbell, and Gibson—

SB 440—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Veterans Care program; creating s. 292.17, F.S.; creating the program within the Agency for Health Care Administration; specifying the purpose of the program; authorizing the agency, in consultation with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to negotiate with federal agencies in order to seek federal funding for the program; providing that eligible participants may enroll in the program to receive certain benefits; prohibiting the use of state funds to support the program; providing that the act does not affect a person's eligibility for the state Medicaid program; prohibiting the agency and the department from implementing the program without legislative approval; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Appropriations.

By Senators Campbell, Bracy, Garcia, Rodriguez, and Torres—

SM 442—A memorial to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department of State, and the Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security to urge the extension of Haiti's temporary protected status designation for at least 18 months beyond its scheduled January 22, 2018, expiration.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 444—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pregnancy support services; creating s. 381.96, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Health to contract with a not-for-profit statewide alliance of organizations to provide pregnancy support services through subcontractors; providing duties of the department; providing contract requirements; requiring the contractor to spend a specified percentage of funds on direct client services; providing for subcontractor background screenings under certain circumstances; requiring the contractor to annually survey subcontractors; specifying the entities eligible for a subcontract; requiring services to be provided in a noncoercive manner; forbidding the inclusion of faith-based content in informational materials; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 446—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electrical contractors; amending s. 489.537, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which a municipality or county may require a specified electrical journeyman to be on a worksite; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 448—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Agency for State Technology; amending s. 282.0041, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms "breach" and "incident"; amending s. 282.0051, F.S.; revising certain powers, duties, and functions of the agency in collaboration with the Department of Management Services; amending s. 282.201, F.S.; authorizing the state data center within the agency to extend, up to a specified timeframe, certain service-level agreements; requiring the state data center to submit a specified report to the Executive Office of the Governor under certain circumstances; deleting a requirement for a service-level agreement to provide a certain termination notice to the agency; requiring the state data center to plan, design, and conduct certain testing, if cost-effective; deleting obsolete provisions relating to the schedule for consolidations of agency data centers; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 943.0415(2) and (3), F.S., relating to the Cybercrime Office within the Department of Law Enforcement, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 282.0041, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 450—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health and substance use disorders; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 394.4572, F.S.; requiring a specific level of screening for peer specialists working in mental health programs and facilities; amending s. 394.4573, F.S.; specifying that the use of peer specialists for recovery support is an essential element of a coordinated system of behavioral health care; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 397.4073, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 397.417, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing qualifications and requiring a background screening as a condition of certification for peer specialists; requiring the Department of Children and Families to develop a training program for peer specialists and give preference to trainers who are certified peer specialists; requiring that a peer specialist providing services be supervised by a licensed behavioral health care professional or a licensed behavioral health care agency; requiring the department to certify peer specialists directly or by designating a nonprofit certification organization; requiring a person to pass a competency exam before certification as a peer specialist; authorizing the department, a behavioral health managing entity, or the Medicaid program to reimburse a peer specialist service as a recovery service; encouraging Medicaid managed care plans to use peer specialists in the provision of recovery services; requiring all peer specialists to meet the requirements of a background screening as a condition of employment and continued employment; authorizing the department or the Agency for Health Care Administration to require by rule that fingerprints are submitted electronically to the Department of Law Enforcement; authorizing the department or the agency to contract with certain vendors for fingerprinting; specifying requirements for vendors; specifying offenses to be considered in the background screening of a peer specialist; authorizing a person who does not meet background screening requirements to request an exemption from disqualification from the department or the agency; providing that all peer specialists certified as of the effective date of this act are recognized as having met the requirements of this act; amending ss. 212.055, 394.495, 394.496, 394.9085, 397.416, 409.972, 440.102, and 744.2007, F.S.; conforming cross-references; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SJR 452—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VII and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to increase the period when the accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead and to provide an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 454—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitations on homestead assessments; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; revising the time-frame when the accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead; deleting obsolete provisions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing applicability; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 456—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bump-fire stocks; creating s. 790.34, F.S.; defining the term “bump-fire stock”; prohibiting the importation, transfer, distribution, transport, sale, giving, or possession of a bump-fire stock in this state; creating penalties; authorizing a person to relinquish a bump-fire stock to a law enforcement agency or the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring a person who does not relinquish a bump-fire stock to destroy the device and render it inoperable; requiring the law enforcement agency or the department to destroy the bump-fire stock; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 458—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substance prescribing; amending s. 456.44, F.S.; limiting an initial prescription for a controlled substance that is an opioid to a 7-day supply; limiting a refill or subsequent prescription for a controlled substance that is an opioid to a 30-day supply; providing exceptions to supply limits for certain patients; requiring a prescriber of certain controlled substances to access a patient’s drug history in the prescription drug monitoring program’s database before prescribing the drug and at least every 90 days thereafter if the prescriber continues to treat that condition with any such controlled substances; requiring a health care practitioner who is authorized to prescribe controlled substances to complete a continuing education course as a condition of initial licensure and biennial licensure renewal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Gainer and Broxson—

SB 460—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary fee waivers; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; authorizing a Florida College System institution to waive any portion of certain postsecondary fees for active duty members of the Armed Forces of the United States who use military tuition assistance; specifying that the student who receives the fee waiver may be reported for state funding purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Young, Mayfield, Book, Steube, Montford, Stewart, Perry, Taddeo, Latvala, Rouson, and Campbell—

SB 462—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advanced well stimulation treatment; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; defining the term “advanced well stimulation treatment”; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 377.2405, F.S.; prohibiting the performance of advanced well stimulation treatments; clarifying that permits for drilling or operating a well do not authorize the performance of advanced well stimulation treatments; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

SB 464—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 466—A bill to be entitled An act relating to presentencing information; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study on the presentencing information provided to judges in this state and the manner by which that information is provided; requiring OPPAGA to examine alternative means of providing such information; requiring the Department of Corrections and the Office of the State Courts Administrator, upon request, to assist OPPAGA with the study; requiring OPPAGA, on or before a certain date, to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 468—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Ronald Reagan license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 470—A bill to be entitled An act relating to temporary employment or appointment of officers; amending s. 943.10, F.S.; defining the term “special operations forces”; amending s. 943.131, F.S.; requiring an employing agency or criminal justice selection center to verify and document that certain applicants have served in the special operations forces and completed certain training if they seek an exemption from a basic recruit training program approved by the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission; requiring the employing agency or selection center to submit the documentation to the commission; re-enacting ss. 626.989(7), 943.13(9), 943.133(1) and (6), and 943.1395(3), (9), and (10), F.S., relating to investigations by the Division of Investigative and Forensic Services, officers’ minimum qualifications for employment or appointment, the responsibilities of certain employing entities, and certification for certain employment or appointment, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.131, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Thurston, Book, and Taddeo—

SB 472—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the National Statuary Hall; requesting the Joint Committee on the Library of Congress to approve the replacement of the statue of Confederate General Edmund Kirby Smith in the National Statuary Hall Collection with a statue of Mary McLeod Bethune; providing that the act is an official request to the Joint Committee on the Library of Congress; requiring the Department of State to deliver copies of the act to certain persons on the act's effective date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 474—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physician orders for life-sustaining treatment; creating s. 401.451, F.S.; establishing the Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) Program within the Department of Health; defining terms; providing duties of the department; providing requirements for POLST forms; providing a restriction on the use of POLST forms; requiring periodic review of POLST forms; providing for the revocation of POLST forms under certain circumstances; authorizing expedited judicial intervention under certain circumstances; specifying which document takes precedence when directives in POLST forms conflict with other advance directives; providing limited immunity for legal representatives and specified health care providers acting in good faith in reliance on POLST forms; specifying additional requirements for POLST forms executed on behalf of minor patients under certain circumstances; requiring the review of a POLST form upon the transfer of a patient; prohibiting POLST forms from being required as a condition for treatment or admission to health care facilities; providing that the presence or absence of POLST forms does not affect, impair, or modify certain insurance contracts; declaring a POLST form invalid if it is executed in exchange for payment or other remuneration; providing construction; creating s. 408.064, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to establish and maintain a database of compassionate and palliative care plans by a specified date; providing duties of the agency; authorizing the agency to subscribe to or participate in a public or private clearinghouse in lieu of establishing and maintaining an independent database; amending ss. 400.142 and 400.487, F.S.; authorizing specified personnel to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation if presented with a POLST form that contains an order not to resuscitate the patient; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to such personnel for such actions; providing that the absence of a POLST form does not preclude physicians or home health agency personnel from withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation under certain conditions; amending s. 400.605, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs, in consultation with the agency, to adopt by rule procedures for the implementation of POLST forms in hospice care; amending s. 400.6095, F.S.; authorizing hospice care teams to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation if presented with POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to hospice staff for such actions; providing that the absence of a POLST form does not preclude physicians from withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation; amending s. 401.35, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish circumstances and procedures for honoring certain POLST forms; amending s. 401.45, F.S.; authorizing emergency medical personnel to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation or other medical interventions if presented with POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; amending s. 429.255, F.S.; authorizing assisted living facility personnel to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated external defibrillator if presented with POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to facility staff and facilities for such actions; providing that the absence of a POLST form does not preclude physicians from withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated external defibrillator; amending s. 429.73, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to adopt rules for the implementation of POLST forms in adult family-care homes; authorizing providers of such homes to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation if presented with POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to providers for such actions; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; authorizing certain licensees to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated

external defibrillator if presented with orders not to resuscitate or POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules providing for the implementation of such orders; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to licensees for withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated external defibrillator or for carrying out specified orders under certain circumstances; providing that the absence of a POLST form does not preclude a licensee from withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated external defibrillator under certain conditions; amending s. 765.205, F.S.; requiring health care surrogates to provide written consent for POLST forms under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 476—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 408.0641, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records for personal identifying information in compassionate and palliative care plans filed with the Clearinghouse for Compassionate and Palliative Care Plans managed by the Agency for Health Care Administration or its designee; authorizing the disclosure of such information to certain entities and individuals; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 478—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trusts; amending s. 736.0103, F.S.; redefining the term “interests of the beneficiaries”; amending s. 736.0105, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a trust and its terms be for the benefit of the trust's beneficiaries; amending s. 736.0109, F.S.; revising provisions relating to notice or sending of trust documents to include posting on a secure electronic account or website; providing requirements for such documents to be deemed sent; requiring a certain authorization to specify documents subject to electronic posting; revising requirements for a recipient to electronically access such documents; prohibiting the termination of a recipient's electronic access to such documents from invalidating certain notice or sending of electronic trust documents; tolling specified limitations periods under certain circumstances; providing requirements for electronic access to such documents to be deemed terminated by a sender; providing construction; providing applicability; amending s. 736.0404, F.S.; deleting a restriction on the purpose for which a trust is created; amending s. 736.04117, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; authorizing an authorized trustee to appoint all or part of the principal of a trust to a second trust under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the second trust and its beneficiaries; authorizing the second trust to retain, omit, or create or modify specified powers; authorizing the term of the second trust to extend beyond the term of the first trust; authorizing the class of permissible appointees to the second trust to differ from the class identified in the first trust under certain circumstances; providing requirements for distributions to a second trust when the authorized trustee does not have absolute power; providing requirements for such second trust; providing requirements for grants of power of appointment by the second trust; authorizing a second trust created by an authorized trustee without absolute power to grant specified powers under certain circumstances; authorizing an authorized trustee to appoint the principal of a first trust to a supplemental needs trust under certain circumstances; providing requirements for such supplemental needs trust; prohibiting an authorized trustee from distributing the principal of a trust in a manner that would reduce specified tax benefits; prohibiting the distribution of S corporation stock from a first trust to a second trust under certain circumstances; prohibiting a settlor from being treated as the owner of a second trust if he or she was not treated as the owner of the first trust; prohibiting an authorized trustee from distributing a trust's interest in property to a second trust if the interest is subject to specified rules of the Internal Revenue Code; authorizing the exercise of power to invade a trust's principal to apply to a second

trust created or administered under the law of any jurisdiction; prohibiting the exercise of power to invade a trust's principal to increase an authorized trustee's compensation or relieve him or her from certain liability; specifying who an authorized trustee must notify when he or she exercises his or her power to invade the trust's principal; specifying the documents that the authorized trustee must provide with such notice; amending s. 736.08135, F.S.; revising applicability; amending s. 736.1008, F.S.; clarifying that certain knowledge by a beneficiary does not cause a claim to accrue for breach of trust or commence the running of a period of limitations or laches; providing legislative intent; providing retroactive application; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SR 480—A resolution recognizing the public health crisis created by pornography.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senators Bracy and Rouson—

SB 482—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving while a driver license or driving privilege is canceled, suspended, or revoked; amending s. 322.34, F.S.; repealing a felony offense for a third or subsequent conviction for driving while a driver license or driving privilege is canceled, suspended, or revoked; providing that such a conviction is a misdemeanor offense; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 484—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; creating s. 950.021, F.S.; authorizing a court to sentence certain offenders to a county jail for up to 24 months if the county has a contract with the Department of Corrections; prohibiting an offender from receiving gain-time or other sentence credit that would result in the offender serving less than 85 percent of the offender's sentence; providing contractual requirements; requiring specific appropriations; providing for such appropriations; requiring validation of per diem rates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Stewart, Bracy, Torres, Farmer, Book, Taddeo, and Powell—

SB 486—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facilities; providing a short title; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; requiring vehicles used by child care facilities and large family child care homes to be equipped with a reliable alarm system that prompts the driver to inspect the vehicle for children before exiting the vehicle; requiring the Department of Children and Families to adopt by rule minimum safety standards and maintain a list of approved alarm systems; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 488—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency medical services; amending s. 401.23, F.S.; defining the terms "advanced life support nontransport services" and "emergency"; amending s. 401.25, F.S.; exempting certain governmental entities from the requirement to

obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide certain emergency services under specified conditions; providing applicability; amending ss. 14.33, 125.01045, 166.0446, 252.515, 395.1027, 401.245, and 401.27, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Community Affairs; and Rules.

SB 490—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 492—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the provision of pharmaceutical services; creating ss. 627.6442 and 627.6572, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting certain health insurance policies from requiring insureds to obtain certain prescription drugs exclusively from mail order pharmacies for the treatment of specified chronic illnesses; providing that such insureds who elect to use retail pharmacies may not be required to pay copayments or satisfy other conditions under certain circumstances; requiring certain health insurers to include specified disclosures in their outlines of coverage regarding such prescription drugs; providing applicability; amending s. 641.31, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting certain health maintenance contracts from requiring subscribers to obtain certain prescription drugs exclusively from mail order pharmacies for the treatment of specified chronic illnesses; providing that such subscribers who elect to use retail pharmacies may not be required to pay copayments or satisfy other conditions under certain circumstances; requiring certain health maintenance organizations to include specified disclosures in their outlines of coverage regarding such prescription drugs; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lee—

SB 494—A bill to be entitled An act relating to linear facilities; amending s. 163.3221, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "development" to exclude work by certain utility providers on utility infrastructure on certain rights-of-way or corridors; revising the definition to exclude the creation or termination of distribution and transmission corridors; amending s. 380.04, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "development" to exclude work by certain utility providers on utility infrastructure on certain rights-of-way or corridors; revising the definition to exclude the creation or termination of distribution and transmission corridors; amending s. 403.511, F.S.; requiring the consideration of a certain variance standard when including conditions for the certification of an electrical power plant; clarifying that the Public Service Commission has exclusive jurisdiction to require underground transmission lines; amending s. 403.531, F.S.; requiring the consideration of a certain variance standard when including conditions for the certification of a proposed transmission line corridor; clarifying that the Public Service Commission has exclusive jurisdiction to require underground transmission lines; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 496—A bill to be entitled An act relating to out-of-school suspension; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; authorizing a parent to give public testimony regarding a district school board's suspension policy at a specified meeting; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; requiring a district school board to review its rules authorizing suspension during a specified timeframe at a district school board meeting; requiring the board to take public testimony at the meeting; providing that the rules expire under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 498—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Office of Public and Professional Guardians direct-support organization; amending s. 744.2105, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions governing a direct-support organization established under the Office of Public and Professional Guardians within the Department of Elderly Affairs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 500—A bill to be entitled An act relating to senior advocates; creating s. 744.2113, F.S.; establishing the Senior Advocate Program in the Office of Public and Professional Guardians within the Department of Elderly Affairs; providing the purpose of the program; specifying persons and entities that senior advocates may collaborate with in order to resolve concerns regarding vulnerable seniors and improve their quality of life; authorizing the department secretary to appoint senior advocates to advocate for certain seniors; providing requirements for senior advocates; requiring the department to recruit and train senior advocates in each of the department's service areas; requiring agencies to allow the senior advocate to inspect and copy records related to the senior; requiring the senior advocate to maintain the confidential or exempt status of any records shared by an agency; authorizing a person or certain organizations to allow the senior advocate to inspect and copy any records related to the best interests of the senior; specifying the records that are included within the definition of the term "records related to the best interests of the senior"; authorizing a senior advocate to enter any long-term care facility without notice or first obtaining a warrant; providing an appropriation, positions, and salary rate to the department to implement the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 502—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the corporate income tax; amending s. 220.03, F.S.; adopting the 2018 version of the Internal Revenue Code; providing retroactive operation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 504—A bill to be entitled An act relating to autocycles; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term "autocycle"; revising the definition of the term "motorcycle"; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.614, F.S.; requiring safety belt or, if applicable, child restraint usage by an operator or passenger of an autocycle; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; including an autocycle in the definition of the term "motorcycle"; amending s. 322.03, F.S.; authorizing a person to operate an autocycle without a motorcycle endorsement; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; providing applicability; amending ss. 212.05, 316.303, 320.08, and 655.960, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SJR 506—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article IV and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to provide for the election of the Secretary of State and his or her inclusion as a member of the Cabinet.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 508—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public assistance; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; clarifying requirements related to the Relative Caregiver Program; amending s. 402.82, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to impose a replacement fee for electronic benefits transfer cards under certain circumstances; amending s. 445.004, F.S.; requiring CareerSource Florida, Inc., to submit in a detailed annual report certain information on individuals subject to mandatory work requirements who receive temporary cash or food assistance; amending s. 445.024, F.S.; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity, in cooperation with CareerSource Florida, Inc., and the Department of Children and Families, to develop a work plan agreement for each individual participant in the temporary cash assistance program; requiring the plan to identify expectations, sanctions, and penalties for noncompliance with work requirements; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to work with program participants in developing strategies to overcome obstacles to compliance with work activity requirements; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study; providing study requirements; providing legislative intent; requiring OPPAGA to submit a report by a certain date to the Governor and the Legislature; providing legislative findings; creating the TANF Re-employment Pilot Program in Pinellas County; providing the administration of the program; providing the purpose of the program; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Young—

SB 510—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care practitioners; creating s. 456.0495, F.S.; requiring a health care practitioner to report certain adverse incidents to the Department of Health within a certain period; requiring the department to adopt rules establishing guidelines for reporting specified adverse incidents; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 512—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead waivers; creating s. 732.7025, F.S.; providing language that may be used to waive spousal homestead rights concerning devise restrictions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 514—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transplant of human tissue; amending s. 381.0041, F.S.; requiring an institution or physician responsible for transplanting an organ or an allograft, or for artificial insemination, to warn the recipient as to the risks of contracting Zika virus; providing an exception to the warning requirement for an organ or allograft that has been virally inactivated; defining the term "virally inactivated"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 516—A bill to be entitled An act relating to duty to provide emergency assistance; creating s. 877.28, F.S.; defining the term "en-

dangered person”; requiring a person at the scene of an emergency to provide reasonable assistance to an endangered person; providing a criminal penalty; providing increased criminal penalties under certain circumstances; requiring a court to impose community service; providing immunity from liability for providing reasonable assistance; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 518—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance coverage exclusions; creating s. 627.747, F.S.; providing that private passenger motor vehicle policies may exclude certain identified individuals from specified coverages under certain circumstances; providing that such policies may not exclude coverage under certain circumstances; amending ss. 324.151, 627.736, and 627.7407, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Young and Campbell—

SB 520—A bill to be entitled An act relating to optometrists; amending s. 463.006, F.S.; revising the requirements that applicants must meet in order to qualify to take optometric licensure and certification examinations; clarifying interpretation of the authority of the Board of Optometry to offer a practical examination in addition to a written examination; specifying that applicants must graduate from an accredited school or college of optometry in order to obtain a license and practice as optometrists; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 522—A bill to be entitled An act relating to incarcerated parents; creating s. 39.6021, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to obtain specified information from a facility where a parent is incarcerated under certain circumstances; providing an exception; requiring that a parent who is incarcerated be included in case planning and provided with a copy of the case plan; providing requirements for case plans; specifying that the incarcerated parent is responsible for complying with facility procedures and policies to access services or maintain contact with his or her children as provided in the case plan; requiring the parties to the case plan to move to amend the case plan if a parent becomes incarcerated after a case plan has been developed and the parent’s incarceration has an impact on permanency for the child; requiring that the case plan include certain information if the incarcerated parent is released before it expires; requiring the department to include certain information in the case plan if the incarcerated parent does not participate in its preparation; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 524—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the influenza virus and streptococcal infections; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; expanding the definition of the term “practice of the profession of pharmacy” to include testing for and treating the influenza virus and streptococcal infections; creating s. 465.1895, F.S.; authorizing pharmacists to test for and treat the influenza virus and streptococcal infections within the framework of an established written protocol under a supervising physician under certain conditions; requiring a pharmacist testing for and treating the influenza virus and streptococcal infections to maintain patient records using certain standards and for a specified time; prohibiting a person from interfering with a supervising physician’s decision to enter into a

protocol; prohibiting a pharmacist from performing a protocol while acting as a pharmacy employee without the written approval of the pharmacy owner; requiring a pharmacist seeking to test for and treat the influenza virus and streptococcal infections to obtain certification through a certification program approved by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine; providing criteria for certification programs; authorizing the Board of Pharmacy to adopt rules establishing the requirements for a protocol; requiring that the protocol be in writing and contain certain information, terms, and conditions; requiring that pharmacists authorized to test for and treat the influenza virus and streptococcal infections provide their supervising physician with evidence of current certification by the board; requiring a supervising physician to review the pharmacist’s actions; requiring a pharmacist to submit his or her protocol to the board; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Brandes and Bracy—

SB 526—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the deregulation of professions and occupations; amending s. 326.004, F.S.; deleting the requirement for a yacht broker to maintain a separate license for each branch office; deleting the requirement for the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes to establish a fee; amending s. 447.02, F.S.; conforming provisions; repealing s. 447.04, F.S., relating to licensure and permit requirements for business agents; repealing s. 447.041, F.S., relating to hearings for persons or labor organizations denied licensure as a business agent; repealing s. 447.045, F.S., relating to confidential information obtained during the application process; repealing s. 447.06, F.S., relating to required registration of labor organizations; amending s. 447.09, F.S.; deleting certain prohibited actions relating to the right of franchise of a member of a labor organization; repealing s. 447.12, F.S., relating to registration fees; repealing s. 447.16, F.S., relating to applicability; amending s. 447.305, F.S.; deleting a provision that requires notification of registrations and renewals to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 469.006, F.S.; revising licensure requirements for asbestos abatement consulting or contracting as a partnership, corporation, business trust, or other legal entity; amending s. 469.009, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 476.034, F.S.; defining the terms “restricted barber” and “restricted barbering”; amending s. 476.114, F.S.; revising training requirements for licensure as a barber; providing requirements for licensure by examination as a restricted barber; amending s. 476.144, F.S.; requiring the department to license an applicant who the board certifies is qualified to practice restricted barbering; amending s. 477.013, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; repealing s. 477.0132, F.S., relating to registration for hair braiding, hair wrapping, and body wrapping; amending s. 477.0135, F.S.; providing that licensure or registration is not required for persons whose occupation or practice is confined solely to hair braiding, hair wrapping, body wrapping, nail polishing, and makeup application; amending s. 477.019, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 477.0201, F.S.; providing requirements for registration as a nail specialist, facial specialist, or full specialist; amending ss. 477.026, 477.0265, and 477.029, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 481.203, F.S.; revising a definition; amending s. 481.219, F.S.; revising the process by which a business organization obtains the requisite license to perform architectural services or interior design; requiring that a licensee or an applicant apply to qualify a business organization to practice architecture or interior design; providing application requirements; authorizing the Board of Architecture and Interior Design to deny an application under certain circumstances; providing notice requirements; prohibiting a business organization from engaging in certain practices until it is qualified by a qualifying agent; authorizing the executive director or the chair of the board to authorize a temporary qualifying agent for a specified timeframe under certain circumstances; requiring the board to allow an applicant to qualify one or more business organizations or to operate using a fictitious name under certain circumstances; deleting a requirement for the administration of disciplinary action against a corporation, limited liability company, or partnership conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 481.221, F.S.; requiring a business organization to include the license number of a certain registered architect or interior designer in any advertising; providing an exception; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending

s. 481.229, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 481.303, F.S.; revising definitions; amending ss. 481.311 and 481.317, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 481.319, F.S.; deleting the requirement for a certificate of authorization; authorizing landscape architects to practice through a corporation or partnership; amending s. 481.321, F.S.; revising requirements related to the display of a certificate number; amending s. 481.329, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 287.055, F.S.; conforming a provision; amending s. 548.003, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the Florida State Boxing Commission adopt rules relating to a knockdown timekeeper; amending s. 548.017, F.S.; deleting the licensure requirement for a timekeeper or announcer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Stargel and Lee—

SB 528—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance coverage for enteral formulas; amending s. 627.42395, F.S.; revising criteria for the required coverage of enteral formulas under specified health insurance policies; requiring the state group insurance program to provide coverage for certain enteral formulas and amino-acid-based elemental formulas; specifying a limitation of such coverage by the state group insurance program; providing for future expiration; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 530—A bill to be entitled An act relating to risk protection orders; providing intent; providing a short title; creating s. 790.401, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing risk protection orders to prevent persons who are at high risk of harming themselves or others from accessing firearms; providing requirements for petitions for such orders; providing duties for courts and clerks of court; prohibiting fees for filing of such petitions; providing for jurisdiction for such petitions; requiring hearings on petitions within a specified period; providing for service; providing grounds that may be considered in determining whether to grant such a petition; providing requirements for proceedings; providing requirements for such orders; providing for ex parte orders in certain circumstances; providing for service of orders; providing for termination or renewal of an order; providing for the surrender and storage of firearms after issuance of such an order; requiring law enforcement agencies to develop certain policies and procedures by a certain date; providing for return of firearms upon termination of an order; requiring the reporting of such an order to specified agencies; requiring the termination of a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm that is held by a person subject to such an order; prohibiting a person from knowingly filing a petition for such an order which contains materially false or misleading statements; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting violations of such an order; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting persons convicted of violating such an order from possessing a firearm for a specified period; providing construction; providing that provisions do not create liability for certain acts or omissions; requiring development and distribution of certain instructional and informational material; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 532—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 97.0585, F.S., and reenacting subsection (3), relating to a public records exemption for information regarding voters and voter registration; providing an exemption from public records requirements for information concerning preregistered voter registration applicants who are minors; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing for retroactive application; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Grimsley and Mayfield—

SB 534—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of pharmacy benefits managers; amending s. 465.1862, F.S.; deleting an obsolete cross-reference; defining the term “health insurance plan”; amending s. 626.88, F.S.; redefining the term “administrator” to include pharmacy benefits managers; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; and Appropriations.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 536—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitations of actions other than for the recovery of real property; amending s. 95.11, F.S.; authorizing the commencement, within a specified timeframe, of counterclaims, cross-claims, and third-party claims that arise out of the same transaction or occurrence and are the basis for an action previously brought; providing that the correction of defects and deficiencies or the performance of certain types of work do not extend the period of time within which an action must be commenced; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 538—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state and local governmental relations with the government of Venezuela; amending s. 215.471, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Administration to divest investments, and prohibiting it from investment, in any institution or company or subsidiary of a company domiciled in the United States which does business in or with the government of Venezuela or its agencies or instrumentalities in violation of federal law; defining the term “government of Venezuela”; authorizing the Governor to waive such requirements under certain circumstances; prohibiting the State Board of Administration from voting on any proxy resolution advocating expanded United States trade with the government of Venezuela; amending s. 215.472, F.S.; prohibiting state agencies from investing in any financial institution or company or foreign subsidiary of a company domiciled in the United States which engages in specified transactions with the government of Venezuela or certain companies in violation of federal law; defining the term “government of Venezuela”; authorizing the Governor to waive such prohibition under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 540—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary education; providing a short title; creating s. 1001.6001, F.S.; renaming the Florida College System as the Florida Community College System; creating the State Board of Community Colleges; requiring the Governor to appoint the membership of the state board; providing that the appointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate; requiring the Division of Florida Colleges to provide administrative support to the state board until a specified date; transferring the Florida College System and the Division of Florida Colleges to the state board on a specified date; requiring the state board to appoint a Chancellor of the Florida Community College System by a specified date; amending s. 20.15, F.S.; removing the Division of Florida Colleges from within the Department of Education; requiring the department to provide support to the State Board of Community Colleges; creating s. 20.156, F.S.; creating the State Board of Community Colleges; assigning the state board to, and administratively housing the state board within, the department; providing the personnel for and powers and duties of the

state board; requiring the state board to conduct an organizational meeting by a specified date; amending s. 112.313, F.S.; prohibiting citizen members of the State Board of Community Colleges or Florida Community College System institution boards of trustees from having an employment or contractual relationship as specified lobbyists; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; revising the term “state officer” to include certain Florida Community College System personnel; amending s. 1000.03, F.S.; revising the function and mission of the Florida K-20 education system; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to oversee enforcement of Florida Community College System laws and rules; amending s. 1000.05, F.S.; requiring the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System, instead of the Commissioner of Education, to make certain determinations regarding equal opportunities at Florida Community College System institutions; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules; amending s. 1001.02, F.S.; revising the general powers of the State Board of Education to exempt the Florida Community College System from certain provisions; deleting duties of the State Board of Education regarding the Florida College System; amending s. 1001.03, F.S.; revising certain articulation accountability and enforcement measures; requiring the State Board of Education to collect information in conjunction with the Board of Governors and the State Board of Community Colleges; deleting duties of the State Board of Education regarding the Florida College System; amending ss. 1001.10 and 1001.11, F.S.; revising the general powers and duties of the Commissioner of Education to exempt the Florida Community College System from certain powers and duties; amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; revising duties of the Office of Inspector General within the department regarding the Florida College System; amending s. 1001.28, F.S.; providing that the powers and duties of the State Board of Community Colleges are not abrogated, superseded, altered, or amended by certain provisions relating to the department’s duties for distance learning; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; prohibiting a technical center governing board from approving certain courses and programs; amending s. 1001.44, F.S.; providing the primary mission of a career center operated by a district school board; prohibiting specified career centers from offering certain courses and programs; amending s. 1001.60, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 1001.601, F.S.; establishing the State Board of Community Colleges; providing the membership of the board; creating s. 1001.602, F.S.; providing the responsibilities and duties of the State Board of Community Colleges; requiring the state board to coordinate with the State Board of Education; requiring the state board, in collaboration with the State Board of Education, to adopt specified definitions by rule; amending ss. 1001.61, 1001.64, and 1001.65, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1001.66, F.S.; revising requirements for the performance-based metrics used to award Florida Community College System institutions with performance-based incentives; amending s. 1001.67, F.S.; revising the Distinguished Florida Community College System Institution Program excellence standards requirements; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; revising cooperation duties of the Board of Governors to include requirements for working with the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1002.34, F.S.; providing the primary mission of a charter technical career center; prohibiting specified charter technical career centers from offering certain courses and programs; providing for rulemaking; amending s. 1003.491, F.S.; revising the Florida Career and Professional Education Act to require the State Board of Community Colleges to recommend, jointly with the Board of Governors and the Commissioner of Education, certain deadlines for new core courses; amending s. 1003.493, F.S.; revising department duties regarding articulation and the transfer of credits to postsecondary institutions to include consultation with the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1004.015, F.S.; providing that the Higher Education Coordinating Council serves as an advisory board to, in addition to other bodies, the State Board of Community Colleges; revising council reporting requirements to include a report to the state board; requiring the state board to collaborate with the Office of K-20 Articulation to provide administrative support for the council; amending ss. 1004.02 and 1004.03, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; revising department reporting requirements regarding teacher preparation programs to require a report to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1004.07, F.S.; providing that the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education, provide guidelines for Florida Community College System institution boards of trustees’ policies; amending ss. 1004.084, 1004.085, 1004.096, 1004.0961, 1004.35, and 1004.6495, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.65, F.S.; revising Florida Community College System

institution governance, mission, and responsibilities, to provide authority and duties to the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education; providing that offering upper-level instruction and awarding baccalaureate degrees are a secondary and not a primary role of a Florida Community College System institution; amending s. 1004.67, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.70, F.S.; revising requirements for appointments to the board of directors; prohibiting a community college board of trustees from authorizing a Florida Community College System institution direct-support organization to use personal services and state funds for travel expenses after a specified date; deleting an exception to the prohibition on gifts to a political committee from a Florida Community College System institution direct-support organization; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.71, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.74, F.S.; requiring the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System, jointly with the Commissioner of Education, to appoint members of the Council for the Florida School for the Arts; amending ss. 1004.78 and 1004.80, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.91, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to collaborate with the State Board of Education to provide certain rules for Florida Community College System institutions regarding requirements for career education program basic skills; amending s. 1004.92, F.S.; providing accountability for career education for the State Board of Community Colleges; revising the department’s accountability for career education; requiring the department and the State Board of Community Colleges to collaborate to develop certain standards and benchmarks; requiring the State Board of Education and the State Board of Community Colleges to collaborate to adopt rules; amending s. 1004.925, F.S.; revising industry certification requirements for automotive service technology education programs to include rules adopted by the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1004.93, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1006.60, F.S.; authorizing sanctions for violations of certain rules of the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of for violations of certain rules of the State Board of Education; amending ss. 1006.61, 1006.62, and 1006.71, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1007.01, F.S.; revising the role of the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors in the statewide articulation system to include the State Board of Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring each Florida Community College System institution and each state university to execute at least one “2+2” targeted pathway articulation agreement by a specified time; providing requirements and student eligibility for the agreements; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges and the Board of Governors to collaborate to eliminate barriers in executing the agreements; amending s. 1007.24, F.S.; revising the statewide course numbering system to include participation by and input from the State Board of Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System; amending ss. 1007.25, 1007.262, 1007.263, 1007.264, and 1007.265, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; requiring school districts to notify students about certain lists and equivalencies; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Education to collaborate with the State Board of Community Colleges regarding certain articulation agreements; amending s. 1007.273, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to enforce compliance with certain provisions relating to the collegiate high school program by a specified date each year; amending s. 1007.33, F.S.; prohibiting Florida Community College System institutions from offering bachelor of arts degree programs; deleting provisions relating to an authorization for the Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College to establish certain baccalaureate degree programs; revising the approval process for baccalaureate degree programs proposed by Florida Community College System institutions; requiring a Florida Community College System institution to annually report certain information to the State Board of Community Colleges, the Chancellor of the State University System, and the Legislature; revising the circumstances under which a baccalaureate degree program may be required to be modified or terminated; requiring that a baccalaureate degree program be terminated under certain circumstances; restricting total upper-level, undergraduate full-time equivalent enrollment at Florida Community College System institutions and within the Florida Community College System; amending s. 1008.30, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges, rather than the State Board of Education, to develop and implement a specified common placement test and approve a specified series of meta-majors and academic pathways with the Board

of Governors; providing that certain state universities may continue to provide developmental education instruction; establishing the Supporting Students for Academic Success Program; providing the purpose, requirements, funding, and reporting requirements of the program; amending s. 1008.31, F.S.; revising the legislative intent of Florida's K-20 education performance and accountability system to include recommendations from and reports to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.32, F.S.; removing the oversight enforcement authority of the State Board of Education relating to the Florida Community College System; amending s. 1008.345, F.S.; revising department responsibilities associated with the system of educational accountability to include duties for the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.37, F.S.; revising certain student reporting requirements of the Commissioner of Education to also require a report to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.38, F.S.; revising the articulation accountability process to include participation by the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.405, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules for the maintenance of specific information by Florida Community College System institutions; amending ss. 1008.44, 1008.45, 1009.21, 1009.22, 1009.23, and 1009.25, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; requiring that certain information regarding fee waivers be reported to the State Board of Community Colleges; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules; amending s. 1009.28, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 1009.90 and 1009.91, F.S.; revising the duties of the department to include reports to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1009.971, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1010.01, F.S.; requiring the financial records and accounts of Florida Community College System institutions to follow rules of the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education; requiring each Florida Community College System institution to annually file specified financial statements with the State Board of Community Colleges; amending ss. 1010.02 and 1010.04, F.S.; requiring the funds accruing to and purchases and leases by Florida Community College System institutions to follow rules of the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education; amending s. 1010.07, F.S.; requiring certain contractors to give bonds in an amount set by the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1010.08, F.S.; authorizing Florida Community College System boards of trustees to budget for promotion and public relations from certain funds; amending ss. 1010.09, 1010.22, 1010.30, and 1010.58, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1011.01, F.S.; requiring each Florida Community College System institution board of trustees to submit an annual operating budget according to rules of the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1011.011, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Education to collaborate with the State Board of Community Colleges on legislative budget requests relating to Florida Community College System institutions; amending ss. 1011.30 and 1011.32, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules; amending s. 1011.801, F.S.; specifying duties of the State Board of Community Colleges regarding funds for the operation of workforce education programs and the Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program; amending ss. 1011.81, 1011.82, 1011.83, 1011.84, and 1011.85, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1012.01, F.S.; redefining the term "school officers"; amending ss. 1012.80, 1012.81, 1012.83, 1012.855, and 1012.86, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1013.01, F.S.; providing that the term "board" does not include the State Board of Community Colleges when used in the context of certain educational facilities provisions; amending ss. 1013.02 and 1013.03, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules for and provide functions relating to educational facilities; amending s. 1013.28, F.S.; authorizing Florida Community College System institution boards of trustees to dispose of land or real property subject to rules of the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1013.31, F.S.; specifying the role of the State Board of Community Colleges in educational plant surveys for Florida Community College System institutions; amending ss. 1013.36, 1013.37, and 1013.40, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1013.47, F.S.; providing that certain contractors are subject to rules of the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1013.52, F.S.; specifying duties of the State Board of Community Colleges with regard to the cooperative development and joint use of facilities; amending s. 1013.65, F.S.; requiring the State

Board of Community Colleges to be provided with copies of authorized allocations or reallocations for the Public Education Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 542—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public financing of construction projects; creating s. 161.551, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting state-financed constructors from commencing construction of certain structures in coastal areas without first conducting a sea level impact projection study and having such study published and approved by the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the department to develop by rule standards for such studies; providing for enforcement; requiring the department to publish such studies on its website, subject to certain conditions; requiring the department to enforce certain requirements and to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 544—A bill to be entitled An act relating to procurement procedures; amending s. 120.57, F.S.; specifying the applicability of procedures for the resolution of protests arising from the contract solicitation or award process for certain procurements by specified transportation, expressway, and bridge authorities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 546—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transmission of disease through bodily fluids; providing a short title; amending s. 381.0041, F.S.; providing an exception to allow the donation of blood, plasma, organs, skin, or other human tissue by certain persons when deemed medically appropriate by a licensed physician; reclassifying a criminal offense relating to such donations; amending s. 384.23, F.S.; defining the terms "sexual conduct" and "substantial risk of transmission"; amending s. 384.24, F.S.; expanding the scope of unlawful acts by a person infected with a sexually transmissible disease; expanding the list of sexually transmissible diseases to include human immunodeficiency virus infections; specifying that a certain act is unlawful if the person committing the offense acts with the intent to transmit a specified disease, engages in conduct that poses a substantial risk of transmission of that disease to another person who is unaware that the person who transmits the disease is a carrier of the disease, and actually transmits the disease; providing that certain actions are not sufficient to establish intent on the part of the person who transmits the disease; defining the term "behavioral recommendations"; amending s. 384.34, F.S.; reclassifying specified criminal offenses; eliminating a fine for specified rule violations; amending ss. 775.0877 and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 548—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic infraction detectors; repealing s. 316.003(35) and (89), F.S., relating to the definitions of "local hearing officer" and "traffic infraction detector," respectively; repealing ss. 316.008(8), 316.0083, and 316.00831, F.S., relating to the installation and use of traffic infraction detectors to enforce

specified provisions when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal, provisions that authorize the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, a county, or a municipality to use such detectors and that cap fines and provide for the deposit and use of fines, and the distribution of specified penalties, respectively; repealing s. 316.07456, F.S., relating to transitional implementation of such detectors; repealing s. 316.0776, F.S., relating to placement and installation of traffic infraction detectors; repealing s. 318.15(3), F.S., relating to a required notification; repealing s. 321.50, F.S., relating to the authorization to use traffic infraction detectors; amending ss. 28.37, 316.003, 316.640, 316.650, 318.121, 318.14, 318.18, 320.03, 322.27, and 655.960, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Broxson and Rouson—

SR 550—A resolution supporting an extension of the current moratorium on drilling in the Gulf of Mexico east of the Military Mission Line.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Rules.

SB 552—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 554—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; establishing an annual use fee for the Orlando United license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop an Orlando United license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 556—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency medical air transportation services; creating s. 401.2515, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions; directing the Department of Health to establish the Emergency Medical Air Transportation Act Account within the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund; requiring the department to use the moneys in such account for specified purposes; providing duties of the director of the Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support; providing conditions for the department to increase Florida Medicaid reimbursement payments to emergency medical air transportation services providers; amending ss. 318.18 and 318.21, F.S.; requiring an additional penalty to be imposed for certain moving violations; providing for distribution and use of the moneys received; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 558—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency power for health care facilities; creating s. 408.822, F.S.; requiring certain health care facilities to have an operational generator and a supply of fuel which meet certain criteria by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 560—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings and records; amending s. 286.011, F.S.; expanding an exemption from public meetings requirements to allow specified entities to meet in private with an attorney to discuss imminent litigation if certain conditions are met; requiring the entity's attorney to identify the name of the potential claimant or litigant at a public meeting; requiring the transcript of a private meeting concerning imminent litigation to be made public upon the occurrence of a certain circumstance; specifying when litigation is considered imminent; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 562—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of smoking; amending s. 386.209, F.S.; authorizing municipalities and counties to further restrict smoking within the boundaries of certain public parks; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 564—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program; amending s. 1002.39, F.S.; providing that parents seeking an individual education plan reevaluation may request a specified meeting and evaluation from the school district; specifying that a school district may change a student's matrix of services as a result of an individual education plan reevaluation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 566—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unlawful detention by a transient occupant; amending s. 82.045, F.S.; revising factors that establish a person as a transient occupant of residential property; specifying circumstances when a transient occupancy terminates; providing that a transient occupancy is not extended by the presence of personal belongings of a former transient occupant; requiring the party entitled to possession of a dwelling to allow a former transient occupant to recover personal belongings at certain reasonable times and under reasonable conditions; authorizing a party entitled to possession of the dwelling, under certain circumstances, to impose additional conditions on access to the dwelling or personal belongings; providing a presumption of when a former transient occupant has abandoned his or her personal belongings; specifying a reasonable time to recover personal belongings and circumstances that may extend or shorten the time; authorizing a former transient occupant, under certain circumstances, to bring a civil action for damages or recovery of personal belongings; requiring a court to award the prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and costs; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 568—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telephone solicitation; amending s. 501.059, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "telephonic sales call" to include voicemail transmissions; prohibiting the

transmission of voicemails to specified persons who communicate to a telephone solicitor that they would not like to receive certain voicemail solicitations or requests for donations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 570—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; amending s. 921.0024, F.S.; revising the computation of the lowest permissible sentence under the Criminal Punishment Code; reenacting ss. 775.082(10), 921.00241(1), 921.0026(1) and (2)(m), 921.00265(1), 924.06(1)(e), 948.01(7) and (8), 948.06(2)(i) and (j) and (8)(b), and 948.20(1), F.S., relating to penalties, prison diversion programs, mitigating circumstances, recommended sentences, appeals by defendants, placement on probation or community control, violations of probation and community control, and drug offender probation, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 921.0024, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Mayfield and Gainer—

SB 572—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high-speed passenger rail; creating s. 341.601, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 341.602, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 341.603, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating s. 341.604, F.S.; providing applicability; creating s. 341.605, F.S.; providing powers and duties of the Florida Department of Transportation; authorizing the department to regulate railroads where that authority is not federally preempted; authorizing the department to collect information from relevant parties; requiring the department to keep certain records; requiring the department to adopt rules; creating s. 341.606, F.S.; requiring the Florida Division of Emergency Management to offer, under certain circumstances, the local communities and local emergency services located along the rail corridor training specifically designed to help them respond to an accident involving rail passengers or hazardous materials; creating s. 341.607, F.S.; providing reporting requirements for certain railroad companies; requiring the department to publish certain information on its website; requiring the department, in coordination with the Federal Railroad Administration and other necessary entities, to develop certain rules; specifying that reporting requirements are for informational purposes only and are not to be used to economically regulate a railroad company; creating s. 341.608, F.S.; specifying minimum safety standards for a high-speed passenger rail system; requiring certain railroad companies to comply with certain federal laws and regulations; specifying safety equipment and technology requirements for certain railroad companies; requiring certain railroad companies to meet specified requirements before operating a high-speed passenger rail system; creating s. 341.609, F.S.; requiring construction, maintenance, and repair of certain infrastructure by certain railroad companies; specifying requirements for certain roadbed modifications; providing for construction; creating s. 341.6101, F.S.; requiring the department's railroad inspectors, in accordance with a specified program, to meet certain certification requirements and to coordinate their activities with those of federal inspectors in the state in compliance with certain federal regulations; requiring the inspectors to report the results of their inspections, subject to certain requirements; requiring the reports to be made available on the department's website unless they are deemed confidential; creating s. 341.611, F.S.; requiring the department to adopt rules that identify standards for it to conduct field surveys of certain rail corridors; providing requirements for the field surveys; requiring the department to hold certain public meetings; requiring certain railroad companies to construct and maintain fences under certain circumstances; providing fencing requirements; providing that a railroad company operating a high-speed passenger rail system is liable for all damages arising from its failure to construct or maintain the fence, under certain circumstances; creating s. 341.612, F.S.; requiring a railroad company operating a high-speed passenger rail system to be solely responsible for certain maintenance, improvement, and upgrade costs; specifying that a governmental entity is not responsible for any costs associated with the maintenance and improvements necessary to

operate a high-speed passenger rail system unless the governmental entity expressly consents in writing; providing construction; creating s. 341.613, F.S.; establishing jurisdiction for the state to enforce specified provisions; requiring penalties for violations of specified provisions to be imposed upon the railroad company that commits such violations; creating s. 341.614, F.S.; providing severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 574—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tree and timber trimming, removal, and harvesting; creating s. 589.37, F.S.; preempting to the state the regulation of the trimming, removal, or harvesting of trees and timber on private property; prohibiting certain local governmental actions relating to the trimming or removal of trees or timber; prohibiting local governments from prohibiting the burial of vegetative debris on certain properties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senators Baxley, Perry, Stewart, and Broxson—

SB 576—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adoptee birth certificates; creating s. 382.0155, F.S.; defining a term; requiring the Department of Health to issue a noncertified copy of an original birth certificate to certain adoptees under certain conditions; requiring the department to develop certain forms and make such forms available to birth parents; requiring the department to maintain a birth parent's contact preference and medical history form; requiring the department to maintain certain statistics on its website; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 578—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic health records; amending s. 408.051, F.S.; requiring a contracted vendor to release certain electronic health care records to another vendor selected by the health care provider within a specified timeframe; requiring a contract between a vendor and a health care provider to include a certain provision related to the payment of liquidated damages; providing that a vendor that fails to transfer designated electronic health records within the required timeframe is liable under the provisions of such contract; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Rader—

SJR 580—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article I of the State Constitution to delete a provision authorizing laws that regulate or prohibit the ownership, inheritance, disposition, and possession of real property by aliens ineligible for citizenship.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Rader—

SB 582—A bill to be entitled An act relating to write-in candidate qualifying; repealing s. 99.0615, F.S., relating to write-in candidate residency requirements; repealing a requirement that all write-in candidates must reside within the district represented by the office sought at the time of qualification; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

SR 584—Not introduced.

By Senators Rader, Taddeo, and Book—

SB 586—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional personnel salaries; creating s. 1012.052, F.S.; providing a short title; requiring the Legislature to fund the Florida Education Finance Program at a level that ensures certain schedules guarantee a minimum annual starting salary for instructional personnel; specifying a statewide minimum salary for all instructional personnel for the 2018-2019 fiscal year; requiring the Department of Education to annually calculate an adjusted statewide minimum annual starting salary; providing requirements for calculating the adjustment; requiring district school boards to adjust the statewide minimum annual starting salary, as determined by the department, by applying the district cost differentials; specifying that the adjustment may not reduce a district's minimum annual starting salary below the statewide minimum annual starting salary; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Rader—

SB 588—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crimes evidencing prejudice; amending s. 775.085, F.S.; expanding grounds for the reclassification of crimes to include prejudice based on the gender or gender identity of the victim; defining the term “gender identity”; amending s. 775.0863, F.S.; expanding grounds for reclassification of crimes to include prejudice based on a disability of the victim; redefining the term “disability”; reenacting s. 921.0022(2), F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code and the offense severity ranking chart, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 775.085 and 775.0863, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Garcia and Campbell—

SB 590—A bill to be entitled An act relating to kinship care; creating s. 39.4015, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; requiring the Department of Children and Families, in collaboration with sheriffs' offices that conduct child protective investigations and community-based care lead agencies, to develop a statewide family finding program; requiring the implementation of family finding before a specified date; requiring the department and community-based care lead agencies to document strategies taken to engage relatives and kin; providing strategies to engage relatives and kin; requiring the department and community-based care lead agencies to use diligent efforts in family finding; providing that a basic computer search using the Internet or an attempt to contact known relatives at a last known address or telephone number is insufficient; requiring determinations by the court; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; requiring the department to provide financial assistance for kinship caregivers who meet certain requirements; providing eligibility requirements for such financial assistance; providing that children living with caregivers who are receiving financial assistance are eligible for Medicaid coverage; providing the purpose of a kinship navigator program; requiring each community-based care lead agency to establish a kinship navigator program by a certain date; providing requirements for programs; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 39.604, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent; revising attendance and reporting requirements for children enrolled in early education or child care programs; amending s. 414.045, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 592—A bill to be entitled An act relating to law enforcement practices; creating s. 316.651, F.S.; requiring a law enforcement officer or traffic enforcement officer who issues a traffic citation during a traffic stop to record certain information on the citation; requiring law enforcement agencies to provide such information to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; requiring the department to report such information to the Governor and Legislature and make such information available on its website; amending s. 316.614, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 943.1714, F.S.; defining the term “racial profiling”; prohibiting a law enforcement officer from engaging in racial profiling in the performance of official duties; requiring law enforcement agencies to adopt policies to prohibit racial profiling; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discrimination in labor and employment; creating the “Senator Helen Gordon Davis Fair Pay Protection Act”; amending s. 448.07, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting an employer from providing less favorable employment opportunities to employees based on their sex; providing exceptions; revising applicability; providing civil penalties; providing an exemption; amending s. 448.102, F.S.; prohibiting an employer from taking certain employment actions against employees; creating s. 448.111, F.S.; prohibiting an employer from engaging in certain activities relating to employee wages and benefits or requiring employees to sign certain waivers and documents; providing applicability; authorizing an employer to confirm wage or salary history under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 596—A bill to be entitled An act relating to control of human trafficking; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to develop human trafficking awareness campaigns; requiring the department to develop and operate a hotline to receive reports of potential human trafficking activity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 598—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.0515, F.S.; specifying that certain information retained by the Criminal Justice Information Program relating to juvenile offenders is exempt from public records requirements; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; amending s. 943.053, F.S.; deleting exceptions from an exemption from public records requirements for certain information relating to juvenile offenders; delaying future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing a statement of public necessity; reenacting ss. 943.046(1), 943.0543(5), 943.05(2)(h), 943.056(1), 985.04(1)(a) and (6)(a), 985.045(2), and 985.11(1)(b), F.S., relating to notification of criminal offender information, ratification and implementation of the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact, the Criminal Justice Information Program, criminal history records, confidential information and treatment of records, court records, and fingerprinting and photographing, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.053, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 600—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; amending s. 1009.532, F.S.; revising the criteria for renewal of Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program awards to include a minimum number of volunteer service work hours; specifying the requirements for eligible volunteer service work; prohibiting the use of hours earned from certain work to satisfy the requirements; requiring that earned volunteer service work hours be documented in writing and signed by specified individuals; providing an exception for a student who enlists in military service; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 602—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory minimum sentences; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; authorizing a court to depart from certain mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for drug trafficking if it makes specified findings; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 604—A bill to be entitled An act relating to actions against contractors without required insurance coverage; creating s. 768.0426, F.S.; providing that a contractor who fails to carry required insurance may be personally liable for damages that would have been covered by such insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Steube, Book, Rouson, and Stewart—

SB 606—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; adding 911 public safety telecommunicators to the class; requiring such members to have their retirement benefits calculated in accordance with provisions applicable to Regular Class members; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.71, F.S.; specifying the required employer retirement contribution rates for the new membership subclass of 911 public safety telecommunicators; declaring that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 608—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; providing a short title; amending s. 119.021, F.S.; requiring an agency to review for information susceptible to use for purposes of identity theft or fraud before making postings to a publicly available website; prohibiting an agency from posting to a publicly available website an image or a copy of a public record containing information susceptible to use for purposes of identity theft or fraud; requiring the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State to adopt certain rules; requiring an agency to establish a policy providing for requests to remove an image or a copy of a public record containing information susceptible to use for purposes of identity theft and fraud; specifying requirements for the policy; authorizing an agency to post images or copies of records containing information which is not otherwise exempt

to portions of websites not accessible to the general public; providing a finding of an important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 610—A bill to be entitled An act relating to business filings; amending ss. 605.0210 and 607.0125, F.S.; requiring that the Department of State develop and offer an optional secure business filing service designed to discourage fraudulent filings; requiring that the service notify an entity via e-mail whenever a document relating to the entity is delivered for filing; requiring that the entity have the opportunity to review the file; requiring the department to give the entity an opportunity to reject further processing of the filing; authorizing the department to keep any fees associated with a rejected filing; requiring that the department file the document within 15 days after receipt if the entity does not reject further processing; providing an exception; requiring the department to deliver a notification of the filing through e-mail or deliver a certified copy of the document to the mailing address and physical address of the entity or its authorized representative; amending s. 617.0125, F.S.; requiring that the department develop and offer an optional secure business filing service designed to discourage fraudulent filings; requiring that the service notify a corporation via e-mail whenever a document relating to the corporation is delivered for filing; requiring that the corporation have the opportunity to review the file; requiring the department to give the corporation an opportunity to reject further processing of the filing; authorizing the department to keep any fees associated with a rejected filing; requiring that the department file the document within 15 days after receipt if the corporation does not reject further processing; providing exceptions; requiring the department to deliver a notification of the filing through e-mail or deliver a certified copy of the document to the mailing address and physical address of the corporation or its representative; amending s. 620.8105, F.S.; requiring that the department develop and offer an optional secure business filing service designed to discourage fraudulent filings; requiring that the service notify a partnership whenever a document relating to the partnership is delivered for filing; requiring that the partnership have the opportunity to review the file; requiring the department to give the partnership an opportunity to reject further processing of the filing; authorizing the department to keep any fees associated with a rejected filing; requiring that the department file the document within 15 days after receipt if the partnership does not reject further processing; requiring the department to deliver a notification of the filing through e-mail or deliver a certified copy of the document to the mailing address and physical address of the partnership or its agent; amending s. 605.0206, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending ss. 605.0103, 605.0123, 617.0123, 620.8303, 620.8304, 620.8704, 620.8914, 620.8918, 620.9001, and 620.9102, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 612—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual offenders; creating s. 83.495, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; requiring that all residential rental agreements of a certain duration contain a distinct and prominent disclosure statement regarding the employment of sexual offenders; requiring that the disclosure statement contain an acknowledgement of receipt to be signed by the tenant in the presence of a witness; requiring the disclosure statement to be maintained within the tenant file and available to the tenant upon request; providing that the rental agreement is not complete until the acknowledgement of receipt in the disclosure statement has been signed by the tenant; authorizing a tenant to cancel the agreement within a specified period of time and to receive a refund of all deposit moneys without penalty if the agreement disclosed the employment of a sexual offender; authorizing a tenant to void a rental agreement at any time if such disclosure was not made; requiring that all deposit moneys less a deduction for certain damages be returned to the tenant upon the tenant's request under such circumstances; requiring the disclosure statement, including the

acknowledgement of receipt, to be updated upon renewal of a residential rental agreement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 614—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Participant Local Government Advisory Council; amending s. 218.409, F.S.; abolishing the Participant Local Government Advisory Council; amending ss. 218.421 and 218.422, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 616—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle dealers; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “motor vehicle dealer,” “franchised motor vehicle dealer,” “independent motor vehicle dealer,” “wholesale motor vehicle dealer,” and “motor vehicle broker”; prohibiting persons from engaging in business as, serving in the capacity of, or acting as a motor vehicle broker in this state without first obtaining a certain license; adding an exception to the prohibition on persons other than a licensed motor vehicle dealer from advertising for sale any motor vehicle belonging to another party; requiring any person acting in violation of specified licensing requirements to be deemed to have committed an unfair and deceptive trade practice in violation of specified provisions; requiring an initial license certificate to be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in accordance with an application when the application is regular in form and in compliance with specified provisions; providing for expiration of a license issued to a motor vehicle broker; deleting provisions relating to renewal forms, license certificates, and initial license applications; requiring each initial application for licensure as an independent motor vehicle dealer received by the department to be accompanied by certain verification of training; providing training requirements; providing an exemption; authorizing the department to adopt certain rules; providing that the curriculum for certain subjects is approved by any and all other regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over the specific subject matters; requiring that the overall administration of the licensing of dealer schools and their instructors remains with the department; authorizing the schools to charge a fee for training; requiring the department to deliver or mail to each licensee the necessary renewal forms within a specified period; requiring independent motor vehicle dealers to complete certain certification relating to continuing education, subject to certain requirements; defining the term “dealer”; providing requirements for continuing education; requiring dealer schools to provide certificates of completion to the department and customer; requiring franchised motor vehicle dealers to complete certain industry certification, subject to certain requirements; authorizing such certification to be accomplished by one designated employee under certain circumstances; providing certification requirements; requiring designated individuals to receive certificates of completion; requiring licensees who do not file their application and any other requisite documents with, and pay the fees to, the department within a specified period to cease engaging in business; providing fees for a renewal or new application filed with the department within specified periods after the expiration date; authorizing a license certificate to be modified to show a change in the name of the licensee, subject to certain requirements; requiring a specified fee for such modification; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Baxley, Steube, Book, Rouson, and Mayfield—

SB 618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to subpoenas in investigations of sexual offenses; creating s. 934.255, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing an investigative or law enforcement officer conducting an investigation into specified matters to subpoena certain persons or entities for the production of records, documents, or other tangible things

and testimony; specifying requirements for the issuance of a subpoena; requiring that a subpoenaed witness be paid certain fees and mileage; prohibiting the use of a subpoena to compel records, documents, or other tangible objects protected under certain circumstances; authorizing a subpoenaed person to petition a court for an order modifying or setting aside the subpoena or a prohibition on disclosure; authorizing an investigative or law enforcement officer to retain subpoenaed records, documents, or other tangible objects under certain circumstances; prohibiting the disclosure of a subpoena for a specified period if the disclosure might result in an adverse result; providing exceptions; specifying the acts that constitute an adverse result; requiring the investigative or law enforcement officer to maintain a true copy of a written certification; authorizing a court to grant extension of certain periods under certain circumstances; requiring an investigative or law enforcement officer to serve or deliver a copy of the process along with specified information upon the expiration of a nondisclosure period or delay of notification; authorizing an investigative or law enforcement officer to apply to a court for an order prohibiting certain entities from notifying the existence of a subpoena under certain circumstances; requiring that a subpoena be served in a specified manner; authorizing an investigative or law enforcement officer to petition a court to compel compliance; authorizing a court to punish a person who does not comply with a subpoena as indirect criminal contempt; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Passidomo and Young—

SB 620—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a disaster preparedness tax exemption; providing a sales and use tax exemption for certain tangible personal property related to disaster preparedness during a specified period; providing exceptions to the exemption; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an expiration date; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 622—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care facility regulation; creating s. 154.13, F.S.; providing that a designated facility owned or operated by a public health trust and located within the boundaries of a municipality is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the county creating the public health trust; amending ss. 381.0031, 381.004, 384.31, 395.009, 400.0625, and 409.905, F.S.; eliminating state licensure requirements for clinical laboratories; requiring clinical laboratories to be federally certified; amending s. 383.313, F.S.; requiring a birth center to be federally certified and meet specified requirements to perform certain laboratory tests; repealing s. 383.335, F.S., relating to partial exemptions from licensure requirements for certain facilities that provide obstetrical and gynecological surgical services; amending s. 395.002, F.S.; revising and deleting definitions to remove the term “mobile surgical facility”; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 395.0091, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel, to adopt rules establishing criteria for alternate-site laboratory testing; requiring specifications to be included in the criteria; defining the term “alternate-site testing”; amending ss. 395.0161 and 395.0163, F.S.; deleting licensure and inspection requirements for mobile surgical facilities to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 395.0197, F.S.; requiring the manager of a hospital or ambulatory surgical center internal risk management program to demonstrate competence in specified administrative and health care service areas; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 395.1046, F.S., relating to hospital complaint investigation procedures; amending s. 395.1055, F.S.; requiring hospitals that provide specified services to meet agency licensure requirements; providing standards to be included in licensure requirements; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring a level 2 background screening for personnel of distinct part nursing units; repealing ss. 395.10971 and 395.10972, F.S., relating to the purpose and the establishment of the Health Care Risk Manager Advisory Council, respectively; amending s. 395.10973, F.S.; removing requirements relating to agency standards for health care risk man-

agers to conform provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 395.10974, F.S., relating to licensure of health care risk managers, qualifications, licensure, and fees; repealing s. 395.10975, F.S., relating to grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation of a health care risk manager's license and an administrative fine; amending s. 395.602, F.S.; deleting definitions for the terms "emergency care hospital", "essential access community hospital", "inactive rural hospital bed", and "rural primary care hospital"; amending s. 395.603, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to deactivation of general hospital beds by certain rural and emergency care hospitals; repealing s. 395.604, F.S., relating to other rural hospital programs; repealing s. 395.605, F.S., relating to emergency care hospitals; amending s. 395.701, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "hospital" to exclude hospitals operated by a state agency; amending s. 400.191, F.S.; removing the 30-month reporting timeframe for the Nursing Home Guide; amending s. 400.464, F.S.; requiring that a license issued to a home health agency on or after a specified date specify the services the organization is authorized to perform and whether the services constitute skilled care; providing that the provision or advertising of certain services constitutes unlicensed activity under certain circumstances; authorizing certain persons, entities or organizations providing home health services to voluntarily apply for a certificate of exemption from licensure by providing certain information to the agency; providing that the certificate is valid for a specified time and is nontransferable; authorizing the agency to charge a fee for the certificate; amending s. 400.471, F.S.; revising home health agency licensure requirements; providing requirements for proof of accreditation for home health agencies applying for change of ownership or the addition of skilled care services; removing a provision prohibiting the agency from issuing a license to a home health agency that fails to satisfy the requirements of a Medicare certification survey from the agency; amending s. 400.474, F.S.; revising conditions for the imposition of a fine against a home health agency; amending s. 400.476, F.S.; requiring a home health agency providing skilled nursing care to have a director of nursing; amending s. 400.484, F.S.; imposing administrative fines on home health agencies for specified classes of violations; amending s. 400.497, F.S.; requiring the agency to adopt, publish, and enforce rules establishing standards for certificates of exemption; amending s. 400.506, F.S.; specifying a criminal penalty for any person who owns, operates, or maintains an unlicensed nurse registry that fails to cease operation immediately and apply for a license after notification from the agency; revising provisions authorizing the agency to impose a fine on a nurse registry that fails to cease operation after agency notification; revising circumstances under which the agency is authorized to deny, suspend, or revoke a license or impose a fine on a nurse registry; amending s. 400.606, F.S.; removing a requirement that an existing licensed health care provider's hospice licensure application be accompanied by a copy of the most recent profit-loss statement and licensure inspection report; amending s. 400.925, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "home medical equipment"; amending s. 400.931, F.S.; requiring a home medical equipment provider to notify the agency of certain personnel changes within a specified timeframe; amending s. 400.933, F.S.; requiring the agency to accept the submission of a valid medical oxygen retail establishment permit issued by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation in lieu of an agency inspection for licensure; amending s. 400.980, F.S.; revising the timeframe within which a health care services pool registrant must provide the agency with certain changes of information; amending s. 400.9935, F.S.; specifying that a voluntary certificate of exemption may be valid for up to 2 years; amending s. 408.0361, F.S.; providing an exception for a hospital to become a Level I Adult Cardiovascular provider if certain requirements are met; amending s. 408.061, F.S.; excluding hospitals operated by state agencies from certain financial reporting requirements; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 408.07, F.S.; deleting the definition for the term "clinical laboratory"; amending s. 408.20, F.S.; exempting hospitals operated by any state agency from assessments against the Health Care Trust Fund to fund certain agency activities; repealing s. 408.7056, F.S., relating to the Subscriber Assistance Program; amending s. 408.803, F.S.; defining the term "relative" for purposes of the Health Care Licensing Procedures Act; amending s. 408.806, F.S.; authorizing licensees who hold licenses for multiple providers to request that the agency align related license expiration dates; authorizing the agency to issue licenses for an abbreviated licensure period and to charge a prorated licensure fee; amending s. 408.809, F.S.; expanding the scope of persons subject to a level 2 background screening to include any employee of a licensee who is a controlling interest and certain part-time contractors; amending s. 408.810, F.S.; providing that an applicant for change of ownership li-

censure is exempt from furnishing proof of financial ability to operate if certain conditions are met; authorizing the agency to adopt rules governing circumstances under which a controlling interest may act in certain legal capacities on behalf of a patient or client; requiring a licensee to ensure that certain persons do not hold an ownership interest if the licensee is not organized as or owned by a publicly traded corporation; defining the term "publicly traded corporation"; amending s. 408.812, F.S.; providing that certain unlicensed activity by a provider constitutes abuse and neglect; clarifying that the agency may impose a fine or penalty, as prescribed in an authorizing statute, if an unlicensed provider who has received notification fails to cease operation; authorizing the agency to revoke all licenses and impose a fine or penalties upon a controlling interest or licensee who has an interest in more than one provider and who fails to license a provider rendering services that require licensure in certain circumstances; amending s. 408.820, F.S.; deleting certain exemptions from part II of ch. 408, F.S., for specified providers to conform provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 409.907, F.S.; removing the agency's authority to consider certain factors in determining whether to enter into, and in maintaining, a Medicaid provider agreement; amending s. 429.02, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms "assisted living facility" and "personal services"; amending s. 429.04, F.S.; providing additional exemptions from licensure as an assisted living facility; requiring a person or entity asserting the exemption to provide documentation that substantiates the claim upon agency investigation of unlicensed activity; amending s. 429.08, F.S.; providing criminal penalties and fines for a person who rents or otherwise maintains a building or property use as an unlicensed assisted living facility; providing criminal penalties and fines for a person who owns, operates, or maintains an unlicensed assisted living facility after receiving notice from the agency; amending s. 429.176, F.S.; prohibiting an assisted living facility from operating for more than a specified time without an administrator who has completed certain educational requirements; amending s. 429.24, F.S.; providing that 30-day written notice of rate increase for residency in an assisted living facility is not required in certain situations; amending s. 429.28, F.S.; revising the assisted living facility resident bill of rights to include assistance with obtaining access to adequate and appropriate health care; defining the term "adequate and appropriate health care"; deleting a requirement that the agency conduct at least one monitoring visit under certain circumstances; deleting provisions authorizing the agency to conduct periodic followup inspections and complaint investigations under certain circumstances; amending s. 429.294, F.S.; deleting the specified timeframe within which an assisted living facility must provide complete copies of a resident's records in an investigation of resident's rights; amending s. 429.34, F.S.; authorizing the agency to inspect and investigate assisted living facilities as necessary to determine compliance with certain laws; removing a provision requiring the agency to inspect each licensed assisted living facility at least biennially; authorizing the agency to conduct monitoring visits of each facility cited for prior violations under certain circumstances; amending s. 429.52, F.S.; requiring an assisted living facility administrator to complete required training and education within a specified timeframe; amending s. 435.04, F.S.; providing that security background investigations must ensure that a person has not been arrested for, and is not awaiting final disposition of, certain offenses; requiring that security background investigations for purposes of participation in the Medicaid program screen for violations of federal or state law, rule, or regulation governing any state Medicaid program, the Medicare program, or any other publicly funded federal or state health care or health insurance program; specifying offenses under federal law or any state law that the security background investigations must screen for; amending s. 435.12, F.S.; revising fingerprinting requirements for purposes of a person's inclusion in the care provider background screening clearinghouse; amending s. 456.054, F.S.; prohibiting any person or entity from paying or receiving a kickback for referring patients to a clinical laboratory; prohibiting a clinical laboratory from providing personnel to perform certain functions or duties in a health care practitioner's office or dialysis facility; providing an exception; prohibiting a clinical laboratory from leasing space in any part of a health care practitioner's office or dialysis facility; repealing part I of ch. 483, F.S., relating to clinical laboratories; amending s. 483.294, F.S.; removing a requirement that the agency inspect multiphasic health testing centers at least once annually; amending s. 483.801, F.S.; providing an exemption from regulation for certain persons employed by certain laboratories; amending s. 483.803, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms "clinical laboratory", and "clinical laboratory examination"; removing a cross-reference; amending s. 641.511, F.S.; revising health

maintenance organization subscriber grievance reporting requirements; repealing s. 641.60, F.S., relating to the Statewide Managed Care Ombudsman Committee; repealing s. 641.65, F.S., relating to district managed care ombudsman committees; repealing s. 641.67, F.S., relating to a district managed care ombudsman committee, exemption from public records requirements, and exceptions; repealing s. 641.68, F.S., relating to a district managed care ombudsman committee and exemption from public meeting requirements; repealing s. 641.70, F.S., relating to agency duties relating to the Statewide Managed Care Ombudsman Committee and the district managed care ombudsman committees; repealing s. 641.75, F.S., relating to immunity from liability and limitation on testimony; amending s. 945.36, F.S.; authorizing law enforcement personnel to conduct drug tests on certain inmates and releasees; amending ss. 20.43, 220.1845, 376.30781, 376.86, 381.0034, 381.0405, 383.14, 383.30, 383.301, 383.302, 383.305, 383.309, 383.33, 385.211, 394.4787, 395.001, 395.003, 395.7015, 400.9905, 408.033, 408.036, 408.802, 409.9116, 409.975, 429.19, 456.001, 456.057, 456.076, 458.307, 458.345, 459.021, 483.813, 483.823, 491.003, 627.351, 627.602, 627.6406, 627.64194, 627.6513, 627.6574, 641.185, 641.31, 641.312, 641.3154, 641.51, 641.515, 641.55, 766.118, 766.202, 1009.65, and 1011.52, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drones; amending s. 330.41, F.S.; defining the term “fixed-site facility”; prohibiting a person from knowingly or willingly operating a drone over, allowing a drone to make contact with, allowing a drone to come within a certain distance of, or using a drone to introduce contraband into or within the secure perimeter of a fixed-site facility; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 934.50, F.S.; authorizing the use of a drone if a law enforcement agency possesses reasonable suspicion that, under particular circumstances, swift action is needed to facilitate the collection of evidence at a crime scene or traffic crash scene; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 626—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public electric utility rates; amending s. 366.06, F.S.; requiring public electric utilities to charge specified electric rates as of a certain date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Community Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Grimsley, Steube, and Broxson—

SB 628—A bill to be entitled An act relating to maintenance of certification or recertification; creating ss. 458.3113 and 459.0056, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; prohibiting the Boards of Medicine and Osteopathic Medicine, respectively, the Department of Health, certain health care facilities, and insurers from requiring physicians and osteopathic physicians to maintain certification or obtain recertification as a condition of licensure, reimbursement, or admitting privileges; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

SB 630—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Montford—

SB 632—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel registration; amending s. 328.80, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue an electronic certificate of registration for a vessel, to collect electronic mail addresses, and to use electronic mail for certain purposes; amending s. 328.48, F.S.; authorizing a vessel operator to present such electronic certificate for inspection under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 634—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trauma-informed services for children; amending s. 394.495, F.S.; prohibiting a child who has suffered sexual exploitation from being placed in a generic shelter setting when safe-harbor or trauma-informed housing is not available; requiring the Department of Children and Families to assemble a team of specified experts to determine the safest placement for the child; providing criteria for placement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 636—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure of internationally trained physicians; amending s. 458.3124, F.S.; establishing requirements to allow certain foreign-trained physicians to obtain a restricted license; requiring restricted licensees to meet certain practice conditions; authorizing a restricted licensee to apply to take Step III of the United States Medical Licensing Examination in certain circumstances; providing that a restricted license is valid for a specified period of time; requiring the department to issue a full license to a restricted licensee if certain conditions are met; requiring the Department of Health to renew a restricted license if certain conditions are met; authorizing a person whose restricted license was revoked to seek licensure under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 638—A bill to be entitled An act relating to delivery of nursing services; creating the “Florida Hospital Patient Protection Act”; creating s. 395.1014, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining terms; requiring that each health care facility implement a staffing plan that provides minimum direct care registered nursing staffing levels; requiring a direct care registered nurse to demonstrate competence and to receive specified orientation before being assigned to a hospital or clinical unit; prohibiting a health care facility from imposing mandatory overtime and from engaging in certain other actions; providing requirements for the staffing plan; specifying the required ratios of direct care registered nurses to patients for each type of care provided; prohibiting a health care facility from using an acuity adjustable unit to care for a patient; prohibiting a health care facility from using video cameras or monitors as substitutes for the required level of care; providing an exception during a declared state of emergency; requiring that the chief nursing officer of a health care facility, or his or her designee, develop a staffing plan that meets the required direct care registered nurse staffing levels; requiring that a health care facility annually evaluate its actual direct care registered nurse staffing levels and update the staffing plan and acuity-based patient classification system; requiring that certain documentation be submitted to the Agency for Health Care Administration and be made available for public inspection; requiring that the agency approve uniform standards for use by health care facilities in establishing nurse staffing requirements by a specified date; providing requirements for the committee members who are appointed to develop the uniform standards; requiring health care

facilities to annually report certain information to the agency and to post a notice containing such information in each unit of the facility; providing recordkeeping requirements; prohibiting a health care facility from assigning unlicensed personnel to perform functions or tasks that are performed by a licensed or registered nurse; specifying those actions that constitute professional practice by a direct care registered nurse; requiring that a patient assessment be performed only by a direct care registered nurse; authorizing a direct care registered nurse to assign certain specified activities to other licensed or unlicensed nursing staff under certain circumstances; prohibiting a health care facility from deploying technology that limits certain care provided by a direct care registered nurse; providing applicability; providing that it is a duty and right of a direct care registered nurse to act as the patient's advocate; providing certain requirements with respect to such duty; prohibiting a direct care registered nurse from accepting an assignment under specified circumstances; authorizing a direct care registered nurse to refuse to accept an assignment or to perform a task under certain circumstances; requiring a direct care registered nurse to initiate action or to change a decision or an activity relating to a patient's health care under certain circumstances; prohibiting a health care facility from discharging, or from discriminating, retaliating, or filing a complaint or report against, a direct care registered nurse based on such refusal; providing that a direct care registered nurse has a right of action against a health care facility that violates certain provisions; requiring that the agency establish a toll-free telephone hotline to provide information and to receive reports of certain violations; requiring that certain information be provided to each patient who is admitted to a health care facility; prohibiting a health care facility from engaging in certain actions; prohibiting a health care facility from interfering with the right of nurses to organize, bargain collectively, and engage in concerted activity under a federal act; authorizing the agency to impose fines for violations; requiring that the agency post on its website information regarding health care facilities on which civil penalties have been imposed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 640—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer finance loans; creating s. 516.40, F.S.; establishing the Access to Responsible Credit Pilot Program within the Office of Financial Regulation; providing legislative findings and intent; creating s. 516.41, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 516.42, F.S.; prohibiting a person from certain actions relating to program loans unless the person obtains a pilot program license from the office; providing criteria for participation in the pilot program; specifying application requirements and fees; providing for construction; specifying a renewal fee; providing that only one pilot program license is required for a person to make program loans; requiring licensure of branch offices of a program licensee; specifying application requirements and fees for a program branch office license; requiring program branch office licenses to be renewed biennially and specifying a branch office renewal fee; creating s. 516.43, F.S.; providing requirements, limitations, and prohibitions relating to program loans and the refinancing of program loans; authorizing licensees to provide certain documents in the language in which the loan was negotiated; requiring a program licensee to pay for certain translation costs incurred by the office; requiring a program licensee to provide specified disclosures; authorizing a program licensee to contract for and receive a specified origination fee from a borrower on a program loan; specifying methods for collecting the origination fee; specifying limitations on the amount and frequency of the origination fee; authorizing a program licensee to collect specified insufficient funds fees and delinquency charges; providing that program licensees or their wholly owned subsidiaries may not sell or assign unpaid debts to independent third parties for collection purposes unless the debt has been delinquent for a specified timeframe; requiring program licensees to direct borrowers to certain credit counseling services or provide certain credit education to borrowers before disbursing program loan proceeds; requiring program licensees to report borrowers' payment performance to at least one specified consumer reporting agency; defining the term "consumer reporting agency that compiles and maintains files on consumers on a nationwide basis"; prohibiting the office from approving a person for the program before the person is accepted as a data furnisher by a consumer reporting agency; requiring program licensees to provide borrowers

with the names of consumer reporting agencies that payment histories are reported to; requiring a program licensee to underwrite each program loan; prohibiting a program licensee from making a program loan under certain circumstances; providing underwriting procedures and requirements; prohibiting a program licensee from requiring certain waivers from a borrower or from certain acts against a borrower who refuses certain waivers; providing applicability and construction; creating s. 516.44, F.S.; requiring arrangements between a program licensee and a referral partner to be specified in a written agreement; providing requirements for such agreement; specifying authorized services of referral partners; providing requirements for a referral partner who accepts program loan payments from a borrower; providing construction; prohibiting referral partners from performing specified activities; requiring a referral partner to provide a specified notice to an applicant for a program loan and certain assistance to the applicant under certain circumstances; specifying requirements, limitations, and prohibitions for the compensation of a referral partner by a program licensee; requiring a program licensee to provide, within a certain timeframe, a specified notice to the office after entering into a contract with a referral partner; requiring a referral partner to provide, within a specified timeframe, written notice to the program licensee of changes to certain information; providing that program licensees are responsible for the acts of referral partners which are in violation of ch. 516, F.S.; requiring a program licensee to pay a specified fee to the office to file a referral partner notice; requiring the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; creating s. 516.45, F.S.; requiring the office, beginning on a specified date, to examine program licensees at specified intervals; providing an exception; requiring program licensees to pay the cost of examinations; authorizing the office to maintain an action for recovery of such cost; authorizing a method to determine the cost of examinations; providing a limitation to the scope of investigations or examinations; providing that a program licensee is subject to certain disciplinary actions for certain violations; authorizing the office to take certain disciplinary actions; creating s. 516.46, F.S.; requiring a program licensee, beginning on a certain date, to file a specified annual report with the office; requiring the office to post, by a certain date, a report to its website summarizing the use of the program; specifying information to be contained in the office's report; providing for conditional future repeal of the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 642—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deferred presentment transactions; amending s. 560.404, F.S.; revising the maximum interest, fees, and charges that deferred presentment providers or their affiliates may charge, collect, or receive in deferred presentment transactions; reenacting s. 560.111(5), F.S., relating to prohibited acts, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 560.404, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 644—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile civil citation and similar diversion programs; amending s. 985.12, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the establishment of civil citation or similar diversion programs for juveniles; specifying program eligibility, participation, and implementation requirements; providing exceptions; providing applicability; providing construction; amending ss. 943.051 and 985.11, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Rodriguez and Farmer—

SB 646—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Sunshine Scholarship Program; creating s. 1009.894, F.S.; establishing the Sunshine Scholarship Program for specified purposes; requiring the Department

of Education to administer the program; providing student eligibility requirements; requiring a student to repay the scholarship amount under certain circumstances; providing that the program applies only to a student's tuition; providing for funding; providing for rulemaking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 648—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment services for persons with disabilities; creating ss. 413.015 and 413.209, F.S.; specifying that participants in certain disabled persons' work experience activities are considered state employees for workers' compensation purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 650—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administrative review of property taxes; amending s. 194.011, F.S.; providing that under certain circumstances, petitions to the value adjustment board may be late filed within a specified timeframe, subject to certain limitations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 652—A bill to be entitled An act relating to costs of prosecution and investigation; amending s. 938.27, F.S.; prohibiting the inclusion in negotiated plea agreements of costs for the state attorney which are greater than the minimum allowed; reenacting s. 985.032(2), F.S., relating to assessing costs of prosecution to a juvenile, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 938.27, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Early Childhood Music Education Incentive Pilot Program; amending s. 1003.481, F.S.; extending the scheduled expiration of the pilot program; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 656—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public utility environmental remediation costs; creating s. 366.8256, F.S.; defining the term "county"; authorizing a municipality or a county operating under a home rule charter to file a request with the Public Service Commission for a hearing for a determination of prudence on environmental damage caused by a public utility; prohibiting the commission from conducting any hearing regarding recovery for remediation of such environmental damage until after the commission makes such a determination or until the request is dismissed; requiring that pending hearings regarding recovery for remediation of such environmental damage be stayed until after the commission makes its determination or until the request is dismissed; requiring the public utility to submit a cost estimate for certain remediation expenses; requiring the commission to make a determination as to the prudence of a utility's actions leading up to and in response to the environmental damage; prohibiting the utility from recovering expenditures to remedy the damage upon a finding that the

utility did not act prudently; requiring the utility to develop a plan to remedy damages under certain circumstances; requiring the utility to specify how certain expenditures will be internalized; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 658—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; authorizing counties imposing the tax to use the tax revenues, under certain circumstances, for specified purposes and costs relating to public facilities; defining the term "public facilities"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 660—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Insurance Code exemption for nonprofit religious organizations; amending s. 624.1265, F.S.; revising criteria under which a nonprofit religious organization that facilitates the sharing of contributions among its participants for financial or medical needs is exempt from requirements of the code; revising construction; revising requirements for a notice provided by the organization; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 662—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protection for vulnerable investors; creating s. 517.34, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing securities dealers, investment advisers, and associated persons to place temporary holds on transactions regarding certain accounts if the dealer, investment adviser, or associated person believes in good faith that exploitation of specified adults has occurred, is occurring, or has been attempted in connection with the transactions and if the dealer, investment adviser, or associated person complies with specified requirements; providing that such holds expire after a specified timeframe; authorizing dealers, investment advisers, and associated persons to extend holds under certain circumstances for up to a specified timeframe; providing that the length of holds may be shortened or extended by certain courts or agencies; authorizing dealers, investment advisers, and associated persons to provide certain records to the Department of Children and Families or law enforcement agencies upon request; authorizing the department to inform reporting parties of certain information; providing that dealers, investment advisers, and associated persons are immune from liability for certain actions; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Young and Steube—

SB 664—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the salvage of pleasure vessels; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 559.9601, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 559.9602, F.S.; providing scope and applicability; creating s. 559.9603, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 559.9604, F.S.; requiring salvors of pleasure vessels to provide a specified written disclosure statement and salvage work estimate; creating s. 559.9605, F.S.; requiring such salvors to obtain customer permission before exceeding the written estimate by more than a specified amount; specifying salvor responsibilities and rights to certain fees in the event that a customer cancels the order for salvage; creating s. 559.9606, F.S.; requiring salvors to post specified signage on their vessels; creating s. 559.9607, F.S.; specifying violations; creating s. 559.9608, F.S.; providing remedies;

specifying that such remedies are in addition to others provided by law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 666—A bill to be entitled An act relating to noncriminal traffic infractions; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; requiring a specified reduction for a civil penalty under certain circumstances; deleting the requirement that a specified percentage of the civil penalty be deposited in the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund; amending s. 318.15, F.S.; requiring a person to pay the clerk of the court the specified percentage previously deducted under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 668—A bill to be entitled An act relating to year-round school programs; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; authorizing a district school board to create a year-round school program for any school within its district that is one of the 300 lowest-performing schools in the state; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising the intensive reading instruction options that a school district with one or more of the 300 lowest-performing elementary schools has; authorizing a specified number of hours in a summer program or a year-round school program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Baxley and Bradley—

SB 670—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ratification of rules of the St. Johns River Water Management District; ratifying a specified rule relating to supplemental regulatory measures for the minimum flows and levels of Silver Springs, designated as an Outstanding Florida Spring under s. 373.802(4), F.S., for the sole and exclusive purpose of satisfying any condition on effectiveness pursuant to s. 120.541(3), F.S., which requires ratification of any rule meeting any specified thresholds of likely adverse impact or increase in regulatory costs; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 672—A bill to be entitled An act relating to truck license taxes; amending s. 320.08, F.S.; revising which truck tractors and heavy trucks transporting certain agricultural or horticultural products are eligible for reduced license taxes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Young—

SB 674—A bill to be entitled An act relating to steroid use in racing greyhounds; amending s. 550.2415, F.S.; providing that a positive test result for anabolic steroids in certain samples taken from a greyhound violates the prohibition on the racing of animals that are impermissibly medicated or determined to have a prohibited substance present; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Agriculture; and Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 676—A bill to be entitled An act relating to equitable distribution of marital assets and liabilities; amending s. 61.075, F.S.; redefining the term “marital assets and liabilities” for purposes of equitable distribution in dissolution of marriage actions; providing that the term includes the paydown of principal of notes and mortgages secured by nonmarital real property and certain passive appreciation in such property under certain circumstances; providing formulas and guidelines for determining the amount of such passive appreciation; authorizing the court to require security and interest when installment payments are ordered in the division of assets; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 678—A bill to be entitled An act relating to renters insurance; creating s. 83.491, F.S.; requiring a residential rental agreement to specify whether renters insurance is required; specifying provisions that must be included if insurance is or is not required; providing that failure to include a certain notice in a rental agreement does not create a private cause of action or nullify any part of the rental agreement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 680—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction defect claims; amending s. 558.004, F.S.; providing additional requirements for notices of claim, inspections, and notices of acceptance or rejection of settlement offers; providing that an authorized representative of a claimant may act on the behalf of the claimant if the claimant is a business entity; prohibiting a representative of the claimant from acting without the claimant’s knowledge if the claimant is an individual; requiring, rather than authorizing, certain persons to serve copies of notices of claim to certain professionals; providing for mediation under certain circumstances, subject to certain requirements; revising provisions relating to tolling certain statutes of limitations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 682—A bill to be entitled An act relating to students remaining on school grounds during school hours; amending s. 1001.43, F.S.; providing that a district school board may adopt policies for releasing students for the school lunch period; requiring schools in certain districts to obtain written parental consent before permitting students to leave school grounds during the lunch period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 684—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 686—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; providing an exemption from the sales and use tax for the sale of certain clothing, wallets, bags, school supplies, and personal computers and related accessories during a specified period; defining terms; providing exceptions to the exemption; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 688—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the charter county and regional transportation system surtax; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; requiring counties, except under certain circumstances, to use surtax proceeds only for specified purposes; prohibiting the use of such proceeds for nontransit purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 690—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal history records; creating s. 943.0586, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Information Program to administratively seal the criminal history records of an adult or a minor upon notification by the clerk of the court under specified circumstances; providing applicability for the administrative sealing of specified criminal history records; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 692—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.059, F.S.; expanding an existing public records exemption to include the administrative sealing of specified criminal history records; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for future review and repeal of the expanded exemption; providing for reversion of specified language if the exemption is not saved from repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Brandes and Bracy—

SB 694—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory sentences; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; authorizing a court to issue a sentence shorter than a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for a person convicted of trafficking if the court makes certain findings on the record; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Rodriguez, Farmer, and Book—

SB 696—A bill to be entitled An act relating to conversion therapy; creating s. 456.064, F.S.; defining the term “conversion therapy”; prohibiting a person who is licensed to provide professional counseling or a practitioner who is licensed under provisions regulating the practice of medicine, osteopathic medicine, psychology, clinical social work, marriage and family therapy, or mental health counseling from practicing or performing conversion therapy with an individual who is younger than a specified age; providing that such person or practitioner is sub-

ject to specified disciplinary proceedings under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

SB 698—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 700—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a strategic fuel reserve; creating the Florida Strategic Fuel Reserve Task Force within the Division of Emergency Management to develop a recommended strategic fuel reserve for natural emergencies and major disasters; requiring the division to provide administrative and support services to the task force; specifying the membership of the task force; requiring the task force to elect a chair and a vice chair; requiring the task force to submit a recommended plan to the Legislature; providing an expiration date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 702—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal history records in applications for public employment and admission to public postsecondary educational institutions; creating s. 760.105, F.S.; prohibiting a public employer from inquiring into or considering an applicant's criminal history on an initial employment application unless required to do so by law; creating s. 1007.36, F.S.; prohibiting public postsecondary educational institutions from inquiring into or considering the criminal history of an applicant seeking admission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 704—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter registration; amending s. 97.057, F.S.; revising procedures governing voter registration administered by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing that driver license or identification card applications, driver license or identification card renewal applications, and changes of address for existing driver licenses or identification cards submitted to the department serve as voter registration applications; specifying that an applicant must consent to the use of his or her signature for voter registration purposes; requiring specified applications to include a voter registration component; specifying required content for the voter registration component; providing for paper-based applications; requiring the supervisor of elections to provide a notification of registration to each applicant; providing that an applicant is registered, or has his or her voter registration record updated, if he or she fails to respond to the notification within a specified timeframe; requiring the supervisor to forward declinations to the statewide voter registration system; amending s. 98.045, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 706—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crime stoppers organizations; creating s. 90.595, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a person who engages in privileged communication, a law enforcement crime stoppers coordinator or his or her staff, or a member of a crime stoppers organization's board of directors from being required to disclose privileged communications or produce protected information; providing an exception; authorizing a person charged with a criminal offense to pe-

tion the court to inspect the protected information under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to disclose all or a portion of the protected information; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 708—A bill to be entitled An act relating to performance of physician assistants and advanced registered nurse practitioners; amending ss. 458.347 and 459.022, F.S.; authorizing a physician assistant to sign, certify, stamp, verify, or endorse a document that requires the signature, certification, stamp, verification, or endorsement of a physician; providing an exception; amending s. 464.012, F.S.; authorizing an advanced registered nurse practitioner to sign, certify, stamp, verify, or endorse a document that requires the signature, certification, stamp, verification, or endorsement of a physician within the framework of an established protocol and under supervision; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Book—

SB 710—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Prescription Drug Donation Program; amending s. 499.029, F.S.; renaming the Cancer Drug Donation Program as the Prescription Drug Donation Program; authorizing the donation of prescription drugs, including cancer drugs, and supplies to eligible patients; revising definitions; authorizing nursing home facilities to participate in the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 712—A bill to be entitled An act relating to autonomous vehicles; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining, revising, and deleting terms; amending ss. 316.062, 316.063, 316.065, and 316.1975, F.S.; providing applicability; amending s. 316.303, F.S.; exempting an autonomous vehicle being operated in autonomous mode from a certain prohibition on the operation of a motor vehicle if the vehicle is actively displaying certain content that is visible from the driver's seat while the vehicle is in motion; revising construction; amending s. 316.305, F.S.; exempting a motor vehicle operator who is operating an autonomous vehicle from a specified provision; amending s. 316.85, F.S.; providing that a licensed human operator is not required to operate a fully autonomous vehicle; authorizing a fully autonomous vehicle to operate in this state regardless of whether a licensed human operator is physically present in the vehicle; requiring the automated driving system to be deemed to be the operator of an autonomous vehicle operating in autonomous mode, regardless of whether a person is physically present in the vehicle while the vehicle is operating in autonomous mode; providing construction; amending s. 319.145, F.S.; revising requirements for autonomous vehicles registered in this state; specifying requirements for autonomous vehicles that are not fully autonomous and vehicles that are fully autonomous; creating s. 322.015, F.S.; providing applicability; amending s. 339.175, F.S.; requiring a long-range transportation plan to consider infrastructure and technological improvements necessary to accommodate advances in vehicle technology, such as automated driving systems; amending s. 339.64, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation to coordinate with certain partners and industry representatives to consider infrastructure and technological improvements necessary to accommodate advances in vehicle technology, such as automated driving systems, in Strategic Intermodal System facilities; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 339.83, F.S.; authorizing the Secretary of Transportation to enroll the state in any federal pilot program or project for the collection and study of data for the review of automated driving systems; amending s. 627.0653, F.S.; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to approve a certain premium discount for the liability, personal injury protection, and col-

lision coverages of a motor vehicle insurance policy if the insured vehicle is equipped with an automated driving system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 714—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a patient's choice of providers; providing a short title; providing definitions; prohibiting a health insurer from excluding a willing and qualified health care provider from participating in the health insurer's provider network under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 716—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nuclear cost recovery; repealing s. 366.93, F.S., relating to cost recovery mechanisms for the siting, design, licensing, and construction of nuclear and integrated gasification combined cycle power plants, including mechanisms that promote utility investment in, and allow for recovery in electric utility rates of certain costs of, such plants; repealing s. 366.95, F.S., relating to financing for certain nuclear generating asset retirement or abandonment costs; amending s. 403.519, F.S.; deleting provisions limiting challenges to a utility's right to recover costs incurred before commercial operation of certain plants; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 718—A bill to be entitled An act relating to directional signs for veterans' facilities; creating s. 295.25, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Transportation to install directional signs for specified facilities operated and maintained by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Young and Campbell—

SB 720—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children's initiatives; amending s. 409.147, F.S.; creating the Tampa Sulphur Springs Neighborhood of Promise Success Zone within the City of Tampa in Hillsborough County and the Overtown Children and Youth Coalition within the City of Miami in Miami-Dade County; providing for the projects to be managed by not-for-profit corporations that are not subject to control, supervision, or direction by any department of the state; providing legislative intent; requiring the corporations to be subject to public records and public meeting requirements and to requirements for the procurement of commodities and contractual services; providing that the success zone and the coalition are designed to encompass areas large enough to include certain components but small enough to allow programs and services to reach participants; providing implementation of the coalition and the success zone; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 722—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending s. 121.101, F.S.; specifying the minimum amount of the factor used to calculate the cost-of-living adjustment of benefits for certain retirees and beneficiaries of the Florida Retirement System; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Garcia and Baxley—

SB 724—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hospice care; amending s. 400.6005, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent; amending s. 400.601, F.S.; redefining the term “hospice”; defining the terms “hospice program” and “seriously ill”; amending s. 400.609, F.S.; clarifying provisions relating to hospice services; creating s. 400.6093, F.S.; authorizing hospices, or providers operating under contract with a hospice, to provide palliative care to seriously ill patients and their family members; providing construction; amending s. 400.6095, F.S.; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 726—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoking marijuana for medical use; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; redefining terms to authorize the production, processing, transportation, sale, possession, and administration of marijuana in a form for smoking for medical use; removing the requirement that a marijuana delivery device be dispensed from a medical marijuana treatment center; deleting a provision requiring specified parties to be able to access the medical marijuana use registry to verify the authorization of a qualified patient or a caregiver to possess a marijuana delivery device; removing the requirement that a caregiver be in immediate possession of his or her medical marijuana use registry identification card when in possession of a marijuana delivery device; deleting provisions prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from contracting for certain services related to marijuana delivery devices; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; removing a requirement that at least two persons be in a vehicle transporting marijuana delivery devices; removing the requirement that safety and security training be provided to employees transporting or delivering marijuana delivery devices; revising grounds for a criminal penalty to remove a requirement that a qualified patient or caregiver present his or her medical marijuana use registry identification card when in possession of a marijuana delivery device under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 728—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child restraint requirements; amending s. 316.613, F.S.; increasing the age of children for whom operators of motor vehicles must provide protection by using a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device; increasing the age of children for whom a separate carrier, an integrated child seat, or a child booster seat may be used; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 730—A bill to be entitled An act relating to housing finance authorities; amending s. 159.621, F.S.; exempting from taxation certain notes and mortgages, including interest or income, that are part of a loan made by or on behalf of a housing financing authority; providing requirements for exemption; providing an exception to the exemptions granted by this section; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 732—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home education; amending s. 1002.41, F.S.; specifying that a home education program is not a school district program and is registered with the district school superintendent only for the purpose of complying with the state’s attendance requirements; revising the content requirements of a notice of enrollment of a student in a home education program; requiring the district school superintendent to immediately register a home education program upon receipt of the notice; prohibiting a school district from requiring additional information or verification of a home education student except in specified circumstances; authorizing a school district to provide home education program students with access to certain courses and programs offered by the school district; requiring reporting and funding through the Florida Education Finance Program; requiring home education program students be provided access to certain certifications and assessments offered by the school district; prohibiting a school district from taking certain actions against a home education program student’s parent unless such action is necessary for a school district program; amending s. 1003.21, F.S.; prohibiting a district school superintendent from requiring certain evidence relating to a child’s age from children enrolled in specified schools and programs; amending s. 1003.26, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for specified issues relating to compulsory school attendance; amending s. 1003.27, F.S.; requiring a school and school district to comply with specified provisions before instituting criminal prosecution against certain parents relating to compulsory school attendance; amending s. 1006.15, F.S.; revising the standards required for a home education student to participate in extracurricular activities; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; prohibiting dual enrollment course and program limitations for home education students from exceeding limitations for other students; providing an exemption from the grade point average requirement for initial enrollment in a dual enrollment program for certain home education students; amending s. 1002.385, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 734—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners’ associations; amending s. 718.509, F.S.; revising the uses of the Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes Trust Fund to include reimbursement of costs to the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes for the administration and operation of the Homeowners’ Association Act; reviving, reenacting, and amending s. 720.303, F.S.; increasing certain fines; providing a cause of action for a member against a community association manager or management firm under certain circumstances; authorizing related fines; prohibiting reimbursement to a community association manager or management firm for certain fines; requiring the community association manager, the management firm, or the association to annually provide a specified report beginning on a specified date, and to resubmit the report under certain circumstances to the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes; revising the dates by which the Department of Business and Professional Regulation must meet certain reporting requirements; extending the expiration of reporting requirements; amending s. 720.305, F.S.; providing that a fine may not become a lien against a parcel; amending s. 720.307, F.S.; revising circumstances under which members other than the developer are entitled to elect at least a majority of the board of directors of the homeowners’ association; amending s. 720.311, F.S.; providing presuit mediation for election and recall disputes; providing for binding arbitration by the department for certain disputes between a parcel owner and a homeowners’ association; authorizing mediation or arbitration by a mediator or arbitrator, respectively, who has been certified by a county court; creating s. 720.318, F.S.; requiring the department to provide training and educational programs for homeowners’ association members, directors, and officers; providing that the training may include certain methods; authorizing the department to review and approve training and educational programs for members, directors, and officers; requiring the department to maintain and make available a current list of approved programs and providers; creating s. 720.319, F.S.; authorizing the department to enforce and ensure compliance with the Homeowners’ Association Act and specified rules; providing the department jurisdiction to investigate complaints relating to homeowners’ associations; amending s. 720.401,

F.S.; requiring a seller of a parcel to provide a prospective buyer with specified association documents under certain circumstances; authorizing a prospective buyer to terminate a contract for purchase within a specified timeframe under certain circumstances; amending s. 720.402, F.S.; providing a cause of action against developers by nondeveloper members of a homeowners' association or the homeowners' association; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 736—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited conduct between authority figures and students; creating s. 800.10, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting an authority figure from soliciting or engaging in sexual conduct or a romantic relationship with a student; prohibiting an authority figure from soliciting or engaging in lewd conduct with a student; providing a criminal penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 738—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for firesafety system plans held by an agency; amending s. 281.301, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records and public meetings requirements for information relating to firesafety systems for certain properties and meetings relating to such systems and information; amending s. 286.0113, F.S.; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of meetings that would reveal firesafety system plans held by an agency; providing for retroactive application; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 740—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 379.361, F.S.; transferring authority to issue licenses for oyster harvesting in Apalachicola Bay from the department to the City of Apalachicola; revising the disposition and permitted uses of license proceeds; amending s. 487.041, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; deleting a requirement that all pesticide registration fees be submitted electronically; amending s. 493.6105, F.S.; revising the submission requirements for a Class "K" firearm license application; amending s. 493.6113, F.S.; revising submission requirements for a Class "K" firearm license renewal; amending s. 496.415, F.S.; prohibiting the comingling of funds in connection with the planning, conduct, or execution of any solicitation or charitable or sponsor sales promotion; amending s. 496.418, F.S.; revising recordkeeping and accounting requirements for solicitations of funds; amending s. 500.459, F.S.; revising permitting requirements and operating standards for water vending machines; amending s. 501.059, F.S.; revising the term "telephonic sales call"; prohibiting telephone solicitors from initiating certain contact with businesses who previously communicated that they did not wish to be so contacted; creating s. 501.6175, F.S.; specifying recordkeeping requirements for commercial telephone sellers; amending s. 501.912, F.S.; revising terms; amending s. 501.913, F.S.; authorizing antifreeze brands to be registered for a specified period; deleting a provision relating to the registration of brands that are no longer in production; specifying a certified report requirement for first-time applications; amending s. 501.917, F.S.; revising department sampling and analysis requirements for antifreeze; specifying that the certificate of analysis is prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein; amending s. 501.92, F.S.; revising when the department may require an antifreeze formula for analysis; amending s. 525.07, F.S.; authorizing the department to seize skimming devices without a warrant; amending s. 526.51, F.S.; revising application requirements and fees for brake fluid brands; deleting a provision relating

to the registration of brands that are no longer in production; amending s. 526.53, F.S.; revising department sampling and analysis requirements for brake fluid; specifying that the certificate of analysis is prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein; amending s. 527.01, F.S.; revising terms; amending s. 527.02, F.S.; revising the persons subject to liquefied petroleum business licensing provisions; revising such licensing fees and requirements; revising reporting and fee requirements for certain material changes to license information; deleting a provision authorizing license transfers; amending s. 527.0201, F.S.; revising the persons subject to liquefied petroleum qualifier competency examination, registry, supervisory, and employment requirements; revising the expiration of qualifier registrations; revising the persons subject to master qualifier requirements; revising master qualifier application requirements; deleting provisions specifying that a failure to replace master qualifiers within certain periods constitutes grounds for license revocation; deleting a provision relating to facsimile transmission of duplicate licenses; amending s. 527.021, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which liquefied petroleum gas bulk delivery vehicles must be registered with the department; amending s. 527.03, F.S.; authorizing certain liquefied petroleum gas registrations to be renewed for 2 or 3 years; deleting certain renewal period requirements; amending s. 527.04, F.S.; revising the persons required to provide the department with proof of insurance; revising the required payee for a bond in lieu of such insurance; amending s. 527.0605, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring licensees to submit a site plan and review fee for liquefied petroleum bulk storage container locations; amending s. 527.065, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which a liquefied petroleum gas licensee must notify the department of an accident; amending ss. 527.10 and 527.21, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 527.22, F.S.; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 531.67, F.S.; extending the expiration date of certain provisions relating to permits for commercially operated or tested weights or measures instruments or devices; amending s. 570.07, F.S.; authorizing the department to waive certain fees during a state of emergency; amending s. 573.111, F.S.; revising the required posting location for the issuance of an agricultural commodity marketing order; amending s. 578.011, F.S.; revising and defining terms; creating s. 578.012, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating a preemption of local law relating to regulation of seed; amending s. 578.08, F.S.; revising application requirements for the registration of seed dealers; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; specifying that a receipt from the department need not be written to constitute a permit; deleting an exception to registration requirements for certain experiment stations; requiring the payment of fees when packet seed is placed into commerce; amending s. 578.09, F.S.; revising labeling requirements for agricultural, vegetable, flower, tree, and shrub seeds; conforming a cross-reference; repealing s. 578.091, F.S., relating to labeling of forest tree seed; amending s. 578.10, F.S.; revising exemptions to seed labeling, sale, and solicitation requirements; amending s. 578.11, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 578.12, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 578.13, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; specifying that it is unlawful to move, handle, or dispose of seeds or tags under a stop-sale notice or order without permission from the department; specifying that it is unlawful to represent seed as certified except under specified conditions or to label seed with a variety name under certain conditions; repealing s. 578.14, F.S., relating to packet vegetable and flower seed; amending s. 578.181, F.S.; revising penalties; amending s. 578.23, F.S.; revising recordkeeping requirements relating to seed labeling; amending s. 578.26, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; specifying that certain persons may not commence legal proceedings or make certain claims against a seed dealer before certain findings and recommendations are transmitted by the seed investigation and conciliation council to the complainant and dealer; deleting a requirement that the department transmit such findings and recommendations to complainants and dealers; requiring the department to mail a copy of the council's procedures to both parties upon receipt of a complaint; amending s. 578.27, F.S.; removing alternate membership from the seed investigation and conciliation council; revising the terms of members of the council; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; revising the purpose of the council; revising the council's investigatory process; renumbering and amending s. 578.28, F.S.; making a technical change; creating s. 578.29, F.S.; prohibiting certain noxious weed seed from being offered or exposed for sale; amending s. 590.02, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Forest Service to pay certain employees' initial commercial driver license examination fees; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; revising required department handling of

incomplete criminal history information in relation to licensure to carry concealed firearms; revising the required furnished statement to obtain a duplicate or substitute concealed weapon or firearm license; amending s. 790.0625, F.S.; revising required tax collector collection and remittance of firearm license fees; revising the fees which a tax collector may retain; authorizing certain tax collectors to print and deliver certain replacement licenses under certain conditions; authorizing certain tax collectors to offer fingerprinting and photographing services to aid license applicants; creating s. 817.417, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; specifying department duties and responsibilities relating to government impostor and deceptive advertisements; requiring rulemaking by the department; specifying that it is a violation to disseminate certain misleading or confusing advertisements, to make certain misleading or confusing representations, to use content implying or leading to confusion that such content is from a governmental entity when such is not true, to fail to provide certain disclosures, and to fail to provide certain responses and answers to the department; requiring a person offering documents that are available free of charge or at a lesser price from a governmental entity to provide a certain disclosure; providing penalties; amending s. 489.105, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 527.06(3), F.S., relating to published standards of the National Fire Protection Association; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 742—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault or battery on health care providers; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; defining the term “health care provider”; providing for the reclassification of certain assault and battery offenses committed on health care providers; amending ss. 901.15 and 985.644, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 775.0877(1)(d), (e), (f), and (g), 794.056(1), 921.0022(3)(d), 938.08, and 938.085, F.S., relating to criminal transmission of HIV, the Rape Crisis Program Trust Fund, the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, additional cost to fund programs in domestic violence, and additional cost to fund rape crisis centers, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made by the act in cross-references to amended provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 744—A bill to be entitled An act relating to laser hair removal or reduction; amending ss. 20.165 and 20.43, F.S.; transferring the regulation of electrology from the Department of Health to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 478.42, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 478.49, F.S.; requiring that a licensee who uses a laser or pulsed-light device in certain procedures be certified by a nationally recognized electrology organization; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; repealing s. 478.43, F.S., relating to the Board of Medicine; repealing s. 478.44, F.S., relating to the Electrolysis Council; repealing s. 478.46, F.S., relating to temporary permits; amending ss. 456.037, 478.45, 478.47, 478.50, 478.51, 478.52, 478.53, and 478.55, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; transferring the statutory powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds for the administration of ch. 478, F.S., relating to electrolysis, from the Department of Health to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing that the transfer does not affect the validity of any judicial or administrative action pending as of a certain date; providing that certain lawful orders remain in effect and enforceable; providing for the continued validity of licenses and temporary permits issued by the Department of Health; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Regulated Industries; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 746—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code; amending s. 633.202, F.S.; requiring that doorstep refuse and recycling collection containers be allowed in exit corridors of certain apartment occupancies under certain circumstances; authorizing authorities having jurisdiction to approve certain alternative containers and storage arrangements; requiring such authorities to allow apartment occupancies a phase-in period to comply until a specified date; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senators Grimsley and Stargel—

SB 748—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Back-the-Blue Law Enforcement Assistance Program; creating s. 943.1719, F.S.; creating the Back-the-Blue Law Enforcement Assistance Program within the Department of Law Enforcement; specifying the purpose of and funding for the program; creating the Law Enforcement Assistance Commission within the department; authorizing the commission to determine specified criteria and requirements for and recipients of the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 750—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; prohibiting an agency that receives a request to inspect or copy a record from responding to such request by filing a civil action against the individual or entity making the request; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 752—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; establishing an annual use fee for the Childhood Cancer Awareness license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Childhood Cancer Awareness license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

SR 754—Not introduced.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 756—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unfair insurance trade practices; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; authorizing insurers to refuse to insure or refuse to continue to insure an applicant or insured for failing to purchase certain noninsurance motor vehicle services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Gibson and Torres—

SB 758—A bill to be entitled An act relating to diabetes educators; amending s. 456.001, F.S.; redefining the term “health care practitioner” to include diabetes educators; creating part XVII of ch. 468, F.S., entitled “Diabetes Educators”; providing legislative findings and intent;

requiring implementation by a specified date; defining terms; providing requirements for registration as a diabetes educator; requiring the Department of Health to renew a registration under certain circumstances; requiring the department to adopt rules for biennial renewal of registrations; requiring the department to establish specified fees; prohibiting an unregistered person from certain activities relating to diabetes self-management training; providing exemptions; authorizing the department to take disciplinary action against an applicant or registrant for specified violations; authorizing rulemaking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 760—A bill to be entitled An act relating to grounds for non-recognition of out-of-country foreign judgments; amending s. 55.605, F.S.; providing additional circumstances in which an out-of-country foreign judgment need not be recognized; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 762—A bill to be entitled An act relating to permissible insurance acts; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; revising the types, value, and frequency of advertising and promotional gifts that licensed insurers or their agents may give to insureds, prospective insureds, or others; authorizing such insurers and agents to make specified charitable contributions on behalf of insureds or prospective insureds; prohibiting title insurance agents, title insurance agencies, or title insurers from giving insureds, prospective insureds, or others any article of merchandise in excess of a specified value; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Bean and Mayfield—

SB 764—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Dental Student Loan Repayment Program; creating s. 381.4019, F.S.; establishing the Dental Student Loan Repayment Program to support dentists who practice in public health programs located in certain underserved areas; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Health to establish the loan program; providing for the award of funds; providing the maximum number of years funds may be awarded; providing eligibility requirements; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 766—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on aircraft sales or leases; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; exempting all aircraft sales or leases, other than the sales or leases of certain aircraft, from the sales and use tax; defining the term “aircraft”; deleting the definition of the term “common carrier” to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

SR 768—Not introduced.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 770—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the transportation disadvantaged; amending s. 427.0155, F.S.; authorizing community transportation coordinators, in cooperation with the coordinating board, to plan for and use regional fare payment systems under certain circumstances which enhance cross-county mobility for specified purposes for certain persons who are unable to transport themselves or to purchase transportation; amending s. 427.0157, F.S.; requiring each coordinating board to evaluate multicounty or regional transportation opportunities to include regional fare payment systems, when available, which enhance cross-county mobility for specified purposes for such persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Grimsley and Passidomo—

SB 772—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead exemption implementation; amending s. 3 of chapter 2017-35, Laws of Florida; requiring the Legislature to appropriate moneys, beginning in a specified fiscal year, to offset reductions in ad valorem tax revenue experienced by rural communities within a rural area of opportunity which result from a specified additional exemption; requiring the moneys appropriated for this purpose to be distributed each fiscal year among rural communities based on each region’s proportion of the total reduction in ad valorem tax revenue; requiring each rural community to apply to the Department of Revenue each year to participate in the distribution of the appropriation and provide documentation supporting the region’s estimated reduction in ad valorem tax revenue; providing requirements for such documentation; providing for calculation of each rural community’s reduction in ad valorem tax revenue; requiring the rural community’s share to revert to the fund from which the appropriation was made if it fails to apply for the distribution; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 774—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dependency proceedings; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; providing an additional purpose of ch. 39, F.S.; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “parent” and defining the term “unmarried biological father”; amending s. 39.402 and 39.803, F.S.; revising the types of information relating to the identity and location of a child’s legal father that fall within the scope of a court inquiry at a shelter hearing or a hearing regarding a petition for termination of parental rights; amending s. 39.502, F.S.; providing for certain unmarried biological fathers to receive notice of dependency hearings under certain circumstances; amending ss. 39.503, F.S.; revising the types of information relating to the identity and location of a child’s legal father that fall within the scope of a court inquiry at a dependency or shelter hearing; requiring a court to take certain actions if a person fails to assert parental rights; providing conditions for establishing paternity in a dependency proceeding; authorizing the court to order certain scientific testing to determine maternity or paternity of a child; providing for assessment of costs of litigation; amending s. 39.801, F.S.; requiring notice of a petition for termination of parental rights to be served on an unmarried biological father identified under oath or by a diligent search of the Florida Putative Father Registry under certain circumstances; providing conditions for contesting the petition; conforming cross-references; amending s. 409.1662, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to include certain information regarding adoptions in outcome-based agreements between lead agencies and their subcontracted providers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 776—A bill to be entitled An act relating to theft; amending s. 812.014, F.S.; increasing the fine for the theft of a commercially farmed animal or a bee colony of a registered beekeeper; reenacting s. 932.701(2)(a), F.S., relating to the definition of the term “contraband article,” to incorporate the amendment made to s. 812.014, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Agriculture; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SB 778—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sports development; repealing s. 288.11625, F.S., relating to state funding for sports facility development by a unit of local government, or by a certified beneficiary or other applicant, on property owned by the local government; amending ss. 212.20, 218.64, and 288.0001, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 780—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the prohibition against contracting with scrutinized companies; amending s. 287.135, F.S.; prohibiting a company that is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or that is engaged in a boycott of Israel from bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing a contract with an agency or local governmental entity for goods or services of any amount; providing exceptions; requiring such contracts entered into or renewed on or after July 1, 2018, to include a provision authorizing termination of the contract under specified circumstances; requiring a company to provide a specified certification before submitting a bid or proposal for or entering into or renewing such contracts; providing for preemption of agency or local governmental entity ordinances and rules involving such contracts; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 782—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Bollards Grant Program; creating s. 316.0899, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation to develop the Bollards Grant Program in order to provide grants to municipalities and counties for the installation of bollards in their jurisdictions; defining the term “bollard”; requiring a county or municipality to specify in its application the area, which may include private property, where it intends to install bollards and why the installation is needed; requiring the department to accept applications and award grants each year; requiring the department to develop a plan to promote the program; requiring the department to adopt rules to establish application and selection criteria, subject to certain requirements; requiring the department to submit the grant program guidelines and the plan for promoting the program to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 784—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; amending s. 624.307, F.S.; specifying certain persons are not consumers for purposes of calculating complaint ratios; amending s. 625.151, F.S.; providing an exception from valuation rules for stocks in subsidiaries for

certain foreign insurers under certain conditions; amending s. 625.325, F.S.; exempting foreign insurers from investment requirements relating to subsidiaries and corporations under certain conditions; amending s. 626.914, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “diligent effort” to decrease the replacement cost threshold for a residential structure for purposes of proving rejection of coverage by authorized insurers; amending s. 626.918, F.S.; increasing the amount of capital and surplus required for an insurer to waive a requirement to be an eligible surplus lines insurer; amending s. 626.932, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to a surplus lines tax threshold; amending s. 626.9651, F.S.; revising requirements for rules adopted by the Department of Financial Services and the Financial Services Commission relating to the privacy of certain consumer information; amending s. 626.9891, F.S.; authorizing, rather than requiring, an insurer to report certain data; amending s. 627.4136, F.S.; providing applicability; amending s. 627.7015, F.S.; authorizing insurers to participate in mediations requested by third parties; revising terminology; revising the definition of the term “claim” to specify that any material issue of fact must relate to a loss arising from a declared state of emergency; amending s. 627.728, F.S.; providing that an Intelligent Mail barcode or a similar United States Postal Service tracking method is sufficient proof of notice for certain motor vehicle insurance notices; amending s. 627.748, F.S.; revising circumstances in which insurers may exclude coverage for owners or operators of transportation network company vehicles; amending s. 628.8015, F.S.; revising the type of documents that are confidential; amending s. 636.044, F.S.; providing an exemption from licensing requirements for a person who sells certain prepaid limited health service contracts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 786—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; providing an appropriation for certain projects related to the Indian River Lagoon Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to make grants for such projects; directing the department to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature; removing an obsolete provision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Montford—

SB 788—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative high school graduation requirements; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; providing that, as of a specified school year, certain students are eligible for alternative pathways to a standard high school diploma; specifying the alternative pathways; requiring that students provide verified documentation of completion of the alternative pathway; requiring district school boards to incorporate certain information in the student progression plan; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; providing that certain students may be eligible to complete an alternative pathway to a standard high school diploma; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lee—

SJR 790—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article IV and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to require the Lieutenant Governor to serve as the Secretary of State, to specify the secretary’s duties, and to authorize the Lieutenant Governor to cast tiebreaking votes on any measure on which the Senate is equally divided.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Lee—

SJR 792—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article IV of the State Constitution to revise the duties and responsibilities of the Chief Financial Officer.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 794—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Sunshine Scholarship Program; creating s. 1009.894, F.S.; establishing the Sunshine Scholarship Program for specified purposes; requiring the Department of Education to administer the program; providing student eligibility requirements; requiring a student to repay the scholarship amount under certain circumstances; providing an exception; providing that the program applies only to a student's tuition; providing for funding; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rader—

SB 796—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; establishing an annual use fee for the Florida State Beekeepers Association license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Florida State Beekeepers Association license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 798—A bill to be entitled An act relating to background screening; creating s. 435.13, F.S.; prohibiting employers from excluding an applicant from an initial interview for employment under certain conditions; providing applicability; providing exceptions; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to enforce the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 800—A bill to be entitled An act relating to infectious disease elimination pilot programs; providing a short title; amending s. 381.0038, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to establish sterile needle and syringe exchange pilot programs upon request from eligible entities, rather than a single program established in Miami-Dade County; specifying who may be designated to operate a program; providing for the expiration of all pilot programs; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

SB 802—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 804—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the possession of real property; amending s. 66.021, F.S.; authorizing a person with a superior right to possession of real property to recover possession by ejectment; declaring that circuit courts have exclusive jurisdiction; providing that

a plaintiff is not required to provide any presuit notice or demand to a defendant; requiring that copies of instruments be attached to a complaint or answer under certain circumstances; requiring a statement to list certain details; providing for construction; amending s. 82.01, F.S.; redefining the terms “unlawful entry” and “forcible entry”; defining the terms “real property,” “record titleholder,” and “unlawful detention”; amending s. 82.02, F.S.; exempting possession of real property under part II of ch. 83, F.S., and under chs. 513 and 723, F.S.; amending s. 82.03, F.S.; providing that a person entitled to possession of real property has a cause of action to regain possession from another person who obtained possession of real property by forcible entry, unlawful entry, or unlawful detainer; providing that a person entitled to possession is not required to give a defendant presuit notice; requiring the court to award plaintiff extra damages if a defendant acted in a willful and knowingly wrongful manner; authorizing bifurcation of actions for possession and damages; requiring that an action be brought by summary procedure; requiring the court to advance the cause on the calendar; renumbering and amending s. 82.045, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 82.04, F.S.; requiring that the court determine the right of possession and damages; prohibiting the court from determining question of title unless necessary; amending s. 82.05, F.S.; requiring that the summons and complaint be attached to the real property after two unsuccessful attempts to serve a defendant; requiring a plaintiff to provide the clerk of the court with prestamped envelopes and additional copies of the summons and complaint if the defendant is served by attaching the summons and complaint to the real property; requiring the clerk to immediately mail copies of the summons and complaint and note the fact of mailing in the docket; specifying that service is effective on the date of posting or mailing; requiring that 5 days elapse from the date of service before the entry of a judgment; amending s. 82.091, F.S.; providing requirements after a judgment is entered for the plaintiff or the defendant; amending s. 82.101, F.S.; adding quiet title to the types of future actions for which a judgment is not conclusive as to certain facts; providing that the judgment may be superseded by a subsequent judgment; creating s. 704.09, F.S.; requiring that a claim of customary use for the public use of private property be applied to a particular parcel; providing for judicial determination of claims; repealing s. 82.061, F.S., relating to service of process; repealing s. 82.071, F.S., relating to evidence at trial as to damages; repealing s. 82.081, F.S., relating to trial verdict forms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 806—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water management district surplus lands; amending s. 373.089, F.S.; revising the circumstances when a water management district must publish its intention to sell surplus lands; revising the process for selling certain lower valued surplus lands; defining the term “adjacent property owners”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 808—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 373.089, F.S.; providing an exemption for valuations, certain records, and sales offers for sales related to surplus lands; authorizing disclosure of such records under certain circumstances; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

SB 810—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vote-by-mail ballots; amending s. 101.69, F.S.; authorizing an elector to vote by personally delivering his or her completed vote-by-mail ballot to an early voting

site in the elector's county of residence during the site's hours of operation; requiring the Division of Elections to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SJR 812—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Section 17 of Article III and Sections 1 and 11 of Article V of the State Constitution to require the Legislature to establish a Court of Claims by general law, to provide for a judicial nominating commission for the court, and to provide that Court of Claims judges are subject to impeachment and trial by the Legislature for misdemeanors committed in office.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 814—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the court of claims; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 36.23, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 36.24, F.S.; establishing the Court of Claims; providing for venue; specifying that the court is headed by the Chief Judge of the Court of Claims; requiring the Governor to appoint court of claims judges from nominees recommended by a judicial nominating commission; providing that appointments to the court of claims are subject to Senate confirmation; authorizing the Governor to make temporary appointments to the court under certain circumstances; requiring a court of claims judge to re-apply to the judicial nominating commission if seeking reappointment; creating s. 36.25, F.S.; providing for jurisdiction, procedure, and appeal of judgments and orders of the Court of Claims; providing for staggered terms for initial appointments to the judicial nominating commission and the Court of Claims; providing applicability; amending ss. 11.02, 11.047, 25.382, 409.993, and 768.28, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 11.065, F.S., relating to claims against the state; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

SB 816—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an annual sales tax holiday for veterans of the United States Armed Forces; providing an annual sales tax holiday for veterans; specifying items that are eligible for the sales tax holiday; defining the term "veteran" for purposes of the sales tax holiday; requiring veterans to show proof of military status at the time of purchasing eligible items; specifying conditions for the tax-exempt status of layaways, exchanges, and Internet sales; specifying reporting requirements for retailers; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing for future repeal of the department's emergency rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Powell—

SB 818—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an emergency exemption from tolls; amending s. 338.155, F.S.; providing an exemption from toll payment for persons operating motor vehicles on toll facilities within a county subject to a mandatory evacuation order; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Powell—

SB 820—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firesafety inspectors; creating s. 633.217, F.S.; prohibiting certain actions to influence a firesafety inspector to violate the Florida Fire Prevention Code, other rules of the State Fire Marshal, or ch. 633, F.S.; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 822—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; amending s. 561.42, F.S.; providing an exemption from provisions relating to the tied house evil for specified financial transactions between a manufacturer or importer of malt beverages and a licensed vendor; providing conditions for the exemption; prohibiting the manufacturer or importer of malt beverages from soliciting or receiving any portion of certain payments from its distributors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 824—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the school district price level index; creating s. 1011.79, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to issue a competitive solicitation for the review of the current price level index methodology by a specified entity; requiring a report of recommendations be provided to the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, the chair of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, and the Executive Office of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget; providing that the competitive solicitation and review occur every 10 years; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 826—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the taxpayers' rights advocate; amending s. 20.21, F.S.; revising the supervisory authority over the taxpayers' rights advocate within the Department of Revenue; providing that the taxpayers' rights advocate may be removed from office only by the Chief Inspector General for cause; requiring the taxpayers' rights advocate to furnish an annual report to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Chief Inspector General by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SJR 828—A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 30 of Article X of the State Constitution to establish public policy against certain types of well stimulation in order to protect the state's water resources and to prohibit extreme well stimulation; providing a penalty.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 830—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing home and assisted living facility resident rights; amending s. 400.102, F.S.; providing additional grounds for action by the Agency for Health Care Administration against a licensee; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; requiring a nursing home facility to provide current and updated contact information to a resident and the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Program; amending s. 400.145, F.S.; authorizing certain requests to be made orally; requiring nursing home facilities to provide a resident or a representative of a resident with access to or copies of certain records under certain conditions and within a specified timeframe; providing an exception for psychiatric records under certain circumstances; amending s. 429.28, F.S.; providing notice requirements regarding relocation or termination of residency from an assisted living facility; requiring the facility to send a copy of the notice to a representative of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program within a specified timeframe; reenacting s. 400.121(1) and (2), F.S., relating to imposition of administrative fines by the agency, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 400.102, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funds for the education of inmates; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; removing a provision prohibiting state funds for the operation of postsecondary workforce programs from being used for the education of state or federal inmates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 834—A bill to be entitled An act relating to well stimulation; creating a short title; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; defining the term “extreme well stimulation”; creating s. 377.2427, F.S.; prohibiting persons from engaging in extreme well stimulation; prohibiting the Department of Environmental Protection from issuing permits that authorize extreme well stimulation; prohibiting the department from authorizing certain permit holders to engage in extreme well stimulation on or after a specified date; imposing a specified fine for violations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 836—A bill to be entitled An act relating to correctional privatization; transferring the duties of the Department of Management Services concerning private correctional facilities to the Department of Corrections; amending ss. 287.042, 945.215, 957.04, 957.06, 957.07, 957.08, 957.14, 957.15, and 957.16, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 838—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale and delivery of firearms; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; requiring that the parties, if neither party to a sale, lease, or transfer of a firearm is a licensed dealer, complete the sale, lease, or transfer through a licensed dealer; specifying procedures and requirements for a licensed dealer, a seller, lessor, or transferor, and a buyer, lessee, or transferee; authorizing a licensed dealer to charge a buyer or transferee specified fees; providing applicability; deleting provisions authorizing a licensee to complete the sale or transfer of a firearm to a person without receiving notification from the Department of Law Enforcement informing the licensee as to whether such person is prohibited from receipt or possession of a firearm or providing a unique approval number under certain circumstances; deleting provisions exempting a licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed dealer from the sale and delivery requirements, under certain circumstances; amending s. 790.0655, F.S.; applying the mandatory 3-day waiting period to private sales of handguns

facilitated through a licensed dealer; amending s. 790.335, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 840—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gaming; creating s. 546.13, F.S.; defining terms; exempting a fantasy contest from certain regulations; amending s. 550.01215, F.S.; revising application requirements for a pari-mutuel operating license; authorizing a greyhound racing permitholder to specify certain intentions on its application; providing that a greyhound racing permitholder that has been issued a slot machine license remains an eligible facility, continues to be eligible for a slot machine license, is exempt from certain provisions of ch. 551, F.S., is eligible to be a guest track for certain purposes, and remains eligible for a cardroom license; authorizing a greyhound racing permitholder to receive an operating license to conduct pari-mutuel wagering activities at another permitholder’s greyhound racing facility; authorizing a thoroughbred horse racing permitholder to elect not to conduct live racing under certain circumstances; authorizing a thoroughbred horse racing permitholder that elects not to conduct live racing to retain its permit and requiring the permitholder to specify its intention not to conduct live racing in future applications and that it is a pari-mutuel facility; authorizing such thoroughbred racing permitholder’s facility to remain an eligible facility, to continue to be eligible for a slot machine license, to be exempt from certain provisions of chs. 550 and 551, F.S., to be eligible as a guest track for intertrack wagering and simulcasting, and to remain eligible for a cardroom license; requiring that such permitholder comply with all contracts regarding distributions to thoroughbred horse purse supplements or breeders’ awards entered into before a specified date; requiring, for a specified period, that such permitholder file with the division an irrevocable consent authorizing the use of certain contributions for specified purses and awards; authorizing harness horse and quarter horse racing permitholders to elect not to conduct live racing under certain circumstances; authorizing a permitholder that elects not to conduct live racing to retain its permit and remain a pari-mutuel facility; specifying that, if such permitholder has been issued a slot machine license, the permitholder’s facility remains an eligible facility, continues to be eligible for a slot machine license, is exempt from certain provisions of chs. 550 and 551, F.S., is eligible to be a guest track, and if the permitholder is a harness horse racing permitholder, a host track for intertrack wagering and simulcasting, and remains eligible for a cardroom license; authorizing a harness horse racing permitholder to be a host track for purposes of intertrack wagering and simulcasting; authorizing the division to approve a change in racing dates for a permitholder if the request for a change is received before a specified date and under certain circumstances; amending s. 551.104, F.S.; revising conditions of licensure and conditions for maintaining authority to conduct slot machine gaming; amending s. 551.106, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; revising the tax rate on slot machine revenue effective on specified dates; providing a formula to calculate a surcharge amount; prohibiting the surcharge from exceeding a certain amount; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; revising legislative intent; revising definitions; authorizing the division to establish a reasonable period to respond to certain requests from a licensed cardroom; providing that the division must approve certain requests within 45 days; requiring the division to review and approve or reject certain revised internal controls or revised rules within 10 days after submission; deleting provisions relating to the renewal of a cardroom license; making technical changes; authorizing certain cardroom operators to offer a certain number of certain designated player games; requiring the designated player and employees of the designated player to be licensed; requiring the designated player to pay certain fees; prohibiting a cardroom operator from serving as the designated player in a game and from having a financial interest in a designated player; authorizing a cardroom operator to collect a rake, subject to certain requirements; requiring the dealer button to be rotated under certain circumstances; prohibiting a cardroom operator from allowing a designated player to pay an opposing player under certain circumstances; prohibiting the rules of the game or of the cardroom to require a designated player to cover more than 10 times the maximum wager for players participating in any one game; prohibiting a cardroom or cardroom licensee from contracting with or receiving certain compensation from a player to allow that player to participate in

any game as a designated player; revising requirements for a cardroom license to be issued or renewed; requiring a certain written agreement with a thoroughbred permitholder; providing contract requirements for the agreement; requiring a thoroughbred permitholder to remit a percentage of specified funds to the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, Inc., subject to certain requirements; deleting provisions relating to a quarter horse racing permitholder's cardroom license; conforming a cross-reference; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Broxson—

SB 842—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home warranties; creating s. 634.346, F.S.; prohibiting home warranties from excluding coverage solely because of the presence of rust or corrosion, except under certain circumstances; specifying coverage requirements, under certain circumstances, for home warranties providing coverage on heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 844—A bill to be entitled An act relating to excess credit hour surcharges; amending s. 1009.286, F.S.; providing an exception to the excess credit hour surcharge requirement for certain students; providing a separate excess hour surcharge threshold for students enrolled in certain degree programs designated as areas of strategic emphasis by the Board of Governors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Gainer and Steube—

SB 846—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sheriffs providing child protective investigative services; amending s. 39.3065, F.S.; requiring the Sheriff of Walton County to provide all child protective investigations in the county beginning with a specified fiscal year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 848—A bill to be entitled An act relating to remote dispensing site pharmacies; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; redefining the term “pharmacy” to include remote dispensing site pharmacies; providing that an offsite pharmacist who supervises a registered pharmacy technician at a remote dispensing site is not considered to be not present or off duty; amending s. 465.014, F.S.; authorizing registered pharmacy technicians to compound and dispense medicinal drugs when operating under the electronic supervision of an offsite pharmacist; amending s. 465.015, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 465.0198, F.S.; providing permit requirements for remote dispensing site pharmacies; providing a permitting process for such pharmacies; providing requirements for such pharmacies; providing that such pharmacies are not considered pharmacy locations for certain purposes; authorizing such pharmacies to store, hold, and dispense medicinal drugs; prohibiting such pharmacies from performing centralized prescription filling; requiring such pharmacies to maintain a policy and procedures manual that includes specified information; amending s. 465.022, F.S.; authorizing a registered pharmacist to serve as the prescription department manager at up to a specified number of remote dispensing site pharmacies under certain conditions; amending s. 465.0265, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 850—A bill to be entitled An act relating to actions for rent or possession; amending s. 83.60, F.S.; requiring a court to conduct a trial within a specified timeframe for certain actions involving possession of a dwelling unit; authorizing the court to order a tenant to pay certain rent into the registry of the court during pendency of a proceeding if the tenant requests a continuance exceeding a specified number of days or a jury trial; requiring the court to schedule the case for immediate trial if such payment is not made; amending s. 83.56, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a tenant who wishes to defend against certain actions by a landlord comply with a specified provision; deleting a requirement that the court enter a default judgment in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 852—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Smart City Challenge Grant Program; creating s. 316.0899, F.S.; creating the program within the Department of Transportation; providing program goals; providing grant eligibility requirements; requiring the department to issue a request for proposals by a specified date; providing proposal requirements; providing requirements for award of grants and use of grant funds; defining the term “matching funds”; providing reporting requirements; requiring administrative support by the department; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 854—A bill to be entitled An act relating to corrections specialists; creating s. 943.1311, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to employ or appoint a person as a corrections specialist if that person is at least 18 years of age and meets specified criteria; prohibiting a person from being employed or appointed for longer than a certain period of time; providing exceptions; prohibiting a corrections specialist program participant from supervising inmates; specifying the duties that a person employed or appointed as a corrections specialist is authorized to perform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Montford—

SB 856—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school graduation requirements; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; authorizing the use of credits earned upon completion of a registered apprenticeship or pre-apprenticeship to satisfy specified high school graduation credit requirements; requiring that the State Board of Education approve and identify apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs for such purpose; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Steube, Mayfield, and Taddeo—

SB 858—A bill to be entitled An act relating to daylight saving time; exempting the State of Florida and its political subdivisions from daylight saving time; requiring that the state and all of its political subdivisions observe standard time; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal history records; creating s. 943.0586, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Information Program to administratively seal the criminal history records of a minor upon notification by the clerk of the court under specified circumstances; providing applicability for the administrative sealing of specified criminal history records; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 862—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.059, F.S.; expanding an existing public records exemption to include the administrative sealing of specified criminal history records; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for future review and repeal of the expanded exemption; providing for reversion of specified language if the exemption is not saved from repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

SB 864—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 866—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; amending s. 775.082, F.S.; revising the threshold of assessed sentence points below which a court must sentence nonviolent felony offenders who commit certain offenses on or after a specified date to a nonstate prison sanction; providing an exception; amending s. 921.0024, F.S.; revising the computation of the lowest permissible sentence under the Criminal Punishment Code for certain offenses; reenacting ss. 921.00241(1), 921.0026(1) and (2)(m), 921.00265(1), 924.06(1)(e), 948.01(7) and (8), 948.06(2)(i) and (j) and (8)(b), and 948.20(1), F.S., relating to prison diversion programs, mitigating circumstances, recommended sentences, appeals by defendants, placement on probation or into community control, violations of probation and community control, and drug offender probation, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 921.0024, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 868—A bill to be entitled An act relating to presentence information; amending ss. 921.231 and 948.015, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to report specified sentencing information regarding first-time offenders in a presentence report; amending s. 948.08, F.S.; making a clarifying technical change; reenacting s. 944.17(5), F.S., relating to commitments, classifications, and transfers to the state correctional system, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 921.231, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 870—A bill to be entitled An act relating to capital felonies; amending ss. 921.141 and 921.142, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent regarding the retroactive application of *Hurst v. State*, No. SC12-1947 (Fla., October 14, 2016); providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 872—A bill to be entitled An act relating to young farmers and ranchers; creating s. 570.842, F.S.; creating the Florida Young Farmer and Rancher Matching Grant Program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; specifying the purpose of the grants; requiring the department to select grant recipients based on certain criteria; requiring the department to adopt rules; specifying minimum grant selection criteria; specifying a grant award minimum and maximum; requiring that no more than one award per year may go to an individual recipient; specifying that grant funding is contingent upon specific appropriation from the Legislature; creating s. 570.843, F.S.; creating the Florida Young Farmer and Rancher Advisory Council within the department; specifying membership of the council; providing for staggered terms; specifying the meetings, powers, duties, procedures, and recordkeeping of the council; specifying that the council may submit findings and recommendations to the Commissioner of Agriculture; specifying the issues the council may examine; creating s. 570.844, F.S.; requiring the department to establish a clearinghouse on its website for resources to assist young and beginning farmers and ranchers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senators Passidomo, Stewart, Taddeo, Torres, and Montford—

SB 874—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state funds; amending s. 215.32, F.S.; exempting the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund from a provision authorizing the Legislature, in the General Appropriations Act, to transfer unappropriated cash balances from specified trust funds to the Budget Stabilization Fund and General Revenue Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 876—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alarm confirmation; amending s. 489.529, F.S.; revising requirements for alarm confirmation to include additional methods by which an alarm monitoring company may confirm a residential or commercial intrusion/burglary alarm signal and to require that two attempts be made to confirm an alarm signal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 878—A bill to be entitled An act relating to noneconomic damages for wrongful death suits; repealing s. 766.118, F.S., relating to determination of noneconomic damages and limits on noneconomic damages; amending s. 766.209, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 880—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; repealing s. 843.085, F.S.; deleting a prohibition against wearing or displaying certain badges or indicia of authority of certain federal, state, county, or municipal agencies without authorization; deleting a prohibition against owning or operating a motor vehicle marked or identified with certain indicia of a criminal justice agency; deleting a prohibition

against selling, transferring, or giving away an authorized badge of a criminal justice agency; deleting an exception; deleting a penalty; repealing s. 918.19, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the prosecuting attorney open the closing arguments after the closing of evidence in a criminal prosecution; deleting a provision authorizing the accused or the accused's attorney to reply; deleting a provision authorizing the prosecuting attorney to reply in rebuttal; deleting a provision requiring such criminal procedures method to control under certain circumstances; repealing s. 922.095, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a person convicted and sentenced to death pursue all possible collateral remedies in state court in accordance with specified rules; repealing s. 922.108, F.S.; deleting prohibitions against specifying a particular method of execution in a sentence of death and against reversing any sentence over the wording or form of the sentencing order; repealing s. 924.051, F.S.; deleting definitions of terms; deleting requirements that the terms and conditions of direct appeals and collateral review in criminal cases be strictly enforced; deleting provisions relating to legislative intent; amending s. 925.12, F.S.; deleting provisions specifying that the Legislature intends that the Supreme Court adopt certain rules of procedure; deleting a provision relating to legislative intent; amending s. 948.01, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the Department of Corrections, in consultation with the Office of the State Courts Administrator, revise and make available uniform order of supervision forms annually or as necessary for the courts to use for persons placed on community supervision; amending s. 948.06, F.S.; deleting a provision authorizing a court to impose a sanction with a term of a certain duration upon the revocation or modification of probation or community control; amending s. 948.09, F.S.; deleting provisions authorizing the department, at its discretion, to require offenders under any form of supervision to submit to and pay for urinalysis testing; deleting a provision that makes a failure to make such payment grounds for revocation of supervision or removal from a pretrial intervention program; deleting an exemption to the payment requirement; deleting a requirement that the department establish a payment plan for all costs ordered by a court for collection by the department and a priority order for victim restitution payments over all other court-ordered payments; deleting a provision authorizing the department not to disburse cumulative amounts of less than a specified value to certain payees; amending s. 985.534, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 948.012(2)(b), 948.10(3), 948.20(3), and 958.14, F.S., relating to split sentences of probation or community control and imprisonment, community control programs and home confinement, drug offender probation, and violation of probation or community control programs, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 948.06, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 944.4731(2)(b) and (7)(b), 947.1405(2), 948.01(6), and 948.06(5), F.S., relating to the Addiction-Recovery Supervision Program, a conditional release program, when a court may place a defendant on probation or into community control, and failure to pay restitution or costs of supervision, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 948.09, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Campbell and Garcia—

SM 882—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to preserve the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Program.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; and Rules.

SB 884—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 886—A bill to be entitled An act relating to defrauding or attempting to defraud drug tests; amending s. 817.565, F.S.; defining the term “adulterant”; prohibiting a person from defrauding or attempting to defraud a certain hair follicle test; prohibiting a person from giving away or transporting into this state a substance or device that is used with intent to defraud or in attempts to defraud a lawfully administered hair follicle test designed to detect the presence of chemical substances

or controlled substances; creating enhanced criminal penalties; creating a presumption of intent to defraud or attempt to defraud under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Campbell—

SM 888—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging the Congress to pass H.R. 4184, the ESPERER Act of 2017.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 890—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance coverage for hearing aids for children; creating s. 627.6413, F.S.; requiring certain health insurance policies to provide hearing aid coverage for insured children; providing coverage requirements; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 892—A bill to be entitled An act relating to financial institution payments to surviving successors; creating s. 655.795, F.S.; authorizing a financial institution to pay to the surviving successor of a decedent depositor, without any court proceedings, order, or judgment authorizing the payment, the funds in the decedent's deposit accounts and certificates of deposit if the sum does not exceed a specified amount; providing that the financial institution has no duty to make certain determinations; defining the term “surviving successor”; requiring the surviving successor to provide a certified copy of the decedent's death certificate and a specified affidavit to the financial institution; providing construction relating to liability and indemnification; providing an affidavit form that the surviving successor may use; providing construction relating to any conflict with the Florida Probate Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 894—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mortgage lending; amending s. 494.001, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “mortgage loan”; amending s. 494.00115, F.S.; defining the term “hold himself or herself out to the public as being in the mortgage lending business”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 896—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing homes and related health care facilities; creating s. 366.042, F.S.; requiring the Florida Public Service Commission to ensure that public utilities effectively prioritize the restoration of services to certain health care facilities in the event of emergencies; amending s. 366.15, F.S.; deleting a provision specifying that noncompliance with certain provisions related to medically essential electric public utility service does not form the basis for a cause of action against a public utility; deleting a provision specifying that a public utility's failure to comply with certain obligations does not constitute negligence; amending s. 400.0060, F.S.; defining the term “autonomy”; amending s. 400.0063, F.S.; establishing an Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman within the Department of Elderly Affairs to administer the State Long-Term Care Om-

budsmen Program; requiring the office to contract with or make a grant to a private nonprofit organization to manage the day-to-day operations of the program; providing that the office is not responsible for the licensing or certification of long-term care facilities and prohibiting the office from having a relationship with any such facility; revising the appointment and removal processes for the state ombudsman; requiring the state ombudsman and the office's legal advocate to register as lobbyists; expanding the duties of the legal advocate to include assisting the state ombudsman with certain tasks related to the autonomy of the program; amending s. 400.0065, F.S.; providing that a purpose of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program is to support, rather than to administer, the state and local councils; revising requirements for the annual report required to be prepared by the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman; amending s. 400.0067, F.S.; revising the membership of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Council; revising the number of consecutive terms that may be served by the chair of the state council; amending s. 400.0069, F.S.; requiring each state long-term care ombudsman district to convene a public meeting at least monthly, rather than quarterly; requiring representatives of the program, upon an affirmative vote of the state council, to comment on certain existing and proposed rules, regulations, and policies; amending s. 400.0073, F.S.; authorizing state and local councils to hold public hearings related to certain investigations; requiring the legal advocate to pursue legal remedies under certain circumstances; amending s. 400.0074, F.S.; requiring that onsite administrative assessments include the review of the facility's emergency management plan; authorizing the office's legal advocate to pursue legal remedies for certain violations; requiring, rather than authorizing, the department to adopt rules implementing procedures for conducting onsite administrative assessments of long-term care facilities; amending s. 400.0077, F.S.; specifying that the public discussion of administrative assessments before the council is open to the public and subject to ch. 119 and s. 286.011, F.S.; amending s. 400.0078, F.S.; requiring the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program to create and make available a poster that contains certain information; requiring each long-term care facility to display the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program poster; creating s. 400.008, F.S.; providing legislative intent; requiring the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman to conduct unannounced quality-of-care evaluations of certain health and long-term care facilities; providing civil immunity from liability for certain personnel of the office who participate in evaluations; amending s. 400.0081, F.S.; requiring long-term care facilities to timely provide to the program, upon request, copies of records, policies, or documents needed to complete an investigation or assessment; requiring, rather than authorizing, the department to adopt rules to establish procedures to ensure access to facilities, residents, and records; amending s. 400.0083, F.S.; revising a penalty; requiring the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman to investigate alleged violations of willful interference with representatives of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program and retaliation against specified persons; requiring the office to report to the Agency for Health Care Administration if it is determined that a violation occurred; requiring the agency to impose a fine for certain instances of interference with or retaliation against the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; requiring the agency to collect and transfer fines into the Quality of Long-Term Care Facility Improvement Trust Fund; requiring that the Division of Administrative Hearings conduct a hearing if a determination of a violation is contested; requiring the division to adopt rules; requiring the administrative law judge to render a decision within a specified timeframe after a hearing; requiring the Chief Inspector General to investigate any willful agency interference with the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; amending s. 400.0087, F.S.; requiring the nonprofit organization responsible for the day-to-day operations of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program to consult with the state ombudsman in developing and submitting a budget to the department; limiting to a specified percentage the amount that the department may divert from the federal ombudsman appropriation to cover administrative costs associated with the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; amending s. 400.0089, F.S.; specifying the information that must be included in quarterly reports required to be made by the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; requiring the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program to include an analysis of such information in an annual report; amending s. 400.0091, F.S.; revising the subject areas that must be addressed in the curriculum for initial and continuing education training provided to representatives of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; creating s. 400.0223, F.S.; defining the term "electronic monitoring device"; requiring nursing homes to allow residents, and certain individuals on their behalf, to

monitor the residents' rooms through the use of electronic monitoring devices; requiring nursing homes to require persons who conduct such monitoring to post a specific notice on the door to the residents' rooms; providing that such monitoring is voluntary and may be conducted only at the request and expense of residents or certain individuals on their behalf; prohibiting nursing homes from making certain inquiries of prospective residents or of the representatives of prospective residents; prohibiting nursing homes from rejecting applications for residency or removing residents because of intent to use or use of electronic monitoring devices; requiring nursing homes to inform residents and specified individuals of the resident's right to conduct electronic monitoring; requiring nursing homes to make reasonable physical accommodations for electronic monitoring and to provide a place for mounting and access to a power source; authorizing nursing homes to require that electronic monitoring be conducted in plain view; authorizing nursing homes to require that a request to conduct electronic monitoring be made in writing; providing that audio or video recordings created through the use of electronic monitoring may be admitted into evidence in court or administrative proceedings; providing criminal penalties for nursing home administrators who violate specified provisions relating to electronic monitoring; requiring prior written consent from a resident or certain individuals acting on the resident's behalf before a nursing home employee, officer, or agent may interfere with an electronic monitoring device; providing a criminal penalty for such interference without prior written consent; imposing a civil penalty on nursing homes that violate provisions related to electronic monitoring; requiring the agency to transfer certain funds into the Quality of Long-Term Care Facility Improvement Trust Fund; repealing s. 400.0238, F.S., relating to limitations on punitive damages; amending s. 400.0239, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 400.1185, F.S.; requiring licensed facilities to establish internal resident safety and quality-of-care coordinator programs; specifying required components for the programs, including development and implementation of a reporting system for adverse incidents; requiring that the reporting system require employees and agents to report adverse incidents to the facility's quality-of-care coordinator within a specified timeframe; assigning responsibility for the programs to facility governing boards; requiring facilities to hire a risk manager to serve as the quality-of-care coordinator; limiting the number of internal resident safety and quality-of-care programs that coordinators may be responsible for; encouraging the development of other approaches to reducing adverse incidents and violations of residents' rights; requiring the agency to adopt rules to administer the programs; requiring that programs file all incident reports with a designated employee of the facility, who must meet certain requirements; providing immunity from civil liability for individuals who file incident reports; defining the term "adverse incident"; requiring facilities to submit annual reports that must include specified information to the agency by a specified date; requiring the agency to review the information submitted to determine whether disciplinary action is warranted; requiring facilities to submit an incident report and specified information to the agency within a certain timeframe after they receive the report; requiring the agency to determine within a certain timeframe whether certain adverse incidents have occurred; requiring the agency to require a written plan of correction from facilities that violate reporting requirements or provisions relating to the internal resident safety and quality-of-care coordinator programs; authorizing the agency to impose specified civil penalties and administrative fines for certain violations; requiring facilities to provide the agency with access to certain facility records; requiring the agency to review quality-of-care programs as part of its licensure inspection process; providing that, in the absence of intentional fraud, quality-of-care coordinators may not be held financially liable for actions taken within the scope of their authority in connection with the administration of this section; requiring the agency to report to the appropriate regulatory board its reasonable belief that the conduct of an agent or employee of a licensed facility constitutes grounds for disciplinary action; requiring the agency to publish on its website an annual report card containing specific information for licensed facilities beginning on a specified date; requiring the report card to include a specified statement; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; requiring a licensed nursing home to satisfy certain financial requirements; providing that the required funds may not be used for litigation costs or attorney fees in certain circumstances; creating s. 400.1411, F.S.; requiring nursing home facilities, as a condition of licensure, to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the agency and the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission the financial ability to pay claims and costs arising out of the rendering of, or the failure to render, care or services; providing proper

means of documentation; requiring insurers, self-insurers, and risk retention groups to promptly notify the agency and the office of cancellation or nonrenewal of insurance; requiring a licensee to pay the entire amount of a judgment, award, or settlement and all accrued interest if a court orders a final judgment against the licensee; providing that certain deceptive, untrue, or fraudulent representations or violations of financial requirements by any individual or entity on behalf of a facility may result in disciplinary action or a civil penalty with no aggregate limit; requiring the agency to issue a conditional license and authorizing the agency to immediately suspend a license if a facility shows a continuous pattern of violation of this section; amending s. 400.19, F.S.; requiring the agency to determine compliance with standards for electricity and emergency power sources during routine unannounced inspections of licensed nursing home facilities; amending s. 400.191, F.S.; requiring facilities that are on the Nursing Home Guide Watch List to conspicuously post a sign that meets certain requirements on each entrance to the facility for a certain period of time; requiring the agency to cite for a class I violation, place a facility on a 6-month inspection cycle, and extend the duration of a facility's inclusion on the watch list for a specified additional period of time under certain circumstances; creating s. 400.226, F.S.; requiring licensed nursing homes to comply with certain federal rules and regulations; providing that a violation of such federal regulations is considered negligence per se; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; requiring the agency, in consultation with the Department of Health and the Department of Elderly Affairs, to adopt and enforce rules requiring a licensed nursing home facility to have adequate electrical equipment, an emergency power source, and a supply of fuel which meet specified criteria; requiring a comprehensive emergency plan to provide for the evacuation of all residents of a facility if the facility experiences a power outage and is unable to sustain adequate emergency power; requiring the agency to immediately impose a civil penalty in a specified amount on a facility if it determines that a resident of the facility died as the result of abuse or neglect; amending s. 406.11, F.S.; requiring medical examiners to determine the cause of death when a person dies in their district in a nursing home on the federal Special Focus Facility list or on the Nursing Home Guide Watch List; amending s. 406.13, F.S.; requiring a medical examiner to notify and forward documentation to the state attorney if he or she determines that a nursing home resident died as a result of abuse, sexual abuse, or negligence; requiring the state attorney to seat a grand jury within 90 days after receipt of such notification and investigate whether criminal charges are warranted; repealing s. 429.298, F.S., relating to limitations on punitive damages; amending s. 429.34, F.S.; requiring the agency to determine compliance with certain standards during the routine inspection of a licensed assisted living facility, including those related to construction and emergency power sources; amending s. 429.41, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs, in consultation with the agency, the Department of Children and Families, and the Department of Health, to adopt and enforce rules relating to electricity and requiring a licensed assisted living facility to maintain equipment sufficient to provide an emergency power source and a supply of fuel which meet specified criteria; requiring that a comprehensive emergency plan provide for the evacuation of all residents of a facility if the facility experiences a power outage and is unable to sustain emergency power as required; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 898—A bill to be entitled An act relating to self-service storage facilities; amending s. 83.806, F.S.; providing that advertisement of a sale or disposition of property may be published on certain websites; deleting a required alternative form of advertisement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Flores—

SB 900—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighters; creating s. 112.1816, F.S.; providing definitions; granting certain benefits to a

firefighter upon receiving a diagnosis of cancer if certain conditions are met; requiring an employer to make certain disability payments to a firefighter in the event of a total and permanent disability; providing for death benefits to a firefighter's beneficiary if a firefighter died as a result of cancer or cancer treatments; specifying that any costs associated with benefits granted by the act are to be borne by the employer; requiring the Division of the State Fire Marshal to adopt certain rules; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 902—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on commercial real property; amending s. 212.031, F.S.; providing a specified exemption from the tax imposed on rental or license fees charged for the use of commercial real property; revising the amount of the exemption at specified intervals; authorizing the Department of Revenue to review any lease, license, or other information for certain purposes; authorizing the department, under certain circumstances, to adjust the total rental charge subject to the exemption; providing for the future repeal of s. 212.031, F.S., relating to the imposition of a tax on the rental or license fees charged for the use of commercial real property; amending s. 212.0598, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 212.0602, F.S.; defining the term "qualified production services"; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending ss. 288.1258, 338.234, and 341.840, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Powell—

SB 904—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lis pendens; amending s. 48.23, F.S.; providing that a person who acquires for a value a lien on property during the course of specified legal actions takes such lien free of claims in certain circumstances; specifying the effect of a valid, recorded notice of lis pendens in certain circumstances involving a judicial sale; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 906—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings, and diagrams held by an agency which depict the internal layout or structural elements of certain health care facilities; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 908—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction bonds; amending s. 255.05, F.S.; requiring a notice of nonpayment to be verified; requiring the notice to contain certain statements; requiring a claimant to attach certain documents to a notice of nonpayment; providing that a claimant who serves a fraudulent notice of nonpayment shall be deprived of his or her rights under a bond; requiring a notice of nonpayment to be in a prescribed form; amending s. 627.756, F.S.; providing that a provision relating to attorney fees applies to certain suits brought by contractors; deeming contractors to be insureds or beneficiaries for certain purposes; reenacting s. 627.428, F.S., relating to attorney fees; amending s. 713.23, F.S.; requiring a lienor to serve a

verified notice of nonpayment to specified entities during a certain period of time; requiring a notice of nonpayment to contain certain statements; requiring a lienor to attach certain documents to a notice of nonpayment; providing that a lienor who serves a fraudulent notice of nonpayment is deprived of his or her rights under the bond; requiring a notice of nonpayment to be in a prescribed form; amending s. 713.245, F.S.; providing that a contractor may record a notice identifying a project bond as a conditional payment bond before project commencement to make the duty of a surety to pay lienors coextensive with the contractor's duty to pay; providing that failure to list or record a bond as a conditional payment bond does not convert such a bond into a common law bond or a bond furnished under a specified provision; revising the statement that must be included on a conditional payment bond; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 910—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local business taxes; creating s. 205.055, F.S.; providing an exemption from business taxes and fees for certain veterans, spouses and unremarried surviving spouses of such veterans, spouses of certain active duty military servicemembers, specified low-income individuals, and certain businesses in which a majority interest is owned by exempt individuals; providing requirements for requesting the exemption; repealing s. 205.171, F.S., relating to exemptions allowed for disabled veterans of any war or their unremarried spouses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Broxson—

SB 912—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agency rulemaking; amending s. 120.54, F.S.; requiring certain notices to include an agency website address for a specified purpose; requiring an agency to prepare a statement of estimated regulatory costs before adopting or amending any rule other than an emergency rule; requiring an agency to prepare a statement of estimated regulatory costs before repealing a rule in certain circumstances; providing for the consideration of challenges to a rule repeal; amending s. 120.541, F.S.; requiring the Department of State to include on the Florida Administrative Register website the agency website addresses where statements of estimated regulatory costs can be viewed in their entirety; requiring an agency to include in its notice of intended action the agency website address where the statement of estimated regulatory costs can be read in its entirety; requiring an agency to provide a notice of revision when the agency revises a statement of estimated regulatory costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 914—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of pharmacy; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “practice of the profession of pharmacy”; amending s. 465.0125, F.S.; requiring a pharmacist seeking licensure as a consultant pharmacist to complete additional training as required by the Board of Pharmacy; authorizing a consultant pharmacist to perform specified services under certain conditions; revising the responsibilities of a consultant pharmacist; requiring a consultant pharmacist and a supervising physician to maintain a protocol; requiring the protocol to be available upon request; deleting a provision that authorizes certain consultant pharmacists or doctors of pharmacy to order and evaluate any laboratory or clinical testing for persons under the care of a home health agency; amending s. 465.189, F.S.; authorizing a pharmacist who is certified to administer vaccines to adults to perform specified services under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 916—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem taxation; amending s. 192.001, F.S.; defining the terms “heavy equipment rental property,” “dealer of heavy equipment rental property,” and “short-term rental,” and redefining the term “inventory,” for purposes of provisions relating to the imposition of ad valorem taxes; amending ss. 112.312, 192.042, 212.08, 220.03, and 624.5105, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 918—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clerks of circuit court; amending s. 28.07, F.S.; requiring records and books to be readily accessible at the county seat; amending s. 318.1451, F.S.; requiring all driver improvement course providers, within 7 business days, to transmit the individual completion certificate, or related data sufficient to update the Comprehensive Case Information System, through the statewide e-filing portal to a specified clerk of circuit court; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Bradley and Braynon—

SB 920—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deferred presentment transactions; amending s. 560.402, F.S.; defining the term “deferred presentment installment transaction”; amending s. 560.404, F.S.; specifying the maximum face amount of checks which may be taken for deferred presentment installment transactions, exclusive of fees; specifying the maximum rate and frequency of fees that deferred presentment providers or their affiliates may charge on deferred presentment installment transactions; specifying when fees are earned for certain deferred presentment transactions; specifying the calculation of fees earned for deferred presentment installment transactions; prohibiting prepayment penalties; specifying the minimum and maximum terms of a deferred presentment installment transaction; providing an exception to a prohibition against the acceptance or holding of undated checks or checks with certain dates by a preferred presentment provider or its affiliate; conforming a cross-reference; revising a notice in deferred presentment agreements; providing an exception to a prohibition, under certain circumstances, against a deferred presentment provider's deposit or presentment of a drawer's check; requiring a provider of a deferred presentment installment transaction to allow a drawer to defer a scheduled payment under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the deferred payment; specifying the frequency a certain fee may be imposed by Financial Services Commission rule for data on certain transactions submitted by deferred presentment providers to a certain database; providing an exception to a limitation on a deferred presentment provider's acceptance of a certain check or authorization; specifying requirements for amortization, installment repayments, and calculation of charges for deferred presentment installment transactions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 560.405, F.S.; providing an exception to a prohibition against a deferred presentment provider's or its affiliate's presentment of a drawer's check before the end of the deferment period; revising a condition under which a deferred presentment provider may allow the check to be redeemed in lieu of presentment; revising a prohibition against requiring a drawer to redeem his or her check before the agreed-upon date; reenacting s. 560.111(5), F.S., relating to prohibited acts, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 560.404 and 560.405, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 922—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages; amending s. 565.02, F.S.; providing an exception to the miniature bottle requirement for operators of intrastate railroads and sleeper cars; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Transportation; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 924—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health benefit coverage for prescription eye drop refills; creating s. 627.6411, F.S.; requiring health insurance policies providing coverage for certain prescription eye drops to provide coverage for eye drop prescription refills under certain circumstances; providing that such benefits are subject to the same cost-sharing provisions established for other prescription drug benefits under such policies; amending s. 627.662, F.S.; providing applicability of prescription eye drop refill coverage requirements to group health insurance, blanket health insurance, and franchise health insurance; amending s. 641.31, F.S.; requiring health maintenance contracts providing coverage for certain prescription eye drops to provide coverage for eye drop prescription refills under certain circumstances; providing that such benefits are subject to the same cost-sharing provisions established for other prescription drug benefits under such contracts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Broxson—

SB 926—A bill to be entitled An act relating to natural gas fuel taxes; amending s. 206.9952, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 206.9955, F.S.; delaying the effective date of certain taxes on natural gas fuel; amending s. 206.996, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bracy and Rouson—

SB 928—A bill to be entitled An act relating to theft; amending s. 812.014, F.S.; revising threshold amounts and types of property which qualify for theft offenses; amending s. 812.015, F.S.; revising threshold amounts for retail theft; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting ss. 95.18(10), 373.6055(3)(c), 400.9935(3), 409.910(17)(g), 489.126(4), 538.09(5), 538.23(2), 550.6305(10), 634.319(2), 634.421(2), 636.238(3), 642.038(2), 705.102(4), 718.111(1)(d), 812.015(2), 812.0155(1) and (2), 812.14(4)(7), and (8), 893.138(3), 943.051(3)(b), and 985.11(1)(b), F.S., relating to adverse possession without color of title, criminal history checks for certain water management district employees and others, clinic responsibilities, responsibility for payments on behalf of Medicaid-eligible persons when other parties are liable, moneys received by contractors, secondhand dealer registration, secondary metals recycler violations and penalties, intertrack wagering, diversion or appropriation of funds by warranty association sales representatives, collection of fees for purported membership in discount plan organizations, diversion or appropriation of funds by legal expense insurance sales representatives, reporting lost or abandoned property, condominium associations, retail and farm theft, suspension of driver license following an adjudication of guilt for theft, trespass and larceny with relation to utility fixtures and theft of utility services, local administrative action to abate drug-related, prostitution-related, or stolen-property-related public nuisances and criminal gang activity, fingerprinting of certain minors, and fingerprinting and photographing of certain children, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made by the act in cross-references to amended provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 930—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the placement of instructional personnel; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; prohibiting the use of a specified student learning growth formula as the only factor in determining the placement of certain instructional personnel; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 932—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the citizen support organization for Florida Missing Children's Day; amending s. 683.231, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions governing the citizen support organization; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 934—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property tax exemptions; amending s. 196.202, F.S.; increasing the property tax exemption for residents who are widows, widowers, blind, or totally and permanently disabled; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Powell—

SB 936—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice; amending s. 944.292, F.S.; creating an exception to the suspension of civil rights upon the conviction of a felony for children convicted as adults; amending s. 985.556, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring that a state attorney request the court to transfer and certify a child for prosecution as an adult under certain circumstances; revising the factors that a court must consider when determining whether a child should be transferred to adult court; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; eliminating discretionary direct filing for children of specified ages; revising the list of crimes for which children of specified ages who are charged with committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit may have an information filed against them by a state attorney; requiring specified information to be included in certain orders; requiring chief judges of the judicial circuits to periodically collect and report certain data to the Department of Juvenile Justice; deleting provisions requiring that a child be prosecuted as an adult if the child committed or attempted to commit specified crimes; deleting provisions relating to sentencing a child who commits or attempts to commit specified crimes; requiring children of certain ages who are convicted and sentenced to the Department of Corrections to be kept completely separated from adult offenders in the facility; authorizing a child who is transferred to adult court to request, in writing, a hearing before the court to determine whether he or she shall remain in adult court; requiring the court to consider specified facts in determining whether the public safety would be served by retaining jurisdiction; authorizing the court to transfer a child back to a juvenile court; prohibiting the transfer of a child to adult court until his or her competency is restored in certain circumstances; requiring the department, beginning on a specified date, to collect specified information relating to children who qualify for prosecution as adults and children who are transferred for criminal prosecution as adults; requiring the department to work with the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to generate a report analyzing the data of juveniles transferred for prosecution as adults during a certain period and provide such report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to work with the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to generate an annual report analyzing certain data and provide such report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; amending s.

985.56, F.S.; providing a minimum age limit for children who are subject to the jurisdiction of a court if they are charged with a violation punishable by death or life imprisonment; prohibiting the transfer of a child to adult court until his or her competency is restored in certain circumstances; providing for the tolling of time limits for specified purposes; making technical changes; amending s. 985.565, F.S.; revising the criteria to be used in determining whether to impose juvenile or adult sanctions; deleting provisions requiring the sentencing of children who commit offenses punishable by death or life imprisonment or other specified offenses; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 985.03, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 985.15, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 985.265, F.S.; authorizing, rather than requiring, a court to order a child to be housed in an adult detention facility in certain circumstances; reenacting s. 985.26(2)(c), F.S., relating to the definition of the term “disposition,” to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 985.557 and 985.56, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 985.514(3), F.S., relating to responsibility for cost of care and fees, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 985.565, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 938—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Corrections’ direct-support organization; amending s. 944.802, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions governing a direct-support organization that is permitted use of fixed properties and facilities of the state correctional system by the Department of Corrections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SM 940—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to apply law and policy in Puerto Rico without discrimination or inequality and to incorporate the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico into the United States.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 942—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Juvenile Justice’s direct-support organization; amending s. 985.672, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions governing a direct-support organization established by the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Montford—

SB 944—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Teacher Scholarship Program; creating s. 1009.897, F.S.; establishing the Teacher Scholarship Program within the Department of Education; providing a purpose of, and the criteria for, student eligibility for the program; specifying duties of each postsecondary institution for the program; providing for disbursement of the scholarship awards; providing for stipends; specifying funding and the department’s authority to prorate awards under a certain circumstance; providing for rulemaking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Flores—

SB 946—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Florida Keys Community College; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; changing the name of Florida Keys Community College to “The College of the Florida Keys”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senators Book and Baxley—

SB 948—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 950—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state employment; repealing s. 110.181, F.S., relating to the Florida State Employees’ Charitable Campaign; creating s. 110.182, F.S.; prohibiting an organization, an entity, or a person from intentionally soliciting state employees for fundraising or business purposes within specified areas during specified times; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Steube and Hutson—

SB 952—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cruelty to animals; providing a short title; amending s. 828.12, F.S.; authorizing a court to prohibit certain offenders from owning or having contact with animals; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; revising the ranking of offenses on the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 954—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state employees’ prescription drug program; amending s. 110.12315, F.S.; requiring the Department of Management Services to implement formulary management cost-saving measures; providing requirements for such measures; amending ch. 99-255, Laws of Florida; removing a provision that prohibits the department from implementing a restricted prescription drug formulary or prior authorization program in the state employees’ prescription drug program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 956—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 119.07135, F.S.; providing that certain information related to agency contracts is not confidential or exempt from public records requirements; amending s. 24.105, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to exemptions from public records requirements for certain information held by the Department of the Lottery; amending s. 73.0155, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by governmental condemning authorities; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; deleting a provision declaring that certain data processing software exempt from public records requirements is considered a trade

secret; amending s. 119.0713, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets held by local government agencies from public records requirements; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets held by county tourism development agencies from public records requirements; amending s. 163.01, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets held by public agencies that are electric utilities from public records requirements; amending s. 202.195, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets that are obtained for certain purposes from a telecommunications company or franchised cable company from public records requirements; amending s. 215.4401, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to confidentiality of trade secrets held by the State Board of Administration; amending s. 252.88, F.S.; deleting provisions exempting certain information from public records requirements under the Florida Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act; repealing s. 252.943, F.S., relating to a public records exemption under the Florida Accidental Release Prevention and Risk Management Planning Act; amending s. 287.0943, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to confidentiality of certain information relating to applications for certification of minority business enterprises; amending s. 288.047, F.S.; deleting provisions exempting potential trade secrets held for the Quick-Response Training Program from public records requirements; amending s. 288.075, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by economic development agencies; amending s. 288.1226, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation; amending s. 288.776, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Florida Export Finance Corporation; amending s. 288.9520, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by Enterprise Florida, Inc., and related entities; amending s. 288.9607, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Florida Development Finance Corporation; amending s. 288.9626, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the Florida Opportunity Fund; amending s. 288.9627, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the Institute for the Commercialization of Public Research; amending s. 331.326, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by Space Florida; amending s. 334.049, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Department of State for certain purposes; amending ss. 350.121 and 364.183, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida Public Service Commission; amending s. 365.174, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the E911 Board, the Department of Revenue, and the Technology Program within the Department of Management Services; amending ss. 366.093, 367.156, and 368.108, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida Public Service Commission; amending s. 377.24075, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Department of Environmental Protection; repealing s. 381.83, F.S., relating to confidentiality of certain information containing trade secrets obtained by the Department of Health; amending s. 395.3035, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets of hospitals; amending s. 403.7046, F.S.; revising provisions relating to an exemption for trade secrets contained in certain reports to the Department of Environmental Protection; repealing s. 403.73, F.S., relating to confidentiality of certain information containing trade secrets obtained by the Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 408.061, F.S.; deleting a requirement that certain trade secret information submitted to the Agency for Health Care Administration be clearly designated as such; amending s. 408.185, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for certain trade secrets held by the Office of the Attorney General; amending s. 408.910, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida Health Choices Program; amending s. 409.91196, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 440.108, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Financial Services; amending s. 494.00125, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 497.172, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Financial Services or the Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer

Services; amending ss. 499.012, 499.0121, 499.05, and 499.051, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pursuant to the Florida Drug and Cosmetic Act; repealing s. 499.931, F.S., relating to maintenance of information held by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation which is deemed to be a trade secret; amending s. 501.171, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Legal Affairs; repealing s. 502.222, F.S., relating to trade secrets of a dairy industry business held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending ss. 517.2015 and 520.9965, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 526.311, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 548.062, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida State Boxing Commission; amending s. 556.113, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc.; amending s. 559.5558, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 559.9285, F.S.; revising provisions specifying that certain information provided to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services does not constitute a trade secret; amending s. 560.129, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 569.215, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by specified entities relating to a tobacco settlement agreement; amending s. 570.48, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Division of Fruit and Vegetables; amending ss. 570.544 and 573.123, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Division of Consumer Services; repealing s. 581.199, F.S., relating to a prohibition on the use of trade secret information obtained under specified provisions for personal use or gain; amending ss. 601.10, 601.15, and 601.152, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Citrus; repealing s. 601.76, F.S., relating to a public records exemption for certain formulas filed with the Department of Agriculture; amending ss. 607.0505 and 617.0503, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for certain information that might reveal trade secrets held by the Department of Legal Affairs; amending s. 624.4212, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Insurance Regulation; repealing s. 624.4213, F.S., relating to trade secret documents submitted to the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation; amending ss. 626.84195, 626.884, 626.9936, 627.0628, and 627.3518, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation; amending s. 655.057, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; repealing s. 655.0591, F.S., relating to trade secret documents held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 663.533, F.S.; revising a cross-reference; repealing s. 721.071, F.S., relating to trade secret material filed with the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 815.04, F.S.; deleting a public records exemption for certain trade secret information relating to offenses against intellectual property; repealing s. 815.045, F.S., relating to trade secret information; amending s. 1004.22, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets received, generated, ascertained, or discovered during the course of research conducted within the state universities; amending s. 1004.30, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by state university health services support organizations; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; amending s. 1004.4472, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc.; amending s. 1004.78, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the technology transfers centers at Florida College System institutions; amending ss. 601.80, 663.533, 721.13, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 958—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 688.01, F.S.; providing definitions; providing an exemption from public records requirements for a trade secret held by an agency; providing notice requirements; providing a process for responding to public records requests; providing an exception to the exemption; providing that an agency employee is not liable for the release of records in compliance with the act; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; amending ss. 688.001 and 688.006, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 960—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health and substance abuse; amending s. 397.321, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring the Department of Children and Families to develop a certification process by rule for community substance abuse prevention coalitions; amending ss. 916.13 and 916.15, F.S.; requiring the department to request a defendant's medical information from a county jail within a certain timeframe after receiving a completed commitment packet order and other required documentation; requiring the county jail to provide such information within a certain timeframe; requiring that each defendant ordered returned to a county jail be continued on the same psychotropic medication that he or she was prescribed upon discharge from a mental health facility; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 962—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telephone solicitation; creating s. 364.246, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; authorizing telecommunication providers, with authorization from a subscriber, to block certain calls from reaching the subscriber; authorizing telecommunication providers to rely solely upon caller identification service information to determine originating numbers for the purpose of blocking such calls; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 964—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voting systems; amending s. 97.021, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “marksense ballots” for purposes of the Florida Election Code; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; providing applicability of specified ballot requirements to a voter interface device; amending ss. 101.5603 and 101.56075, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 966—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational standards for K-12 public schools; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; revising the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards; providing that such standards are the minimum baseline core content standards for K-12 public schools; requiring each school district to adopt standards equivalent to or better than these standards; revising the content requirements for such standards; amending s. 1006.283, F.S.; revising the requirements

for instructional materials that a district school superintendent annually certifies; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mastery-based education; amending s. 1003.436, F.S.; authorizing a district school board participating in the Mastery-Based Education Pilot Program to award credit based on student mastery of certain content and skills; amending s. 1003.437, F.S.; authorizing a district school board participating in the Mastery-Based Education Pilot Program to use an alternative interpretation of letter grades for certain students; amending s. 1003.4996, F.S.; renaming the Competency-Based Education Pilot Program as the Mastery-Based Education Pilot Program; authorizing public school districts to submit applications for the program; authorizing participating school districts to amend their applications to include alternatives for the award credits and interpretation of letter grades; providing requirements for such alternatives; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring the statewide articulation agreement to ensure fair and equitable access for students with mastery-based, nontraditional diplomas and transcripts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 970—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alcohol and drug-related overdoses; amending s. 893.21, F.S.; prohibiting the arrest, charging, prosecution, or penalizing under specified provisions of a person acting in good faith who seeks medical assistance for an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, an alcohol or a drug-related overdose; prohibiting the arrest, charging, prosecution, or penalizing under specified provisions of a person who experiences, or has a good faith belief that he or she is experiencing, an alcohol or a drug-related overdose; prohibiting a person from being penalized for a violation of a condition of certain programs if that person in good faith seeks medical assistance for an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, an alcohol or a drug-related overdose; prohibiting the protection from arrest, charge, and prosecution for certain offenses from being grounds for suppression of evidence in other criminal prosecutions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 972—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home inspectors; amending s. 468.8312, F.S.; limiting the amount of a specified examination fee; amending s. 468.8313, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to review and approve examinations that it has certified as meeting generally accepted testing standards and specified requirements of a national examination; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SJR 974—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article VII and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature, by general law, to exempt certain permanently installed standby generators from the tangible personal property tax and prohibit the consideration of such generators in determining the assessed value of real property, and to provide an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 976—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the ad valorem taxation of generators; creating s. 193.626, F.S.; defining the term “permanent standby generator”; providing that, in determining the assessed value of real property, the just value of the property attributable to a permanent standby generator may not be considered; creating s. 196.186, F.S.; exempting from ad valorem taxation the assessed value of permanent standby generators that are considered tangible personal property; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SJR 978—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution to increase the percentage of elector votes required to approve an amendment or a revision to the State Constitution from 60 percent to 66 and 2/3 percent.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 980—A bill to be entitled An act relating to publicly funded retirement programs; amending s. 112.63, F.S.; revising minimum requirements for actuarial reports for retirement systems or plans subject to part VII of ch. 112, F.S.; requiring the governing body responsible for the retirement system or plan to review the enrolled actuary’s statement within a specified timeframe; requiring the governing body to provide a written explanation if differing actuarial assumptions are adopted; increasing the frequency by which the Department of Management Services must review and comment on a retirement system’s or plan’s actuarial valuations; requiring each local government retirement system or plan to submit certain information accompanying its actuarial report to the department; amending s. 112.64, F.S.; requiring the unfunded liability of retirement systems or plans established on or after a certain date to be amortized within a specified timeframe; revising requirements for determining payroll growth assumptions for unfunded liability amortization schedules; amending s. 112.664, F.S.; modifying requirements for annual reports prepared by each defined benefit retirement system or plan; amending s. 112.665, F.S.; revising duties of the department as to the oversight of local retirement systems or plans; amending s. 121.031, F.S.; requiring the administrator of the Florida Retirement System to provide the results of the system’s actuarial study to the Governor and the presiding officers of the Legislature annually; revising minimum requirements for the actuarial study; amending s. 121.0312, F.S.; requiring the Governor and the presiding officers of the Legislature to acknowledge and review the actuarial valuation report after receipt; specifying minimum requirements for such review; requiring the department to publish the written acknowledgments in a certain manner; amending ss. 121.4501 and 212.055, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Powell—

SB 982—A bill to be entitled An act relating to care for retired law enforcement dogs; creating s. 943.69, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings; defining terms; creating the Care for Retired Law Enforcement Dogs Program within the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring the department to contract with a corporation not for profit to administer and manage the program; providing requirements for the corporation not for profit; providing requirements for the disbursement of funds for the veterinary care of eligible retired law enforcement dogs; placing an annual cap on the amount of funds

available for the care of an eligible retired law enforcement dog; prohibiting a former handler or adopter from receiving reimbursement if funds are depleted for the year for which such reimbursement is sought; requiring the department to pay to the corporation not for profit, and authorizing the corporation not for profit to use, up to a certain percentage of appropriated funds for administrative purposes; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 984—A bill to be entitled An act relating to metropolitan planning organizations; amending s. 339.175, F.S.; requiring the voting membership of a metropolitan planning organization (M.P.O.) that is designated before a specified date to consist of a certain number of apportioned members, subject to certain requirements; requiring the voting membership of an M.P.O. designated on or after a specified date as a result of a combination or merger of previously separate M.P.O.’s to consist of a certain number of members, subject to certain requirements; authorizing the Governor to allow M.P.O. members who represent municipalities to alternate with representatives from other municipalities within the metropolitan planning area which do not have members on the M.P.O.; providing requirements for voting members; authorizing an M.P.O. to include certain voting members; conforming a term; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 986—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical use of marijuana in schools; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing a qualified patient to designate more than one caregiver to assist with the qualified patient’s medical use of marijuana if the qualified patient is a student whose parent has requested that a county-designated caregiver assist the student with the medical use of marijuana during the school day; authorizing a county-designated caregiver to register as a caregiver for more than one qualified patient if the patients are students whose parents have requested for a county-designated caregiver to assist them with the medical use of marijuana during the school day; conforming cross-references; creating s. 381.9867, F.S.; defining terms; providing a procedure for a parent of a student who is a qualified patient to request that marijuana be administered to the student during the school day; requiring certain information to be included in the written request to a school principal; specifying that a registered caregiver of a student who is authorized by that student’s parent to administer marijuana to the student during the school day is responsible for obtaining, accounting for, and storing the marijuana and any marijuana delivery devices; requiring a school principal who receives a request authorizing a county-designated caregiver to administer marijuana to the student to notify the county health department for the county in which the school is located; requiring a county health department that has received such notification to notify the Department of Health of the request; requiring the department to designate no more than two employees of the county health department to serve as county-designated caregivers; requiring such employees to obtain registration and to meet certain criteria; requiring a county-designated caregiver to follow any procedures adopted by department rule; requiring the caregiver of the student to provide an appropriate supply of marijuana and any marijuana delivery devices needed to be administered during the school day to a county-designated caregiver at a county health department building; requiring the county-designated caregiver to receive, document, and account for the marijuana and any marijuana delivery devices; requiring marijuana in its original container and marijuana delivery devices to be stored under lock and key when not in use or when being transported for use; providing that a county-designated caregiver is not liable for civil damages as a result of his or her actions if certain criteria are met; requiring a school principal who has received a request for marijuana to be administered during the school day to a student who is a qualified patient to designate an isolated area on school grounds where marijuana may be administered to the student; requiring a caregiver or a county-de-

signed caregiver to administer marijuana to the student in the area designated by the school principal; prohibiting marijuana and marijuana delivery devices from being stored on school grounds; prohibiting a school from obstructing a student who is a qualified patient from accessing marijuana during the school day; providing that funding needed to administer this section shall be provided from the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Health from certain fees collected by the department; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 1006.062, F.S.; deleting a requirement that each district school board adopt a policy and a procedure for allowing a student who is a qualified patient to access marijuana for medical use; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Education; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 988—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; providing an exemption from public records requirements for information obtained by persons or agencies from the First Responder Network Authority and information relating to the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network obtained by persons or agencies from entities operating pursuant to a contract with the First Responder Network Authority; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 990—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rural communities; creating s. 288.062, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to accept an application seeking approval as a rural growth fund; requiring that the application include certain materials, including an application fee; requiring the department to grant or deny the application within a specified time; prohibiting the department from approving more than a certain amount of investment authority or investor contributions; requiring the department to deny an application if the application does not meet certain requirements; authorizing an applicant whose application was denied to provide additional information to the department within a certain timeframe; requiring the department to review and reconsider an application that has additional information submitted within a certain timeframe; prohibiting the department from reducing the investment authority of an application or denying an application for reasons other than the ones listed; requiring the department to certify an applicant that has his or her application approved; requiring the rural growth fund to collect contributions and investments within a certain timeframe; requiring the rural growth fund to send documentation of the contributions and investments to the department; requiring the department to provide a tax credit certificate; providing that a rural growth fund's certification will lapse for failure to comply; requiring the department to redistribute lapsed investment authority; providing that a taxpayer who makes an investor contribution is vested with a credit against state premium tax liability; providing restrictions on the credit; requiring that a taxpayer claiming a credit submit a copy of the tax credit certificate with his or her tax return; requiring the department to revoke the tax credit certificate if the rural growth fund exits the program or fails to meet certain requirements; providing a formula for calculating the maximum amount of investments the rural growth fund can count toward satisfying tax credit certificate requirements; requiring the department to give reasons for a pending revocation of a tax credit certificate; specifying that the rural growth fund has 90 days from the dispatch of the notice to correct violations; requiring the department to distribute reverted investment authority among certain rural growth funds; authorizing the rural growth fund to submit an exit application after a specified time; requiring the department to respond to an exit application within a certain timeframe; prohibiting the department from unreasonably denying an exit application; prohibiting the department from revoking the rural growth fund's tax credit certificate after the rural growth fund has exited the program; authorizing the rural growth fund to request a written opinion from the department about potential investments; specifying that an out-of-state

business relocating employees to this state must satisfy a specific definition within a certain timeframe before a new principal place of business operations is recognized; requiring the rural growth fund to submit a report to the department at a specified time; requiring that the report provide certain documentation; requiring the rural growth fund to submit an annual report to the department; requiring that the annual report include certain information; providing for rulemaking; requiring the department to notify the Department of Revenue of any insurance company that is allocated tax credits; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Book—

SB 992—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the C-51 reservoir project; amending s. 373.4598, F.S.; revising requirements related to the operation of water storage and use for Phase I and Phase II of the C-51 reservoir project if state funds are appropriated for such phases; authorizing the South Florida Water Management District to enter into certain capacity allocation agreements and to request a waiver for repayment of certain loans; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to waive such loan repayment under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 994—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tobacco products; amending s. 569.002, F.S.; redefining the term "tobacco products" to include all recreational nicotine products; amending s. 569.007, F.S.; authorizing the sale or delivery of tobacco products in direct, face-to-face exchanges with dealers or their agents or employees; removing a provision that allowed the sale or delivery of tobacco products from a vending machine equipped with a certain device; adding specified products to the list of products that are exempt from the direct sale requirement; prohibiting certain retailers from placing certain products or devices in an open display unit unless the unit or the establishment in which the unit is located meets specific requirements; repealing s. 877.112, F.S., relating to nicotine products and nicotine dispensing devices; amending ss. 322.056 and 569.14, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Mayfield—

SB 996—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation in public schools; creating s. 1003.457, F.S.; requiring school districts to provide instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the use of an automated external defibrillator; requiring students to study and practice psychomotor skills associated with CPR at least once before graduating from high school; requiring the instruction to be a part of a required curriculum; providing instruction to be based on certain programs; providing an exemption; amending s. 1003.453, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Book—

SB 998—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child-placing agencies; amending s. 409.175, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to adopt or amend licensing rules for child-placing agencies to include specific requirements to prevent the separation of siblings; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Grimsley—

SB 1000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a homestead exemption for surviving spouses of deceased disabled veterans; amending s. 196.082, F.S.; carrying over certain ad valorem tax discounts to the widows or widowers of certain deceased veterans under specified conditions; specifying circumstances under which the tax discount may be transferred to a new homestead; authorizing qualified applicants who fail to file an application by a certain date to file applications and petitions with the value adjustment board; specifying procedures for such applications and petitions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Community Affairs.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 1002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to guardianship; amending s. 744.2104, F.S.; requiring certain medical, financial, or mental health records or financial audits that are necessary as part of an investigation of a guardian as a result of a complaint filed for certain purposes with a designee of the Office of Public and Professional Guardians to be provided to the Office of Public and Professional Guardians upon that office's request; amending s. 744.368, F.S.; authorizing the clerk of the court to conduct audits and cause the initial and annual guardianship reports to be audited under certain circumstances; requiring the clerk to advise the court of the results of any such audit; prohibiting any fee or cost incurred by the guardian in responding to the review or audit from being paid or reimbursed by the ward's assets if there is a finding of wrongdoing by the court; prohibiting the clerk's advice to the court from being considered an ex parte communication; amending s. 744.3701, F.S.; authorizing the clerk to disclose confidential information to the Department of Children and Families or law enforcement agencies for certain purposes as provided by court order; amending s. 744.444, F.S.; authorizing certain guardians of property to provide confidential information about a ward which is related to an investigation arising under specified provisions to a clerk or to an Office of Public and Professional Guardians investigator conducting such an investigation; providing that any such clerk or Office of Public and Professional Guardians investigator has a duty to maintain the confidentiality of such information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to persons authorized to visit state juvenile facilities; creating s. 985.6885, F.S.; authorizing specified persons to visit, during certain hours, all state facilities housing juveniles which are operated or overseen by the Department of Juvenile Justice; authorizing such persons to visit the state juvenile facilities outside of certain hours according to department rules; prohibiting other persons from visiting such facilities except according to department rules; prohibiting the department from unreasonably withholding permission for visits to such facilities by certain persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

SB 1006—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disaster response and preparedness; amending s. 252.34, F.S.; defining the term "comfort animal"; amending s. 252.35, F.S.; modifying requirements for the state comprehensive emergency management plan and statewide public awareness programs administered by the Division of Emergency Management; requiring the division to provide certain guidance to entities to ensure the receipt of maximum allowable reimbursements from the

Federal Government for disaster-related expenditures; amending s. 252.355, F.S.; authorizing any individual to bring a service animal or comfort animal to a special needs shelter; creating s. 252.3551, F.S.; requiring the division to establish and maintain a registry with homeless shelters and service providers for specified purposes; amending s. 252.3568, F.S.; revising requirements for the development of strategies regarding the sheltering of persons with service animals or comfort animals; requiring the division to develop informational materials regarding the acceptance of pets, service animals, and comfort animals at shelters; amending s. 252.38, F.S.; requiring that, upon the request of the director of a local emergency management agency, Florida College System institutions and state universities participate in emergency management activities through the provision of facilities and personnel; requiring Florida College System institutions and state universities that provide transportation assistance in an emergency evacuation to coordinate the use of vehicles and personnel with local emergency management agencies; amending s. 252.385, F.S.; updating references to community colleges; amending s. 1008.34, F.S., and reenacting and amending subsection (1); defining the term "eligible student"; excluding from the calculation of certain components of a school's performance of certain students who have recently arrived from a United States territory where an emergency has been declared due to a natural disaster; amending s. 1011.60, F.S.; providing an exception to the prohibition against a school district's payment of salary to an employee in advance of rendering of services; amending ss. 163.360, 474.2125, and 627.659, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Taddeo—

SB 1008—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Ruth Arizpe by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners; providing for an appropriation to compensate her for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of Palm Beach County; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation and attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; and the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

SB 1010—Not introduced.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 1012—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Alligator Alley toll road; amending s. 338.26, F.S.; requiring fees generated from tolls to be used to reimburse, by interlocal agreement effective for a specified period of time, a county or another local governmental entity for the direct actual costs of operating a specified fire station, which may be used by a county or another local governmental entity to provide fire, rescue, and emergency management services to the public; deleting obsolete language; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 1014—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recyclable materials; amending s. 403.7033, F.S.; deleting a preemption of local law relating to regulation of auxiliary containers, wrappings, or disposable plastic bags; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SM 1016—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to prohibit the use of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits to purchase soft drinks.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 1018—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telecommunications carrier Lifeline service programs; amending s. 364.011, F.S.; revising exemptions from Public Service Commission oversight to allow for commission oversight of certain eligible telecommunications carrier designations for Lifeline service programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 1020—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alcohol deliveries; amending s. 561.57, F.S.; including an electronic order as a type of order construed as a sale made at a vendor's licensed place of business; authorizing a manufacturer, distributor, or vendor to contract with a third party for certain deliveries; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1022—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the determination of parentage; amending s. 742.13, F.S.; defining the term “alleged parent”; creating s. 742.19, F.S.; providing presumptions of legal parentage; authorizing a child, the child's mother, or the child's alleged parent to file a petition in circuit court to rebut the presumption of legal parentage and establish actual legal parentage; requiring such petition to include certain information; requiring the court to appoint a guardian ad litem or an attorney ad litem under certain conditions; providing qualifications and requirements for a guardian ad litem; requiring the court to hold an evidentiary hearing on the petition to make a certain determination; requiring the court to dismiss the petition under certain circumstances; requiring the court to order genetic testing of the child and the alleged parent if the court allows the petition to proceed; requiring certain information to be included in the order; requiring the alleged parent to file the test results with the court on or before a specified date; specifying that a statistical probability of parentage of 95 percent or more creates a rebuttable presumption that the alleged parent is a biological parent; providing a procedure for a party to object to the test results; authorizing the court to enter a summary judgment of parentage and requiring the court to hold a trial if a presumption of parentage is established; requiring the court to dismiss the petition and seal the court file if the test results indicate that the alleged parent is not a biological parent; requiring the court to determine parental rights in the best interest of the child; requiring the court to evaluate specified factors to determine the best interest of the child; providing information to be included in final orders or judgments; authorizing the court to approve, grant, or modify a parenting plan in the best interest of the child and under certain conditions; requiring that a parenting plan include certain information; authorizing the court to order the payment of child support; requiring the court to consider certain criteria in its calculation of child support; authorizing the court to modify a parenting plan or child support order entered pursuant to this section upon a showing by the parent petitioning for modification that a substantial change in circumstances has occurred; clarifying that an order entered under this section does not impugn or affect a child's legitimacy; amending s. 61.046, F.S.; clarifying that a parenting plan entered under a specified section determines the rights of custody and access for purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, the International Child Abduction Remedies Act, and the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 1024—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ticket websites; creating s. 817.356, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting website operators from using specified information in the sale of certain tickets; providing an exception; providing civil penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Book and Steube—

SB 1026—A bill to be entitled An act relating to text-to-911 service; amending s. 365.172, F.S.; requiring counties to develop a plan for implementing a text-to-911 system and have a system to receive E911 text messages by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1028—A bill to be entitled An act relating to corporations; amending ss. 607.512 and 607.612, F.S.; authorizing social purpose corporations and benefit corporations to omit certain information from annual benefit reports; requiring that annual benefit reports expressly state that such information was omitted; amending s. 658.23, F.S.; authorizing banking or trust corporation applicants to modify form articles to include certain provisions; amending s. 658.30, F.S.; providing that the provisions of part II of ch. 607, F.S., entitled “Social Purpose Corporations,” and part III of ch. 607, F.S., entitled “Benefit Corporations,” extend to certain banks and trust companies under certain circumstances; amending s. 658.36, F.S.; providing applicability for parts II and III of ch. 607, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Bean—

SB 1030—A bill to be entitled An act relating to judicial nominating commissions; amending s. 43.291, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring that commission members who are members of The Florida Bar be engaged in the practice of law; requiring the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives to submit a certain number of nominees to the Governor; deleting a requirement that the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar submit to the Governor recommended nominees for commission membership; deleting a provision authorizing the Governor to reject all of the nominees of the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar; specifying the process for submitting nominations for appointees who previously were appointed by the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar; deleting obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Ethics and Elections; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 1032—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a STEMI registry; creating s. 381.8175, F.S.; directing the Department of Health to establish a statewide, centralized registry of persons who have symptoms associated with ST-elevation myocardial infarctions (STEMI); requiring certain health care facilities to report to the registry specified data on the treatment of STEMI patients; defining the term “PCI-capable”; requiring the department to contract with an entity to maintain the registry, subject to a specific appropriation; requiring the contracted entity to collect certain data and provide annual reports to the de-

partment; providing immunity from liability; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1034—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mediation; creating s. 44.407, F.S.; requiring that insurance carrier representatives who attend circuit court mediation have specified settlement authority and the ability to immediately consult by specified means with persons having certain additional settlement authority; requiring certain persons to be available to teleconference with the mediator under certain circumstances; providing sanctions for insurance carriers that fail to comply in good faith; creating s. 44.408, F.S.; providing that certain third parties may be compelled to attend mediation in circuit court under certain circumstances; providing that such third parties may not be compelled to pay any portion of the mediator's fees or costs; requiring that the designated representatives of such third parties have full authority to settle certain amounts or interests or be able to immediately consult by specified means with the person having such authority; requiring that certain persons be available to teleconference with the mediator upon the request of the mediator; providing sanctions for certain third parties who fail to appear; creating s. 44.409, F.S.; limiting the information that may be included in the mediator's report to the court; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1036—A bill to be entitled An act relating to labor organizations; amending s. 447.305, F.S.; revising the information required to be included in an application for renewal of registration of an employee organization; amending s. 447.307, F.S.; providing for the revocation of certification under certain conditions; requiring certain employee organizations to recertify as bargaining agents; providing nonapplicability with respect to employee organizations that represent or seek to represent certain employees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1038—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Energy 2040 Task Force; creating the Energy 2040 Task Force within the Public Service Commission; specifying the purpose of the task force; requiring the task force to make recommendations, giving consideration to certain topics; requiring the commission to provide administrative and support services; specifying the task force membership; authorizing the task force to create advisory committees; specifying that the task force and any advisory committee members will serve without compensation, but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses; requiring that state agencies assist and cooperate with the task force and any advisory committees; specifying that appointments to the task force be made by a certain date; specifying the first meeting of the task force; specifying the process for filling vacancies; specifying quorum and voting procedures; requiring the task force to submit recommendations to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Governor by a specified date; providing an expiration date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 1040—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retail theft; amending s. 812.015, F.S.; revising requirements for aggregation of retail thefts that constitute a higher degree of offense; amending s.

812.019, F.S.; prohibiting specified acts involving merchandise or a stored value card obtained from a fraudulent return; reenacting s. 921.0022(3)(e), F.S., relating to level 5 of the offense severity ranking chart; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1042—A bill to be entitled An act relating to notaries public; providing directives to the Division of Law Revision and Information; amending s. 117.01, F.S.; revising provisions relating to use of the office of notary public; requiring a notary public who registers as an online notary public to maintain certain liability insurance; amending s. 117.021, F.S.; requiring electronic signatures to include access protection; prohibiting a person from requiring a notary public to perform a notarial act with certain technology; authorizing the Department of State, in collaboration with the Agency for State Technology, to adopt rules for certain purposes; amending s. 117.05, F.S.; providing that a person applying for a notary public commission must provide proof of identity to the Executive Office of the Governor, rather than the Department of State, upon request; revising limitations on notary fees to conform to changes made by the act; providing for inclusion of certain information in a jurat or notarial certificate; providing for compliance with online notarization requirements; providing for notarial certification of a printed electronic record; revising statutory forms for jurats and notarial certifications; amending s. 117.107, F.S.; providing applicability; revising prohibited acts; creating s. 117.201, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 117.209, F.S.; authorizing online notarizations; providing an exception; creating s. 117.215, F.S.; specifying the application of other laws in relation to online notarizations; creating s. 117.225, F.S.; providing registration and qualification requirements for online notaries public; creating s. 117.235, F.S.; authorizing the performance of certain notarial acts; creating s. 117.245, F.S.; requiring a notary public to keep an electronic journal of online notarizations; specifying the information that must be included for each online notarization; requiring an online notary public to take certain steps regarding the maintenance and security of the electronic journal; creating s. 117.255, F.S.; providing requirements for the use of electronic journals, signatures, and seals; requiring a notary public to provide notification of the theft, vandalism, or loss of an electronic journal, signature, or seal; authorizing an online notary public to make copies of electronic journal entries and provide access to related recordings under certain circumstances; authorizing an online notary public to charge a fee for making and delivering such copies; creating s. 117.265, F.S.; prescribing online notarization procedures; specifying the manner by which an online notary public must verify the identity of a principal or a witness; requiring an online notary public to take certain measures as to the security of technology used; specifying that an electronic notarial certificate must identify the performance of an online notarization; specifying that noncompliance does not impair the validity of a notarial act or the notarized electronic record; creating s. 117.275, F.S.; providing fees for online notarizations; creating s. 117.285, F.S.; authorizing a notary public to supervise the witnessing of electronic records of online notarizations; creating s. 117.295, F.S.; providing standards for electronic and online notarizations; authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor, in collaboration with the Agency for State Technology, to adopt certain rules; creating s. 117.305, F.S.; superseding certain provisions of federal law regulating electronic signatures; amending s. 28.222, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to record certain instruments; amending s. 92.50, F.S.; defining the term "before"; amending s. 95.231, F.S.; providing a limitation period for certain recorded instruments; amending s. 689.01, F.S.; providing for witnessing of documents in connection with real estate conveyances; providing for validation of certain recorded documents; amending s. 694.08, F.S.; providing for validation of certain recorded documents; amending s. 695.03, F.S.; providing and revising requirements for making acknowledgments, proofs, and other documents; defining the term "before"; amending ss. 695.04, 695.05, and 695.09, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 695.28, F.S.; providing for validity of recorded documents; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Book—

SB 1044—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victims of human trafficking; providing a short title; creating s. 787.061, F.S.; providing legislative findings; providing definitions; providing a civil cause of action for victims of human trafficking against a trafficker or facilitator; providing procedures and requirements for bringing a claim; providing for damages, punitive damages, and costs; requiring a court to impose civil penalties in certain circumstances; providing for distribution of civil penalties; providing for the distribution of punitive damages; providing that such actions are not subject to a statute of limitations; providing an affirmative defense for public lodging establishments under certain circumstances; amending s. 772.104, F.S.; specifying that certain provisions concerning civil actions for criminal practices do not apply to actions that may be brought under s. 787.061, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Book—

SB 1046—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 787.0611, F.S.; creating the Trust Fund for Victims of Human Trafficking and Prevention within the Department of Law Enforcement; providing the purposes of, and funding sources for, the trust fund; providing for administration of the fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 1048—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearms; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; authorizing a church, a synagogue, or other religious institution to allow a concealed weapons or concealed firearms licensee to carry a firearm on the property of the church, synagogue, or religious institution for certain purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senators Bracy and Stewart—

SB 1050—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop an Orlando City Soccer Club license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Young—

SB 1052—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lost or abandoned property; amending s. 705.17, F.S.; providing that certain provisions of ch. 705, F.S., do not apply to lost or abandoned personal property on the premises of theme parks, entertainment complexes, or other specified facilities if certain conditions are met; creating s. 705.185, F.S.; providing for the disposal of lost or abandoned personal property found on the premises of certain theme parks, entertainment complexes, or other specified facilities; specifying procedures as to the property's disposal; authorizing the rightful owner to claim lost or abandoned property at any time before its disposal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

SR 1054—Not introduced.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 1056—A bill to be entitled An act relating to computer coding instruction; creating s. 1012.545, F.S.; defining terms; requiring a school district to provide student access to computer coding courses under certain circumstances; excluding charter schools from such requirements; requiring the Commissioner of Education to identify and publish information about such courses; providing for educator professional development and bonuses under certain circumstances; authorizing rulemaking; providing an appropriation; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

SR 1058—Not introduced.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1060—A bill to be entitled An act relating to defamation; repealing s. 836.04, F.S., relating to defamation by falsely and maliciously imputing a woman's want of chastity; repealing s. 836.06, F.S., relating to defamation by making certain derogatory statements concerning banks and building and loan associations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

SR 1062—Not introduced.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 1064—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dual enrollment programs; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; revising the contents of a post-secondary institution and private school dual enrollment articulation agreement; prohibiting certain fees from being passed to the private school; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 1066—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rader—

SB 1068—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Office of Drug Control; creating s. 397.335, F.S.; creating the Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor; providing for the office to be headed by a director appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation; providing the purpose and duties of the office; requiring the director of the office to report annually to the Governor and Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1070—A bill to be entitled An act relating to eligibility for medical assistance and related services; amending s. 409.904, F.S.; extending Medicaid eligibility to specified adults; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1072—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adoption assistance for children within the child welfare system; amending s. 409.166, F.S.; requiring court costs for all adoptive parents who adopt children in the custody of the Department of Children and Families to be waived rather than reimbursed by the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1074—A bill to be entitled An act relating to equity in school-level funding; amending s. 1011.69, F.S.; revising the types of funds school districts may withhold before allocating certain Title I funds to eligible schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1076—A bill to be entitled An act relating to franchises; creating s. 686.101, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 686.102, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing construction; creating s. 686.103, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 686.104, F.S.; prohibiting a franchisor from terminating or not renewing a franchise under certain circumstances; providing limitations on what constitutes good cause; authorizing the franchisor to give immediate notice of termination of a franchise for specified reasons under certain circumstances; creating s. 686.105, F.S.; prohibiting a franchisor from denying certain persons the opportunity to participate in the ownership of a franchise for a specified period after the death of the franchisee or the death of a person controlling a majority interest in the franchise; requiring specified persons to meet certain requirements or to sell, transfer, or assign the franchise after the death of the franchisee or the death of the person controlling a majority interest in the franchise; authorizing a franchisee to sell, transfer, or assign a franchise, specified assets, or an interest in the franchise under certain circumstances; prohibiting a franchisor from preventing a franchisee from selling or transferring a franchise, assets of the franchise business, or an interest in the franchise under certain circumstances; requiring the franchisor to make available and to apply specified requirements for the approval of new or renewing franchises, under certain circumstances; creating s. 686.106, F.S.; requiring a franchisor and a franchisee to deal with each other in good faith; prohibiting the franchisor from acting in a certain manner; providing remedies; creating s. 686.107, F.S.; voiding certain contracts, contract provisions, or practices; creating s. 686.108, F.S.; prohibiting the use of certain choice of venue and choice of law provisions, under certain circumstances; creating s. 686.109, F.S.; providing remedies for a franchisee or an aggrieved or injured person under certain circumstances; clarifying that specified remedies are in addition to existing remedies; creating s. 686.11, F.S.; providing applicability; amending s. 817.416, F.S.; defining the term “area franchise”; prohibiting waivers through certain contract provisions that would affect a person’s rights to make a claim; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1078—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for specified United States Census Bureau address information held by an agency; providing an exception to the exemption; authorizing access to other related confidential or exempt information; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 1080—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program; amending s. 1002.39, F.S.; providing that specified eligibility requirements do not apply to students in certain grades beginning in a specified school year; revising student eligibility criteria; providing for the calculation of the scholarship amount for students diagnosed with a disability by certain physicians or psychologists; providing for the adjustment of the scholarship amount under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1082—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electric vehicle charging stations; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; specifying a noncriminal fine for the unlawful parking of a vehicle in an electric vehicle charging station; amending s. 366.94, F.S.; revising the penalties for the unlawful parking of a vehicle in an electric vehicle charging station; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 1084—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pay-for-success contracts; creating s. 287.05715, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing a state agency to enter into a pay-for-success contract with a private entity under certain conditions, subject to an appropriation and specified language in the General Appropriations Act; authorizing an agency to carry forward specified unexpended appropriations under certain circumstances; providing contract requirements; authorizing cancellation of the contract under specified circumstances; specifying services and programs that are eligible for funding under a pay-for-success contract; prohibiting a private entity from viewing or receiving certain information that is otherwise confidential and exempt from public records requirements; requiring an agency to provide an annual report containing certain data to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees by a specified date; providing that capital obtained from a private entity under the contract is not considered a procurement item; requiring the Department of Management Services to prescribe certain procedures by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1086—A bill to be entitled An act relating to anatomical gifts; amending s. 765.513, F.S.; authorizing a nonprofit surgical training center to become a donee of anatomical gifts for education, research, or training purposes; defining the term “nonprofit surgical training center”; prohibiting a nonprofit surgical training center from providing an anatomical gift to another facility; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Education; and Rules.

By Senator Broxson—

SB 1088—A bill to be entitled An act relating to training requirements for assisted living facility employees; amending s. 429.52, F.S.; deleting obsolete dates; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to require certain new assisted living facility employees to complete an instructional requirement; requiring the department to develop a core curriculum for use by trainers; requiring a trainer who does not use the department's core curriculum to submit the curriculum used in his or her trainings to the department by a specified date annually for its review and approval; authorizing the department to suspend the registration of a trainer who fails to submit his or her curriculum for approval or who fails to adhere to an approved curriculum; requiring a curriculum developed for a certain required training to include specified topics, including emergency and disaster preparedness; requiring a new facility administrator to complete an instructional requirement before employment as an administrator; specifying that a new facility administrator must complete the required training and education within a specified timeframe rather than within a reasonable time as determined by the department; requiring a registered trainer to submit certain information on trainings performed to the department at least once annually; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 1090—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enrollment of dependent children of active duty military personnel in the Florida Virtual School; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; requiring the Florida Virtual School to give enrollment priority to dependent children of certain active duty military personnel; authorizing the Florida Virtual School to use a specified form to determine residency and to serve specified students directly; providing for funding for certain students; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; requiring that certain dependent children of active duty military personnel be given first preference for admission to the Florida Virtual School; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rader—

SB 1092—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; reenacting and amending s. 286.011, F.S., relating to public meetings; specifying that a board or commission of any entity created by general or special law is subject to public meetings requirements; specifying that a board's or commission's adoption of an ordinance or a code is not binding unless public meetings requirements are met; revising notice requirements applicable to public meetings of a board or commission; providing that a member of the public has the right to speak at a public meeting of a board or commission; specifying circumstances under which a board or commission is not required to allow public comment or may restrict the length of time that a member of the public may speak; requiring members of a board or commission to respond to questions made at public meetings within a specified timeframe; requiring a board or commission to prescribe a form on which members of the public wishing to exercise their right to speak must provide certain information; providing civil and criminal penalties for violations of the act; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 286.0114, F.S., relating to the reasonable opportunity to be heard at public meetings; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1094—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trespass on airport property; amending s. 810.09, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for a trespass upon the operational area of an airport with specified intent if specified signage is posted; defining the term “operational area of an airport”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1096—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victim assistance; amending s. 960.001, F.S.; requiring a law enforcement agency to provide specified information to a victim for obtaining possession of his or her property located in a pawnshop; requiring the law enforcement agency to provide the victim with the name and location of the pawnshop under certain circumstances; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1098—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employee leasing companies; amending s. 468.525, F.S.; revising requirements relating to employee leasing company contractual arrangements with client companies; amending s. 468.535, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to make investigations, audits, or reviews of an employee leasing company at the request of a client company; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wastewater treatment facilities; amending s. 403.086, F.S.; prohibiting the decommission of a wastewater treatment facility until certain conditions are met; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reclassification of offenses involving certain firearms or firearm accessories; amending s. 775.087, F.S.; providing for reclassification of offenses a person commits while possessing a weapon or firearm capable of holding more than 13 rounds of ammunition, possessing two or more firearms, or possessing a firearm and specified accessories; defining the term “bump-fire stock”; reenacting s. 921.0022(2), F.S., relating to the reclassification of the degree of certain felonies, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.087, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vehicle registration; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a vehicle having an apportioned registration be issued an annual license plate and a certain cab card for each apportioned jurisdiction in which the vehicle is authorized to operate; requiring, beginning on a specified date, a vehicle registered in accordance with the International Registration Plan to be issued a license plate for a specified period, an annual cab card denoting the declared gross vehicle weight, and an annual validation sticker showing the month and year of expiration; requiring the validation

sticker to be placed in the center of the license plate; requiring the license plate and validation sticker to be issued based on the applicant's appropriate renewal period; providing a specified fee for initial and renewed validation stickers; requiring the fee to be deposited into the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund; authorizing a damaged or worn license plate to be replaced at no charge by applying to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and surrendering the current license plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

SB 1106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic information used for insurance; amending s. 627.4301, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting life insurers and long-term care insurers, except under certain circumstances, from canceling, limiting, or denying coverage, or establishing differentials in premium rates, based on genetic information; prohibiting such insurers from certain actions relating to genetic information for any insurance purpose; revising and providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Young—

SB 1108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sales tax exemption for political subdivisions; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing that for sales of tangible personal property that will go into or become a part of public works owned by certain governmental entities, the governmental entity may authorize contractors or subcontractors to utilize the governmental entity's certificate of entitlement to the exemption for the direct purchase of the tangible personal property; requiring such governmental entities to issue a letter of authorization to the contractor or subcontractor; specifying requirements for such letters; providing construction relating to a certain risk of damage or loss; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Volunteer Florida, Inc.; amending s. 14.29, F.S.; abrogating the future repeal date of the nonprofit direct-support organization established by the Florida Commission on Community Service; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle theft; amending s. 316.1975, F.S.; providing criminal penalties if a vehicle's ignition is not locked in a proper manner and the vehicle is stolen by a minor; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional regulation; amending s. 120.565, F.S.; authorizing a person to seek a declaratory statement from an agency as to the effect of the person's criminal background on his or her eligibility for certain licenses, registrations, or certificates; specifying that a person may seek a declaratory statement before meeting any prerequisites for the license,

registration, or certification; requiring that an agency's conclusion in the declaratory statement contain certain statements; providing that the agency's conclusion is binding except under certain circumstances; requiring a person seeking a declaratory statement to submit certain items to the agency and pay certain fees and costs; providing requirements for the processing of the fingerprints; requiring the petitioner to pay the actual cost of processing the fingerprints; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; requiring the board to use a specified process for the review of an applicant's criminal record to determine the applicant's eligibility for certain licenses; prohibiting the conviction of a crime before a specified date from being grounds for the denial of certain licenses; defining the term "conviction"; authorizing a person to apply for a license before his or her lawful release from confinement or supervision; prohibiting additional fees for an applicant confined or under supervision; prohibiting the board from basing a denial of a license application solely on the applicant's current confinement or supervision; authorizing the board to stay the issuance of an approved license under certain circumstances; requiring the board to verify an applicant's release with the Department of Corrections; providing requirements for the appearance of certain applicants at certain meetings; requiring the board to adopt rules specifying how certain crimes affect an applicant's eligibility for licensure; amending s. 464.203, F.S.; prohibiting the conviction of a crime before a specified date from being grounds for the denial of a certification under certain circumstances; prohibiting the conviction of a crime before a specified date from being grounds for the failure of a background screening; defining the term "conviction"; authorizing a person to apply for certification before his or her lawful release from confinement or supervision; prohibiting additional fees for an applicant confined or under supervision; prohibiting the board from basing the denial of a certification solely on the applicant's current confinement or supervision; authorizing the board to stay the issuance of an approved certificate under certain circumstances; requiring the board to verify an applicant's release with the Department of Corrections; providing requirements for the appearance of certain applicants at certain meetings; requiring the board to adopt rules specifying how certain crimes may affect an applicant's eligibility for certification; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency alerts; creating s. 784.072, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a local law enforcement agency to activate the Emergency Alert System and issue a Lockdown Alert to public and private schools and child care facilities under certain circumstances; requiring local law enforcement agencies to create and maintain a list of all public schools, private schools, and child care facilities within their jurisdictions which must be included in the Lockdown Alert notification; authorizing public or private schools or child care facilities to contact their local law enforcement agencies to verify that they are included on the list or to register for inclusion on the list; requiring a local law enforcement agency to take a private school or child care facility off the list if the school or facility requests that it be taken off the list; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement, in cooperation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation, to activate the Emergency Alert System and issue an Imminent Threat Alert to the public at the request of a local law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; specifying information that must be provided in Imminent Threat Alerts, if available; requiring Imminent Threat Alerts to be disseminated to the public through the Emergency Alert System and through the use of certain dynamic message signs; providing that the agency responsible for posting the Imminent Threat Alert on the dynamic message sign does not violate this section if certain traffic emergency information is displayed on the sign in lieu of the alert; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida LAKEWATCH Program; amending s. 1004.49, F.S.; specifying that the Flor-

ida LAKEWATCH Program resides within the School of Forest Resources and Conservation's Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences Program at the University of Florida; revising the duties of the Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences Program; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to use program data under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expert witnesses; amending s. 393.11, F.S.; requiring a court to pay reasonable fees to members of an examining committee for their evaluation and testimony regarding persons with disabilities; deleting a provision specifying the source of the fees to be paid; amending s. 744.331, F.S.; requiring a court, rather than the state, to pay certain fees if a ward is indigent; amending s. 916.115, F.S.; authorizing a court to initially appoint one expert under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to take less restrictive action than commitment if an expert finds a defendant incompetent; requiring that a defendant be evaluated by no fewer than two experts before a court commits the defendant; providing an exception; authorizing a court to pay for up to two additional experts appointed by the court under certain circumstances; requiring a court to pay for the first, rather than any, expert that it appoints under certain circumstances; authorizing a party disputing a determination of competence to request up to two additional expert evaluations at that party's expense; providing for payments to experts for their testimony under certain circumstances; amending s. 916.12, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the evaluation and commitment of a defendant under certain circumstances; amending s. 916.17, F.S.; requiring the court to pay for the evaluation and testimony of an expert for a defendant on conditional release under certain circumstances; amending s. 916.301, F.S.; authorizing, rather than requiring, a court to appoint up to two additional experts to evaluate a defendant suspected of having an intellectual disability or autism under certain circumstances; providing for the payment of additional experts under certain circumstances; amending s. 916.304, F.S.; requiring the court to pay for the evaluation and testimony of an expert for a defendant on conditional release under certain circumstances; amending s. 921.09, F.S.; authorizing a defendant who has alleged insanity to retain, at the defense's expense rather than the county's, one or more physicians for certain purposes; deleting a provision requiring fees to be paid by the county; amending s. 921.12, F.S.; authorizing a defendant who has an alleged pregnancy to retain, at the defense's expense rather than the county's, one or more physicians for certain purposes; amending s. 921.137, F.S.; requiring the court to pay for the evaluation and testimony of an expert for a defendant who raises intellectual disability as a bar to a death sentence under certain circumstances; amending s. 985.19, F.S.; authorizing a court to initially appoint one expert to evaluate a child's mental condition, pending certain determinations; authorizing a court to take less restrictive action than commitment if an expert finds a child incompetent; requiring that a child be evaluated by no fewer than two experts before a court commits the child; providing an exception; authorizing a court to appoint up to two additional experts under certain circumstances; authorizing a court to require a hearing with certain testimony before ordering the commitment of a child; requiring the court to pay reasonable fees to the experts for their evaluations and testimony; requiring a court to order the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to select an expert to examine a child for intellectual disability or autism; deleting a provision requiring a specific appropriation before the implementation of specified provisions; amending ss. 29.006 and 29.007, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 1122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 445.015, F.S.; creating the Florida Business and Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund within the State Treasury, to be administered by the Department of Economic Opportunity; providing the purpose of the trust fund; requiring trust fund moneys to be provided to local work-

force development boards to award and administer certain grants; specifying duties of CareerSource Florida, Inc., with respect to the trust fund; providing that trust fund moneys are composed of a specified assessment to be imposed on certain employers; limiting eligibility of grants to certain employers; providing requirements and limitations for the assessment and administrative costs; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Braynon—

SB 1124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Reemployment Assistance Program Law contribution rates; amending s. 443.131, F.S.; providing an adjustment, beginning on a specified date, to the contribution rate of the reemployment assistance tax for specified employers; providing that the adjustment may not be in effect during certain years; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the licensure of check cashers and foreign currency exchangers; amending s. 560.304, F.S.; revising the limit on the aggregate face value of certain payment instruments cashed by a certain person within a specified timeframe before the person is required to be licensed under part III of ch. 560, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 465.004, F.S.; revising the membership of the Board of Pharmacy; amending s. 465.019, F.S.; establishing Class III institutional pharmacies; authorizing such pharmacies to dispense, compound, and fill prescriptions, prepare prepackaged drug products, and conduct other pharmaceutical services between certain entities under common control; defining the term "common control"; providing that the lawful dispensing and distribution of medicinal drugs by Class III institutional pharmacies is not considered wholesale distribution; requiring such pharmacies to maintain certain policies and procedures; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 465.0252, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 499.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "prepackaged drug product"; amending s. 499.01, F.S.; providing that a prescription drug repackager permit and a restricted prescription drug distributor permit are not required for the distribution of medicinal drugs or prepackaged drug products between entities under common control under certain circumstances; providing that a certain hospital is not required to hold a restricted prescription drug distributor permit under certain circumstances; deleting a provision exempting certain drug repackagers from specified permit requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

SB 1130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Land Acquisition Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; repealing s. 20.106(5), F.S., abrogating

provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

SB 1132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel safety inspection decals; amending s. 327.70, F.S.; providing rulemaking authority to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission regarding expiration and design of safety inspection decals; specifying standards for such rulemaking; providing a maximum period of validity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

By Senators Rouson and Bradley—

SB 1134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical marijuana treatment center licensure; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; deleting an obsolete date; revising a requirement that the Department of Health license one applicant who is a member of a certain class to exclude a requirement that the applicant also be a member of the Black Farmers and Agriculturalist Association-Florida Chapter; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Taddeo—

SJR 1136—A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 30 of Article X of the State Constitution to enhance access to affordable health care by expanding the availability of Medicaid coverage.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public lodging minimum-stay requirements; creating s. 509.093, F.S.; prohibiting hotels and motels from requiring minimum stays of greater than one night; authorizing the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential property insurance contracts; amending s. 627.7016, F.S.; specifying requirements for an insurer offering residential coverage that places a restriction on the policyholder's choice of contractor necessary to repair damage covered by the policy; providing penalties for violations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expunction of criminal history records; amending s. 943.0585, F.S.; revising the eligibility requirements for expunction of criminal history records to include instances in which a verdict of not guilty was rendered; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to permit fees; amending s. 125.56, F.S.; requiring a local government authorized to charge certain fees to post its permit fee and inspection fee schedule on its website with a link to a specified building permit and inspection report; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; requiring the governing body of a local government, before making any adjustment to a fee schedule, to publish a building permit and inspection report and post it on the local government's website; requiring the report to be updated annually on such website and be easily accessible to the public; requiring the report to include specified information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

SB 1146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Books to Babies Pilot Project; requiring the Office of Early Learning to establish the Books to Babies Pilot Project in Seminole and Orange Counties to provide resources to parents relating to emergent literacy skills; requiring the office to oversee implementation of the pilot project; requiring the office to select an organization that meets specified criteria to implement the pilot project; providing requirements for the use of pilot project funds; requiring the organization to annually provide a report to the office, the early learning coalitions in Orange and Seminole Counties, the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; requiring the office to allocate funds for the pilot project; requiring the Orange and Seminole County School Districts to provide matching funds for the pilot project; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thurston—

SB 1148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to de-escalation training; defining the term "de-escalation training"; creating the De-escalation Training Pilot Program within the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring the department to administer the program and to conduct an open and competitive process for awarding grants to establish local programs in a specified number of counties and municipalities; requiring each program to implement and conduct de-escalation training for law enforcement officers within its jurisdiction and to submit annual reports by a certain date to the department; requiring the department to submit annual reports to the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing for termination of the pilot program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school readiness program funding; amending s. 1002.89, F.S.; requiring the Office of Early Learning to develop a formula for the allocation of funding for the school readiness program which meets certain requirements; requiring the office to submit the formula to the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the formula to be implemented by a specified date; requiring the office to review and update the formula within a specified timeframe; authorizing the office to adjust certain allocations for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school-level funding; amending s. 1011.69, F.S.; revising the types of funds school districts may withhold before allocating certain Title I funds to eligible schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plate decals for organ donors; creating s. 320.0849, F.S.; authorizing a certain owner or lessee of a motor vehicle to request issuance of a license plate decal identifying him or her as an organ, tissue, or eye donor; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue the decal free of charge; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to missing persons with special needs; amending s. 937.041, F.S.; expanding pilot projects for missing persons with special needs to all centers for autism and related disabilities at institutions in the State University System; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; deleting a reporting requirement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the display of the state motto; amending s. 1003.44, F.S.; requiring each district school board to adopt rules for the display of the official state motto in specified places; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to family self-sufficiency; amending ss. 414.14 and 414.175, F.S.; authorizing changes to public assistance policy and federal food assistance waivers to conform to federal law and simplify administration unless such changes increase income or resource eligibility standards for the program; creating s. 414.315, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to impose a resource limit for households receiving food assistance, subject to federal approval; requiring legislative authorization for expanding resource eligibility under certain circumstances; providing applicability; creating s. 414.393, F.S.; requiring the department to implement asset verification to verify eligibility for public assistance; amending s. 445.004, F.S.; requiring CareerSource Florida, Inc., to include certain data relating to the performance outcomes of local workforce development boards and associated pilot programs in an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; providing legislative findings; providing definitions; requiring CareerSource Florida, Inc., to contract with a vendor to develop a pilot program to increase employment among certain persons receiving temporary cash assistance by a specified date; providing criteria for selecting a vendor; providing criteria for selecting local workforce boards to conduct the pilot program; requiring CareerSource Florida, Inc., to submit a report on the outcome of the pilot program to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

SR 1162—Not introduced.

SR 1164—Not introduced.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to storm hardening; amending s. 366.8260, F.S.; defining the term “storm hardening”; requiring an electric utility, when petitioning the Public Service Commission for a storm-recovery financing order, to identify its storm hardening plan, its compliance with the plan, and its overall prudence in ensuring electric service reliability; requiring the commission, when making a determination on a petition, to consider the utility’s prudence in storm hardening, previously received storm hardening costs, and the utility’s prudence in expending such funds; conforming a cross-reference; requiring that electric utilities provide a discount on storm-recovery charges to certain customers who have underground electric utility distribution lines servicing their property or who live in certain jurisdictions limiting the planting of certain types of trees near certain utility equipment; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; providing that certain attorney fees and costs paid by property insurers may not be included in the property insurer’s rate base and may not be used to justify a rate increase or rate change; amending s. 627.409, F.S.; adding and revising conditions under which certain misrepresentations, omissions, concealments of fact, or incorrect statements may prevent recovery under an insurance policy or annuity contract; amending s. 627.422, F.S.; providing that personal lines residential and commercial residential property insurance policies may not restrict the assignment of post-loss benefits; creating s. 627.7152, F.S.; providing that an agreement to assign post-loss benefits of a residential homeowner’s property insurance is not valid unless specified conditions are met; requiring the assignee, under certain circumstances, to provide a copy of the assignment agreement and a specified written estimate to the insurer within a specified timeframe; requiring the estimate to be timely updated if conditions require a change in scope; providing construction relating to failure to comply with such requirement; authorizing an insurer to inspect the property at any time; providing that an insurer’s failure to make a certain attempt to inspect the property and deliver a certain notice, under certain circumstances, may estop certain assertions by the insurer; providing that an assignee’s acceptance of a valid assignment agreement constitutes a waiver by the assignee or transferee, or any subcontractor of the assignee or transferee, of certain claims against named insureds, except under specified circumstances; providing construction relating to the validity of such waiver; requiring an assignee, before initiating certain litigation against an insurer, to provide a certain invoice and estimate to the insurer within a specified timeframe; providing that certain offers of settlement in certain civil actions may not be made until after a specified timeframe; requiring the office to require each insurer to annually report specified data relating to certain claims paid pursuant to assignment agreements; authorizing the office to adopt rules; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

SB 1170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; establishing an annual use fee for the Ethical Ecotourism license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing

the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop an Ethical Ecotourism license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; amending s. 320.089, F.S.; creating a special license plate for recipients of the Bronze Star Medal; providing parameters for the design of the plate; making technical changes; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Galvano—

SB 1172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Hope Scholarship Program; creating s. 1002.40, F.S.; establishing the Hope Scholarship Program; providing the purpose of the program; providing definitions; providing eligibility requirements; prohibiting the payment of a scholarship under certain circumstances; requiring a school principal to investigate a report of physical violence or emotional abuse; requiring a school district to notify an eligible student's parent of the program; requiring a school district to provide certain information relating to the statewide assessment program; providing requirements and obligations for eligible private schools; providing Department of Education obligations relating to participating students and private schools and program requirements; providing Commissioner of Education obligations; requiring the commissioner to deny, suspend, or revoke a private school's participation in the program or the payment of scholarship funds under certain circumstances; defining the term "owner or operator"; providing a process for review of a decision from the commissioner under certain circumstances; providing for the release of personally identifiable student information under certain circumstances; providing parent and student responsibilities for initial and continued participation in the program; providing nonprofit scholarship-funding organization obligations; providing for the calculation of the scholarship amount; providing the scholarship amount for students transferred to certain public schools; requiring verification of specified information before a scholarship may be disbursed; providing requirements for the scholarship payments; providing funds for administrative expenses for certain nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations; providing requirements for administrative expenses; prohibiting a nonprofit scholarship-funding organization from charging an application fee; providing Auditor General obligations; providing requirements for taxpayer elections to contribute to the program; requiring the Department of Revenue to adopt forms to administer the program; providing reporting requirements for nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations relating to taxpayer contributions; providing requirements for certain agents of the Department of Revenue and motor vehicle dealers; providing penalties; providing for the restitution of specified funds under certain circumstances; providing the state is not liable for the award or use of program funds; prohibiting additional regulations for private schools participating in the program beyond those necessary to enforce program requirements; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules to administer the program; creating s. 212.1832, F.S.; authorizing certain persons to elect to direct certain state sales and use tax revenue to be transferred to a nonprofit scholarship-funding organization for the Hope Scholarship Program; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 1174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Affordable Housing Guarantee Program; amending s. 420.5092, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "eligible housing" to include housing for evacuees from a United States territory; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stewart—

SB 1176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disposal of prescribed controlled substances by a hospice; amending s. 400.6096, F.S.; removing the requirement that a hospice physician, nurse, or social worker obtain the permission of a family member or a caregiver of the deceased patient to assist in the disposal of an unused controlled substance prescribed to the patient; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Bracy—

SB 1178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 406.136, F.S.; defining the terms "killing of a person" and "care and custody of a state agency"; expanding an exemption from public records requirements for a photograph or video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a law enforcement officer to include a photograph or video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a person; specifying that the exemption from public records requirements does not apply to the killing of a person in the care and custody of a state agency; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Steube—

SB 1180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county and municipal public officers and employees; amending s. 99.061, F.S.; requiring a candidate for an elective municipal office to file a full and public disclosure of financial interests upon qualifying for office; amending s. 106.07, F.S.; requiring elected county or municipal public officers who are candidates for elective office to make certain campaign finance reports available for posting on their county or municipal websites; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; requiring that requests to travel out of state by county or municipal public officers be approved by the governing board of the county or municipality at a publicly noticed meeting; specifying requirements for such meetings; limiting travel expenses of such public officers or employees to those expenses incurred within a specified timeframe; prohibiting advancement or reimbursement for travel expenses of such public officers or employees for foreign travel; limiting lodging expenses of such public officers or employees to a specified amount; authorizing such public officers or employees to expend their own funds for lodging expenses that exceed that amount; requiring county or municipal public officers to report certain travel expenses to a local Commission on Ethics and Public Trust or the Commission on Ethics; amending s. 112.3144, F.S.; requiring elected municipal officers to file a full and public disclosure of financial interests, rather than a statement of financial interests; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; redefining the term "local officer" to conform to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 1182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human papillomavirus vaccination; creating s. 1002.24, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to distribute certain information relating to the human papillomavirus to the parents or guardians of specified students; providing that certain information must be included; requiring the Department of Health to approve the information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Education; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

SB 1184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Closing the Gap grant program; amending s. 381.7355, F.S.; requiring a Closing the Gap grant proposal to address racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to Lupus; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 1186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 1188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Strategic Intermodal System; amending s. 339.63, F.S.; specifying that the Strategic Intermodal System and the Emerging Strategic Intermodal System include existing or planned corridors that are managed lanes of transit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Farmer—

SB 1190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prior authorization for opioid alternatives; amending s. 627.64195, F.S.; prohibiting health insurance policies from requiring that treatment with an opioid analgesic drug product be attempted and failed before authorizing the use of a nonopioid-based analgesic drug product; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Stargel—

SB 1192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1002.67, F.S.; requiring certain assessment results to be provided to parents within a specified timeframe; requiring the Office of Early Learning to aggregate specified assessment results to be distributed to certain entities and posted on the office's website within a specified timeframe; amending s. 1002.71, F.S.; authorizing certain students to reenroll in the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; specifying that the program be offered by a provider that has met certain criteria; providing for funding for such students; requiring the office to establish criteria and procedures for the reenrollment of such students; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 1194—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; amending s. 775.082, F.S.; requiring a defendant who is sentenced for a primary offense of possession of a controlled substance committed on or after a specified date to be sentenced to a nonstate prison sanction under certain circumstances unless the court makes specified written findings; defining the term "possession of a controlled substance"; authorizing a defendant to move the sentencing court to depart from a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment or a mandatory fine if the offense is committed on or after a specified date; authorizing the state attorney to file an objection to the motion; authorizing the sentencing court to grant the motion if the court finds that the defendant has

demonstrated by a preponderance of the evidence that specified criteria are met; defining the term "coercion"; providing applicability; amending s. 921.002, F.S.; revising a principle of the Criminal Punishment Code relating to a prisoner's required minimum term of imprisonment; amending s. 944.275, F.S.; revising the incentive gain-time that the Department of Corrections may grant a prisoner for offenses committed on or after a specified date; providing exceptions; revising the conditions under which an inmate may be granted a one-time award of 60 additional days of incentive gain-time by the department; deleting provisions prohibiting inmates from earning or receiving gain-time in amounts that would cause the inmate's sentence to expire, end, or terminate, or result in a prisoner's release, before serving a specified percentage of the imposed sentence; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; providing that persons convicted of a noncapital offense and sentenced for a term of life qualify for conditional release, subject to certain terms and conditions; requiring that the Department of Corrections within a specified timeframe review certain records of persons serving life sentences and compile such information for the Florida Commission on Offender Review to use in making certain determinations regarding conditional release; reenacting ss. 775.084(4)(j), 944.70, 947.13(1)(f), and 947.141(1), (2), and (7), F.S., relating to the conditional release program applying to persons sentenced under certain provisions, conditions for release from incarceration, the powers and duties of the Florida Commission on Offender Review, and violations of certain release or supervision provisions, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 947.1405, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 1196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to minor patients; amending s. 395.302, F.S.; requiring a hospital or medical facility to maintain and store all medical films and records of a minor patient until the patient reaches the age of 18 years; providing that a hospital or medical facility that fails to maintain or store certain medical films and records is subject to sanctions under s. 395.1065, F.S.; amending s. 766.306, F.S.; tolling the statute of limitations with respect to any medical-related civil action brought by, or on behalf of, an ill or injured minor until the minor reaches the age of 18 years; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

SB 1198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to virtual education; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; requiring the Florida Virtual School to give enrollment priority to dependent children of certain active duty military personnel; requiring that certain examinations and assessments be available to all Florida Virtual School students; requiring a school district to provide certain information to Florida Virtual School students; authorizing the Florida Virtual School to use a specified form to determine residency and to serve specified students directly; providing for funding for certain students; amending s. 1002.45, F.S.; revising documentation requirements for virtual education providers; providing for the automatic termination of a virtual instruction provider's contract under certain circumstances; authorizing the State Board of Education to grant a waiver of such termination; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; requiring that dependent children of active duty military personnel be given first preference for admission to the Florida Virtual School; amending s. 1011.61, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "full-time equivalent student"; amending s. 1012.32, F.S.; requiring certain personnel seeking employment from a virtual instruction program to undergo certain screenings; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to provide the results of a background screening to specified entities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Young—

SB 1200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Statewide Alternative Transportation Authority; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; adding an alternative transportation authority as part of the operations of the Department of Transportation; requiring the authority to be headed by an executive director; requiring the headquarters of the authority to be located in Leon County; requiring the responsibility for expending certain funds to be delegated by the department secretary to the executive director of the authority, subject to certain requirements; requiring the authority to operate pursuant to specified provisions; exempting the authority from certain departmental policies, procedures, and standards, subject to the secretary having the authority to apply any such policies, procedures, and standards to the authority; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; beginning in a specified timeframe, revising annual allocations in the State Transportation Trust Fund for the Transportation Regional Incentive Program; specifying annual allocations to the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority and the Statewide Alternative Transportation Authority for certain purposes; specifying requirements for matching funds for the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority; repealing s. 341.303(5), F.S., relating to fund participation and the Florida Rail Enterprise; deleting a provision authorizing the department, through the Florida Rail Enterprise, to use specified funds for certain purposes; creating s. 341.86, F.S.; creating within the department the Statewide Alternative Transportation Authority; defining the term “alternative transportation system”; specifying powers of the authority; requiring the authority to be a single budget entity and to develop a budget pursuant to specified provisions; requiring the authority’s budget to be submitted to the Legislature with the department’s budget; requiring all alternative transportation system funding by the department to be included in a certain budget entity; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor, on a specified date of each year, to certify forward certain unexpended funds for the authority, subject to certain requirements; requiring the department, through the authority, to use specified funds in a county to fund the design and construction of an alternative transportation system for passengers based on a certain proposal by the county; specifying requirements for the use of the funds; requiring a county proposing the use of funds for an alternative transportation system to submit a request to the authority, subject to certain requirements; requiring local matching funds for certain distributions, subject to certain requirements; prohibiting certain funds distributed from being used to subsidize certain existing projects; amending s. 343.58, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 1202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for business e-mail addresses of current justices and judges; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

SR 1204—Not introduced.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to supervised community release; amending s. 945.091, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to extend the limits of confinement to allow an inmate to participate in supervised community release, subject to certain requirements, as prescribed by the department by rule; authorizing the department to terminate an inmate’s participation under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement officer to arrest, or a probation officer to arrest or request any county or municipal law enforcement officer to arrest, the inmate without warrant wherever he or she is found under certain circumstances; requiring the law enforce-

ment or probation officer to report the alleged violations to a correctional officer for disposition of disciplinary charges as prescribed by the department by rule; providing that participating inmates remain eligible to earn or lose gain-time; providing that such inmates may not be counted in the population of the prison system and that their approved community-based housing location may not be counted in the capacity figures for the prison system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Correctional Operations Oversight Council; amending s. 14.32, F.S.; creating the council within the Office of Chief Inspector General; specifying the purpose of the council; requiring the Office of Chief Inspector General to provide administrative support to the council; specifying the composition of the council; providing terms of office and requirements regarding the council’s membership; prescribing the duties and responsibilities of the council; prohibiting the council from interfering with the operations of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice; authorizing the council to appoint an executive director; authorizing reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses for members of the council; establishing certain restrictions applicable to members of the council and council staff; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxation of Internet video service; amending s. 202.11, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “communications services” to exclude Internet video service; defining the term “Internet video service”; revising the definition of the term “video service” to exclude Internet video service; amending s. 202.24, F.S.; prohibiting, except for specified exceptions, public bodies from levying on or collecting from sellers or purchasers of Internet video services any tax, charge, fee, or other imposition on or with respect to the provision or purchase of Internet video services; amending ss. 202.26, 212.05, and 610.118, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Book—

SB 1212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements to certain identifying and location information of current or former directors, managers, supervisors, and clinical employees of child advocacy centers that meet certain standards and requirements, members of a child protection team, and the spouses and children thereof; providing for retroactive application; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Book—

SB 1214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child exploitation; amending s. 16.56, F.S.; revising the offenses that may be investigated and prosecuted by the Office of Statewide Prosecution; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 39.0132, F.S.; revising the types of offenses committed by a child in certain custody or supervision of the Department of Children and Families which require the department to provide notice to the school superintendent; conforming provisions to changes made by the act;

amending s. 39.0139, F.S.; revising the types of offenses that create a rebuttable presumption of detriment for judicial determinations related to contact between a parent or caregiver and certain child victims; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 39.301, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 39.509, F.S.; revising the offenses that may be considered in determining whether grandparental visitation is in the child's best interest; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 90.404, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 92.56, F.S.; revising the offenses for which a criminal defendant may seek an order of disclosure for certain confidential and exempt court records, for which the state may use a pseudonym instead of the victim's name, and for which a publication or broadcast of trial testimony may not include certain victim identifying information; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 92.561, 92.565, and 435.04, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 435.07, F.S.; revising the offenses that disqualify certain child care personnel from specified employment; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 456.074, F.S.; revising the offenses for which the licenses of massage therapists and massage establishments must be suspended; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 480.041 and 480.043, F.S.; revising the offenses for which applications for licensure as a massage therapist or massage establishment must be denied; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 743.067, F.S.; revising the offenses for which an unaccompanied homeless youth may consent to specified treatment, care, and examination; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 772.102 and 775.082, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 775.0847, F.S.; revising definitions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 775.0877, 775.21, 775.215, 784.046, and 794.0115, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 794.024, F.S.; revising the offenses for which certain victim information may not be disclosed by public employees or officers; providing penalties; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 794.056, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 794.10, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing subpoenas in certain investigations of sexual offenses involving child victims and specifying requirements therefor; providing for specified reimbursement of witnesses; authorizing certain motions; requiring nondisclosure of the existence or contents of the subpoenas in certain circumstances; providing exceptions to such nondisclosure requirement; requiring certain notice to be provided in a subpoena that contains a nondisclosure requirement; exempting certain records, objects, and other information from production; providing for the return of records, objects, and other information produced; specifying time periods within which records, objects, and other information must be returned; providing for service and enforcement of the subpoenas; providing penalties for a violation of the subpoena or nondisclosure requirement; providing immunity for certain persons complying with the subpoenas in certain circumstances; providing for judicial review and extension of such nondisclosure requirements and specifying requirements therefor; amending s. 796.001, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 827.071, F.S., relating to sexual performance by a child; amending s. 847.001, F.S.; revising definitions; creating s. 847.003, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a person from using a child in a sexual performance or promoting a sexual performance by a child; providing penalties; amending s. 847.0135, F.S.; providing for separate offenses of computer pornography and child exploitation under certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 847.01357, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 847.0137, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; prohibiting a person from possessing, with the intent to promote, child pornography; prohibiting a person from knowingly possessing, controlling, or intentionally viewing child pornography; providing penalties; providing application and construction; providing for separate offenses of transmission of child pornography under certain circumstances; amending ss. 856.022, 895.02, 905.34, and 934.07, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 938.085, F.S.; revising the offenses for which a surcharge to be deposited into the Rape Crisis Program Trust Fund must be imposed; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 938.10, F.S.; revising the offenses for which an additional court cost must be imposed; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 943.0435, 943.04354, 943.0585, 943.059, 944.606, 944.607, 947.1405, 948.03, and 948.04, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 948.06, F.S.; revising the offenses that constitute a quali-

fying offense for purposes relating to a violation of probation or community control; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 948.062, 948.101, 948.30, 948.32, 960.03, and 960.197, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 985.04, F.S.; revising the types of offenses committed by a child in certain custody or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice which require the department to provide notice to the school superintendent; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 985.475 and 1012.315, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; ranking the offense of solicitation of a child via a computer service while misrepresenting one's age on the offense severity ranking chart; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; reenacting ss. 39.402(9)(a), 39.506(6), 39.509(6)(b), 39.521(3)(d), 39.806(1)(d) and (n), 63.089(4)(b), 63.092(3), 68.07(3)(i) and (6), 92.55(1)(b), 92.605(1)(b), 322.141(3), 381.004(2)(h), 384.29(1)(c) and (3), 390.01114(2)(b) and (e), 393.067(4)(h), (7), and (9), 394.495(4)(p), 394.9125(2)(a), 397.4872(2)(a) and (c), 435.07(4)(b), 507.07(9), 655.50(3)(g), 741.313(1)(e), 775.084(4)(j), 775.0862(2), 775.13(4)(e) and (f), 775.21(3)(b), (5)(d), (6)(f), and (10)(c), 775.24(2), 775.25, 775.261(3)(b), 784.049(2)(d), 794.011(2)(a), (3), (4), and (5), 794.03, 794.075(1), 847.002(1)(b), (2), and (3), 847.012(3)(b), 847.01357(3), 847.0138(2) and (3), 896.101(2)(h) and (10), 903.0351(1)(b) and (c), 903.046(2)(m), 905.34(3), 921.0022(3)(g), 921.141(6)(o), 943.0435(3), (4)(a), and (5), 943.0436(2), 943.325(2)(g), 944.11(2), 944.607(4)(a) and (9), 944.608(7), 944.609(4), 944.70(1), 947.13(1)(f), 947.1405(2)(c) and (12), 947.141(1), (2), and (7), 948.013(2)(b), 948.06(8)(b) and (d), 948.063, 948.064(4), 948.08(7)(a), 948.12(3), 948.30(3)(b) and (4), 948.31, 951.27, 960.003(2)(a) and (b) and (3)(a), 960.065(5), 984.03(2), 985.0301(5)(c), 985.04(6)(b), 985.441(1)(c), 985.4815(9), and 1012.467(2)(g), F.S., relating to placement in a shelter, arraignment hearings, grandparents rights, disposition hearings, grounds for termination of parental rights, proceedings to terminate parental rights pending adoption, report to the court of intended placement by an adoption entity, change of name, proceedings involving certain victims or witnesses, production of certain records, color or markings of certain licenses or identification cards, HIV testing, confidentiality, the Parental Notice of Abortion Act, facility licensure, the child and adolescent mental health system of care, authority of a state attorney to refer a person for civil commitment, exemption from disqualification, exemptions from disqualification, violations by movers or moving brokers, Florida Control of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing in Financial Institutions Act, unlawful action against employees seeking protection, violent career criminals, habitual felony offenders, and habitual violent felony offenders, sexual offenses against students by authority figures, registration of convicted felons, the Florida Sexual Predators Act, duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders, prosecutions for acts or omissions, career offender registration, sexual cyberharassment, sexual battery, publishing or broadcasting information identifying sexual offense victims, sexual predators and erectile dysfunction drugs, child pornography prosecutions, sale or distribution of harmful materials to minors or using minors in production, civil remedies for exploited children, transmission of material harmful to minors to a minor by electronic device or equipment, the Florida Money Laundering Act, restrictions on pretrial release pending probation-violation hearings or community-control-violation hearings, purposes of and criteria for bail determination, the powers and duties of a statewide grand jury, the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, sentence of death or life imprisonment for capital felonies, sexual offenders required to register with the Department of Law Enforcement, duty of the court to uphold laws governing sexual predators and sexual offenders, DNA database, regulation by the Department of Corrections of the admission of books, notification to the Department of Law Enforcement of information on sexual offenders, notification to the Department of Law Enforcement concerning career offenders, career offenders and notification upon release, conditions for release from incarceration, powers and duties of the Florida Commission on Offender Review, the conditional release program, violations of conditional release, control release, or conditional medical release or addiction-recovery supervision, administrative probation, violation of probation or community control, violations of probation or community control by designated sexual offenders and predators, notification of status as a violent felony offender of special concern, the pretrial intervention program, intensive supervision for postprison release of violent offenders, additional terms and conditions of probation or community control for certain sex offenses, the evaluation and treatment of sexual predators and offenders

on probation or community control, blood tests of inmates, hepatitis and HIV testing for persons charged with or alleged by petition for delinquency to have committed certain offenses, eligibility for victim assistance awards, definitions relating to children and families in need of services, jurisdiction, oaths, records, and confidential information, commitment, notification to Department of Law Enforcement of information on juvenile sexual offenders, and contractors permitted access to school grounds, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made by the act in cross-references to amended provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Book—

SB 1216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; expanding the exemption from public records requirements for any information in a videotaped statement of a minor who is alleged to be or who is a victim of sexual battery, lewd acts, or other sexual misconduct; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to persons awaiting trial; amending s. 903.046, F.S.; providing that a court is not required to consider the source of funds used to post bail or procure an appearance bond when determining whether to release a defendant on bail or other conditions when such funds are provided by a charitable bail fund; creating s. 907.042, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Corrections to develop a risk assessment instrument; authorizing the department to use or modify an existing risk assessment instrument; requiring the department to develop or modify the risk assessment instrument by a certain date; specifying requirements for the use, implementation, and distribution of the risk assessment instrument; creating the Risk Assessment Pilot Program for a specified period; specifying the participating counties; requiring each participating county's chief correctional officer to contract with the department to administer the risk assessment instrument for all persons arrested for felony violations; requiring each participating county to submit a report annually by a certain date to the department with specified information; requiring the department to compile the information of the findings from the participating counties and submit an annual report by a certain date to the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing the department, in consultation with specified persons, to adopt rules; reordering and amending s. 932.701, F.S.; defining the term "charitable bail fund"; amending s. 932.7055, F.S.; providing that certain proceeds from seized property which are deposited in a special law enforcement trust fund and interest from such proceeds may be used to establish and maintain a charitable bail fund, if such a bail fund is established by the county or municipality; amending ss. 210.095, 213.295, 893.147, and 932.703, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to custodial interrogations; creating s. 900.05, F.S.; defining terms and specifying covered offenses; requiring that a custodial interrogation at a place of detention be electronically recorded in its entirety in connection with certain offenses; requiring law enforcement officers who do not comply with the electronic recording requirement or who conduct custodial interrogations at a place other than a place of detention to prepare a specified report; providing exceptions to the electronic recording requirement; requiring a court to consider a law enforcement officer's failure to comply with the electronic recording requirements in determining the admissibility of a statement unless an exception applies;

requiring a court, upon the request of a defendant, to give cautionary instructions to a jury under certain circumstances; providing immunity from civil liability to law enforcement agencies that enforce certain rules; providing that no cause of action is created against a law enforcement officer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

SB 1222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an inmate reentry program; creating s. 397.755, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to administer a reentry program for certain inmates with substance abuse, mental health, or co-occurring disorders; establishing that the reentry program consists of an in-prison treatment program and a community-based aftercare treatment program; requiring the sentencing court to issue a recommendation for an inmate's participation in the reentry program in a sentencing order; requiring the department to consider inmates for admission to the reentry program; providing factors for consideration; providing eligibility criteria for participation in the program; requiring the department to give written notification of the inmate's admission into the reentry program to the sentencing court and specified persons; specifying that the department may refuse to place an inmate in the reentry program for good cause; requiring the department to develop a postrelease treatment plan before an inmate completes in-prison treatment; providing a procedure for an inmate who appears to become unable to participate in the reentry program; authorizing sanctions to be imposed on an inmate who violates rules of conduct established by department rule; authorizing the department to place an inmate in the reentry program in an administrative or protective confinement; providing that an inmate shall be immediately transitioned into the community on drug offender-mental health probation following his or her completion of the in-prison treatment program; providing that an inmate in the reentry program who is on such probation is subject to the standard terms of probation and any special condition ordered by the sentencing court; requiring an inmate's case to be transferred to a drug court or mental health court if the sentencing county has such a court and is willing to accept the case; requiring the department to collect the cost of supervision from the inmate, as appropriate; requiring the inmate to comply with all conditions of his or her supervision and related court orders; specifying that a violation of such conditions or orders may result in revocation of supervision by the court and imposition of a sentence; requiring an inmate who is on probation as part of the reentry program to pay all appropriate costs of supervision to the department; requiring a financially able inmate to pay all costs of substance abuse or mental health treatment; authorizing the supervising court to impose additional conditions on the inmate, such as requiring the payment of restitution, the payment of court costs and fines, or community service; specifying that time spent on probation as part of the reentry program is considered in-custody time for purposes of calculating gain-time; requiring the department to implement the program, within available resources, to the fullest extent possible; requiring the department to provide special training to employees serving in the reentry program; authorizing the department to develop and enter into certain performance-based contracts to supply services through the program; authorizing the department to establish a system of incentives in the program to promote participation in rehabilitative programs and the orderly operation of institutions and facilities; clarifying that this act does not confer any right to placement in the reentry program or early release; specifying that an inmate has no cause of action for actions taken in the administration of the reentry program; requiring the department to develop a computerized system to track data on the recidivism and recommitment of inmates who have participated in the reentry program; requiring the department to submit an annual report on such data to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to adopt rules; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to provide a report to the Legislature before a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 1224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; amending s. 561.42, F.S.; authorizing a malt beverage distributor to give branded glassware to vendors licensed to sell malt beverages for on-premises consumption; requiring that the glassware bear certain branding; providing an annual limit on the amount of glassware a distributor may give to a vendor; prohibiting a vendor from selling the branded glassware or returning it to a distributor for cash, credit, or replacement; defining the terms “case” and “glassware”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; and Appropriations.

By Senators Book and Hutson—

SB 1226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing for sexual offenders and sexual predators; amending s. 775.21, F.S.; redefining the terms “permanent residence,” “temporary residence,” and “transient residence” by decreasing the amount of days a person abides, lodges, or resides in a certain place to qualify for that type of residency category; revising existing criminal penalties for sexual predators to require mandatory minimum terms of community control with electronic monitoring for first, second, and third and subsequent violations of specified offenses; amending s. 943.0435, F.S.; revising existing criminal penalties for sexual offenders to require mandatory minimum terms of community control with electronic monitoring for first, second, and third and subsequent violations of specified offenses; reenacting s. 775.25, F.S., relating to prosecutions for certain acts or omissions, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 775.21 and 943.0435, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 944.606(1)(d), 985.481(1)(d), and 985.4815(1)(f), F.S., relating to sexual offenders and required notifications upon release, sexual offenders adjudicated delinquent and required notifications upon release, and notification to the Department of Law Enforcement of information on juvenile sexual offenders, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.21, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Hukill—

SB 1228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to annual business organization reports and fees; amending s. 605.0212, F.S.; authorizing domestic and registered foreign limited liability companies to submit biennial reports to the Department of State; amending s. 605.0213, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for limited liability companies; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees and biennial supplemental corporate fees; amending s. 607.0122, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign corporations; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees and biennial supplemental corporate fees; amending s. 607.1622, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign corporations to submit biennial reports to the department; amending s. 607.193, F.S.; establishing a biennial supplemental corporate fee for limited liability companies, domestic and foreign corporations, and domestic and foreign limited partnerships; amending s. 617.0122, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign corporations not for profit; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees; amending s. 617.1622, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign corporations not for profit to submit biennial reports to the department; amending s. 620.1109, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign limited partnerships; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees and biennial supplemental corporate fees; amending s. 620.1210, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign limited partnerships to submit biennial reports to the department; amending s. 620.81055, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign limited liability partnerships; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees; amending s. 620.9003, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign limited

liability partnerships to submit biennial reports to the department; amending ss. 605.0114, 605.0118, 605.0211, 605.0714, 605.0715, 605.0908, 605.0909, 606.06, 607.0121, 607.0128, 607.01401, 607.0141, 607.0502, 607.0705, 607.1420, 607.1421, 607.1509, 607.15101, 607.1530, 607.1531, 607.15315, 607.1601, 617.0121, 617.0128, 617.0502, 617.1420, 617.1421, 617.1509, 617.1510, 617.1530, 617.1531, 617.1533, 617.1601, 620.1111, 620.1115, 620.1209, 620.1809, 620.1810, 620.1906, 620.1909, and 622.05, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice—

SB 7000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 943.0583, F.S., relating to an exemption from public records requirements for certain criminal history records ordered expunged which are retained by the Department of Law Enforcement; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice—

SB 7002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 286.01141, F.S., which provides an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of a meeting of a duly constituted criminal justice commission at which active criminal intelligence information or active criminal investigative information being considered by, or which may foreseeably come before, the commission is discussed; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By the Committee on Judiciary—

SB 7004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending ss. 741.30 and 784.046, F.S., relating to the exemptions from public records requirements for personal identifying and location information of a petitioner who requests notification of service of an injunction for protection against domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence, and dating violence and for other court actions related to the injunction which are held by clerks of the court and law enforcement agencies; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By the Committee on Judiciary—

SB 7006—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 68.083, F.S., relating to an exemption from public record requirements for the complaint and information held by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to an investigation of a violation of the Florida False Claims Act; abrogating the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By the Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities—

SB 7008—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 119.0713, F.S., relating to an exemption from public records requirements for proprietary

confidential business information held by a local government electric utility; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Galvano, Perry, Young, Bradley, Stewart, Stargel, Simpson, Steube, Passidomo, Bean, Baxley, Hukill, and Benacquisto—

CS for SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act relating to higher education; providing a short title; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; requiring state universities to identify internship opportunities in high-demand fields; amending s. 1001.7065, F.S.; revising the preeminent state research universities program graduation rate requirements and funding distributions; specifying funding as provided by the Legislature; deleting the authority for such universities to stipulate a special course requirement for incoming students; requiring the Board of Governors to establish certain standards by a specified date; amending s. 1001.92, F.S.; requiring certain performance-based metrics to include specified graduation rates and access benchmarks; specifying funding as provided by the Legislature; amending s. 1004.28, F.S.; directing a state university board of trustees to limit the services, activities, and expenses of its direct-support organizations; requiring the chair of the board of trustees to appoint at least one representative to the board of directors and executive committee of a university direct-support organization; requiring the disclosure of certain financial documents; creating s. 1004.6497, F.S.; establishing the World Class Faculty and Scholar Program; providing the purpose and intent; authorizing state university investments in certain faculty retention, recruitment, and recognition activities; specifying funding as provided by the Legislature; requiring an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; creating s. 1004.6498, F.S.; establishing the State University Professional and Graduate Degree Excellence Program; providing the purpose; listing the quality improvement efforts that may be used to elevate the prominence of state university medicine, law, and graduate-level business programs; specifying funding as provided by the Legislature; requiring an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 1008.30, F.S.; authorizing certain state universities to continue to provide developmental education instruction; amending s. 1009.22, F.S.; removing the prohibition on the inclusion of a technology fee in the funds for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program award; amending s. 1009.23, F.S.; removing the prohibition on the inclusion of a technology fee in the funds for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program award; amending s. 1009.24, F.S.; removing the prohibition on the inclusion of a technology fee and a tuition differential fee in the funds for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program award; requiring each state university board of trustees to implement a block tuition policy for specified undergraduate students beginning in a specified academic semester; requiring the Chancellor of the State University System to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 1009.53, F.S.; authorizing students to use certain Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program awards for summer term enrollment beginning in specified years; specifying funding as provided by the Legislature; amending s. 1009.534, F.S.; specifying Florida Academic Scholars award amounts to cover tuition, fees, textbooks, and other educational expenses; amending s. 1009.535, F.S.; specifying Florida Medallion Scholars award amounts to cover specified tuition and fees; amending s. 1009.701, F.S.; revising the state-to-private match requirement for contributions to the First Generation Matching Grant Program beginning in a specified fiscal year; extending the program to include Florida College System institution students; amending s. 1009.893, F.S.; extending coverage of the Benacquisto Scholarship Program to include tuition and fees for qualified nonresident students; creating s. 1009.894, F.S.; creating the Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship Program; providing a purpose; requiring the Department of Education to administer the scholarship program; providing student eligibility criteria; specifying award amounts and distributions; amending s. 1009.98, F.S.; providing that certain payments from the Florida Prepaid College Board to a state university on behalf of a qualified beneficiary may not exceed a specified amount; providing for

retroactive application; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Lee—

CS for SB 80—A bill to be entitled An act relating to direct primary care agreements; creating s. 624.27, F.S.; providing definitions; specifying that a direct primary care agreement does not constitute insurance and is not subject to the Florida Insurance Code; specifying that entering into a direct primary care agreement does not constitute the business of insurance and is not subject to the code; providing that a certificate of authority or a license under the code is not required to market, sell, or offer to sell a direct primary care agreement; specifying requirements for a direct primary care agreement; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Hukill, Latvala, Rouson, Baxley, Benacquisto, Stewart, Rodriguez, Mayfield, Farmer, Book, Hutson, Perry, Powell, and Gibson—

CS for SB 88—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school graduation requirements; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; revising the requirements for the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards to include financial literacy; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; revising the required credits for a standard high school diploma to include one-half credit of instruction in personal financial literacy and money management and seven and one-half, rather than eight, credits in electives; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Senators Perry, Garcia, Mayfield, Rodriguez, Campbell, Baxley, Stewart, and Taddeo—

CS for SB 90—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices while driving; amending s. 316.305, F.S.; revising the legislative intent relating to the authorization of law enforcement officers to stop motor vehicles and issue citations to persons who are texting while driving; requiring deposit of fines into the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund; deleting a provision requiring that enforcement of the Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law be accomplished only as a secondary action; requiring a law enforcement officer to inform a person who is stopped for texting while driving of the person's right to decline a search of his or her wireless communications device; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Steube and Mayfield—

CS for SB 98—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurer authorization; amending s. 627.42392, F.S.; redefining the term "health insurer"; defining the term "urgent care situation"; prohibiting prior authorization forms from requiring certain information; requiring health insurers and pharmacy benefits managers on behalf of health insurers to provide certain information relating to prior authorization by specified means; prohibiting such insurers and pharmacy benefits managers from implementing or making changes to requirements or restrictions to obtain prior authorization except under certain circumstances; providing applicability; requiring such insurers and pharmacy benefits managers to authorize or deny prior authorization requests and provide certain notices within specified timeframes; creating s. 627.42393, F.S.; defining terms; requiring health insurers to publish on their websites and provide to insureds in writing a procedure for insureds and health care providers to request protocol exceptions; specifying requirements for such procedure; requiring health insurers, within specified timeframes, to authorize or deny a protocol exception request or respond to appeals of their authorizations or denials; requiring authorizations or denials to specify certain information; requiring health insurers to grant protocol exception requests under certain circumstances; authorizing health insurers to request documentation in support of a protocol exception request; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senators Garcia and Taddeo—

CS for SB 104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to small business financial assistance; creating s. 295.231, F.S.; creating the Veterans Employment Small Business Grant Program within the Department of Economic Opportunity; directing Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to administer the program; defining terms; authorizing the corporation to accept and administer moneys appropriated for such grants; specifying grant amounts; limiting the amount that a small business may receive under the program; requiring a small business to apply to and enter into an agreement with the corporation to receive grants; prescribing minimum criteria for such agreements; requiring the corporation to notify the appropriate regional small business development center of a small business' participation; requiring the department to adopt certain rules; prescribing reporting requirements; providing for termination of the program; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Benacquisto, Simpson, Book, Hutson, Perry, Bracy, Torres, Rodriguez, Campbell, and Taddeo—

CS for SB 140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marriage licenses; amending s. 741.04, F.S.; providing that a marriage license may not be issued to a person under the age of 18 years; requiring parties to a marriage to file a written and signed affidavit with the county court judge or clerk of the circuit court before the judge or clerk may issue a marriage license; requiring such affidavit to include certain information; providing legislative intent; requiring each party to a marriage to provide his or her social security number or an alien registration number for purposes of child support enforcement; prohibiting a judge or clerk from issuing a marriage license unless he or she is presented with certain written statements; providing that the effective date of a marriage license must be delayed by 3 days if the parties to the marriage have not submitted valid certificates of completion of a premarital preparation course; providing exceptions; repealing s. 741.0405, F.S., relating to the issuance of marriage licenses to persons under 18 years of age; amending s. 741.05, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Steube and Grimsley—

CS for SB 152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of firearms; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; requiring Department of Law Enforcement procedures to allow the payment or transmittal of processing fees for criminal history checks of potential firearms buyers by electronic means; providing that criminal history check requests by licensed importers, manufacturers, and dealers to the department may be made by electronic means; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Steube—

CS for SB 198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fireworks; repealing s. 791.013, F.S., relating to the testing and approval of sparklers; repealing s. 791.015, F.S., relating to the registration of manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, and retailers of sparklers; repealing s. 791.03, F.S., relating to the bond of licensees; amending s. 791.01, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 791.012, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 791.02, F.S.; prohibiting persons, firms, copartnerships, and corporations from selling fireworks to any person under 18 years of age; authorizing the State Fire Marshal to adopt rules; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 791.04, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 791.06, F.S., relating to penalties, to incorporate the amendment made by this act to s. 791.02, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senators Bradley, Perry, Stewart, Bean, Simpson, Stargel, Passidomo, Baxley, Hukill, Young, and Hutson—

CS for SB 204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; revising the specified appropriation for spring restoration, protection, and management

projects; requiring a specified appropriation for certain projects related to the St. Johns River and its tributaries or the Keystone Heights Lake Region; requiring the distribution to be reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid on certain bonds; deleting an obsolete provision; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Bracy—

CS for SB 226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to inmate reentry services; amending s. 944.705, F.S.; requiring the release orientation program to consist of at least 200 hours of instruction time; requiring the program to begin at least 360 days prior to the inmate's release; requiring that housing placement information and job search assistance be included in the release orientation program; requiring the Department of Corrections to assist inmates in securing the identified basic support services; requiring the department to notify every inmate of opportunities for industry certifications and job placement in the community in which the inmate will be released; amending s. 944.7065, F.S.; requiring each inmate released from incarceration by the department to complete at least a 200-hour comprehensive transition course; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Corrections to report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the opportunities available for all inmates to receive industry certifications and vocational training; requiring the report to include recommendations for improvement and availability; requiring the report be provided to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Steube—

CS for SB 250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ambulatory surgical centers and mobile surgical facilities; amending s. 395.002, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms "ambulatory surgical center" and "mobile surgical facility"; amending s. 395.1055, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine to adopt rules that establish requirements for practitioners and facilities related to the delivery of surgical care to children in ambulatory surgical centers, in accordance with specified standards; requiring that the rules establish minimum standards for certain pediatric patient care practices; specifying that ambulatory surgical centers may only provide certain procedures if authorized by agency rule; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Passidomo—

CS for SB 268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 744.21031, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain identifying and location information of current or former public guardians, employees with fiduciary responsibility, and the spouses and children thereof; providing for retroactive application; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Brandes—

CS for SB 272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local tax referenda; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; revising the voter approval threshold required to pass a referendum to adopt or amend local government discretionary sales surtaxes when the referendum is held at any date other than a general election; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Hutson and Baxley—

CS for SB 276—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter registration list maintenance; amending s. 98.075, F.S.; authorizing the Department of State to become a member of a nongovernmental entity to verify voter registration information; establishing requirements for such memberships; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and

Motor Vehicles to provide specified information to the Department of State; establishing reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Senators Hutson and Baxley—

CS for SB 278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 98.075, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain information received by the Department of State from another state or the District of Columbia which is confidential or exempt pursuant to the laws of that jurisdiction; providing for the release of such information to specified persons; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Brandes—

CS for SB 296—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; repealing s. 564.05, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual wine containers; repealing s. 564.055, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual cider containers; amending s. 564.09, F.S.; revising provisions authorizing a restaurant to allow a patron to remove bottles of wine from a restaurant for off-premises consumption; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Bracy—

CS for SB 298—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal history records; amending s. 943.0585, F.S.; revising the elements that must be attested to by a petitioner in a statement submitted in support of the expunction of a criminal history record; revising the circumstances under which the Department of Law Enforcement must issue a certificate of eligibility for expunction of a criminal history record; amending s. 943.059, F.S.; revising the elements that must be attested to by a petitioner in a statement submitted in support of the sealing of a criminal history record; revising the circumstances under which the Department of Law Enforcement must issue a certificate of eligibility for sealing of a criminal history record; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Young—

CS for SB 324—A bill to be entitled An act relating to impact fees; amending s. 163.31801, F.S.; revising the minimum requirements for impact fees; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senators Young and Gibson—

CS for SB 326—A bill to be entitled An act relating to services for veterans and their families; creating s. 394.9087, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Children and Families establish the Florida Veterans' Care Coordination Program to provide veterans and their families with behavioral health care referral and care coordination services; requiring that the department contract with managing entities to enter into agreements with Florida 211 Network participants for such services; providing program goals; providing for the statewide delivery of specified services by program teams; requiring Florida 211 Network participants to collect certain data on the implementation of the program and submit the data to the department; requiring the department to submit a report on the program's implementation to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; requiring a minimum percentage of funds annually appropriated for the administration of the program to be used for the promotion and advertising of the program; requiring the department to use public service announcements; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Perry—

CS for SB 346—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motorcycle and moped riders; amending s. 316.211, F.S.; increasing the age at which persons who are operating or riding upon a certain motorcycle or a moped are exempt from protective headgear requirements; requiring a

moped registered to a person under a specified age to display a license plate that is unique in design and color; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Stargel—

CS for SB 354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to government accountability; amending s. 11.40, F.S.; specifying that the Governor, the Commissioner of Education, or the designee of the Governor or of the commissioner, may notify the Legislative Auditing Committee of an entity's failure to comply with certain auditing and financial reporting requirements; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; defining the terms "abuse," "fraud," and "waste"; revising definitions; excluding water management districts from certain audit requirements; removing a cross-reference; authorizing the Auditor General to conduct audits of tourist development councils and county tourism promotion agencies; revising reporting requirements applicable to the Auditor General; amending s. 28.35, F.S.; revising reporting requirements applicable to the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation; amending s. 43.16, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the Justice Administrative Commission, each state attorney, each public defender, the criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, the capital collateral regional counsel, and the Guardian Ad Litem Program, to include the establishment and maintenance of certain internal controls; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; revising certain lodging rates for the purpose of reimbursement to specified employees; authorizing an employee to expend his or her funds for certain lodging expenses; defining the term "statewide travel management system"; requiring agencies and the judicial branch to report certain travel information of public officers and employees in the statewide travel management system; requiring executive branch state agencies and the judicial branch to use the statewide travel management system for certain purposes; amending ss. 129.03, 129.06, and 166.241, F.S.; requiring counties and municipalities to maintain certain budget documents on the entities' websites for a specified period; amending s. 215.86, F.S.; revising the purposes for which management systems and internal controls must be established and maintained by each state agency and the judicial branch; amending s. 215.97, F.S.; revising certain audit threshold requirements; amending s. 215.985, F.S.; revising the requirements for a monthly financial statement provided by a water management district; amending s. 218.32, F.S.; revising the requirements of the annual financial audit report of a local governmental entity; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to request additional information from a local governmental entity; requiring a local governmental entity to respond to such requests within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to notify the Legislative Auditing Committee of noncompliance; amending s. 218.33, F.S.; requiring local governmental entities to establish and maintain internal controls to achieve specified purposes; amending s. 218.39, F.S.; requiring an audited entity to respond to audit recommendations under specified circumstances; amending s. 218.391, F.S.; revising membership for the audit committee; prohibiting an audit committee member from being an employee, a chief executive officer, or a chief financial officer of the respective governmental entity; requiring an auditor to include certain information in a management letter; requiring the chair of a governmental entity's governing body to submit an affidavit containing certain information when the entity contracts with an auditor to conduct an audit; providing requirements and procedures for selecting an auditor; requiring the Legislative Auditing Committee to determine whether a governmental entity should be subject to state action under certain circumstances; amending s. 286.0114, F.S.; prohibiting a board or commission from requiring an advance copy of testimony or comments from a member of the public as a precondition to being given the opportunity to be heard at a public meeting; amending s. 373.536, F.S.; deleting obsolete language; requiring water management districts to maintain certain budget documents on the districts' websites for a specified period; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; authorizing additional internal audits as directed by the district school board; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the governing board of a charter school to include the establishment and maintenance of internal controls; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; requiring completion of an annual financial audit of the Florida Virtual School; specifying audit requirements; requiring an audit report to be submitted to the board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School and the Auditor General; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 1010.01, F.S.; requiring each school district, Florida College System institution, and state university to establish and maintain certain internal controls; amending s. 1010.30, F.S.; requiring a district school board, Florida College System institution board of

trustees, or university board of trustees to respond to audit recommendations under certain circumstances; amending s. 218.503, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; declaring that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Young—

CS for SB 374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fantasy contests; creating s. 546.13, F.S.; defining terms; exempting a fantasy contest from certain regulations; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senators Book, Young, Taddeo, Montford, and Latvala—

CS for SB 376—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation benefits for first responders; amending s. 112.1815, F.S.; revising the evidentiary standard for demonstrating mental and nervous injuries of first responders; deleting certain limitations relating to workers' compensation benefits for first responders; amending s. 440.093, F.S.; providing that law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics are entitled to benefits under the Workers' Compensation Law for mental or nervous injuries, regardless of whether such injuries are accompanied by physical injuries requiring medical treatment, under specified circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Brandes and Galvano—

CS for SB 384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electric and hybrid vehicles; requiring the Florida Transportation Commission to review all sources of revenue for transportation infrastructure and maintenance projects and prepare a report to the Governor and the Legislature when the commission determines that electric and hybrid vehicles make up a certain percentage or more of the total number of vehicles registered in this state; authorizing the commission, in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to use certain commercially available data; requiring the commission, in consultation with the Division of Emergency Management, to make an assessment of transportation infrastructure with respect to emergency evacuations and electric vehicles; specifying requirements for the report; requiring the report to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature no later than a certain date; authorizing the commission to undertake and complete the review before the specified-percentage threshold is reached, under certain circumstances; amending s. 339.175, F.S.; requiring a long-range transportation plan to consider infrastructure and technological improvements necessary to accommodate the increased use of autonomous technology and electric vehicles; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senators Garcia and Taddeo—

CS for SB 386—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer finance; amending s. 516.031, F.S.; revising a provision relating to the maximum delinquency charge that may be charged for consumer finance loans; amending s. 516.36, F.S.; revising a requirement relating to installment repayments for consumer finance loans; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Bean—

CS for SB 444—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pregnancy support services; creating s. 381.96, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Health to contract with a not-for-profit statewide alliance of organizations to provide pregnancy support and wellness services through subcontractors; providing duties of the department; providing contract requirements; requiring the contractor to spend a specified percentage of funds on direct client services; providing for subcontractor background screenings under certain circumstances; requiring the contractor to annually survey subcontractors; specifying the

entities eligible for a subcontract; requiring services to be provided in a noncoercive manner; forbidding the inclusion of faith-based content in informational materials; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Garcia—

CS for SB 450—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health and substance use disorders; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 394.4572, F.S.; requiring a specific level of screening for peer specialists working in mental health programs and facilities; amending s. 394.4573, F.S.; specifying that the use of peer specialists for recovery support is an essential element of a coordinated system of behavioral health care; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 397.4073, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 397.417, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; authorizing a person to seek certification as a peer specialist if he or she meets specified qualifications; requiring a background screening, completion of a training program, and a passing score on a competency exam for a qualified person to obtain certification as a peer specialist; requiring the Department of Children and Families to develop a training program for peer specialists and give preference to trainers who are certified peer specialists; requiring the training program to coincide with a competency exam and be based on current practice standards; requiring the department to certify peer specialists directly or by designating a nonprofit certification organization; requiring that a person providing peer specialist services be certified or supervised by a licensed behavioral health care professional or a certified peer specialist; authorizing the department, a behavioral health managing entity, or the Medicaid program to reimburse a peer specialist service as a recovery service; encouraging Medicaid managed care plans to use peer specialists in providing recovery services; requiring peer specialists to meet the requirements of a background screening as a condition of employment and continued employment; authorizing the department or the Agency for Health Care Administration to require by rule that fingerprints be submitted electronically to the Department of Law Enforcement; authorizing the department or the agency to contract with certain vendors for fingerprinting; specifying requirements for vendors; specifying offenses to be considered in the background screening of a peer specialist; authorizing a person who does not meet background screening requirements to request an exemption from disqualification from the department or the agency; providing that all peer specialists certified as of the effective date of this act are recognized as having met the requirements of this act; amending ss. 212.055, 394.495, 394.496, 394.9085, 397.416, 409.972, 440.102, and 744.2007, F.S.; conforming cross-references; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Brandes—

CS for SB 454—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitations on homestead assessments; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; revising the time-frame when the accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead; deleting obsolete provisions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing applicability; providing a contingent effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Bradley—

CS for SB 484—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; amending s. 921.188, F.S.; authorizing a court to sentence offenders to a county jail for up to 24 months under certain circumstances for offenses committed after a specified date; requiring sentencing conditions; prohibiting an offender from receiving gain-time or other sentence credit that would result in the offender serving less than 85 percent of his or her sentence; providing that contracts are contingent upon an appropriation; providing contractual requirements; requiring specific appropriations; providing for such appropriations; requiring the validation of per diem rates before payments are made; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Grimsley—

CS for SB 488—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency medical services; amending s. 401.23, F.S.; defining the term “advanced life support nontransport services”; amending s. 401.25, F.S.; exempting certain governmental entities from the requirement to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide certain emergency services under specified conditions; providing applicability; requiring that such governmental entities provide certain notice to counties and municipalities in their proposed service areas; requiring the Department of Health to issue a license to an exempt entity under certain circumstances; amending ss. 14.33, 125.01045, 166.0446, 252.515, 395.1027, 401.245, and 401.27, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senators Young and Mayfield—

CS for SB 510—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reporting of adverse incidents in planned out-of-hospital births; creating s. 456.0495, F.S.; defining the term “adverse incident”; requiring licensed physicians, certified nurse midwives, and licensed midwives to report an adverse incident and a medical summary of events to the Department of Health within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to review adverse incident reports and determine if conduct occurred that is subject to disciplinary action; requiring the appropriate regulatory board or the department to take disciplinary action under certain circumstances; requiring the department to adopt rules; requiring the department to develop a form to be used for the reporting of adverse incidents; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senators Latvala, Young, and Campbell—

CS for SB 520—A bill to be entitled An act relating to optometry; amending s. 463.006, F.S.; requiring an applicant for licensure as an optometrist to submit proof to the Department of Health that she or he meets certain requirements; removing a requirement that the department examine an applicant who meets specified requirements for licensure and certification; requiring the Board of Optometry to approve a licensure examination that meets certain requirements; clarifying that the board may offer a practical examination in addition to a written examination under certain circumstances; providing that an applicant must pass the licensure examination within a specified timeframe as a condition of licensure as an optometrist and certification to administer and prescribe ocular pharmaceutical agents; amending s. 463.0057, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Hukill—

CS for SB 540—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary education; providing a short title; creating s. 1001.6001, F.S.; renaming the Florida College System as the Florida Community College System; creating the State Board of Community Colleges; requiring the Governor to appoint the membership of the state board; providing that the appointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate; requiring the Division of Florida Colleges to provide administrative support to the state board until a specified date; transferring the Florida College System and the Division of Florida Colleges to the state board on a specified date; requiring the state board to appoint a Chancellor of the Florida Community College System by a specified date; amending s. 20.15, F.S.; removing the Division of Florida Colleges from within the Department of Education; requiring the department to provide support to the State Board of Community Colleges; creating s. 20.156, F.S.; creating the State Board of Community Colleges; assigning the state board to, and administratively housing the state board within, the department; providing the personnel for and powers and duties of the state board; requiring the state board to conduct an organizational meeting by a specified date; amending s. 112.313, F.S.; prohibiting citizen members of the State Board of Community Colleges or Florida Community College System institution boards of trustees from having an employment or contractual relationship as specified lobbyists; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; revising the term “state officer” to include certain Florida Community College System personnel; amending s. 1000.03, F.S.; revising the function and mission of the Florida K-20

education system; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to oversee enforcement of Florida Community College System laws and rules; amending s. 1000.05, F.S.; requiring the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System, instead of the Commissioner of Education, to make certain determinations regarding equal opportunities at Florida Community College System institutions; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules; amending s. 1001.02, F.S.; revising the general powers of the State Board of Education to exempt the Florida Community College System from certain provisions; deleting duties of the State Board of Education regarding the Florida College System; amending s. 1001.03, F.S.; revising certain articulation accountability and enforcement measures; requiring the State Board of Education to collect information in conjunction with the Board of Governors and the State Board of Community Colleges; deleting duties of the State Board of Education regarding the Florida College System; amending ss. 1001.10 and 1001.11, F.S.; revising the general powers and duties of the Commissioner of Education to exempt the Florida Community College System from certain powers and duties; amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; revising duties of the Office of Inspector General within the department regarding the Florida College System; amending s. 1001.28, F.S.; providing that the powers and duties of the State Board of Community Colleges are not abrogated, superseded, altered, or amended by certain provisions relating to the department’s duties for distance learning; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; prohibiting a technical center governing board from approving certain courses and programs; amending s. 1001.44, F.S.; providing the primary mission of a career center operated by a district school board; prohibiting specified career centers from offering certain courses and programs; amending s. 1001.60, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 1001.601, F.S.; establishing the State Board of Community Colleges; providing the membership of the board; creating s. 1001.602, F.S.; providing the responsibilities and duties of the State Board of Community Colleges; requiring the state board to coordinate with the State Board of Education; requiring the state board, in collaboration with the State Board of Education, to adopt specified definitions by rule; amending ss. 1001.61, 1001.64, and 1001.65, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1001.66, F.S.; revising requirements for the performance-based metrics used to award Florida Community College System institutions with performance-based incentives; amending s. 1001.67, F.S.; revising the Distinguished Florida Community College System Institution Program excellence standards requirements; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; revising cooperation duties of the Board of Governors to include requirements for working with the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1002.34, F.S.; providing the primary mission of a charter technical career center; prohibiting specified charter technical career centers from offering certain courses and programs; providing for rulemaking; amending s. 1003.491, F.S.; revising the Florida Career and Professional Education Act to require the State Board of Community Colleges to recommend, jointly with the Board of Governors and the Commissioner of Education, certain deadlines for new core courses; amending s. 1003.493, F.S.; revising department duties regarding articulation and the transfer of credits to postsecondary institutions to include consultation with the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1004.015, F.S.; providing that the Higher Education Coordinating Council serves as an advisory board to, in addition to other bodies, the State Board of Community Colleges; revising council reporting requirements to include a report to the state board; requiring the state board to collaborate with the Office of K-20 Articulation to provide administrative support for the council; amending ss. 1004.02 and 1004.03, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; revising department reporting requirements regarding teacher preparation programs to require a report to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1004.07, F.S.; providing that the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education, provide guidelines for Florida Community College System institution boards of trustees’ policies; amending ss. 1004.084, 1004.085, 1004.096, 1004.0961, 1004.35, and 1004.6495, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.65, F.S.; revising Florida Community College System institution governance, mission, and responsibilities, to provide authority and duties to the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education; providing that offering upper-level instruction and awarding baccalaureate degrees are a secondary and not a primary role of a Florida Community College System institution; amending s. 1004.67, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.70, F.S.; revising requirements for appointments to the board of directors; prohibiting a community college board

of trustees from authorizing a Florida Community College System institution direct-support organization to use personal services and state funds for travel expenses after a specified date; deleting an exception to the prohibition on gifts to a political committee from a Florida Community College System institution direct-support organization; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.71, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.74, F.S.; requiring the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System, jointly with the Commissioner of Education, to appoint members of the Council for the Florida School for the Arts; amending ss. 1004.78 and 1004.80, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.91, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to collaborate with the State Board of Education to provide certain rules for Florida Community College System institutions regarding requirements for career education program basic skills; amending s. 1004.92, F.S.; providing accountability for career education for the State Board of Community Colleges; revising the department's accountability for career education; requiring the department and the State Board of Community Colleges to collaborate to develop certain standards and benchmarks; requiring the State Board of Education and the State Board of Community Colleges to collaborate to adopt rules; amending s. 1004.925, F.S.; revising industry certification requirements for automotive service technology education programs to include rules adopted by the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1004.93, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1006.60, F.S.; authorizing sanctions for violations of certain rules of the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of for violations of certain rules of the State Board of Education; amending ss. 1006.61, 1006.62, and 1006.71, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1007.01, F.S.; revising the role of the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors in the statewide articulation system to include the State Board of Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring each Florida Community College System institution and each state university to execute at least one "2+2" targeted pathway articulation agreement by a specified time; providing requirements and student eligibility for the agreements; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges and the Board of Governors to collaborate to eliminate barriers in executing the agreements; amending s. 1007.24, F.S.; revising the statewide course numbering system to include participation by and input from the State Board of Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the Florida Community College System; amending ss. 1007.25, 1007.262, 1007.263, 1007.264, and 1007.265, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; requiring school districts to notify students about certain lists and equivalencies; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Education to collaborate with the State Board of Community Colleges regarding certain articulation agreements; amending s. 1007.273, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to enforce compliance with certain provisions relating to the collegiate high school program by a specified date each year; amending s. 1007.33, F.S.; prohibiting Florida Community College System institutions from offering bachelor of arts degree programs; deleting provisions relating to an authorization for the Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College to establish certain baccalaureate degree programs; revising the approval process for baccalaureate degree programs proposed by Florida Community College System institutions; requiring a Florida Community College System institution to annually report certain information to the State Board of Community Colleges, the Chancellor of the State University System, and the Legislature; revising the circumstances under which a baccalaureate degree program may be required to be modified or terminated; requiring that a baccalaureate degree program be terminated under certain circumstances; restricting total upper-level, undergraduate full-time equivalent enrollment at Florida Community College System institutions and within the Florida Community College System; amending s. 1008.30, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges, rather than the State Board of Education, to develop and implement a specified common placement test and approve a specified series of meta-majors and academic pathways with the Board of Governors; providing that certain state universities may continue to provide developmental education instruction; establishing the Supporting Students for Academic Success Program; providing the purpose, requirements, funding, and reporting requirements of the program; amending s. 1008.31, F.S.; revising the legislative intent of Florida's K-20 education performance and accountability system to include recommendations from and reports to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.32, F.S.; removing the oversight enforce-

ment authority of the State Board of Education relating to the Florida Community College System; amending s. 1008.345, F.S.; revising department responsibilities associated with the system of educational accountability to include duties for the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.37, F.S.; revising certain student reporting requirements of the Commissioner of Education to also require a report to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.38, F.S.; revising the articulation accountability process to include participation by the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1008.405, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules for the maintenance of specific information by Florida Community College System institutions; amending ss. 1008.44, 1008.45, 1009.21, 1009.22, 1009.23, and 1009.25, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; requiring that certain information regarding fee waivers be reported to the State Board of Community Colleges; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules; amending s. 1009.28, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 1009.90 and 1009.91, F.S.; revising the duties of the department to include reports to the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1009.971, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1010.01, F.S.; requiring the financial records and accounts of Florida Community College System institutions to follow rules of the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education; requiring each Florida Community College System institution to annually file specified financial statements with the State Board of Community Colleges; amending ss. 1010.02 and 1010.04, F.S.; requiring the funds accruing to and purchases and leases by Florida Community College System institutions to follow rules of the State Board of Community Colleges, instead of the State Board of Education; amending s. 1010.07, F.S.; requiring certain contractors to give bonds in an amount set by the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1010.08, F.S.; authorizing Florida Community College System boards of trustees to budget for promotion and public relations from certain funds; amending ss. 1010.09, 1010.22, 1010.30, and 1010.58, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1011.01, F.S.; requiring each Florida Community College System institution board of trustees to submit an annual operating budget according to rules of the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1011.011, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Education to collaborate with the State Board of Community Colleges on legislative budget requests relating to Florida Community College System institutions; amending ss. 1011.30 and 1011.32, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules; amending s. 1011.801, F.S.; specifying duties of the State Board of Community Colleges regarding funds for the operation of workforce education programs and the Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program; amending ss. 1011.81, 1011.82, 1011.83, 1011.84, and 1011.85, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1012.01, F.S.; redefining the term "school officers"; amending ss. 1012.80, 1012.81, 1012.83, 1012.855, and 1012.86, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1013.01, F.S.; providing that the term "board" does not include the State Board of Community Colleges when used in the context of certain educational facilities provisions; amending ss. 1013.02 and 1013.03, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to adopt rules for and provide functions relating to educational facilities; amending s. 1013.28, F.S.; authorizing Florida Community College System institution boards of trustees to dispose of land or real property subject to rules of the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1013.31, F.S.; specifying the role of the State Board of Community Colleges in educational plant surveys for Florida Community College System institutions; amending ss. 1013.36, 1013.37, and 1013.40, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1013.47, F.S.; providing that certain contractors are subject to rules of the State Board of Community Colleges; amending s. 1013.52, F.S.; specifying duties of the State Board of Community Colleges with regard to the cooperative development and joint use of facilities; amending s. 1013.65, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Community Colleges to be provided with copies of authorized allocations or reallocations for the Public Education Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senator Young—

CS for SB 568—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telephone solicitation; amending s. 501.059, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “telephonic sales call” to include voicemail transmissions; defining the term “voicemail transmission”; prohibiting the transmission of voicemails to specified persons who communicate to a telephone solicitor that they would not like to receive certain voicemail solicitations or requests for donations; requiring that if a telephone number is available through a caller identification system, that telephone number must be capable of receiving calls and must connect the original call recipient to the solicitor; revising penalties; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Mayfield and Gainer—

CS for SB 572—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high-speed passenger rail; creating s. 341.601, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 341.602, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 341.603, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating s. 341.604, F.S.; providing applicability; creating s. 341.605, F.S.; providing powers and duties of the Florida Department of Transportation; authorizing the department to regulate railroads where that authority is not federally preempted; authorizing the department to collect information from relevant parties; requiring the department to keep certain records; requiring the department to adopt rules; creating s. 341.606, F.S.; requiring the Florida Division of Emergency Management to offer, under certain circumstances, the local communities and local emergency services located along the rail corridor training specifically designed to help them respond to an accident involving rail passengers or hazardous materials; creating s. 341.607, F.S.; providing reporting requirements for certain railroad companies; requiring the department to publish certain information on its website; requiring the department, in coordination with the Federal Railroad Administration and other necessary entities, to develop certain rules; specifying that reporting requirements are for informational purposes only and are not to be used to economically regulate a railroad company; creating s. 341.608, F.S.; specifying minimum safety standards for a high-speed passenger rail system; requiring certain railroad companies to comply with certain federal laws and regulations; specifying safety equipment and technology requirements for certain railroad companies; requiring certain railroad companies to meet specified requirements before operating a high-speed passenger rail system; creating s. 341.609, F.S.; requiring construction, maintenance, and repair of certain infrastructure by certain railroad companies; specifying requirements for certain roadbed modifications; providing for construction; creating s. 341.610, F.S.; requiring the department’s railroad inspectors, in accordance with a specified program, to meet certain certification requirements and to coordinate their activities with those of federal inspectors in the state in compliance with certain federal regulations; requiring the inspectors to report the results of their inspections, subject to certain requirements; requiring the reports to be made available on the department’s website unless they are deemed confidential; creating s. 341.611, F.S.; requiring the department to adopt rules that identify standards for it to conduct field surveys of certain rail corridors; providing requirements for the field surveys; requiring the department to hold certain public meetings; requiring certain railroad companies to construct and maintain fences under certain circumstances; providing fencing requirements; providing that a railroad company operating a high-speed passenger rail system is liable for all damages arising from its failure to construct or maintain the fence, under certain circumstances; creating s. 341.612, F.S.; requiring a railroad company operating a high-speed passenger rail system to be solely responsible for certain maintenance, improvement, and upgrade costs; specifying that a governmental entity is not responsible for any costs associated with the maintenance and improvements necessary to operate a high-speed passenger rail system unless the governmental entity expressly consents in writing; providing construction; creating s. 341.613, F.S.; establishing jurisdiction for the state to enforce specified provisions; requiring penalties for violations of specified provisions to be imposed upon the railroad company that commits such violations; creating s. 341.614, F.S.; providing severability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senators Garcia and Campbell—

CS for SB 590—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; creating s. 39.4015, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; requiring the Department of Children and Families, in collaboration with sheriffs’ offices that conduct child protective investigations and community-based care lead agencies, to develop a statewide family-finding program; requiring the implementation of family finding by a specified date; requiring the department and community-based care lead agencies to document strategies taken to engage relatives and kin; providing strategies to engage relatives and kin; requiring the department and community-based care lead agencies to use diligent efforts in family finding; providing that certain actions do not constitute family finding; requiring determinations by the court; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 39.402, F.S.; requiring the court to request that parents consent to providing access to additional records; requiring a judge to appoint a surrogate parent for certain children; requiring the court to place on the record its determinations regarding the department’s or the community-based lead agency’s reasonable engagement in family finding; providing guidelines for determining reasonableness; amending ss. 39.506; requiring the court to make a determination regarding the department’s or the community-based lead agency’s reasonable engagement in family finding; providing guidelines for determining reasonableness; amending s. 39.507 F.S.; requiring the court to make a determination regarding the department’s or the community-based lead agency’s reasonable engagement in family finding; providing guidelines for determining reasonableness; requiring the court to advise parents that their parental rights may be terminated and the child’s out-of-home placement may become permanent under certain circumstances; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; requiring the department to provide financial assistance to kinship caregivers who meet certain requirements; providing eligibility criteria for such financial assistance; providing that children living with caregivers who are receiving financial assistance are eligible for Medicaid coverage; providing the purpose of a kinship navigator program; requiring each community-based care lead agency to establish a kinship navigator program by a certain date; providing requirements for programs; requiring the department to adopt rules; deleting provisions related to the Relative Caregiver Program; amending s. 39.521, F.S.; requiring the court to make a determination regarding the department’s or the community-based lead agency’s reasonable engagement in family finding; providing guidelines for determining reasonableness; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 39.6012, F.S.; revising the types of records that must be attached to a case plan and updated throughout the judicial review process; requiring that documentation of the family-finding efforts of the department and the community-based care lead agency be included in certain case plans; amending s. 39.604, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent; providing requirements and procedures for referring certain children to the Early Steps Program; requiring the Early Steps Program to screen or evaluate all children referred to the program by the department or its contracted agencies; requiring the service coordinator of the Early Steps Program to forward certain information to the department and the community-based care lead agency; requiring the dependency court to appoint a surrogate parent for certain children under certain circumstances; requiring the department or a community-based care lead agency to refer a child to the Child Find program of the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System under certain circumstances; requiring a caregiver to choose certain providers to care for children in out-of-home care; revising enrollment and attendance requirements for children in an early education or child care program; conforming cross-references; providing requirements and procedures for maintaining the educational stability of a child during the child’s placement in out-of-home care, or subsequent changes in out-of-home placement; requiring that a child’s transition from a child care or early education program be pursuant to a plan that meets certain requirements; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; requiring the court to appoint a surrogate parent if the child is under the age of school entry; requiring the court to determine if the department and community-based lead agency has continued to reasonably engaged in family finding; providing guidelines for determining the level of reasonableness; amending ss. 414.045 and 1009.25, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Bracy—

CS for SB 602—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory minimum sentences; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; authorizing a court to depart from mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for certain drug trafficking offenses if it makes specified findings; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Steube—

CS for SB 612—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential tenancies; creating s. 83.684, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing landlords to require certain employees to undergo level 1 background screenings; providing for the termination or disqualification of certain employees; requiring a written disclosure and signed acknowledgement of receipt in rental agreements and rental agreement renewals; providing requirements for such disclosure and acknowledgement; authorizing tenants to terminate such agreements and renewals under certain circumstances; requiring deposit money to be refunded to tenants upon such termination; providing that tenants are responsible for any damage he or she caused to the premises; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Passidomo—

CS for SB 616—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle dealers; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “motor vehicle dealer,” “franchised motor vehicle dealer,” “independent motor vehicle dealer,” “wholesale motor vehicle dealer,” and “motor vehicle broker”; prohibiting persons from engaging in business as, serving in the capacity of, or acting as a motor vehicle broker in this state without first obtaining a certain license; adding an exception to the prohibition on persons other than a licensed motor vehicle dealer from advertising for sale or lease any motor vehicle belonging to another party; requiring any person acting in violation of specified licensing requirements to be deemed to have committed an unfair and deceptive trade practice in violation of specified provisions; requiring an initial license certificate to be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in accordance with an application when the application is regular in form and in compliance with specified provisions; providing for expiration of a license issued to a motor vehicle broker; deleting provisions relating to renewal forms, license certificates, and initial license applications; requiring each initial application for licensure as an independent motor vehicle dealer received by the department to be accompanied by certain verification of attending training and an information seminar; providing seminar and training requirements; providing an exemption; authorizing the department to adopt certain rules; providing that the curriculum for certain subjects is approved by any and all other regulatory agencies having jurisdiction over the specific subject matters; requiring that the overall administration of the licensing of dealer schools and their instructors remains with the department; authorizing the schools to charge a fee for training; requiring the department to deliver or mail to each licensee the necessary renewal forms within a specified period; requiring independent motor vehicle dealers to complete certain certification relating to continuing education, subject to certain requirements; defining the term “dealer”; providing requirements for continuing education; requiring dealer schools to provide certificates of completion to the department and customer; authorizing the schools to charge a fee for providing continuing education; requiring franchised motor vehicle dealers to complete certain industry certification, subject to certain requirements; authorizing a certain association to charge a fee for providing the industry certification; authorizing such certification to be accomplished by a certain designated person under certain circumstances; providing certification requirements; requiring designated individuals to receive certificates of completion; requiring a licensee who seeks to satisfy the certification through a dealership group to provide the department with certain evidence at the time of filing the certificate of completion; requiring licensees who do not file their application and any other requisite documents with, and pay the fees to, the department within a specified period to cease engaging in business; providing fees for a renewal or new application filed with the department within specified periods after the expiration date; authorizing a license certificate to be modified to show a change in the name of the licensee, subject to certain requirements; requiring a specified fee for such

modification; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Passidomo and Young—

CS for SB 620—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a disaster preparedness tax exemption; providing a sales and use tax exemption for certain tangible personal property related to disaster preparedness during a specified period; providing exceptions to the exemption; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an expiration date; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Montford—

CS for SB 632—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel registration; amending s. 328.80, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue an electronic certificate of registration for a vessel, to collect electronic mail addresses, and to use electronic mail for certain purposes; amending s. 328.48, F.S.; authorizing a vessel operator to present such electronic certificate for inspection under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing that the person displaying the device assumes the liability for any resulting damage to the device; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Bracy, Campbell, and Taddeo—

CS for SB 644—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile civil citation and similar diversion programs; amending s. 985.12, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the establishment of civil citation or similar diversion programs for juveniles; specifying program eligibility, participation, and implementation requirements; providing exceptions; providing applicability; providing construction; amending ss. 943.051 and 985.11, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Young and Steube—

CS for SB 664—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the salvage of pleasure vessels; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision and Information; creating s. 559.9601, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 559.9602, F.S.; providing scope and applicability; creating s. 559.9603, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 559.9604, F.S.; requiring salvors of pleasure vessels to provide a specified written disclosure statement and salvage work estimate; creating s. 559.9605, F.S.; requiring such salvors to obtain customer permission before exceeding the written estimate by more than a specified amount; specifying salvor responsibilities and rights to certain fees in the event that a customer cancels the order for salvage; creating s. 559.9606, F.S.; requiring salvors to post specified signage on their vessels; creating s. 559.9607, F.S.; specifying violations; creating s. 559.9608, F.S.; providing remedies; specifying that such remedies are in addition to others provided by law; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Perry—

CS for SB 684—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Book—

CS for SB 710—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Prescription Drug Donation Program; amending s. 499.029, F.S.; renaming the Cancer Drug Donation Program as the Prescription Drug Donation Program; authorizing the donation of prescription drugs, including cancer drugs, and supplies to eligible patients; revising definitions;

authorizing nursing home facilities to participate in the program; providing an effective date.

REFERENCE CHANGES PURSUANT TO RULE 4.7(2)

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Steube—

CS for SB 198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fireworks; repealing s. 791.013, F.S., relating to the testing and approval of sparklers; repealing s. 791.015, F.S., relating to the registration of manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, and retailers of sparklers; repealing s. 791.03, F.S., relating to the bond of licensees; amending s. 791.01, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 791.012, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 791.02, F.S.; prohibiting persons, firms, copartnerships, and corporations from selling fireworks to any person under 18 years of age; authorizing the State Fire Marshal to adopt rules; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 791.04, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 791.06, F.S., relating to penalties, to incorporate the amendment made by this act to s. 791.02, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations; and Rules.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 170

The bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: CS for SB 326

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 96

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 276

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: CS for SB 80

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 440

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 222

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 482

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 146

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 666

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 56; SB 76; SB 686

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SJR 452; SB 658; SB 688

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SJR 136

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends the following pass: SB 286; SB 364; SB 368; SB 648

The bills were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 422; SB 498

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 144; SB 408; SB 434; SB 622

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 4

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 460

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 564

The bill was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SB 168; SB 174; SB 232; SB 370

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 34

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 610

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 432

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 100

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 160; SB 172; SB 290; SB 322; SB 328; SB 330; SB 382; SB 468; SB 504; SB 544; SB 752

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development under the original reference.

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 314

The bill was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance under the original reference.

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 760

The bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 678

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends the following pass: SB 494

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 192

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 96

The bill was referred to the Committee on Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SB 316

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 108; SB 424

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 278

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 38; SB 560

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 162

The bill was referred to the Committee on Health Policy under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 98; SB 220

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 522

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 566

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 266; SB 512

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 694

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 186

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SM 442

The Special Master on Claim Bills recommends the following pass: SB 38; SB 52 with 1 amendment

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 440

The bill was referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security under the original reference.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends the following pass: SCR 184; SB 472

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: CS for SB 140

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 192

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 118; SB 436

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SB 670

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends the following pass: SB 404; CS for SB 510; SB 7004; SB 7006

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 186; SB 220; SB 512

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 358

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Rules under the original reference.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends the following pass: CS for SB 88

The bill was placed on the Calendar.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 354

The Committee on Health Policy recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 520

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 226; SB 484; SB 644

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 152

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 620

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 272; SB 324; SB 454

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 450

The Committee on Health Policy recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 250; SB 444; SB 710

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 540

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 88

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 204

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources under the original reference.

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 104

The Committee on Transportation recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 346; SB 384; SB 632; SB 684

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development under the original reference.

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 140

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 326

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 376; SB 386

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 198; SB 296

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 616

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 488

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 572

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 268

The Committee on Health Policy recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 510

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 80

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Health Policy under the original reference.

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 590

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 612

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 298; SB 602

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 276

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 568

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 278

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 98

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 374

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Rules under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 664

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 90

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Transportation under the original reference.

The Committee on Appropriations recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 4

The bill with committee substitute attached was placed on the Calendar.

The Special Master on Claim Bills recommends the following not pass: SB 16; SB 34

The bills were referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following not pass: SB 16; SB 134; SB 148; SB 274

The bills were laid on the table.

REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice recommends the following pass: SB 146; CS for SB 152; SB 222

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services recommends the following pass: SB 144; SB 498

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education recommends the following pass: SB 4

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education recommends the following pass: CS for SB 88

The Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 174; CS for SB 204; SB 232; SB 370

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development recommends the following pass: SB 100

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 484

The Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 364; SB 368

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 434

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 290; SB 330; SB 610

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

VETOED BILLS 2017 REGULAR SESSION

Secretary Kenneth W. Detzner
Secretary of State
Florida Department of State
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

May 24, 2017

Dear Secretary Detzner:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objections to Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 106, enacted during the 119th Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session of 2017 and entitled:

An act relating to vendors licensed under the beverage law...

The bill makes several changes to the alcohol and beverage laws, primarily allowing grocery stores, retailers, and certain gas stations to sell spirits in the same space as other products. Currently, spirits must be sold in a location with a separate entrance.

Since becoming Governor in 2011, I have repealed almost 5,000 regulations to reduce unnecessary burdens on Floridians. From the day I took office, I have been committed to eliminating regulations that im-

pose duplicative and unnecessary requirements on Florida's citizens and businesses. I carefully reviewed this bill and I have met with stakeholders on both sides. I listened closely to what they had to say and I understand that both positions have merit. Nevertheless, I have heard concerns as to how this bill could affect many small businesses across Florida. I was a small business owner and many locally owned businesses have told me how this bill will impact their families and their ability to create jobs.

For the reasons stated above, I withhold my approval of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 106 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Kenneth W. Detzner
Secretary of State
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

June 14, 2017

Dear Secretary Detzner:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objections to Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 374, enacted during the 119th Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session of 2017 and entitled:

An act relating to postsecondary education...

State and community colleges have played a tremendous role in my life and the lives of countless Florida families, providing them with an opportunity to succeed. When I was growing up, my family struggled to make ends meet. Before my service in the Navy, I was able to attend community college while my wife, Ann, worked to support us. After I returned from serving in the Navy, Ann was also able to continue her education at our local community college.

Each year, hundreds of thousands of students attend one of Florida's 28 state colleges, which are consistently rated amongst the best in the country for providing affordable access to higher education. For the last four years, we have held the line on tuition, keeping higher education affordable for all Florida families. Additionally, our State College System, as it currently functions, provides the flexibility and adaptability to respond to our communities' unique education and workforce needs. This legislation impedes the State College System's mission by capping the enrollment level of baccalaureate degrees and unnecessarily increasing red tape. This interference impedes the ability of state colleges to meet the needs of the communities and families they serve. In addition to this legislation, the total budget of the State College System was cut by \$24.7 million during the 2017 Regular Session.

While the bill makes positive changes to several State University System programs, and there are many provisions I think would be good for students, it does so at the expense of the Florida College System. In fact, the expansion of Bright Futures Scholarships outlined in this Legislation will still occur in Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Because this important expansion currently exists in the budget and proviso language in SB 2500, Florida's students will still benefit from this critical program. I urge the Legislature to pass legislation that revisits these issues and expands Bright Future Scholarships permanently while recognizing the importance of both our state colleges and universities in the 2018 Legislative Session.

For the reasons stated above, I withhold my approval of Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 374, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Kenneth W. Detzner
Secretary of State
Florida Department of State
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

June 2, 2017

Dear Secretary Detzner:

As Governor, I have the privilege of traveling our great state and hearing firsthand from Florida families on what matters most to them. Nearly every family I meet has the same three priorities: getting a great job, making sure their children receive a top-notch education in great schools and keeping their family safe. Each year I have the opportunity to work with the Florida Legislature to deliver on these priorities and this year I'm proud of the great progress we've made for the families in our state.

Last week, I was proud to sign into law a comprehensive tax cut package that continues to lessen the burden of taxes on Florida's families and businesses by cutting more than \$180 million and encouraging job growth for future generations of Floridians.

While I am vetoing the lines associated with the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP), I am also vetoing General Revenue funds which I believe should be allocated to our students in public schools. This action can be accomplished without changing the Required Local Effort (RLE), previously authorized and agreed upon by the Florida Legislature in the budget.

Today, I have announced a special session for June 7-9, 2017 where I am calling on the Legislature to fund our schools at a higher rate. It is my goal that an additional \$215 million more is allocated to the FEFP which is a \$100 per student increase over current year funding. Our students are the future of our great state and I know President Negron and Speaker Corcoran are committed to our students, parents, and teachers, and ensuring Florida offers a world-class education at all levels.

Earlier today, I announced that I intend to veto HB 5501 relating to Enterprise Florida and VISIT FLORIDA. I believe very strongly in both of these programs and their ability to bring more jobs to Florida. Florida's tourism industry supports 1.4 million jobs and \$50.7 billion in related income for Florida's families, and generates \$24.3 billion in tax revenue to support important public programs. According to the Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research, for every dollar invested in VISIT FLORIDA, Florida taxpayers see a return of \$3.20. I was deeply concerned that VISIT FLORIDA's budget was cut by over 60 percent and there was no funding from the legislature for economic incentive tools. During the special session, I am calling on the Florida Legislature to consider new legislation that funds Visit Florida at \$76 million, which is the funding level I recommended for tourism marketing earlier this year. Additionally, I am proposing to establish the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund at \$85 million to promote public infrastructure and individual job training which will encourage more businesses to choose Florida as a destination to grow jobs. Like the Legislature, I strongly believe in transparency and accountability for any taxpayer dollars used and I believe with this new program, we can compete with other states and nations for new jobs. While I was in business, I learned that when there are differences, you figure out a solution to fix it. I believe the new Florida Job Growth Grant Fund will be a great tool we can use to grow our economy.

We have made great strides to protect our environment, and I am proud that we have invested more than \$3.6 billion to protect Florida's agricultural and natural resources. I applaud the Florida legislature for their incredible efforts this year to find solutions to protecting our lands and waterways. President Negron championed SB 10, a piece of transformational legislation regarding Lake Okeechobee. I was proud to stand with him just a few weeks ago in Palm Beach County to sign this historic bill which provides \$64 million for the planning and construc-

tion of the C-51 Reservoir and a reservoir south of Lake Okeechobee. This legislation is a game changer for our state.

Over the past year, our state was tested like never before and I have seen that Floridians are fighters. We successfully battled the Zika virus in South Florida, experienced the horrific terror attack at Pulse Nightclub in Orlando and fought to recover from the first two hurricanes we've experienced in more than a decade. I'm proud that together with the Florida Legislature, we are making critical investments to keep Florida headed in the right direction to ensure our families stay safe and healthy.

The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides nearly \$1 million for an additional 15 epidemiologists in Florida's County Health Departments. State epidemiologists serve as one of the first lines of defense in protecting Floridians from emerging threats related to disease outbreaks like Zika.

We are also making important investments in strengthening law enforcement around our state to keep Florida families safe. Along with a robust investment of \$5.8 million and 46 positions for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) to strengthen counterterrorism operations, I intend to sign SB 7022 which provides much deserved pay raises to our state law enforcement and correctional officers. These brave men and women put their lives on the line every day to keep Florida's communities safe and I am proud to reward them for their life saving work.

Since December of 2010, we have fought hard every day to make Florida the best place to get a great job, receive a world-class education and raise a family. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget builds on our years of success and I look forward to seeing the significant impact these important investments have on families across our great state.

Fighting for Florida's Future Budget Highlights

Fighting to Cut Taxes for Florida's Future—\$180 Million in Tax Cuts

Governor Scott is committed to reducing the burden of taxes on Florida families and ensuring taxes are cut for Florida's future generations. **The Governor signed House Bill 7109 which cuts taxes by more than \$180 million.** Florida's per capita state tax burden is the second lowest among all states at \$1,806, and Governor Scott is committed to continuing to cut every possible tax to help Florida's future generations. These tax cuts will encourage both large and small businesses to create more jobs and build opportunities for generations of Floridians.

Governor Scott's signing of House Bill 7109 cuts taxes by \$180 million and includes:

- **Decreasing the Tax on Business Rents by \$61 Million**—Florida is the only state that has a tax on commercial leases which unfairly targets small businesses. This legislation reduces the tax on commercial leases by 0.2 percent in 2018, saving Florida businesses \$61 million a year.
- **Sales Tax Holidays to Save Families \$37.9 Million**—The tax cut package includes two sales tax holidays, which will save Florida families an estimated \$37.9 million in the upcoming fiscal year. These sales tax holiday savings include:
 - o **\$33.4 million** from a 3-day back-to-school sales tax holiday (August 4-6, 2017).
 - o **\$4.5 million** from a 3-day disaster preparedness sales tax holiday (June 2-4, 2017). For more information visit www.floridarevenue.com.
- **Exemption for Feminine Hygiene Products: \$11.2 Million**—HB 7109 creates a sales tax exemption on the purchase of feminine hygiene products.
- **Cutting Taxes for Low-Income Floridians and Florida Seniors: \$32.7 Million.**
 - o **\$6.9 million** by expanding the property tax exemption for Assisted Living Facilities beginning in 2017.

- o \$25.8 million by providing a 50 percent discount in property taxes to certain multifamily, low-income housing projects.
- **Cutting Agricultural Sales Tax for Florida Farmers: \$2.6 Million**—Governor Scott is cutting \$2.6 million in sales tax for Florida farmers by signing into law an exemption for agricultural health products and products used in aquaculture. Eliminating this tax will help create additional jobs in Florida’s agriculture industry.
- **Exemption for the Resale of Admissions by Tax Exempt Entities: \$3 Million**—Governor Scott is putting into effect an exemption saving Florida charities \$3 million in sales tax on the resale of admissions, which they can further invest in their core missions.
- **Sales Tax Exemption for Data Center Materials: \$2.6 Million**—Governor Scott is putting into effect a sales tax exemption for materials for data centers. This \$2.6 million tax cut will help attract high paying technology jobs to the state.
- **Sales Tax Exemption for Construction Materials in Rural Areas of Opportunity: \$1.9 Million**—An exemption for purchases of construction materials in rural areas of opportunity from the sales tax, promoting growth and jobs in small and rural counties in Florida. This is expected to save Florida businesses \$1.9 million.

Fighting for Florida’s Future Students

Governor Scott remains committed to ensuring every Florida student has the opportunity to receive a great education that leads to a successful job. To be first in the nation for jobs, Florida must have a diverse and educated workforce.

Educational Sectors	Total Funding
Florida College System	\$1.2 billion
State University System	\$4.95 billion

K-12 School Capital Funds—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget invests \$50 million for maintenance at K-12 public schools, \$50 million for charter schools, and \$15.5 million for the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind and public lab schools, which includes \$7.5 million for Florida State University Lab School to construct a new arts and sciences building.

K-12 Rural School District Construction and Renovation—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget invests \$50.8 million for five rural school districts’ Special Facility Construction projects. This funding will provide new school buildings and major renovations in Taylor, Hamilton, Liberty, Dixie and Jackson counties.

Excellence in Early Learning—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget provides \$396.8 million for the Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Program. The total funding in the Fighting for Florida’s Future early learning budget is more than \$1 billion—an increase of \$12.9 million over last year’s funding.

The budget also maintains \$15.5 million for the early learning performance funding program for child care instructors who continually provide quality education.

School Readiness—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget includes an increase of \$25 million in federal funding to allow more than 4,600 additional children access to School Readiness programs. The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget includes funds for the following early learning initiatives:

- The T.E.A.C.H. Program—\$3 million for early childhood teacher scholarships.
- Performance Funding—\$15.5 million to reward child care providers and instructors for improving School Readiness program outcomes.
- Help Me Grow—\$1.9 million to connect children and families with information, resources, and developmental services to enhance health, behavior, and learning in the development of young children.

- Home Instruction Program for Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY)—\$1.4 million to deliver high quality School Readiness curriculum directly to parents so they may strengthen the cognitive and early literacy skills of at-risk children.

Excellence in Higher Education—Governor Scott continues to champion an affordable, accessible, high quality education that leads graduates to great jobs without incurring mountains of debt.

The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget does not include any higher education tuition increases and provides historic total levels of funding for state universities—\$4.95 billion, an increase of \$173.5 million over last year. A record \$520 million in performance funding will reward institutions for excellence and improvement in student success tied to keeping higher education affordable and ensuring students get high-wage jobs.

Keeping Florida’s Higher Education Affordable—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget provides \$397.3 million to the Bright Futures Scholarship Program and fully covers 100 percent of tuition and fees for Bright Futures Academic Scholars (FAS) students, including summer courses. These students will also receive a \$300 book stipend during both the fall and spring semesters. This funding will help more than an estimated 94,000 Florida students, including approximately 50,000 FAS students who will now receive increased scholarship amounts.

The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget increases funding to the First—Generation Matching Grant Program to \$10.6 million, doubling the state’s match to private dollars raised. This program provides scholarship opportunities for economically disadvantaged students whose parents were unable to attend college so they can attain a higher education.

The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget provides \$14.3 million for scholarships for National Merit Scholar and National Achievement Scholar students.

The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget provides \$125.4 million to the Effective Access to Student Education grant program (formerly Florida Resident Access Grant program), and increases the award amount students receive from \$3,000 to \$3,300.

The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget provides \$500,000 to create the Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship Program. This new program will provide up to 50 higher education scholarships to children of farmworkers.

Targeted Investments in State Universities—Since 2011-12, total funding for Florida’s universities has increased by \$1.5 billion or 41.9 percent. This impressive increase comes while Governor Scott has held the line on tuition for four consecutive years, providing students an affordable education.

The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget provides \$50 million to state universities through the State University Professional and Graduate Degree Excellence Program to make targeted investments that enhance the quality of graduate and professional degree programs in medicine, law, and business.

The budget also provides \$70.6 million to state universities through the World Class Faculty and Scholar Program to elevate the national competitiveness of Florida’s universities through recruitment and retention of faculty and research scholars.

College and University Construction and Building Maintenance—In order for Florida’s colleges and universities to continue to have world-class facilities, the Fighting for Florida’s Future budget provides \$69 million for Florida College System facilities and \$103.7 million for State University System facilities. The budget also provides \$38.1 million for maintenance and repair at state colleges and \$45.6 million for maintenance and repair at state universities.

Industry Certifications—\$10 million in industry certification funding for the Florida College System. Colleges will receive earn \$1,000 for each industry certification that a student earns.

Fighting for Florida Jobs

Since being elected in 2010, Governor Scott's top priority has been to ensure everyone in Florida who wants a job can get a job and the result of this unrelenting focus has been incredible. In a little over six years, Florida has created 1,355,700 private-sector jobs. April 2017 marked the 81st consecutive month of positive over-the-year job growth, and Florida's annual job growth rate has exceeded the nation's annual job growth rate for five consecutive years. The unemployment rate has been cut by almost 60 percent since December 2010, from 10.7 percent to 4.5 percent, and as of April 2017 was at its lowest level since September 2007. In April 2017, there were over 244,000 job openings in Florida.

Supporting Job Growth in Florida

Enterprise Florida, Inc. (EFI), the state's public-private economic development partnership, has been instrumental in bringing high-wage jobs to Florida and marketing the state as the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$925.6 million for the Department of Economic Opportunity. This funding includes:

- \$281.9 million for Florida's 24 regional CareerSource Boards;
- \$15 million for Quick Response Training;
- \$12.5 million for Space Florida;
- \$7 million for aerospace industry financing; and
- \$3.2 million for space, defense, and rural infrastructure projects.

Investing in Florida's Future Workforce—Governor Scott is committed to making Florida the best state in the nation for workforce development so Florida's economy can continue to diversify and attract more businesses. Since 2011, Governor Scott has directed investments of more than \$1.6 billion for communities to ensure the best workers are available for Florida's job creators.

The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$281.9 million for Florida's 24 regional CareerSource Boards responsible for providing workforce services directly linked to job seekers and businesses. This includes job placement, recruitment assistance and skills training. The Florida workforce system helped place more than 413,000 Floridians in jobs during 2016, including almost 20,000 Florida veterans.

Quick Response Training—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests an additional \$3 million in Quick Response Training for a total of \$15 million to continue diversifying Florida's economy. This increase will build on the program's success by providing businesses in targeted industries, both large and small, with matching funds related to specific training activities for workers who will be moving into new jobs created in Florida.

Fighting for Great Transportation for Florida's Future

Since 2011, Governor Scott has overseen the investment of more than \$63 billion in funding for roads, bridges, airports and seaports. In fact, under Governor Scott's leadership, Florida has increased its investment in transportation by \$4 billion, or 57 percent, over the past six years. Continued investments in Florida's infrastructure and transportation is essential to supporting economic growth and ensuring that Florida's more than 20.7 million residents and more than 112 million visitors are able to move safely and efficiently throughout the state. Florida remains at the leading edge of transportation innovations and has been recognized for inventive funding solutions to enhance capacity of transportation infrastructure.

The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$10.1 billion to fully fund the Department of Transportation's (FDOT) Work Program to keep Florida's transportation and infrastructure among the best in the nation. The five-year program is locally driven to ensure communities have input in what projects receive state funding and includes the following investments:

- \$4.1 billion to expand transportation capacity;
- \$648.3 million for resurfacing projects;
- \$307.8 million for scheduled bridge construction;

- \$263.5 million for aviation improvements;
- \$687.1 million for investment in transit;
- \$175.7 million for safety initiatives;
- \$89.3 million for bike and pedestrian trails; and
- \$178.2 million in investments in seaports.

Fighting to Improve Seaports and Increase Trade

Since 2011, Governor Scott has championed priority investments in Florida's 15 world-class seaports exceeding \$1.2 billion to help solidify Florida as the trade capital of the world. Port infrastructure investments support and build upon the 103 million tons of cargo worth \$49.8 billion, and the 15.2 million cruise passengers that passed through the state's ports in 2015. According to the Florida Ports Council, Florida's 15 seaports have created 200,000 new jobs across the state since 2012, and are also responsible for \$117.6 billion in economic activity; supporting nearly 900,000 jobs, \$40 billion in personal income and \$4.3 billion in state and local tax revenue.

Additionally, Florida's proximity to Latin America and the Caribbean remains critical to the state's major role in the nations' trade, accounting for 25.2 percent of all U.S. waterborne exports and 19.1 percent of all U.S. waterborne imports to and from this growing region in 2015. Improvements such as completing the deepening of the Port of Miami and planned deepening at JAXPORT are vital to Florida being able to accommodate the large cargo ships traveling through the recently widened Panama Canal.

To date, Florida's port investments have resulted in an economic value of more than \$117 billion—a \$15 billion increase since 2012. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes \$178.2 million investments in seaports through FDOT's Work Program to continue the state's commitment for the development and enhancement of Florida's ports.

Fighting to Protect Florida's Environment for Future Generations

Florida's diverse natural resources include world-class beaches, pristine waterways and the nation's best state parks. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget continues Governor Scott's commitment to protecting Florida's environment for future generations and invests more than \$3.6 billion to protect Florida's agricultural and natural resources.

Everglades—The Florida Everglades is one of the world's most treasured natural resources and Governor Scott has made protecting it a top priority. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests more than \$202 million in Everglades restoration projects, designating \$167.6 million for the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) and other related projects, and setting aside \$35 million for the Northern Everglades and Estuaries Protection Program.

Additionally, SB 10, signed by Governor Scott on May 9, 2017, provides \$64 million for the planning and construction of the C-51 Reservoir and a reservoir south of Lake Okeechobee. Under Governor Scott's leadership, Florida has invested more than \$958 million for Everglades restoration.

Under Governor Scott's leadership, an historic \$880 million water quality plan was created to protect the Everglades and more than \$2 billion has been invested in the CERP.

Protecting Florida Springs—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget continues Governor Scott's commitment to protect Florida's springs and once again provides \$50 million in funding for springs restoration projects. **To date, Governor Scott has provided more funding for springs restoration projects—nearly \$200 million—than any Governor in Florida's history.**

Land Acquisition and Increased Land Management—In addition to the approximately \$100 million the Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests in land management, the budget also invests more than \$13 million for land acquisition, including:

- o \$10 million for Rural and Family Lands;

- o \$1.2 million for land acquisition in Lake County through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service;
- o \$850,000 for land acquisition along the Homosassa River; and
- o \$1.1 million for acquisition of the Hamm Parcel in the Martin County East Ridge Reserve.

Protecting the Florida Keys—Governor Scott has fulfilled his promise to help the Florida Keys complete the repair of their wastewater treatment facilities. This important project helps ensure that South Florida's reefs and waters are protected for the local communities, fish and wildlife that depend on these resources. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget recognizes the importance of preserving and protecting the Florida Keys by providing \$13.3 million for additional water quality improvement projects, such as stormwater infrastructure improvements and canal restoration.

State Park Facility Improvements—Visitors from around the world are attracted to Florida because of its state parks and the Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$24.8 million for repairs and renovations to these nationally recognized facilities. This includes \$14.5 million for park repairs and enhancements across the state and \$4.8 million for facility improvements at Fakahatchee Strand and Lovers Key State Parks. The budget also includes \$5.5 million to manage the land, protect natural resources, market and improve access for state parks.

Beach Restoration—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$63.3 million for beach and dune restoration, nourishment and regional sediment management. This includes \$13.3 million for the state's share of needed restoration based on the latest hurricane damage assessment and \$50 million for statewide beach and dune restoration, beach renourishment and other coastal restoration projects. On January 27, 2017, under Executive Orders 16-230 and 17-16, Governor Scott announced \$15.8 million in state funds for emergency beach restoration projects in response to the damage caused by Hurricane Matthew in St. Johns, Flagler, Volusia and Brevard counties. This funding immediately addressed critically eroded beaches where imminent threats to beachfront structures, such as roadways, homes and businesses, were identified. Like Florida's state parks, Florida's beaches regularly rank as the best in the nation and are a driving force behind the state's record tourism numbers.

Wastewater Treatment Facility Construction—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$142.6 million for the construction of wastewater treatment and stormwater management systems, including collection and transmission sewers, reclaimed water systems, and a variety of other facilities and programs through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

Drinking Water Facility Construction—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$97.6 million for the construction of drinking water system, including treatment, storage and distribution facilities.

Water Projects—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides more than \$40 million for local water projects to assist communities in the enhancement and protection of local water resources.

Citrus Industry—The Florida First budget invests more than \$19 million in citrus research and programs to protect Florida's citrus industry. This investment will help growers continue to combat the serious problem of citrus greening, a bacterial disease that greatly reduces citrus production and kills citrus trees.

Ensuring Florida's Future Generations Are Safe

Governor Scott's Fighting for Florida's Future budget builds on the state's 45-year low in crime by investing \$4.9 billion in public safety that will help ensure that Florida remains a safe place to raise a family. This includes a pay increase to support Florida's sworn law enforcement officers, a comprehensive pay plan for correctional officers that will make Florida's prisons safer, re-entry program funding that will reduce recidivism and increase funding for prevention programs targeting at-risk youth.

Supporting Law Enforcement—Governor Scott recognizes that the brave men and women who serve Florida as members of state law enforcement agencies work hard to make Florida a safe place to live and deserve to be rewarded for their lifesaving work. The Fighting for

Florida's Future budget provides \$12.7 million to provide these men and women a five percent pay increase.

Protecting Floridians and Visitors—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$5.8 million and 46 positions for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) to strengthen counterterrorism operations. These funds will allow the Department to work more closely with local, state, and federal intelligence agencies on domestic security issues.

The budget also provides over \$3 million to upgrade FDLE's Sexual Offender and Predator Registry and to ensure sexual assault kits are quickly processed. These investments will improve public safety by better identifying and tracking sexual offenders.

Continuing Investments to Improve Safety in Florida's Prisons—Over the past two years, Governor Scott has invested more than \$104 million to help improve the Florida prison system including addressing staffing levels, ensuring vehicles are safe, and better maintaining the state's facilities. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget continues this by investing more than \$56 million in Florida's Department of Corrections (FDC). The budget provides \$43.7 million to increase the base rate of pay for correctional officers, authorizes the increase of pay to certified mental health correctional officers, and authorizes the FDC to provide a hiring bonus to correctional officers at institutions with high officer vacancy rates. This funding enhances the safety and security of Florida's correctional institutions by ensuring that these facilities are appropriately staffed. The budget also provides \$6.5 million to maintain and make critical repairs at prison facilities.

Improving Inmate Mental Health and Medical Care—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides 104 positions and \$14.4 million to fund a residential mental health unit at the Wakulla Correctional Institution. These funds will allow FDC to more effectively treat inmates with mental health disorders. The budget also provides an additional \$18 million to provide comprehensive health services to state inmates.

Safer Communities through Reduced Recidivism—Evidence-based re-entry programs help reduce recidivism, which means that fewer inmates return to prison. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$8.4 million in re-entry programs to further reduce Florida's recidivism rate. This includes:

- o \$3.7 million for job training and placement for current and newly-released inmates through Operation New Hope, Ready4Work Hillsborough, Bethel Ready4Work, Reentry Alliance Pensacola, RESTORE Initiative, and the Broward County Sheriff's Inmate Portal Reentry program;
- o \$3 million for the Continuum of Care program;
- o \$1 million for workforce education programs; and
- o \$750,000 for Home Builder's Institute vocational programs, which provides career training and building industry certification.

Continuing to Improve Juvenile Justice—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$5.2 million to the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) for an additional 60 residential beds, which will ensure more youth are receiving needed services. The budget also invests \$5.3 million to improve staffing and evidence-based services in its residential facilities. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget also seeks to ensure DJJ's facilities continue to be safe for youth and staff by providing \$4.2 million for maintenance and repair.

Prevention Programs for Florida's Youth—Effective prevention programs strengthen families and turn around the lives of troubled youth. In recognition of these benefits, the Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides additional funding to expand prevention programs for at-risk youth. Some of these investments include the following:

- o A total of \$19.6 million which includes an additional \$1.4 million to fund the PACE REACH after school program at six PACE Centers for Girls programs and an additional \$1.4 million to add a PACE Center for Girls day program in Hernando County;

- o An additional \$3 million for the AMIKids Family Centric program to incorporate family engagement into delinquency prevention and youth intervention services;
- o An investment of more than \$1 million for the About Face Program to provide summer and afterschool life preparation programs;
- o An investment of more than \$600,000 for the Forward March Program to provide job readiness services at selected Florida armories for Work and Gain Economic Self Sufficiency recipients and other qualifying young adults; and
- o An investment of more than \$1.3 million to draw down an additional \$3.6 million in federal funds for the Florida Youth Challenge Program, which is an alternative residential high school for at-risk youth at Camp Blanding.

Fighting for a Healthier Future

Governor Scott's Fighting for Florida's Future budget continues his commitment to helping Florida's most vulnerable citizens by making important investments in substance abuse and mental health treatment services, the child welfare system and adoption services, and human trafficking victim support services. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget also supports Floridians with developmental disabilities, provides care for Florida's seniors and strengthens Florida's defense against infectious diseases and other mosquito borne illnesses like Zika.

Governor Scott knows that raising a family begins with ensuring good health and the Fighting for Florida's Future budget makes important investments so individuals and families have the support they need to stay healthy for years to come.

Investing in Floridians Behavioral Health Needs

Governor Scott understands that every individual struggling with mental health or substance abuse is somebody's son, daughter, mother, father, sister, brother or friend. Each case leaves loved ones searching for answers and praying for help. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests over \$126 million through the Department of Children and Families for substance abuse and mental health treatment and continues to invest in programs to better care for those dealing with behavioral health issues.

Opioid Crisis Grant—This spring, Governor Scott directed the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health, and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to host workshops across the state to help identify additional strategies to fight rising opioid usage cases in Florida. Following the completion of these workshops, which provided significant feedback and input from impacted communities, Governor Scott signed an executive order declaring a statewide public health emergency due to the opioid epidemic.

Consistent with Governor Scott's executive order, the Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$27.1 million for direct treatment and services to individuals who struggle with opioid use. This funding will expand services that are currently provided and fill gaps throughout the state. DCF will continue to work closely with impacted communities to ensure funds are distributed based on where there is the greatest need for treatment. Additionally, the Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$3.5 million for life-saving medication for those struggling with opioid use.

Behavioral Health Services—Governor Scott understands the importance of addressing the needs of those with mental illness and better aligning services to serve individuals in their own communities instead of hospitals. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes \$10 million to fund community-based programs. These programs provide better care coordination and comprehensive treatment to individuals and their families. This follows Executive Order 15-175, signed by the Governor in July 2015, which directed the Department of Children and Families to develop and implement best management practices based on community care coordination.

Family Intensive Treatment Teams (FIT)—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$10.2 million to support FIT Teams. These teams implement evidence-based practices that are family focused for treating parent's mental health and substance abuse disorders that potentially put children at risk.

Children's Community Action Treatment (CAT)—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$19.5 million in total funding, with an increase of \$2.25 million, to add three new additional CAT Teams. These teams provide community in-home services to severely mentally ill children and their families. These teams focus on treating Floridians in their communities rather than in institutional settings. The new teams will provide services in Charlotte, Volusia, Flagler, Leon, Gadsden and Wakulla counties.

Florida Assertive Community Treatment (FACT)—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$39.7 million, an increase of \$1.5 million, to expand FACT teams to Putnam and St. Johns counties. This means 39 Florida counties are served by 33 FACT teams that focus on ensuring immediate frontline services are available to adults with severe and persistent mental illness.

Mental Health Treatment Facilities—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget also continues to invest in Florida's state-run mental health facilities with more than \$221 million in total funding. This includes \$4.6 million for 65 additional staff for the care and treatment of those in the greatest need who reside in these facilities. This funding will also continue to ensure the safety of the residents and staff at these facilities.

Protecting Florida's Most Vulnerable

Fighting Human Trafficking—Over the past two years, Governor Scott has invested more than \$8 million to fight human trafficking and to ensure survivors have the services they need. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget continues to build on these investments by providing \$7.9 million to fight human trafficking and provide rehabilitation, shelter and other services to victims. The following programs and projects that support human trafficking survivors will receive funding:

- \$500,000 for Camillus House
- \$700,000 for Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health
- \$200,000 for Porch Light
- \$2,900,000 for Place of Hope
- \$1,200,000 for Bridging Freedom Program
- \$1,140,000 for Open Doors/Voices for Florida Program
- \$1,250,000 for Selah Freedom Sex Trafficking Programs

Community Based Care Organizations—Governor Scott knows that caring for Florida's children is essential to ensuring a bright future for Florida and that every dollar must have a maximum return on investment. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes an additional \$18 million to provide services to children who depend on Florida's child welfare system.

Supporting Adoption—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides an additional \$12.5 million to encourage families to adopt and to provide post-adoptive services and support for families.

Enhancing the Health of Floridians

Investing in Epidemiologists—The Fighting for Florida's Future Budget provides almost \$1 million for an additional 15 epidemiologists in Florida's County Health Departments to protect Floridians and visitors from emerging threats related to disease outbreaks like Zika. State epidemiologists serve as one of the first lines of defense in protecting individuals from mosquito borne and other illnesses.

Investing in Cancer Research and Prevention—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$7.7 million in new funding for cancer research, prevention, early detection and treatment.

Improving the Lives of Florida Seniors

Alzheimer's Disease Initiative (ADI)—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes an additional \$3 million to provide respite services for approximately 249 individuals. The ADI provides caregiver respite services and support to meet the changing needs of individuals and families affected by Alzheimer's disease and similar memory disorders.

Community Care for the Elderly (CCE)—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests an additional \$4 million in Community Care for the Elderly, which will serve approximately 497 individuals who are at the greatest risk of nursing home placement. The CCE program provides community-based services organized in a continuum of care to meet the needs of functionally impaired seniors and help them live in the least restrictive environment suitable.

Home Care for the Elderly (HCE)—The fighting for Florida's Future budget provides an additional \$1 million to serve 274 individuals who are at risk for nursing home placement. These individuals receive assistance with medical supplies, home health services, wheelchairs and other home accessibility modifications, and additional services to help them stay in their own homes.

Meals for the Elderly—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes more than \$5.6 million to serve hot meals to Florida's most vulnerable seniors. These meals are provided in the congregate and home settings.

Supported Employment for Floridians

Job Placement for Individuals with Behavioral Health Needs—Governor Scott knows that the most important step toward independent living is getting a good job. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes \$1 million for supportive employment services to assist individuals with behavioral health needs. This is the first time that employment services are supported by state funding at the Department of Children and Families. This funding will serve 1,650 individuals with behavioral health needs who have indicated they would like to work through employment services such as job training, coaching, employment assistance and transportation to and from work.

Job Placement for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes more than \$5 million for supporting employment services for individuals with developmental disabilities. This includes enhancing an individual's employment options through job training, job placement and providing transportation.

Serving Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

Agency for Persons with Disabilities Wait List—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget provides \$3.7 million to serve approximately 340 individuals on the Agency for Persons with Disabilities critical needs waitlist to help them work, learn and live in their communities.

The Arc of Florida Dental Services—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget supports dental services for individuals with developmental disabilities with \$3 million provided to The Arc of Florida. Funds will be used to enroll new providers and continue statewide coordinated dental services, which will improve the health of those served.

Fighting for Veterans Future in Florida

As a proud Navy veteran, Governor Scott is committed to making Florida the most military and veteran-friendly state in the nation. The Governor believes that those who so bravely serve the United States should be offered every available resource to ensure they are successful and able to provide for their families. The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes more than \$60 million in total funding to support active military, veterans and their families.

Supporting Military Installations and Communities

The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invest \$6.2 million to protect

Florida's military installations and communities. This includes the following:

- \$2 million for the Florida Defense Support Task Force;
- \$3.2 million for Space, Defense, and Rural Infrastructure Programs; and
- \$1 million for military and defense reinvestment grants.

The Florida Defense Support Task Force is charged with representing the state's military interests and strengthening state support for military families and veterans with an emphasis on education, healthcare, employment and family programs. In Fiscal Year 2016-17, the Task Force awarded \$765,000 to projects that help protect military installations across the state.

Florida National Guard Missions and Security—This Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes \$6 million to fund the renovation of the Robert F. Ensslin Armory in St. Augustine, Florida, the only remaining armory in the Florida Armory Revitalization Program. The budget also includes an additional \$2 million to continue the investments made to enhance security at National Guard Armories after Governor Scott's Executive Order following the tragic shooting in Tennessee in 2015, and \$1.7 for additional maintenance and repairs. Since the Governor has been in office, \$79.6 million has been invested in Florida's National Guard Armories. These funds have improved their ability to maintain their units, keep guardsmen and women safe, and increase readiness during any emergency.

Connecting Veterans with Benefits and Services

Expanding Crisis Support Services for Veterans Statewide—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes \$400,000 to expand the Crisis Center Support Line for Veterans beyond the Tampa region. This new, statewide dedicated telephone line (1-844-MYFLVET) will connect veterans in need with local resources such as medical services, employment, housing, transportation and other services. More than 4,300 veterans in all 67 counties will benefit from this statewide expansion, an almost fivefold increase over the program's current capacity.

Supporting Florida's Veterans in Their Communities—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes funding to complete the construction of the Ardie R. Copas State Veterans Nursing Home in St. Lucie County and to complete the renovation of the Lake Baldwin Nursing Home in Orange County. This will provide nursing home care and support for more than 230 veterans.

Building Homes for Heroes—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget invests \$1 million for Building Homes for Heroes to build and modify homes for veterans who were severely injured while serving in Iraq and Afghanistan and their families. Building Homes for Heroes supports neighborhood economic advancement and positively impacts construction growth within 32 communities across Florida. Last year, Building Homes for Heroes built or modified 19 project homes which had a projected value exceeding \$4 million.

Supporting Military and their Families—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes \$3.1 million for tuition assistance for National Guard members seeking degrees and certifications from higher education institutions.

K9s for Warriors Program—The Fighting for Florida's Future budget includes \$50,000 to help acquire, screen and train dogs to become service dogs for veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, brain injury or other traumas. Funding will also cover all costs associated with in-house training for veterans and their service dogs so veterans will pay nothing out of pocket.

Fighting to Keep Government Efficient for the Future

The Fighting for Florida's Future budget continues Governor Scott's goal to ensure Florida has the most efficient state workforce in the country while investing in programs to save taxpayer dollars.

Budget Savings—Florida has the lowest number of state workers per capita in the country, and the Fighting for Florida's Future budget continues Governor Scott's commitment to provide Florida taxpayers

with an efficiently run government. The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget includes \$1.5 billion in savings and a decrease of 624 positions as a result of state agencies’ continued efforts to become more efficient and save taxpayer dollars.

First Responder Public Safety Communications—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget includes \$2 million to provide a common radio signal for state and local public safety agencies, including law enforcement, emergency medical services, and fire and rescue officials, to assist first responders that travel outside of their radio service areas in times of disaster or emergency response.

Dependent Verification—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget includes \$1.2 million for one-time auditing services and continuous quality control services to determine dependent eligibility in the state employee health insurance program. This audit is estimated to save taxpayers more than \$45 million per year by reducing waste, fraud and abuse in the state health plan.

Efficient Management of State Vehicles—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget includes more than \$450,000 for the new, single Fleet Management system that will make Florida’s state government fleet management one of the most efficient in the nation. The system will more than pay for itself within the first year after implementation through increased efficiency, and will ultimately save Florida’s taxpayers millions in the years to come.

Efficient Management of State Buildings—The Fighting for Florida’s Future budget invests \$31 million to address the needs of state owned buildings within the Florida Facilities Pool, including funding for maintenance and repair, life safety issues, ADA compliance, and capital projects.

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of portions of Senate Bill 2500, enacted during the 49th Session of the Legislature convened under the Constitution of 1968, and entitled:

An act making appropriations; providing monies for the annual period beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2018, and supplemental appropriations for the period ending June 30, 2017, to pay salaries and other expenses, capital outlay—buildings, and other improvements, and for other specified purposes of the various agencies of state government; providing an effective date.

For these reasons, and for those which follow, I do hereby withhold my approval of the following line items in the Fiscal Year 2017-18 General Appropriations Act:

SECTION 1 — EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT

The following are vetoed because the amount of funding included in the Florida Education Finance Program should be higher in order to educate and prepare Florida’s 2.8 million public kindergarten through grade 12 students for college and career.

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“The calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) for the 2017-2018 fiscal year are incorporated by reference in Senate Bill 2502. The calculations are the basis for the appropriations made in the General Appropriations Act in Specific Appropriations 7, 8, 9, 91, and 92.”

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“7 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
GRANTS AND AIDS - FLORIDA EDUCATIONAL
FINANCE PROGRAM FROM EDUCATIONAL
ENHANCEMENT TRUST FUND. 404,555,678

Funds provided in Specific Appropriation 7 are allocated in Specific Appropriation 91.”

Specific Appropriation 8
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“8 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
GRANTS AND AIDS - CLASS SIZE REDUCTION
FROM EDUCATIONAL ENHANCEMENT TRUST
FUND 103,776,356

Funds in Specific Appropriations 8 and 92 are provided to implement the requirements of sections 1003.03 and 1011.685, Florida Statutes. The class size reduction allocation factor for grades pre-kindergarten to grade 3 shall be \$1,317.03, for grades 4 to 8 shall be \$898.36, and for grades 9 to 12 shall be \$900.53. The class size reduction allocation shall be recalculated based on enrollment through the October 2017 FTE survey except as provided in section 1003.03(4), Florida Statutes. If the total class size reduction allocation is greater than the appropriation in Specific Appropriations 8 and 92, funds shall be prorated to the level of the appropriation based on each district’s calculated amount. The Commissioner of Education may withhold disbursement of these funds until a district is in compliance with reporting information required for class size reduction implementation.”

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“9 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
GRANTS AND AIDS - DISTRICT LOTTERY AND
SCHOOL RECOGNITION PROGRAM
FROM EDUCATIONAL ENHANCEMENT TRUST
FUND 134,582,877

Funds in Specific Appropriation 9 are provided for the Florida School Recognition Program to be allocated as awards of up to \$100 per student to qualified schools pursuant to section 1008.36, Florida Statutes.

If there are funds remaining after payment to qualified schools, the balance shall be allocated as discretionary lottery funds to all school districts based on each district’s K-12 base funding. From these funds, school districts shall allocate up to \$5 per unweighted student to be used at the discretion of the school advisory council pursuant to section 24.121(5), Florida Statutes. If funds are insufficient to provide \$5 per student, the available funds shall be prorated.”

SECTION 2 - EDUCATION (ALL OTHER FUNDS)

The following projects are vetoed because they are low priorities of the Florida College System.

Specific Appropriation 20
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“EASTERN FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE
Center for Innovative Technology and
Education-Melbourne (HB 2521). 2,000,000”
“Olustee Campus Public Safety Facility (HB 2217). 400,000”

The following project is vetoed because Miami Dade College will have an estimated \$50 million in collected student Capital Improvement Fees by the end of Fiscal Year 2016-17 and can use those student fees toward this project.

“Rem/Ren Fac 14 (Gym) for Justice Center-North. 5,000,000”

The following project is vetoed because it is a low priority of the Florida College System.

“NORTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Rem/Ren Bldgs 7 & 8 Clsrm/Lab-Madison
(HB 2191). 3,094,530”

The following is vetoed because St. Johns River State College increased the Capital Improvement Fee charged to students by

the maximum \$2 for Fiscal Year 2016-17 and could prioritize this project using that funding source.

“ST. JOHNS RIVER STATE COLLEGE
Ren/Add Labs & Supp Srvc Bldg 1009-Palatka
(HB 4353) 4,000,000”

The following projects are vetoed because they are low priorities of the Board of Governors.

Specific Appropriation 21
Page 8

“FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY
Integrated Watershed and Coastal Studies 15,000,000”
“School of International & Public Affairs
(HB 3461) 15,000,000”
“Interdisciplinary Research Commercialization Building
(HB 4001) 8,000,000”

The following projects are vetoed because they are not on the Board of Governors’ facility list.

“Stem Teaching Lab (HB 2357) 5,000,000
Land Acquisition (HB 2215) 4,000,000”

The following project is vetoed because it is a low priority of the Board of Governors.

“Music Building (HB 2663) 7,000,000”

The following project is vetoed because the funding does not directly benefit the College of Business, which is the intended purpose of the project.

“Schultz Hall Building 9 Renovations (2269) 3,000,000”

The following project is vetoed because the project was not recognized as a high priority of the Special Facilities Committee.

Specific Appropriation 22
Page 8
“Bradford (1st of 3 years) 6,237,330”

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment for the renovation of a facility not owned by the state.

Specific Appropriation 26B
Page 9
“26B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
GRANTS AND AIDS - NON-PUBLIC HIGHER
EDUCATION PROJECT
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1,000,000

Nonrecurring funds are provided in Specific Appropriation 26B for the Restoration/Rehabilitation of the Flagler College Hotel Ponce De Leon/Molly Wiley Art Building (HB 4241).”

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment for the construction of a facility not owned by the state.

Specific Appropriation 60A
Page 14
“60A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL
OUTLAY FACILITY REPAIRS MAINTENANCE
AND CONSTRUCTION
FROM GENERAL REVENUE
FUND 1,500,000

The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 60A are provided for the facility appropriations project at the Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired - Pasco/Hernando County (HB 3587).”

The following is vetoed because the institution increased tuition from Fiscal Year 2016-17 to Fiscal Year 2017-18 by 4 percent.

Specific Appropriation 65
Page 15

“Identity Fraud Institute at Hodges University
(HB 2173) 175,000”

The following is vetoed because the institution increased tuition from Fiscal Year 2016-17 to Fiscal Year 2017-18 by 2 percent.

“Florida Institute of Technology - Indian River Lagoon
Research Institute (HB 3049) 325,000”

The following is vetoed because the institution increased tuition from Fiscal Year 2015-16 to Fiscal Year 2016-17 by 3 percent for Osteopathic Medicine; 1 percent for nursing; 2 percent for Pharmacy; and 2 percent for Optometry.

Specific Appropriation 66A
Page 16

“66A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
GRANTS AND AIDS - NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY -
HEALTH PROGRAMS
FROM GENERAL REVENUE
FUND 2,000,000

The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 66A are provided for an appropriations project (HB 2193) to support Florida residents enrolled in the Osteopathic Medicine, Optometry, Pharmacy, and Nursing programs at Nova Southeastern University. The university shall submit student enrollment information, by program, to the Department of Education prior to January 1, 2018.”

The following is vetoed because the institution increased tuition from Fiscal Year 2016-17 to Fiscal Year 2017-18 by 2 percent for the Osteopathic Medicine and Pharmacy Programs.

Specific Appropriation 66B
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“66B SPECIAL CATEGORIES
GRANTS AND AIDS - LECOM / FLORIDA -
HEALTH PROGRAMS
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 2,500,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 66B, \$1,691,010 in recurring appropriations project funds and \$808,990 in nonrecurring appropriations project funds (Senate Form 1803) shall be used to support Florida residents who are enrolled in the Osteopathic Medicine or the Pharmacy Program at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine/Bradenton. The college shall submit enrollment information for Florida residents to the Department of Education prior to January 1, 2018.”

The following is vetoed because the institution increased tuition from Fiscal Year 2015-16 to Fiscal Year 2016-17 by 3 percent.

Specific Appropriation 66C
Page 16

“St. Leo University - Florida Hospital Wellness Center
(HB 4081) 4,000,000”

The following is vetoed because state law requires all childcare providers to have professional development training, and there are currently multiple professional development training programs funded by the State of Florida.

Specific Appropriation 83
Pages 19 and 20

“Business and Leadership Institute for Early Learning
(HB 3409) 200,000”

The following is vetoed because the funding is duplicative of services provided by the School Readiness Programs and the Voluntary Prekindergarten Program, and there is no identifiable statewide impact.

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 83, \$110,000 in non-recurring funds from the Child Care and Development Block Grant Trust Fund is provided for funding an appropriations project related to HB 2329 for the Literacy Jump Start Program in St. Lucie

County to provide at-risk, academically challenged pre-school children, residing within high risk federally subsidized housing, a chance at success. The children will be immersed with a strong support system and an instructional approach designed to foster emergent literacy skills. This will be accomplished via (a) early literacy development in participating children; (b) parent engagement and literacy development; and (c) care coordination to ensure a smooth transition to voluntary prekindergarten and kindergarten.”

The following are vetoed because the amount of funding included in the Florida Education Finance Program should be higher in order to educate and prepare Florida’s 2.8 million public kindergarten through grade 12 students for college and career.

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“The calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) for the 2017-2018 fiscal year are incorporated by reference in Senate Bill 2502. The calculations are the basis for the appropriations made in the General Appropriations Act in Specific Appropriations 7, 8, 9, 91, and 92.”

Specific Appropriation 91
Pages 22 through 26

“91 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
GRANTS AND AIDS - FLORIDA EDUCATIONAL
FINANCE PROGRAM
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 7,750,817,167
FROM STATE SCHOOL TRUST FUND. 70,438,902

Funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91 shall be allocated using a base student allocation of \$4,133.64 for the FEFP.

Funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91 for the supplemental allocation for juvenile justice education programs shall be allocated pursuant to the formula provided in section 1011.62(10), Florida Statutes. The allocation factor shall be \$1,240.91.

From the funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, juvenile justice education programs shall receive funds as provided in section 1003.52(13), Florida Statutes. Up to \$341 per student may be used for high school equivalency examination fees for juvenile justice students who pass the high school equivalency exam in full, or in part, while in a juvenile justice education program and may be used for students in juvenile justice education programs to support equipment, specially designed curricula, and industry credentialing testing fees, for students enrolled in career and technical education (CTE) courses that lead to industry recognized certifications.

The Department of Education shall work with the Washington County school district and the Okeechobee County school district to determine, pursuant to section 1003.52(3), Florida Statutes, which district shall be the educational service provider for the full-time equivalent (FTE) students currently associated with Washington Special. Effective with the October 2017 FTE Survey, the FTE associated with Washington Special in the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) will be reported by either the Washington County school district or the Okeechobee County school district. The FTE changes required shall be incorporated into the 2017-2018 third FEFP Calculation as determined by the FEFP Allocation Conference.

The district cost differential (DCD) for each district shall be calculated pursuant to the provisions of section 1011.62(2), Florida Statutes.

From the funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$52,800,000 is provided for the Sparsity Supplement as defined in section 1011.62(7), Florida Statutes, for school districts of 24,000 and fewer FTE in the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

Total Required Local Effort for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 shall be \$7,605,379,015. The total amount shall include adjustments made for the calculation required in section 1011.62(4)(a) through (c), Florida Statutes.

The maximum nonvoted discretionary millage which may be levied pursuant to the provisions of section 1011.71(1), Florida Statutes, by district school boards in Fiscal Year 2017-2018 shall be 0.748 mills. This millage shall be used to calculate the discretionary millage compression supplement as provided in section 1011.62(5), Florida Statutes. To be eligible for the supplement, a district must levy the maximum.

Funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91 are based upon program cost factors for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 as follows:

- 1. Basic Programs
 - A. K-3 Basic 1.107
 - B. 4-8 Basic 1.000
 - C. 9-12 Basic. 1.001
- 2. Programs for Exceptional Students
 - A. Support Level 4 3.619
 - B. Support Level 5 5.526
- 3. English for Speakers of Other Languages 1.212
- 4. Programs for Grades 9-12 Career Education 1.001

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$1,060,770,374 is provided to school districts as an Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Guaranteed Allocation as authorized by law to provide educational programs and services for exceptional students. The ESE Guaranteed Allocation funds are provided in addition to the funds for each exceptional student in the per FTE student calculation. School districts that provided educational services in the 2016-2017 fiscal year for exceptional students who are residents of other districts shall not discontinue providing such services without the prior approval of the Department of Education. Expenditure requirements for the ESE Guaranteed Allocation shall be as prescribed in section 1010.20(3), Florida Statutes, for programs for exceptional students.

From the funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, the value of 43.35 weighted FTE students is provided to supplement the funding for severely handicapped students served in ESE programs 254 and 255 when a school district has less than 10,000 FTE student enrollment and less than three FTE eligible students per program. The Commissioner of Education shall allocate the value of the supplemental FTE based on documented evidence of the difference in the cost of the service and the amount of funds received in the district’s FEFP allocations for the students being served. The supplemental value shall not exceed three FTE.

The Declining Enrollment Supplement shall be calculated based on 25 percent of the decline between the prior year and current year unweighted FTE students pursuant to section 1011.62(8), Florida Statutes.

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$64,456,019 is provided for Safe Schools activities and shall be allocated as follows: \$62,660 shall be distributed to each district, and the remaining balance shall be allocated as follows: two-thirds based on the latest official Florida Crime Index provided by the Department of Law Enforcement and one-third based on each district’s share of the state’s total unweighted student enrollment. Safe schools funds are to be used by school districts in their compliance with sections 1006.07-1006.148, Florida Statutes, with priority given to establishing a school resource officer program pursuant to section 1006.12, Florida Statutes.

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$712,207,631 is for Supplemental Academic Instruction to be provided throughout the school year pursuant to section 1011.62(1)(f), Florida Statutes. From these funds, at least \$75,000,000, together with funds provided in the district’s research-based reading instruction allocation and other available funds, shall be used by districts with one or more of the 300 lowest performing elementary schools based on the statewide, standardized English Language Arts assessment to provide an additional hour of instruction beyond the normal school day for each day of the entire school year for intensive reading instruction for the students in each of these schools. This additional instruction must be provided by teachers or reading specialists who

are effective in teaching reading, or by a K-5 mentoring reading program that is supervised by a teacher who is effective at teaching reading. Students enrolled in these schools who have level 5 reading assessment scores may choose to participate in the program on an optional basis. ESE centers shall not be included in the 300 schools.

The Department of Education shall provide guidance to school districts for documentation of the expenditures for this additional instruction to ensure that all local, state, and federal funds are maximized for the total instructional program and that the funds used in these schools do not supplant federal funds. School districts shall submit a report to the Department of Education in a format prepared by the department that includes summary information, including funding sources, expenditures and student outcomes for each of the participating schools that shall be submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, and Governor by September 30, 2017. Pursuant to section 1008.32, Florida Statutes, the State Board of Education shall withhold funds from a school district that fails to comply with this requirement.

The funds provided for the Supplemental Academic Instruction allocation shall consist of a base amount that shall have a workload adjustment based on changes in FTE. In addition, an additional amount is provided for districts with schools on the list of the 300 lowest-performing elementary schools. District allocations from these additional funds shall be based on each district's level of per student funding in the reading instruction allocation and the supplemental academic instruction categorical fund, and on the total FTE for each of the schools. The categorical funding shall be recalculated during the fiscal year following an updated designation of the 300 lowest-performing elementary schools and shall be based on actual student membership from the FTE surveys. If the recalculated total allocation is greater than the amount provided in the General Appropriations Act, the allocation shall be prorated to the level of the appropriation, based on each district's share of the total.

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$130,000,000 is provided for a K-12 comprehensive, district-wide system of research-based reading instruction. The amount of \$115,000 shall be allocated to each district and the remaining balance shall be allocated based on each district's proportion of the total K-12 base funding. From these funds, at least \$15,000,000 shall be used to provide an additional hour of intensive reading instruction beyond the normal school day for each day of the entire school year for the students in the 300 lowest performing elementary schools based on the statewide, standardized English Language Arts assessment pursuant to sections 1008.22(3) and 1011.62(9), Florida Statutes. This additional instruction must be provided by teachers or reading specialists who are effective in teaching reading. Students enrolled in these schools who have level 5 reading assessment scores may choose to participate in the program on an optional basis. ESE centers shall not be included in the 300 schools. Pursuant to section 1008.32, Florida Statutes, the State Board of Education shall withhold funds from a school district that fails to comply with this requirement.

From the funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$230,743,258 is provided for Instructional Materials including 12,184,490 for Library Media Materials, \$3,330,427 for the purchase of science lab materials and supplies, \$10,329,494 for dual enrollment instructional materials, and \$3,114,988 for the purchase of digital instructional materials for students with disabilities. The growth allocation per FTE shall be \$303.69 for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. School districts shall pay for instructional materials used for the instruction of public high school students who are earning credit toward high school graduation under the dual enrollment program as provided in section 1011.62(1)(i), Florida Statutes.

From the funds provided for Instructional Materials, \$165,000,000 shall be available to school districts to purchase instructional content, as well as electronic devices and technology equipment, and infrastructure. The purchases made in the 2017-2018 fiscal year must comply with the minimum or recommended requirements for instructional content, hardware, software, networking, security and bandwidth, and the number of students per device as developed

and published by the Department of Education. Prior to release of the funds by the department to the school districts, each school district shall certify to the Commissioner of Education an expenditure plan for the purchase of instructional content and technology. If the district intends to use any portion of the funds for technology, the district must certify that it has the instructional content necessary to provide instruction aligned to the adopted statewide benchmarks and standards. If the district intends to use the funds for technology the district must include an expenditure plan for the purchase of electronic devices and technology equipment, and infrastructure that demonstrates the alignment of devices and equipment with the minimum or recommended requirements. The department shall provide a report to the Legislature on or before March 1, 2018, that summarizes the district expenditures for these funds.

From funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$438,875,286 is provided for Student Transportation as provided in section 1011.68, Florida Statutes.

From funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$45,286,750 is provided for the Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program and shall be given to teachers pursuant to section 1012.71, Florida Statutes. The allocation shall not be recalculated during the school year.

From the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 7 and 91, \$12,805,373 is provided for a Federally Connected Student Supplement to be calculated to support the education of students connected with federally-owned military installations, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) property, and Indian lands pursuant to section 1011.62(13), Florida Statutes. The supplement shall be the sum of a student allocation and an exempt property allocation. To participate, districts must be eligible for federal Impact Aid funding under Section 8003, Title VIII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. The amount allocated for each eligible school district shall be recalculated during the year, using actual student membership, as amended, from the most recent February survey and the tax-exempt valuation from the most recent assessment roll. Upon recalculation, if the total allocation is greater than the amount provided in the General Appropriations Act, it must be prorated to the level of the appropriation based on each district's share of the total recalculated amount.

Funds provided in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91 for the Virtual Education Contribution shall be allocated pursuant to the formula provided in section 1011.62(11), Florida Statutes. The contribution shall be based on \$5,230 per FTE.

Districts may charge a fee for grades K-12 voluntary, non-credit summer school enrollment in basic program courses. The amount of any student's fee shall be based on the student's ability to pay and the student's financial need as determined by district school board policy.

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 7 and 91, \$80,000,000 is provided for the Digital Classrooms allocation as provided in section 1011.62(12), Florida Statutes. The minimum amount to be allocated to each district is \$500,000. Twenty percent of the funds provided may be used for professional development, including in-state conference attendance or online coursework, to enhance the use of technology for digital instructional strategies."

Specific Appropriation 92
Page 26

"92 AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	
GRANTS AND AIDS - CLASS SIZE REDUCTION	
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND	2,907,797,252
FROM STATE SCHOOL TRUST FUND	86,161,098

Funds in Specific Appropriations 8 and 92 are provided to implement the requirements of sections 1003.03 and 1011.685, Florida Statutes. The class size reduction allocation factor for grades pre-kindergarten to grade 3 shall be \$1,317.03, for grades 4 to 8 shall be \$898.36, and for grades 9 to 12 shall be \$900.53. The class size reduction allocation shall be recalculated based on enrollment

through the October 2017 FTE survey except as provided in section 1003.03(4), Florida Statutes. If the total class size reduction allocation is greater than the appropriation in Specific Appropriations 8 and 92, funds shall be prorated to the level of the appropriation based on each district's calculated amount. The Commissioner of Education may withhold disbursement of these funds until a district is in compliance with reporting information required for class size reduction implementation."

The following are vetoed because the programs are not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to support such initiatives based upon their priorities. In addition, the programs are not statewide initiatives.

Specific Appropriation 107
Pages 28 and 29

"Principal Autonomy Pilot Program Initiative as provided in section 1011.6202, Florida Statutes 210,000"
"Teach for America, Inc. - Florida (Nonrecurring Funds) (HB 2877) 1,403,750"

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to support such initiatives based upon their priorities. In addition, the performance measures used to receive the supplemental funding are also used to provide school districts additional funding in the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP).

Specific Appropriation 108
Pages 29 and 30

"Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) (Recurring Base Appropriations Project) 700,000"

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government and it is not a statewide initiative.

"Early Childhood Music Education Incentive Pilot Program 250,000"

The following proviso sections are vetoed because they pertain to the above vetoed projects.

"Funds in Specific Appropriation 108 for Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) shall be used to implement a program to reward success of students in need of assistance to become college ready and enrolled in the AVID elective class who performed in rigorous coursework during the 2016-2017 school year. School districts shall report student enrollments from the 2016-2017 school year in the AVID elective during the October student membership survey. Each school district shall be rewarded \$325 per full-time equivalent student enrolled in the AVID elective who also receives a score of 4 or higher on an International Baccalaureate subject examination; score of E or higher on an Advanced International Certificate of Education subject examination; score of 3 or higher on the College Board Advanced Placement Examination; or, for students in grades 6-8, receives a passing score on the algebra end of course examination. Each school district shall allocate the funds received from this bonus award funding to the school whose students generate the funds. Funds shall be expended solely for the payment of costs associated with the school's AVID system which include annual membership fees; professional development and training for program coordinators, teachers, and tutors; and compensation for tutors. Funds shall be awarded to the school districts no later than January 1, 2018. If the total bonus amount is greater than the funds provided in this appropriation, then each district's amount shall be prorated based on the number of students who earned qualifying scores in each district."

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 108 for the Early Childhood Music Education Incentive Pilot Program, \$150,000 shall be provided for the Commissioner to coordinate a comprehensive music education pilot program for students in kindergarten through grade 2 in three selected, eligible elementary schools. For a school to be eligible for participation, it must meet the following criteria at a minimum: 1) all students in kindergarten through grade 2 must participate in a comprehensive music education pro-

gram; 2) program staff must be certified in music education; 3) each student must receive at least 30 consecutive minutes of music instruction two days per week; 4) program classes must be no greater than 18 students; and 5) the instruction shall meet the state standards for early childhood music education. The Commissioner may establish additional criteria that would enhance the quality of the program and shall select the three schools for participation based on these criteria. Each selected school shall receive an award of up to \$150 per student. From the remaining \$100,000 provided, the Commissioner shall contract with a preeminent state research university to evaluate the effectiveness of the program through quantitative and qualitative analysis and provide a summary of findings and recommendations to the Commissioner and the State Board of Education by June 30, 2018."

The following program is vetoed because providing incentives for school districts to implement a standard attire policy is not a core education mission for state government.

Specific Appropriation 109A
Page 30

"109A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
GRANTS AND AIDS - STANDARD STUDENT
ATTIRE INCENTIVE PROGRAM
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 14,000,000"

The following is vetoed because the charter school receives operating funding through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) like all other public schools, and it is not a statewide initiative.

Specific Appropriation 110
Pages 30 and 31

"Knowledge is Power Program (KIPP) Jacksonville (Recurring Base Appropriations Project) 500,000"

The following is vetoed because the program provides instruction that is required under state law and therefore districts should use current resources to provide the instruction.

"Learning for Life (Recurring Base Appropriations Project) 1,919,813"

The following are vetoed because the programs are not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to support such initiatives based upon their priorities. In addition, the programs are not statewide initiatives.

"Pasco Regional STEM School/Tampa Bay Region Aeronautics (Recurring Base Appropriations Project) 750,000"
"Alternative Education Development Program (HB 3651) 400,000"

The following is vetoed because this is not a core education mission for state government and it is not a statewide initiative.

"Breakthrough Miami (HB 4101) 500,000"

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to support such initiatives based upon their priorities.

"Communities in Schools (HB 3827) 2,200,000"

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to select and implement curriculum and other services based upon their own priorities.

"Florida High-Demand Career Act (HB 3489) 2,900,000"

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to support such initiatives based upon their priorities. In addition, the program is not a statewide initiative.

"Grow Your Own Teacher Scholarship (HB 4065) 100,000"

The following is vetoed because the program is located at a charter school that receives operating funding through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) like all other public schools, and it is not a statewide initiative.

“Innovation and Engineering Pipeline Project (Senate Form 2231) 1,000,000”

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government and it is not a statewide initiative.

“Jesus Christ Arch Angels Liberty Square Sports, Education and Wellness Program (HB 3537) 200,000”

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government.

“Kindness Matters (Senate Form 1584) 142,500”

The following is vetoed because the charter school receives operating funding through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) like all other public schools, and it is not a statewide initiative.

“Knowledge is Power Program (KIPP) Jacksonville (HB 2787) 724,000”

The following are vetoed because the programs are not a core education mission for state government.

“Life Changing Experiences (HB 3203) 142,700”
“Next Generation Agriculture Education Programs in Florida (HB 4249) 2,280,000
Next Generation Agricultural Education: Student (HB 3879) 1,000,000”

The following is vetoed because the initiative is not a core education mission for state government and is not a statewide initiative.

“Optimist Foundation of Greater Goulds Florida Youth Program (HB 4263) 170,000”

The following are vetoed because the programs are not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to support such initiatives based upon their priorities.

“RISE Summer Math Academy (HB 3961) 90,531
Seminole County Public Schools Aviation Program (HB 3305) 285,400”

The following is vetoed because the school will receive funding for this purpose in the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP).

“Small, Isolated Schools Supplement-Steinhatchee School (Senate Form 2216) 400,000”

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government. School districts have local flexibility to support such initiatives based upon their priorities. In addition, the program is not a statewide initiative.

“Volusia County Schools STEM/Blended Learning (HB 2003) 14,270”

The following proviso sections are vetoed because they pertain to the above vetoed projects.

“From the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 110 for Communities in Schools, \$300,000 is provided for the Jefferson County School District for services for students, including, but not limited to, mentoring, tutoring, identifying and coordinating health services, parent engagement activities, after-school programs, drug

prevention programs, career readiness and exploration, college readiness, and life skills.

Funds provided in Specific Appropriation 110 for the Learning for Life program are eligible to be used in any public school.”

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment for the construction of a facility not owned by the state.

Specific Appropriation 113A
Pages 32 and 33

“113A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL PROJECTS FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 3,442,700

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 113A, the following projects are funded with nonrecurring funds and shall be allocated as follows:

Academy at the Farm Agriculture Barn (Senate Form 2230) 300,000”

The following are vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment.

“High Growth Capital Outlay Assistance Grant Program (Senate Form 2243) 3,000,000
Performing Arts Auditorium at Zelda Glazer (HB 2753) 142,700

The funds in Specific Appropriation 113A for the High Growth Capital Outlay Assistance Grant Program are provided as authorized by section 1013.738, Florida Statutes. For purposes of determining capital outlay FTE growth, the prior five fiscal years are 2011-2012 through 2015-2016 with a base year of 2010-2011.”

The following are vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment for the construction of a facility not owned by the state.

Specific Appropriation 114
Page 33

“Central Florida Zoo/Seminole Schools Education Collaborative (HB 3199) 854,677
Li'l Abner Foundation Mission (Senate Form 1065) . . . 100,000
North Florida School of Special Education Expansion Project (HB 3333) 500,000”

The following is vetoed because the funding is duplicative of other available funding.

Specific Appropriation 124
Pages 35 and 36

“Smart Horizons Career Online High School (HB 3743) 750,000”

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment. This funding is for an initiative that requires capital funding that is not in a capital appropriation category.

“South Apopka Adult Community Education Center (Senate Form 1250) 150,000”

The following is vetoed because the program is not a core education mission for state government.

“Creating Careers for Non-College Bound Floridians Florida Automobile Dealers Association (HB 2235) . . . 200,000”

The following is vetoed because the project does not provide a core education mission and there is no identifiable statewide impact.

Specific Appropriation 126
Pages 36 through 38

“College of Central Florida
Appleton Museum 1,556,740”

The following is vetoed because there is not an identifiable statewide impact.

“Writing Lab Partnership with UCF 1,000,000”

The following is vetoed because the college did not request this funding.

“Eastern Florida State College
Critical Evaluation Learning Management
System/Curriculum. 500,000”

The following is vetoed because the project does not provide a core education mission and there is not an identifiable statewide impact.

“Brandon Community Advantage Center 250,000”

The following are vetoed because there is not an identifiable statewide impact.

“Palm Beach State College
Institute on Ethics 200,000”
“Polk State College
Expansion of Art Program 3,000,000”

The following is vetoed because the project does not provide a core education mission and there is no identifiable statewide impact. The institution received \$5 million in additional operating funding this year that can be used for this initiative if prioritized by the college.

“Santa Fe College
Rural and Urban Tech Initiative 100,000”

The following is vetoed because the project does not provide an identifiable statewide impact. The institution received \$5 million in additional operating funding this year that can be used for this initiative if prioritized by the college.

“Watson Center 100,000”

The following is vetoed because the project does not provide a core education mission and there is no identifiable statewide impact. In addition, the State College of Florida has not funded this program since its conclusion in 2009 and did not request any funding for it this year.

“State College of Florida Manatee-Sarasota
Learning Gateway (Manatee) 500,000”

The following is vetoed because the project does not provide a core education mission and there is no identifiable statewide impact.

“Tallahassee Community College
Sterling Council 63,414”

The following project is vetoed because the entity that produces the Florida Price Level Index, used in the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) formula, periodically reviews the data used to develop the index to ensure that it is equitable statewide.

Specific Appropriation 133
Pages 41 and 42

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 133, \$100,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to the Department of Education to issue a competitive solicitation to

contract with an independent third party consulting firm to conduct a review of the current price level index methodology. A report shall be prepared which provides recommendations to the chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, the chair of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, and the Executive Office of the Governor’s Office of Policy and Budget by January 1, 2018.”

The following is vetoed because there has already been a study of this initiative.

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 133, \$500,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the 300 Lowest Performing Schools Extra Hour Study and shall be used by the Department of Education to contract with an independent third party consulting firm with experience in advanced analytics within K-12 education evaluation, to conduct an extra hour quantitative assessment to measure the reading growth for students participating in the extra hour program and produce statistically reliable measurements showing the extent to which that growth can be attributed to those students’ participation in the extra hour program. In addition, an extra hour qualitative assessment shall be conducted with the results being used to identify schools that have successfully implemented the extra hour program, determine those schools’ best practices, disseminate those practices to schools struggling to implement the program, and monitor implementation to ensure that all extra hour schools are implementing the program correctly. The department shall submit the results of the study to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 1, 2017.”

The following is vetoed because Moffitt Cancer Center received a total of \$10.6 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

Specific Appropriation 140
Pages 43 and 44

“From the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 140, \$370,000 in nonrecurring general revenue is provided to the Coalition for Medicinal Cannabis Research and Education Board within the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute (Senate Form 2164).”

The following is vetoed because Florida Atlantic University received a total of \$282.1 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

Specific Appropriation 141
Pages 44 through 47

“Max Planck Scientific Fellowship Program 1,050,000”

The following is vetoed because Florida Gulf Coast University received a total of \$130.6 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“Florida Gulf Coast University
Academic & Career Attainment 1,000,000”

The following are vetoed because Florida International University received a total of \$471.4 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“Center for Democracy 500,000
Center for Ethics & Professionalism 1,000,000
Center for Leadership 250,000”
“Washington Center for Internships 300,000”

The following are vetoed because Florida State University received a total of \$593.3 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“Charles Hilton Endowed Professorship 300,000
College of Law Scholarships/Faculty 1,000,000
Florida Campus Compact 608,111
Learning System Institute 250,000
Pepper Center Long Term Care Proposal 250,000”

The following are vetoed because the University of Central Florida received a total of \$555.5 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“Downtown Presence	2,000,000
Dr. Phillips Center for Performing Arts	3,900,299
Istation.	3,500,000
The Lou Frey Institute of Politics & Government.	400,000”

The following are vetoed because the University of Florida received a total of \$740.8 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“University of Florida Lastinger Center for Learning	1,700,000
Lastinger Center Winning Reading Boost.	200,000”

The following is vetoed because the University of North Florida received a total of \$155.8 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“Culture of Completion & Career Initiative	2,000,000”
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The following are vetoed because the University of South Florida received a total of \$434.4 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“Expanded Library Services	347,000
Florida Institute of Oceanography	1,174,500”

The following are vetoed because the University of South Florida, Sarasota/Manatee received a total of \$20.6 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“University of South Florida, Sarasota/Manatee Mote Marine Lab	483,031
PAInT - Center for Partnerships for Arts - Integrated Teaching.	250,000
South Florida Museum’s Institute for STEAM Teaching: Center for PAInT.	50,000
STEM Programs at Mote	2,516,965”

The following are vetoed because the University of South Florida, St. Petersburg received a total of \$48.3 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“University of South Florida, St. Petersburg Family Study Center	250,000
Poynter Library Weekly Challenger Digital Collection	300,000”

The following are vetoed because the University of West Florida received a total of \$160.1 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“Archaeology Program	1,100,000
Nursing Practice Education Partnership.	1,000,000”
“Physical Therapy Education Partnership	1,000,000”

The following is vetoed because the entity has outstanding commitments from taxpayer funds awarded in 2003.

“Drug Discovery and Translation Research Partnership with Scripps Florida (HB 2101)	2,031,780”
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The following is vetoed because Florida Atlantic University received a total of \$282.1 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“Honors College (HB 2227)	1,000,000”
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The following is vetoed because Florida Gulf Coast University received a total of \$130.6 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“Honors College (HB 2211)	1,000,000”
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The following are vetoed because Florida International University received a total of \$471.4 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“Florida International University UP:LIFT (University Paradigm: Learn, Interact, Facilitate) (HB 2233)	5,000,000
Hazardous Substance Mitigation (HB 3785).	1,000,000”

The following are vetoed because Florida State University received a total of \$593.3 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“Health Equity Research Institute (HB 2907).	750,000
Next Generation Ultra-High Field Magnets (HB 3999).	300,000”

The following is vetoed because the University of Central Florida received a total of \$555.5 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“Incubator (HB 3211)	750,000”
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The following is vetoed because the University of Florida received a total of \$740.8 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“St. Augustine Historic Building Roof Replacements (HB 3793)	250,000”
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The following is vetoed because the University of North Florida received a total of \$155.8 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“Highly Effective Teacher Grant (HB 3795)	700,000”
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The following is vetoed because the University of South Florida received a total of \$434.4 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“University of South Florida Collaborative Problem-Based Learning Educational Enhancement Program (Senate Form 1309)	1,480,000”
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The following is vetoed because the University of South Florida, St. Petersburg received a total of \$48.3 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

“University of South Florida, St. Petersburg Citizen Scholar Partnership (HB 4229)	263,458”
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The following is vetoed because the University of West Florida received a total of \$160.1 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

“Intelligent Systems and Robotics Ph.D. Program (HB 4277).	1,000,000”
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The following are vetoed because IFAS (the Institute of Food and Agricultural Science) received a total of \$162.8 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

Specific Appropriation 143 Page 47	
“4-H and Family Initiative	1,000,000”
“Bok Tower Educational Partnership	2,000,000”
“Florida Ag Initiative	125,000
Florida Horticulture Research, Science & Education.	1,450,000”
“Geomatics Education.	636,120”
“Tropical Aquaculture Laboratory.	778,987”
“Tropical Research and Education Center (HB 3759)	750,000”

The following is vetoed because the University of South Florida Medical Center received a total of \$136.4 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

Specific Appropriation 144 Page 47	
“Sports Medicine & Athletics Related Trauma (SMART) Institute	2,397,019”

The following are vetoed because the University of Florida Health Center received a total of \$152.8 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund these initiatives.

Specific Appropriation 145
Page 48

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 145, \$200,000 in recurring general revenue funds is provided for the College of Public Health and Health Professions Distance Learning Program (base appropriations project).

College of Pharmacy-Medical Cannabis Research (HB 3159) 2,000,000
Institute for Comparative Veterinary Diagnostics (HB 2131) 1,500,000

The following is vetoed because Florida State University Medical School received a total of \$48.4 million in Fiscal Year 2017-18 and has the ability to fund this initiative.

Specific Appropriation 146
Page 48

From the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 146, \$489,619 in nonrecurring general revenue funds are provided for the Evaluation of Behavioral Health System of Care in Florida (HB 2219).

SECTION 3 - HUMAN SERVICES

The following is vetoed because home health services for homebound elders are reimbursable through Medicare and Medicaid.

Specific Appropriation 166
Page 52

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 166, \$150,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to Little Havana Activities and Nutrition Centers (LHANC) home health care program (HB 3529).

The following is vetoed because this is not for services and funds training and education for physicians, which should be available through continuing education as part of the biennial licensure renewal requirements.

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 166, \$442,709 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to Saluscare - The Reach Institute Behavioral Health Services for provider training and services (HB 3161).

The following is vetoed because the program is not for client services and is for marketing services for a private entity.

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 166, \$250,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to Florida Health Choices to increase health insurance enrollment through increased marketing (Senate Form 2262).

The following is vetoed because these providers have received a rate increase twice in the last three fiscal years for the provision of certain services.

Specific Appropriation 206
Page 61

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 206 and 207, \$750,000 in recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,204,413 in recurring funds from the Medical Care Trust Fund are provided for a provider rate increase for Pediatric Cardiology Services.

The following is vetoed because these providers received a rate increase for the current year.

Specific Appropriation 216
Page 63

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 216, \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,605,523 from the Medical Care

Trust Fund are provided for an increase to the Intermediate Care Facilities for Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD) rates.

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is to purchase a facility.

Specific Appropriation 243A
Pages 68 and 69

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 243A, \$62,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to the Southwest Florida Autism Center (HB 3165).

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for renovation of a facility.

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 243A, \$31,850 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to Club Challenge for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility modifications and other repairs to its facility (Senate Form 1784).

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for the purchase of equipment.

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 243A, \$450,000 in non-recurring funds from the Social Services Block Grant is provided for the Arc of Tampa Bay's solar energy initiative (HB 3887).

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for construction of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 243C
Page 69

243C GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY THE ARC NATURE COAST LIFE SKILLS CENTER FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 425,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 243C, \$425,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to the Arc Nature Coast Life Skills Center (HB 4089).

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for construction of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 243D
Page 69

243D GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY YOUTH AND FAMILY ALTERNATIVES - COMMONS AT SPEER VILLAGE FROM SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT TRUST FUND 500,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 243D, \$500,000 in non-recurring funds from the Social Services Block Grant Trust Fund is provided to Youth and Family Alternatives (HB 4079).

The following is vetoed because these services are funded through existing statewide programs.

Specific Appropriation 310A
Page 78

Managed Access to Child Healthcare/Partnership for Child Health (HB 2721) 100,000

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for renovation of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 358A
Page 84

358A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY FACILITIES AND SHELTERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO INDIGENT POPULATIONS FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 218,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 358A, \$218,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to Love and Hope in Action (HB 2177) for kitchen repairs and renovations.”

The following is vetoed because the project does not improve quality and access in healthcare statewide.

Specific Appropriation 369
Page 88

“AGAPE Network - Integrated Care Team, Behavioral Health Services (HB 3439) 567,250”

The following is vetoed because this is duplicative of funding already received.

“South Florida Behavioral Network Involuntary Outpatient Services Pilot Project (HB 3455) 250,000”

The following are vetoed because the programs are not for services and are for the construction of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 377B
Page 89

“377B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY MENTAL HEALTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVERSION FACILITY - OKALOOSA FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 100,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 377B, the nonrecurring sum of \$100,000 from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the construction of the Okaloosa County Mental Health and Substance Abuse Facility for Criminal Justice Diversion (Senate Form 1313).”

Specific Appropriation 377C
Page 90

“377C GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY HENDERSON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT - BROWARD COUNTY FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 500,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 377C, \$500,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to Henderson Behavioral Health, Inc. for construction of a new crisis stabilization unit in Broward County (HB 3153).”

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for renovation of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 377D
Page 90

“377D GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY FELLOWSHIP HOUSE FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 67,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 377D, \$67,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Fellowship House in Miami-Dade County for renovations and repairs of transitional housing facilities for individuals requiring behavioral health treatment (HB 2743).”

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for the purchase of equipment.

Specific Appropriation 394
Pages 93 and 94

“Nassau Council on Aging - Feeding Seniors (HB 4041) 500,000”

The following is vetoed because these services are reimbursed through existing programs.

“The Silver Club Program at WOW (HB 4055) 170,408”

The following are vetoed because the programs are not for services and are for the renovation of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 400A
Page 94

“400A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY GRANTS AND AIDS - ALZHEIMER’S COMMUNITY CARE AND SERVICES FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 346,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 400A, the following projects are funded from nonrecurring general revenue funds:

Easter Seals of South Florida - Kendall (HB 3263) . . . 196,000
Easter Seals of South Florida - Hialeah (HB 3013) . . . 150,000”

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is construction of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 400B
Page 94

“North Miami Foundation for Senior Citizens Services, Inc. (Senate Form 1209) 1,000,000”

The following are vetoed because these services are available through existing statewide programs.

Specific Appropriation 447
Pages 100 and 101

“Apopka Fresh Start Initiative (Senate Form 2227) . . . 300,000
Fresh Stop Mobile Farmers Market (Senate Form 1785) 100,000”

The following are vetoed because the funding is duplicative of other available funding.

“The Andrews Regenerative Medicine Center (HB 3997) 100,000
Miami Beach Community Health Center (HB 2883) 200,000”

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for the renovation of a facility.

“Premier Community Health Care - Pasco County (HB 4075) 250,000”

The following is vetoed because this funding is duplicative of other available funding.

“AGAPE Community Health Center, Inc. (HB 2947) . . . 500,000”

The following is vetoed because it pays for an electronic health record system for an organization.

“Community Health Centers of Sarasota, Inc. (HB 2063) 100,000”

The following is vetoed because emergency room diversion is an expectation of the Florida Medicaid Program and the Medicare Program.

“Manatee ER Diversion (Senate Form 2232) 1,000,000”

The following are vetoed because this entity has outstanding commitments from taxpayer funds awarded in 2006.

Specific Appropriation 454
Page 102

“454 SPECIAL CATEGORIES BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 2,750,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 454, \$1,900,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the

purpose of supporting activities in relation to biomedical research through the Florida Drug Discovery Acceleration Program at Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies (HB 2143).

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 454, \$100,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies as a designated center within the Chemical Biology Consortium in the NCI Experimental Therapeutics (NExT) Program by the National Institutes of Health to address unmet needs in therapeutic oncology conducted in response to the health needs of Florida’s citizens (HB 2549).”

The following is vetoed because this funding is contingent on SB 406, or similar legislation, becoming law. This legislation did not pass during the 2017 Legislative Session.

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 454, \$750,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Coalition for Medicinal Cannabis Research within the Moffitt Cancer Center to conduct medical cannabis research. This funding is contingent on SB 406, or similar legislation, becoming law (Senate Form 2164).”

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for construction of a facility.

Specific Appropriation 463A
Page 104

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 463A, \$400,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to the Bithlo Community Health Center (Senate Form 1442).”

The following is vetoed because this is not for services and is to fund educational information, which should be available through continuing education as part of the biennial licensure renewal requirements.

Specific Appropriation 504
Page 110

“Florida Emergency Medical Services Clearinghouse (HB 3627) 100,000”

The following is vetoed because the program is not for services and is for educational materials.

Specific Appropriation 539A
Page 115

“539A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
GRANTS AND AIDS - CONTRACTED SERVICES
FROM MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE
TRUST FUND 750,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 539A, \$750,000 in non-recurring funds from the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund is provided to the Foundation for Healthy Floridians (HB 4191).”

SECTION 4 - CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS

The following is vetoed because the project was not validated as a comprehensive evidence-based model that would ensure successful outcomes for state inmates reintegrating back into the community.

Specific Appropriation 751
Pages 136 and 137

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 751, \$200,000 in non-recurring general revenue funds is provided for the Gadsden County Sheriff’s Office Second Chance Reentry Services Portal (HB 2873).”

The following is vetoed because the funds are intended to pay for information technology equipment and information technology personnel, which is the responsibility of the provider.

Specific Appropriation 1124
Page 184

“From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1124, \$1,650,000 in nonrecurring general revenue funds is provided for the AMIKids Technology Match (HB 2963).”

The following are vetoed because they were not validated as programs that would utilize evidence-based prevention programming with proven outcomes to prevent at-risk youth from entering the juvenile justice system.

Specific Appropriation 1180
Pages 189 and 190

“From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1180, \$500,000 in nonrecurring Grants and Donations Trust Fund is provided to Fresh Ministries/Fresh Path Program for prevention and intervention services in Duval County (HB 3453).

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1180, \$50,000 in non-recurring Grants and Donations Trust Fund is provided to Leon County Sheriff’s Youth Adventure Camp for prevention and intervention services (Senate Form 1047).

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1180, \$250,000 in non-recurring Grants and Donations Trust Fund is provided to New Horizons Day Treatment Program for education, intervention, treatment, case management, and intensive supervision services (Senate Form 1603).

From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1180, \$400,000 in non-recurring Grants and Donations Trust Fund is provided to the City of Riviera Beach to implement a summer youth employment program (Senate Form 1768).

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1180, \$100,000 in non-recurring Grants and Donations Trust Fund is provided for the Nehemiah Intervention Program to establish two programs located in the high crime neighborhoods in Orange County, in order to reduce the number of youth entering the juvenile justice system (Senate Form 1632).

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1180, \$200,000 in non-recurring Grants and Donations Trust Fund is provided to the Central Florida Mentoring Initiative to reduce crime in the inner city community with a mentoring program for youth ages twelve through seventeen that focuses on educational goals and positive life skills (Senate Form 1817).”

The following is vetoed because it provides funding for a non-public fixed capital outlay project.

Specific Appropriation 1184A
Page 191

“1184A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 750,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 1184A, are provided for the Northwest Jacksonville YMCA Center (Senate Form 1100)”

The following is vetoed because there is no statewide impact, nor is there any clear mechanism for objectively measuring and evaluating the return on the state’s investment.

Specific Appropriation 1234
Pages 197 and 198

“From funds in Specific Appropriation 1234, \$100,000 in non-recurring general revenue funds is provided to the Citizens’ Crime Watch Board of Miami-Dade County for a neighborhood/youth crime watch program (Senate Form 1001).”

The following are vetoed because purchasing equipment for local use is the responsibility of local government.

“From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1234, \$300,000 in nonrecurring general revenue funds is provided to the City of Lauderdale Lakes for the Lauderdale Lakes Innovative Crime Reduction Project (HB 3185). The funds shall be utilized to purchase public safety equipment.”

“From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1234, \$40,000 in non-recurring general revenue funds is provided to the Town of Callahan’s Volunteer Fire Department to purchase radios (Senate Form 1049).”

The following is vetoed because there is no clear mechanism for objectively measuring and evaluating the return on the state’s investment.

“From the funds in Specific Appropriations 1234, \$300,000 in nonrecurring general revenue funds is provided to the State of Florida Police Athletic/Activities League to provide leadership training in their Youth Director’s Program (Senate Form 1690).”

The following is vetoed because the project did not go through the prescribed process for the establishment of a law enforcement training facility.

Specific Appropriation 1239A
Pages 198 and 199

“Nassau County Public Safety Training Center
(HB 3091) 500,000”

The following is vetoed because funding for local law enforcement is the responsibility of local government.

“Desoto County Critical Facility Construction
(HB 3565) 500,000”

The following is vetoed because the project did not go through the prescribed process for the establishment of a law enforcement training facility.

“Clay County Public Safety Training Facility
(HB 4321) 1,000,000”

The following is vetoed because funding for local law enforcement is the responsibility of local government.

“Expansion/Remodel of the Bay Harbor Islands Police
Department Facility (HB 3401) 200,000”

The following is vetoed because the establishment of a forensic training and research facility is a statewide responsibility and should be under the management of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

“Thomas Varnadoe Forensic Center for Education and Research
(HB 3577) 4,300,000”

The following is vetoed because funding for local law enforcement is the responsibility of local government.

“Vero Beach Police Firearms Range (HB 4273) 410,000”

The following is vetoed because the project did not go through the prescribed process for the establishment of a law enforcement training facility.

“Central Florida Multi-Jurisdictional Law Enforcement
Training Center (HB 3923) 700,000”

**SECTION 5 - NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRONMENT/
GROWTH MANAGEMENT/TRANSPORTATION**

The following is vetoed because it was not identified as a top agency priority by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Specific Appropriation 1365E
Page 215

“1365E GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
FLORIDA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 2,090,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1365E, \$2,090,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to address the safety and security needs at the Florida State Fair pursuant to section 616.251(2), Florida Statutes.”

The following are vetoed because of ongoing litigation.

Specific Appropriation 1437A
Pages 222 and 223

“1437A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
CITRUS CANKER ERADICATION FINAL JUDGMENT -
BROWARD COUNTY
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 20,941,328

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1437A, \$20,941,328 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is appropriated for the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to make full and final payment of all amounts due on all judgments, including interest thereon, rendered against the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Commissioner of Agriculture in the case of In Re: Citrus Canker Litigation, Case No. 00-18394(08)CACE (17th Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida). Release of the funds is contingent upon the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Commissioner of Agriculture obtaining from counsel for the plaintiffs and class a recordation of a satisfaction of all judgments rendered in that case; or in the alternative, is contingent upon the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Commissioner of Agriculture pursuing the procedures set out in section 55.141, Florida Statutes, for obtaining satisfactions of all judgments rendered in that case from the Clerk of Court.”

Specific Appropriation 1437B
Page 223

“1437B SPECIAL CATEGORIES
CITRUS CANKER ERADICATION FINAL JUDGMENT -
LEE COUNTY
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 16,475,800

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1437B, \$16,475,800 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is appropriated for the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to make full and final payment of all amounts due on all judgments, including interest thereon, rendered against the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Commissioner of Agriculture in the case of Dellaselva v. Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, et al, Case No. 03-1947 CA WCM (20th Judicial Circuit in and for Lee County, Florida). Release of the funds is contingent upon the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Commissioner of Agriculture obtaining from counsel for the plaintiffs and class a recordation of a satisfaction of all judgments rendered in that case; or in the alternative, is contingent upon the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Commissioner of Agriculture pursuing the procedures set out in section 55.141, Florida Statutes, for obtaining satisfactions of all judgments rendered in that case from the Clerk of Court.”

The following is vetoed because there was not a clear statewide return on investment.

Specific Appropriation 1447
Page 224

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1447, \$98,850 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided to the Miami International Agriculture, Horse and Cattle Show for promotional activities (HB 3765).”

The following are vetoed because these projects did not go through, or ranked low on, the established competitive review

process based on measurable and positive outcomes, pursuant to section 288.1175, Florida Statutes.

Specific Appropriation 1455A
Page 225

Table with 2 columns: Project Name and Amount. Includes Arcadia Rodeo Equestrian Facility (500,000), Hendry County Fair & Livestock Show (445,913), Lee Board of County Commissioners UF/IFAS (74,319), Manatee River Fair Association (167,217), Pasco County Fair Association (860,000).

The following is vetoed because there was not a clear statewide return on investment and requests for ROI reporting on previous state funds were not fulfilled.

Specific Appropriation 1484
Page 228

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1484, \$250,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for removal and destruction of infested avocado trees that are acting as hosts and breeding factories for pests and disease (Senate Form 1849)."

One of Florida's most important resources is water. The Department of Environmental Protection and the state's five water management districts provide funding to protect the quality and quantity of Florida's water supply. These agencies work to ensure that Floridians' tax dollars are spent in a manner that will provide a demonstrable improvement statewide through an open and public process. While some water projects may also contribute to a statewide objective, not all projects demonstrate an ability to clearly contribute to a statewide investment. The following projects are vetoed because they did not provide a clear return for the investment.

Specific Appropriation 1606A
Pages 242 through 244

Table with 2 columns: Project Name and Amount. Includes Bay Harbor Islands Sewer Lateral Lining Project (500,000), Brooksville Horselake Creek Southeastern Branch Drainage Restoration (350,000), City of Blountstown - Wastewater Effluent Discharge (1,500,000), City of Flagler Beach Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Phase 3 (450,000), City of Gulfport Private Lateral Lines Replacement Incentive Program (127,000), City of Jacksonville Lasalle Street Pump Station Phase 1 (350,000), Coconut Creek Wastewater Conveyance System Improvement (150,000), Florida City Krome Avenue Water Line (229,140), Florida Ocean Alliance (300,000), Fort Myers Billy's Creek Restoration (775,000), Homosassa River Restoration (350,000), Lauderdale Lakes Stormwater Conveyance and Water Quality Improvement (250,000), Medley Seawall Expansion Phase II (200,000), Miami Springs Erosion Control and Stabilization of Drainage Canal Phase II (500,000), Neptune Beach Florida Boulevard Stormwater Culvert Improvements (400,000), North Bay Village Drainage Improvement Project (500,000), Palmetto Bay Drainage Sub-Basin #59/60 (483,940), Pasco County Culvert Reconditioning (562,500), Pasco County Gulfview/Salt Springs Culvert Expansion (400,000), Pembroke Park John P. Lyons Lane Stormwater Pumping Station (500,000), Penney Farms Water System Piping Replacement (500,000), Royal Palm Beach Canal System Rehabilitation Project (500,000).

Table with 2 columns: Project Name and Amount. Includes Sanibel Donax Wastewater Reclamation Facility Plant 1 Upgrade Project (1,427,000), Sanibel Jordan Marsh Water Quality Treatment Park (150,000), Shell Key Access and Water Quality Improvement Project (1,000,000), Surfside Biscaya Island Water Main Crossing (124,000), Tamarac Culvert-Headwall Project 2017 (400,000), Tarpon Springs Anclote River Dredge Project (920,973), Venice Water Main Replacement Phase 5 (500,000), Village of Pinecrest Waterline Extension Project (500,000), West Miami Potable Phase I (500,000).

The following is vetoed because the Department of Environmental Protection has not identified this as a contaminated site, and it circumvents the established statutory review process for land acquisition.

Specific Appropriation 1606B
Page 244

Table with 2 columns: Project Name and Amount. Includes 1606B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY SITE CLEANUP / COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND (2,000,000).

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1606B, \$2,000,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Apalachicola River Cleanup and Redevelopment Project in Calhoun County (HB 2475)."

The following was vetoed in Fiscal Year 2016-17 and again this year because the project was not requested through the Department of Environmental Protection's land management programs.

Specific Appropriation 1613A
Page 245

Table with 2 columns: Project Name and Amount. Includes 1613A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY MIAMI RIVER COMMISSION - MIAMI RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL RIVER RESTORATION FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND (150,000).

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1613A, \$150,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for funding for an appropriations project related to HB 4367, Miami River Restoration."

The following proviso is vetoed because the project has previously received funding in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and Fiscal Year 2016-17, the majority of which has not been utilized.

Specific Appropriation 1614
Page 245

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1614, \$2,000,000 is provided to publicly owned utilities to remove sand and grit from wastewater treatment plants with daily flow less than 3 MGD that must remain in operation during cleaning to avoid the discharge of untreated wastewater. The department shall coordinate the selection and administration of projects. Funds shall be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis and require a local match of at least 50 percent, with the exception that the local match shall be waived by the department if: 1) the public utility is located in a Rural Area of Opportunity pursuant to section 288.0656, Florida Statutes; 2) the public utility is located in a county that has a poverty level equal to or greater than 20 percent as defined by the most recent federal census; or, 3) the public utility is located in and wholly serves a municipality that has a poverty level equal to or greater than 25 percent as qualified by the municipality and such qualification is accepted by the department (HB 3983)."

The following is vetoed because the projects were not requested through the Department of Environmental Protection's local park improvement program, and components of this project are also eligible for other state funding programs, such as the Florida Boating Improvement Program through the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

Specific Appropriation 1700A
Page 253

"Historic Spring Park Public Access St. Johns River
(HB 4319) 600,000"

The following is vetoed because the Robinson Preserve has previously received funding from state programs for similar conservation activities through dedicated programs, and is more appropriately funded through these existing federal, local, and state programs.

Specific Appropriation 1812A
Page 264

"1812A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
GRANT AND AIDS - MANATEE COUNTY ROBINSON
PRESERVE HABITAT RESTORATION
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 600,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1812A, \$600,000 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Robinson Preserve Habitat Restoration in Manatee County (Senate Form 2153)."

The following is vetoed because the county has not provided a local match amount for restoration activities.

Specific Appropriation 1812B
Page 264

"1812B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
GRANTS AND AIDS - ORPHAN VESSEL GROUNDING
RESTORATION
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 604,735

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1812B, \$604,735 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Orphan Vessel Grounding Restoration in Pinellas County (HB 3141)."

The following are vetoed because the projects do not have a direct partnership component with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and should have a local or private match commitment established before requesting state funds.

Specific Appropriation 1859B
Page 269

"1859B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
ZOO MIAMI
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 1,000,000

The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1859B are provided for funding for an appropriations project related to HB 4415, Zoo Miami Expansion/Renovation of Animal Hospital and Rehab Facilities."

Specific Appropriation 1859C
Page 269

"1859C GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND
NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
BREVARD ZOO CENTER FOR CONSERVATION
RESEARCH
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 1,126,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1859C, \$1,126,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Brevard Zoo Center in Brevard County (Senate Form 1653)."

The following is vetoed because it prematurely adds cost to a not yet completed pilot program underway at the Department of Transportation.

Specific Appropriation 1865
Pages 270 and 271

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1865, \$1,125,000 is provided in nonrecurring funds from the State Transportation Trust Fund for the department to contract with Syn-Tech Systems, Inc. (HB 2489), for hardware/software/firmware upgrades to the existing fuel/fleet management system and departmental vehicles. The upgrade must include an Radio-Frequency Identification (RFID) module on every vehicle. The on board system (AIM Titanium) shall provide at a minimum, fuel consumption, fuel security (verifies fuel is actually delivered to an authorized vehicle) Driver Behavior Characteristics (aggressive driving, rapid acceleration, hard braking, maximum speeds, etc.) On-Board Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC's) oil & tire pressure, Oil Temperature, O2 sensors, and other data including, engine hours, total fuel usage, fuel economy/MPG, engine oil life, absolute odometer, and environmental metrics on emission tracking and idle time."

The following is vetoed because the Department of Transportation addresses innovation within other program areas.

Specific Appropriation 1869
Page 272

"From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1869, the Department of Transportation (DOT), in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, shall establish a Smart City Challenge Grant Program (Senate Form 1827). The DOT shall develop grant criteria and a promotion plan for these grants. The department may use up to \$325,000 to establish the program."

The following is vetoed because the project circumvents the Transportation Work Program process for evaluating aviation projects.

Specific Appropriation 1870
Page 272

"From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1870, \$3,000,000 is provided to Volusia County for the infrastructure improvements on the south property of the Daytona Beach International Airport (HB 2151)."

The following is vetoed because this project circumvents the Transportation Work Program evaluation process.

Specific Appropriation 1872
Page 272

"From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1872, \$500,000 is provided for High Springs/Newberry Rail Trail (HB 2689)."

The following are vetoed because these projects circumvent the Transportation Work Program evaluation process.

Specific Appropriation 1877
Page 273

"From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1877, \$2,750,000 is provided for County Road 220 3R, Railroad and Safety Improvements (Senate Form 1904)."

Specific Appropriation 1879
Page 273

“From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1879, \$1,000,000 is provided for the preliminary engineering and design for future developments of an inland port in the City of South Bay (South Bay Park of Commerce) (Senate Form 2255).”

Specific Appropriation 1913
Page 276

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes items like 'CR 437 Realignment Complete Street - Lake County (HB 3977)' for 3,000,000 and 'Boutwell Road/Lake Worth Park of Commerce Improvements (HB 2241)' for 3,000,000.

Specific Appropriation 1918
Page 277

“From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1918, \$530,000 is provided for the Veterans Memorial Bridge Replacement in Leon County (HB 2487).

From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1918, \$1,000,000 is provided for the Fort Denaud Bridge Rehabilitation, Hendry County (Senate Form 1152).”

Specific Appropriation 1921A
Pages 277 and 278

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes items like 'Sweetwater Complete Streets Project (HB 2997)' for 500,000 and 'Interstate 75 & Overpass Road Interchange (HB 3573)' for 15,000,000.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes items like 'Engineering Study to Convert One Way Street to Two Way Street (HB 4395)' for 200,000 and 'State Road 7 Pedestrian Lights, City of West Park (HB 2491)' for 650,000.

The following is vetoed because this service is already provided by the Department of Transportation.

Specific Appropriation 1922
Page 278

“From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1922, \$635,000 is provided to the department to issue a competitive bid for a pilot project in the coastal counties of Wakulla, Franklin, Gulf, Bay and Walton for luminary, high mast and underwater bridge inspections utilizing unmanned aerial and submersible vehicles (Senate Form 1493) in order to measure the cost effectiveness of the system to the state. All employees of the successful bidder must be Florida residents. The department shall provide a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before January 31, 2018 to provide the data evaluation on the cost effectiveness of the pilot project.”

SECTION 6 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT

The following is vetoed because the purpose of the project is unclear, nor is it documented how the state will benefit.

Specific Appropriation 1986B
Page 286

“1986B SPECIAL CATEGORIES
FLORIDA CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM RESEARCH
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 300,000”

The following is vetoed because this a local project serving a limited population and there is not a clear statewide return on investment.

Specific Appropriation 2040
Page 291

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2040, \$150,000 in non-recurring funds are provided to the Broward County Building Officials Association to fund the Building Code Enforcement Training

Program from fees collected pursuant to the surcharge authorized in section 553.721, Florida Statutes (HB 2713)."

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment as the task force was funded in the current fiscal year and the recommendations have not yet been implemented.

Specific Appropriation 2041
Page 291

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2041, \$150,000 in non-recurring funds are provided for the Construction Industry Workforce Task Force (HB 2717)."

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment.

Specific Appropriation 2048A
Page 292

"2048A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS
REAL ESTATE SCHOLARSHIPS
FROM PROFESSIONAL REGULATION TRUST
FUND 150,000"

The following is vetoed because this program is not working as anticipated and funding is no longer needed.

Specific Appropriation 2198A
Page 306

"Embry Riddle Manufacturing Academy and Apprenticeship Internship (Base Appropriation Project Funded as Nonrecurring). 2,000,000"

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment.

"City of Riviera Beach Summer Youth Employment Program (Senate Form 1545) 500,000"

The following is vetoed because the project has received funding from local entities and can be supported at the local level.

"HART Hyperlink-Downtown Tampa Zone (HB 4033) . . . 300,000"

The following is vetoed because it is a local decision by a Regional Workforce Board whether to utilize this program.

Specific Appropriation 2203A
Page 307

"2203A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
GRANTS AND AIDS - BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS/
SKILL ASSESSMENT AND TRAINING
FROM SPECIAL EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
ADMINISTRATION TRUST FUND 2,500,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 2203A shall be subject to the competitive procurement process under Chapter 287, Florida Statutes."

The following are vetoed because they circumvent current, established grant review processes, or funding is available through other sources.

Specific Appropriation 2224M
Pages 311 and 312

"DeSoto County Public Safety Building (HB 3565) 350,000"
"Community Center-Passive Trail Head - City of Oviedo (HB 3193). 100,000"
Quail Pond Circle Complete Street/Pedestrian Connectivity Improvements (HB 2257) 282,366"
"Riverwalk/Boardwalk Extension Project (HB 2201) . . . 200,000"
City of St. Cloud Downtown Revitalization Phase I (HB 4323). 900,000"
"North Bay Village Boardwalk & Economic

Table listing various projects and their funding amounts, including Revitalization Project (HB 3741) at 250,000, City of Milton - Riverwalk (HB 3129) at 1,000,000, and others.

From the nonrecurring funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2224M from the General Revenue Fund, \$1,000,000 is provided for the Regional Multi-Use Athletic Tournament Complex in the City of Stuart. No funds may be expended on astroturf for the improvements funded in this Specific Appropriation (HB 2141).

From the nonrecurring funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2224M from the General Revenue Fund, \$500,000 is provided for Design District Public Infrastructure Improvements (HB 3431). The state contribution is contingent upon the City of Miami and/or Miami-Dade County providing a fifty percent match in the form of a cash contribution or a capital project that benefits the area."

The following is vetoed because the entity can pursue other sources of public and private funding.

Specific Appropriation 2226F
Page 315

"2226F SPECIAL CATEGORIES
GRANTS AND AIDS - INSTITUTE FOR THE
COMMERCIALIZATION OF PUBLIC RESEARCH
FROM STATE ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT
AND DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND 5,500,000

The funds in Specific Appropriation 2226F are provided for funding an appropriations project related to HB 3513."

The following are vetoed because they circumvent established processes and funding is available through other resources.

Specific Appropriation 2226H
Page 316

“St. Petersburg Tech Garage Program (HB 3523)	400,000”
“Makerspace (HB 2847)	400,000
CEDIA Violence Prevention & Economic Development Project (HB 3505)	500,000
StartUp FIU (HB 2995)	1,000,000
Beaver Street Enterprise Center (HB 4131)	400,000
Tampa Bay Center for Innovation (HB 2965)	1,000,000”
“Naples Accelerator Innovation Center and Immokalee Food & Agribusiness (HB 2213)	1,200,000
Florida Atlantic University Tech Runway (HB 2163)	1,200,000
Deering Estate Field Station Research Center Improvements (HB 4233)	1,200,000”
“National Entrepreneur Center, UCF Research Foundation (HB 3909)	400,000”
“The e-Factory in Tampa Bay (HB 2567)	600,000
Bonifay Memorial Park, Phase II (HB 4179)	800,000”
“Riverside Artist Market Phase II (Senate Form 2264)	500,000”

The following is vetoed because there is no documented need or request from the Department of Financial Services or the Department of Education.

Specific Appropriation 2333
Page 324

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2333, \$500,000 in non-recurring funds from the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund is provided to the Department of Financial Services to procure staff augmentation services, additional hardware, and software necessary to enhance the Transparency Florida website. The purpose of the enhancement is to provide the public, specifically parents, the ability to determine financial resources invested in students. The enhancement will provide estimated federal, state, and local funding generated, by student, based on a series of questions including, but not limited to, district, grade level, child eligibility for free or reduced meals, and English language learner. The Department of Education shall provide the department with the necessary data to support the enhanced functionality to be available on the transparency website (Senate Form 1854).”

The following is vetoed because there is not a clear statewide return on investment.

Specific Appropriation 2344
Page 326

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2344, \$250,000 in non-recurring funds from the Unclaimed Property Trust Fund is provided to the Department of Financial Services to competitively procure a business needs analysis of the current Unclaimed Property Management Information System. The analysis shall provide the department with information regarding whether the Unclaimed Property Management Information System should be upgraded or replaced and which option will be the most cost efficient for more effective processing and management of unclaimed property assets and claims.”

The following is vetoed because this initiative is already being developed.

Specific Appropriation 2575
Page 347

“From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 2575, \$150,000 from the Grants and Donations Trust Fund is provided to the division to competitively bid and procure a contract for the first phase of a comprehensive mapping initiative of the state. The contract shall require the development of a statewide plan for digital acquisition and analysis for approximately 54,200 square miles of the state. The contract shall include provisions to coordinate with all state agencies that utilize the division’s elevation data under the guidance of the Agency for State Technology and develop a partnership for cost sharing to generate new elevation data. The plan must prioritize the state’s most vulnerable areas. On or before January 1, 2018, the division shall submit the plan to the

Governor, the Senate President, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.”

The following are vetoed because these are local projects and should be supported at the local level.

Specific Appropriation 2590
Pages 348 and 349

“Southwest Ranches Regional Emergency Operations and Distribution Center (HB 3155)	300,000
The Adrienne Arsht Center’s Zone Emergency Response Operations Center (HB 3423)	264,000”

The following is vetoed because this is a local project and should be supported at the local level. In addition, the project funds fixed location generators, which do not allow flexibility for mobile placement as needed in a disaster.

“Tallahassee, Leon County, Pre-Disaster Mitigation Center (HB 2459)	1,000,000”
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The following is vetoed because it circumvents the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles process for certifying driver education programs.

Specific Appropriation 2604
Page 351

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2604, \$300,000 of non-recurring funds from the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund is provided to the American Bikers Aiming Toward Education of Florida, Inc. (ABATE) for the purpose of promoting motorcycle safety awareness through public information and education campaigns (Senate Form 1235).”

The following are vetoed because there is no documented need or request from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

Specific Appropriation 2612
Pages 351 and 352

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2612, up to \$65,000 of nonrecurring funds from the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund is provided for expenses associated with contracting with the University of South Florida’s Center for Urban Transportation Research to chair the Law Enforcement Work Group and provide a report on the recommendations of the work group to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, on or before January 1, 2018 (Senate Form 1874).”

Specific Appropriation 2616
Page 352

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2616, up to \$75,000 of nonrecurring funds from the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund is provided to contract with the University of South Florida’s Center for Urban Transportation Research to chair the Law Enforcement Work Group and provide a report on the recommendations of the work group to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, on or before January 1, 2018 (Senate Form 1874).”

Specific Appropriation 2632
Pages 353 and 354

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2632, \$150,000 in non-recurring funds from the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund, shall be used by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to contract with the University of South Florida’s Center for Urban Transportation Research to conduct a feasibility study to relocate the Florida Highway Patrol Academy, from Gadsden County to Polk County on the property or in the vicinity of the SunTrax facility at the Polytech University Campus. The study will include a cost analysis for the construction of a first class training facility for the Florida Highway Patrol and other law enforcement agencies statewide. This will include dorms, classrooms, cafeteria, administrative building, gymnasium/concourse, firing ranges,

shooting and driving simulators, armory, K-9 training area, pursuit course and two driving pads for skid control. The study will include research into grants that are available for this purpose from the federal government. Recommendations shall be due to the Governor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before December 1, 2017 (Senate Form 2095)."

Specific Appropriation 2652
Pages 355 and 356

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2652, the department shall expend \$150,000 from the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to conduct an audit of independent entities as defined in section 319.30(1)(g), Florida Statutes, and motor vehicle brokers as defined in section 320.27(1)(d), Florida Statutes, to ascertain compliance with licensing requirements of motor vehicle dealers pursuant to section 320.27(1)(c), Florida Statutes. Based on the audit findings, the department shall submit a report on the compliance of current statutes to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives. The report shall additionally provide examples of specific violations, estimated number of violations, and recommendations to improve and ensure compliance by December 30, 2017."

Specific Appropriation 2656
Page 356

"From the nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 2656, \$150,000 is provided to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to establish and implement, in collaboration with the Agency for State Technology, secure and uniform protocols and standards for issuing an optional digital proof of a driver license, as provided in section 327.032, Florida Statutes, and procure any application programming necessary for enabling a private entity to securely manufacture a digital proof of a driver license. The department may contract with one or more private entities to develop a digital proof of a driver license system."

The following is vetoed because there is no documented need or request from the Department of Management Services.

Specific Appropriation 2727
Page 364

"From the funds and positions provided in Specific Appropriation 2727, 26.50 positions with associated salary rate of 492,523 are provided to the Department of Management Services for custodial staffing services. The positions and rate shall be placed in reserve. The Department of Management Services may submit budget amendments pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, requesting the release of positions and salary rate. All budget amendment requests for the release of positions and salary rate are contingent upon the transfer of funds from Contracted Services or other appropriation categories to Salaries and Benefits to align with the positions and salary rate requested for release."

The following is vetoed because it circumvents the established process and has no statewide impact.

Specific Appropriation 2869B
Page 378

"2869B SPECIAL CATEGORIES
WAKULLA COUNTY STATEWIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT
RADIO SYSTEM (SLERS)
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND. 507,465

The funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2869B are provided for funding for a nonrecurring appropriations project related to HB 2001."

The following is vetoed because there is no documented need or request from the Agency of State Technology.

Specific Appropriation 2936
Page 386

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2936, \$100,000 is provided to the Agency for State Technology to contract with the

Northwest Regional Data Center. The agency may consult with the Northwest Regional Data Center to assist the agency with transitioning its operations to accommodate an increased use of third party cloud computing services. The agency shall submit monthly reports on the status and activities of the transition to the Executive Office of the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget and the chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee."

The following is vetoed because it is beyond the funding criteria outlined in statute.

Specific Appropriation 3034
Page 395

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 3034, \$79,991 in non-recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for Aerial Photography (HB 2729)."

The following is vetoed because there is no documented need or request from the Department of Revenue.

Specific Appropriation 3048A
Pages 396 and 397

"3048A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
CHILD SUPPORT EMPLOYMENT AND VERIFICATION
TOOL
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 800,000

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 3048A, \$800,000 in non-recurring general revenue is provided to the Department of Revenue to contract with a third-party vendor that provides asset information such as income, payment history, loans, and location of individuals for the purpose of collecting delinquent child support funds. The contract shall be awarded based upon a competitive solicitation process pursuant to section 287.057, Florida Statutes (HB 3539)."

The following are vetoed because these projects circumvent the established competitive review process where projects are evaluated and recommended.

Specific Appropriation 3107
Page 403

"Purchase of Artifacts from the Armed Forces Military Museum (HB 3895) 300,000
Okaloosa County Historical Museum Cooperative (HB 3849). 30,000"
"General Benardo de Galvez Monument Project (HB 3775). 100,000
McCollum Hall Preservation, Phase III in Lee County (Senate Form 2133) 500,000
Restoration Completion of the Historic Hernando School (HB 2145). 396,400
Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse, Inc. Brevard County (HB 3709) 272,661
Dixie Highway Landing Column Reconstruction in the City of Lakeland (Senate Form 2098) 50,000"

The following are vetoed because these projects circumvent the established competitive review process where projects are evaluated and recommended.

Specific Appropriation 3112A
Page 404

"Camp Matecumbe Historic Chapel Restoration (HB 3441). 275,000
Historic Gulfview Hotel Restoration (HB 3851) 300,000"
"Repairs to Port Boca Lighthouse (Senate Form 2211) 89,435"

The following are vetoed because these projects circumvent the established library grant review process.

Specific Appropriation 3127
Page 405

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 3127, \$3,000,000 in nonrecurring general revenue is provided to the department for the Library Technology Grant Program. The Department of State shall create a matching grant program for public libraries to apply for funding based on a 1:1 matching ratio. Eligible uses of grant funds include: expanding services for learning and access to information and educational resources for individuals of all ages; developing library services that provide all users access to information through local, state, regional, national, and international electronic networks; creating centers for simulations and audio/video recording; providing centers for homeschooling, small business conference and training rooms, and creating partnerships the with CareerSource Florida Inc., the Regional Workforce Boards, the Small Business Development Center, and other entities to provide small business guidance and assistance with new and emerging business issues. The department may grant funds to entities meeting these eligibility requirements in an amount up to \$500,000 per entity annually.

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 3127, \$100,000 of non-recurring funds is provided for the Parkland Library Master Plan Expansion in Broward County (HB 3825).”

The following are vetoed because these projects circumvent the established competitive review process where projects are evaluated and recommended.

Specific Appropriation 3139
Pages 406 and 407

“St. Petersburg Warehouse Arts District Project (HB 2353)	400,000”
“African American History Museum at Historic Roosevelt High School, Palm Beach County (Senate Form 2131)	350,000
Education and Access to Performing Arts Program (HB 2351).	500,000
PIAG Museum (HB 4269).	263,000”

Specific Appropriation 3144A
Pages 407 and 408

“Orlando Science Center (HB 3615)	250,000”
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SECTION 7 - JUDICIAL BRANCH

The following is vetoed because funding for improvements and repairs of county buildings are the responsibility of the local government.

Specific Appropriation 3166A
Page 411

...“\$300,000 in nonrecurring general revenue funds shall be used to fund repairs to the Nassau County Courthouse (HB 4407) and”...

The following are vetoed because caseload data shows that there is no workload justification for providing additional senior county court judges or support staff.

Specific Appropriation 3181
Page 413

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 3181, \$104,000 from nonrecurring general revenue funds is provided for administrative support to senior judges as follows: \$52,000 for Citrus County and \$52,000 for Flagler County.”

The following are vetoed because caseload data shows that there is no workload justification for providing additional senior county court judges or support staff.

Specific Appropriation 3186
Page 413

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 3186, \$200,000 from nonrecurring general revenue funds is provided for full time senior judicial services as follows: \$100,000 for Citrus County and

\$100,000 for Flagler County. These funds may not be used for senior judicial services in any other court.”

The following is vetoed because there is no clear mechanism for objectively measuring and evaluating the return on the state’s investment and has no statewide impact.

Specific Appropriation 3187
Page 414

“From the funds in Specific Appropriation 3187, \$250,000 in non-recurring general revenue funds is provided for Problem Solving Court - Driver’s License Reinstatement Program (HB 3397).”

OTHER SECTIONS

The following is vetoed because it is not an appropriate use of state funds without a return on state taxpayer dollars.

Section 70
Page 433

“SECTION 70. The unexpended balance of funds provided to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services from the General Revenue Fund for the removal of abandoned citrus groves in Specific Appropriation 1467 of chapter 2016-66, Laws of Florida, shall revert and is appropriated for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the same purpose.”

The following is vetoed because the project will be completed within a timeframe provided by the current Fiscal Year 2016-17 which allows projects of this type to be extended up to 90 days after the end of the fiscal year.

Section 77
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“SECTION 77. The unexpended balance of funds provided to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission in Specific Appropriation 1758 of chapter 2016-66, Laws of Florida, for the Niceville Public Landing and Bayou Restoration Access Facility (HB 3841) shall revert and is appropriated for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for the same purpose.”

The following is vetoed because it did not go through the proper review process by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

Section 91
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“SECTION 91. The unexpended balance of funds provided to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for the advanced data analytics and quality assurance service contract in Specific Appropriation 2627 of chapter 2016-66, Laws of Florida, in the amount of \$1,750,000, is reverted and is appropriated for the purpose of automating data analysis and optimizing resources within the department’s issuance systems.”

The following is vetoed because this project circumvents the Transportation Work Program process for evaluating aviation projects.

Section 92
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“SECTION 92. Airport/Roadway Infrastructure Improvements in Specific Appropriation 1906 of Ch. 2016-66, Laws of Florida, in the amount of \$1,000,000 is reverted and is appropriated for the same purpose. The Department of Transportation shall contract with the entity for the named project.”

The following is vetoed because the State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund was specifically created by the Legislature as a funding source for economic development programs.

Section 94
Pages 435 and 436

“SEED Trust Fund 72,100,000”

The following is vetoed because revenues deposited in the trust fund are utilized for maintaining, enhancing, and performing necessary criminal justice services.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
Operating Trust Fund 5,000,000”

The following are vetoed because revenues deposited in the trust funds are utilized for maintaining, enhancing, and performing necessary criminal justice services, including prosecutions, constitutional defense of indigent clients, consumer protections, and support services.

“FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS
Legal Affairs Revolving Trust Fund 10,000,000
Crime Stoppers Trust Fund 5,000,000
Motor Vehicle Warranty Trust Fund 2,000,000”

In conclusion, as I have done every year since taking office, and in recognition of my continued commitment to the citizens of Florida, I am voluntarily reducing my salary to one cent per month for Fiscal Year 2017-18, as authorized in Section 8 of the General Appropriations Act, in which the Legislature has set the salary schedule for state officers and judges.

The portions of Senate Bill 2500 which are set forth herein with my objections are hereby vetoed, and all other portions of Senate Bill 2500 are hereby approved.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor’s objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Ken Detzner
Secretary of State
Florida Department of State
R.A. Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

June 20, 2017

Dear Secretary Detzner:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objection to Senate Bill 2512, enacted during the 119th Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session of 2017 and entitled:

An act relating to Capitol Complex Advisory Council...

Florida’s capitol buildings not only serve as the center for state government, but also host thousands of visitors each year. It is vitally important that all building repairs and maintenance be made in the most cost-effective and efficient manner. This bill would create requirements that are duplicative of current processes and would add an unnecessary layer of red tape and bureaucracy. It is imperative that improvements to enhance the safety and access of Florida’s capitol buildings progress in the most efficient way possible to avoid unnecessary disruption or delay.

For the reasons stated above, I withhold my approval of Senate Bill 2512, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor’s objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RELATING TO EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

SUSPENSION REPORTS

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-202
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Robert John Anderson is presently serving as a commissioner on the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2017, Robert John Anderson was charged by Information with one count of Grand Theft, a third-degree felony in violation of section 812.014(2)(c), Florida Statutes, and one count of Scheme to Defraud, a third-degree felony in violation of section 817.034(4)(a)3., Florida Statutes., in case number 2017-CF-016830 in the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized to suspend from office a member of the governing body of a special district exercising the powers and duties of a state or county officer who has been informed against for the commission of a state felony, pursuant to section 112.511(1), Florida Statutes, and Article IV, section 7(a), of the Florida Constitution; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the constituents of the Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Robert John Anderson be immediately suspended from the public office, which he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to section 112.511(1), Florida Statutes, and Article IV, section 7(a), of the Florida Constitution, find as follows:

- A. Robert John Anderson is, and at all times material hereto was, serving as a commissioner of the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District.
- B. The Board of Fire Commissioners for the Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District is a governing body of a special district within the purview of the Governor’s suspension authority pursuant to section 112.511, Florida Statutes.
- C. On July 21, 2017, Robert John Anderson was charged by Information with one count of Grand Theft, a third-degree felony in violation of section 812.014(2)(c), Florida Statutes, and one count of Scheme to Defraud, a third-degree felony in violation of section 817.034(4)(a)3., Florida Statutes, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

Section 1. Robert John Anderson is suspended from the public office, which he now holds, to wit: Commissioner of the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District.

Section 2. Robert John Anderson is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at the Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida, this 26th day of July, 2017.

Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Ken Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.]

The Honorable Joe Negron
President of the Senate
409, The Capitol

January 9, 2018

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Re: Suspension of:
ANDERSON, Robert John
Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District Commissioner

Dear President Negron:

The Committee on Ethics and Elections submits this final report on the matter of the suspension of Robert John Anderson.

By Executive Order Number 17-202 filed with the Secretary of State on July 17, 2017, and pursuant to Article IV, section 7(a) of the Florida Constitution, the Honorable Rick Scott, Governor, suspended Robert John Anderson as a Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District Commissioner in Lee County, Florida, alleging that he committed one count of Grand Theft, in violation of s. 812.014(2)(c), F.S., and one count of Scheme to Defraud in violation of s. 817.034(4)(a)3., F.S. Those allegations arise out of felony charges pending against Mr. Anderson in Case Number 2017-CF-016830 in the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, Florida. In that same court, Mr. Anderson was convicted of Grand Theft, a third degree felony, in Case Number 2016-CF-00327, on December 14, 2017.

Because Mr. Anderson was convicted of a felony, he is ineligible to hold public office unless or until his civil rights have been restored. A convicted felon may not have his or her rights restored until at least 5 years after the completion of any sentence imposed by the court. Mr. Anderson's term of office runs through the election for that seat in the year 2020. In light of the foregoing, Mr. Anderson would not be eligible to apply for restoration of rights until after the expiration of his term of office. Therefore, this matter is moot.

Based on the foregoing, I advise and recommend that the Senate take no action on the above-named suspension during the 2018 Regular Session of the Florida Legislature, and consider the matter closed.

Sincerely,

Keith Perry
Chair

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-203
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Kirk Reams is currently serving as the Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, an investigation by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement ("FDLE") has revealed Kirk Reams improperly used his official position to gain access to a government facility after business hours in February 2013 for the purpose of engaging in inappropriate conduct with a paramour therein; and

WHEREAS, the FDLE investigation further revealed Kirk Reams misappropriated the resources of his public office between January 2013 and February 2014 by providing the paramour with unauthorized access to, and personal use of, a government laptop computer purchased and owned by the Jefferson County Commission; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, drunkenness, incompetence, permanent inability to perform official duties, or commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Jefferson County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Kirk Reams be immediately suspended from the public office he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this Executive Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

- A. Kirk Reams is, and at all times material hereto, was serving as the Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida.
- B. The office of Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution.

- C. An investigation by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement revealed Kirk Reams committed malfeasance and/or misfeasance in the abuse of his position of public trust through the improper acts described above, as evidenced by the Affidavit in Support of Arrest Warrant attached hereto, which is incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.
- D. Kirk Reams has been arrested and charged with one count of Petit Theft (\$100 or more), a first-degree misdemeanor in violation of section 812.014(2)(e), Florida Statutes, as evidenced by the Warrant attached hereto, which is incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

Section 1. Kirk Reams is suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida.

Section 2. Kirk Reams is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 18th day of October, 2017.

Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Ken Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.]

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE:

The Secretary of State has certified that pursuant to the provisions of section 114.05, Florida Statutes, certificates subject to confirmation by the Senate have been prepared for the following:

	<i>For Term Ending</i>
<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Board of Acupuncture	
Appointee: Heine, Raymond David, III, Altamonte Springs	10/31/2020
Barbers' Board	
Appointees: Munchalfen, Antonett, Tampa	10/31/2020
Nibaldi, Michelino G., Delray Beach	10/31/2020
Florida State Boxing Commission	
Appointees: Mallare-Pike, Christina Marie, Plant City	09/30/2019
Williams, Mark M., Lynn Haven	09/30/2019
Florida Building Commission	
Appointees: Carlson, E. Jay, Port Charlotte	02/11/2021
Compton, David L., Lutz	01/13/2021
Whitehead, Don S., Monticello	11/21/2019
Worrall, Diana R., Naples	02/07/2021
Board of Chiropractic Medicine	
Appointees: Heagy, Danita Thomas, St. Augustine	10/31/2020
Weingarten, Mindy A., Harbor Oaks	10/31/2020
Florida Citrus Commission	
Appointee: Pines, Francisco J., Pincrest	05/31/2019

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Regulatory Council of Community Association Managers Appointee: Pyott, Gary Lee, Aventura	10/31/2020	Varghese, Babu, Davie	10/31/2020
Board of Trustees of Chipola College Appointee: Dean, James R., Marianna	05/31/2021	Florida Housing Finance Corporation Appointees: Green-Cobb, LaTasha, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S. Leifried, Creston, Chuluota	11/13/2020 11/13/2018
Board of Trustees of Florida SouthWestern State College Appointee: Laishley, Bruce, Punta Gorda	05/31/2018	Florida Commission on Human Relations Appointees: Elam, Donna M., Wellington Goldenberg, Dianne, Lake Worth Jenkins, Tony, Orlando Singer, Gilbert M., Tampa	09/30/2020 09/30/2019 09/30/2018 09/30/2018
Board of Trustees of Florida State College at Jacksonville Appointees: Bell, Michael M., Fernandina Beach Hawkins, David Hunt, Jacksonville McGehee, Thomas R., Jr., Jacksonville	05/31/2021 05/31/2019 05/31/2019	Florida Inland Navigation District Appointees: Blow, John Carl, St. Augustine Cuozzo, Donald J., Jensen Beach Gernert, Frank E., Ft. Lauderdale Williams, Lynn, Fernandina Beach	01/09/2021 01/09/2021 01/09/2021 01/09/2021
Board of Trustees of Florida Keys Community College Appointees: Domenech, John, Big Pine Key Suga, Sheldon, Duck Key	05/31/2020 05/31/2017	Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County Appointees: Butler, Richard, Pinellas Park Millican, James A., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	08/07/2020 08/11/2020
Board of Trustees of State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota Appointees: DiMaio, Dominic A., Jr., Bradenton Dorfman, Richard, Sarasota Knight, Tracy, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	05/31/2020 05/31/2020 05/31/2019	Board of Medicine Appointees: Haridopolos, Stephanie E., Melbourne London, Robert Adam, Maitland TerKonda, Sarvam P., Jacksonville	10/31/2020 10/31/2020 10/31/2020
Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College Appointees: Harrington, Jeffrey E., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S. Hernandez, Alvaro A., Odessa Pearson-Adams, Marilyn, Brooksville	05/31/2019 05/31/2018 05/31/2021	Board of Occupational Therapy Practice Appointees: Calvo, Daniel, Lakeland German, Tameka R., Tallahassee	10/31/2017 10/31/2020
Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College Appointee: Garrison, Samuel P., Fleming Island	05/31/2018	Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists Appointee: Weott, Paul, Bradenton	10/31/2020
Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College Appointees: Bello, Bridgette, Seminole Cole, Katherine E., Belleair Cole, Katherine E., Belleair	05/31/2019 05/31/2017 05/31/2021	Board of Osteopathic Medicine Appointee: Mendez, Michelle R., Jacksonville	10/31/2020
Construction Industry Licensing Board Appointees: Cawthon, Franklin Hill, Jr., Windermere Feaster, Ted W., Ocala Laney, Edgar L., Jr., Jacksonville Lawson, Keith O., II, Tallahassee Maphis, Robert Lewis, III, Windermere Strickland, Michael W., Sr., Lakeland	10/31/2018 10/31/2019 10/31/2019 10/31/2020 10/31/2017 10/31/2020	Board of Physical Therapy Practice Appointee: Tasso, Kay H., Ponte Vedra	10/31/2020
Education Practices Commission Appointees: Ameerally, Aadil, Davie Lowe, James Garry, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S. Pietkiewicz, Nicholas, Ft. Myers Rose, Jillian, Jacksonville Trop-Roberts, Elizabeth, Hollywood	07/13/2021 08/18/2020 09/30/2020 09/30/2020 07/31/2020	Board of Pilot Commissioners Appointee: Benson, Robert W., Plantation	10/31/2020
Florida Elections Commission Appointee: Smith, Kymberlee C., Cooper City	12/31/2020	Tampa Port Authority Appointee: Griffin, Michael E., Tampa	11/15/2019
Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board Appointee: Krak, Kathleen Meagher, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/31/2020	Florida Prepaid College Board Appointee: Rood, John Darrell, St. Augustine	06/30/2017
Board of Employee Leasing Companies Appointee: Komuroji, Raja Shekhar Swamy, Tallahassee	10/31/2020	Florida Real Estate Commission Appointee: Schwartz, Randy James, Winter Springs	10/31/2020
Board of Professional Engineers Appointees: Shah, Pankaj, Clearwater	10/31/2020	Apalachee Regional Planning Council, Region 2 Appointee: Stoutamire, J. C. Davis, Hosford	10/01/2018
		State Retirement Commission Appointees: Ciupalo, Holger, Tallahassee Napier, Thomas E., Tallahassee	12/31/2019 12/31/2020
		Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Appointee: Jordan, Sherry S., Windermere	10/31/2019
		Big Cypress Basin Board of the South Florida Water Management District Appointees: Kitchener, Marielle, Naples Waters, Daniel, Naples	03/01/2020 03/01/2020
		Workers' Compensation Panel Appointee: Robbins, Jason S., Merritt Island	Pleasure of Governor
		Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.	

<p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Secretary of Management Services Appointee: Rock, Erin Marie-Geraghty, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Secretary of the Department of the Lottery Appointee: Poppell, James "Jim" W., Tallahassee</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Regulated Industries; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Executive Director of South Florida Water Management District Appointee: Marks, Ernie, III, Palm City</p> <p>Executive Director of Suwannee River Water Management District Appointee: Thomas, Hugh L., Bell</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; and Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Secretary of Transportation Appointee: Dew, Michael J., Tallahassee</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Transportation; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Florida Public Service Commission Appointees: Clark, Gary F., Chipley 01/01/2019 Graham, Art, Jacksonville Beach 01/01/2022</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; and Rules; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>State Board of Education Appointee: Gibson, Benjamin J., Tallahassee 12/31/2020</p> <p>Board of Governors of the State University System Appointees: Jordan, Darlene L., Palm Beach 01/06/2024 Kitson, Sydney William, West Palm Beach 01/06/2024 Levine, Alan M., Johnson City 01/06/2024</p> <p>Board of Trustees, Florida International University Appointee: Colson, Dean C., Miami 01/06/2021</p> <p>Board of Trustees, Florida Polytechnic University Appointee: Wendt, Gary C., Ft. Lauderdale 06/30/2017</p>	<p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>Pleasure of Governor</p> <p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>Pleasure of Governor</p> <p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>Pleasure of the Board</p> <p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>Pleasure of the Board</p> <p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>Pleasure of Governor</p> <p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>Pleasure of Governor</p> <p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>01/01/2019 01/01/2022</p> <p><i>For Term Ending</i></p> <p>12/31/2020 01/06/2024 01/06/2024 01/06/2024</p> <p>01/06/2021</p> <p>06/30/2017</p>	<p>Referred to the Committees on Education; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Secretary of Environmental Protection Appointee: Valenstein, Noah, Tallahassee</p> <p>Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Appointee: Sole, Michael W., Tequesta 08/01/2021</p> <p>Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District Appointees: Costello, Jonathan M., Tallahassee 03/01/2020 Everett, Ted, Chipley 03/01/2021 Pate, Jerome K., Pensacola 03/01/2021 Spring, Samuel R., Port St. Joe 03/01/2020</p> <p>Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District Appointees: Bournique, Douglas C., Vero Beach 03/01/2020 Burnett, Douglas, St. Augustine 03/01/2021 Dolan, Susan S., Sanford 03/01/2021 Price, Janet, Fernandina Beach 03/01/2018</p> <p>Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District Appointees: Fernandez, Federico E., Coral Gables 03/01/2020 O'Keefe, Daniel T., Windermere 03/01/2020 Tucker, Brandon D., Palm City 03/01/2021 Weisinger, Max "Jaime," Ft. Myers 03/01/2021</p> <p>Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District Appointees: Beswick, Bryan K., Arcadia 03/01/2020 Henslick, John R., Myakka City 03/01/2021 Murphy, James G., Lakeland 03/01/2021 Schleicher, Joel A., Sarasota 03/01/2019 Smith, Rebecca J., Tampa 03/01/2021 Taylor, Mark Christopher, Brooksville 03/01/2020 Williamson, Michelle D., Dover 03/01/2020</p> <p>Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District Appointees: Johns, Virginia H., Gainesville 03/01/2021 Sanchez, Virginia Marsh, Old Town 03/01/2021</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Investment Advisory Council Appointee: McGould, Sean, North Palm Beach 02/01/2020</p> <p>Executive Director, Agency for State Technology Appointee: Larson, Eric, Tallahassee Pleasure of Governor</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Ethics and Elections.</p> <p><i>Office and Appointment</i></p> <p>Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation Appointee: Zachem, Jonathan, Tallahassee Pleasure of Governor</p> <p>Referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Ethics and Elections.</p>
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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RETURNING MESSAGES — FINAL ACTION

The Honorable Joe Negron, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted SCR 1522.

Portia Palmer, Clerk

The bill contained in the foregoing message was ordered enrolled.

The Honorable Joe Negron, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted SCR 1524.

Portia Palmer, Clerk

The bill contained in the foregoing message was ordered enrolled.

SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

The following certificate was received:

No. SC17-1936

IN RE: CERTIFICATION OF NEED FOR ADDITIONAL JUDGES.

[November 22, 2017]

PER CURIAM.

This opinion fulfills our constitutional obligation to determine the State's need for additional judges in fiscal year 2018/2019 and to certify our "findings and recommendations concerning such need" to the Legislature.¹ Certification is "the sole mechanism established by our constitution for a systematic and uniform assessment of this need." *In re Certification of Need for Additional Judges*, 889 So. 2d 734, 735 (Fla. 2004). In this opinion, we are certifying a need for two additional circuit court judges, two additional county court judges, and none in the district courts of appeal as discussed below. We are also decertifying the need for thirteen county court judgeships.

TRIAL COURTS

The Florida Supreme Court continues to use a weighted caseload system as a primary basis for assessing judicial need for the trial courts.² Using this objective threshold standard, we have examined case filing and disposition data, analyzed various judicial workload indicators, applied a three-year average judicial need, and considered judgeship requests submitted by the lower courts including all secondary factors identified by each chief judge for support of their requests. We have also incorporated a rigorous judicial workload per judge threshold analysis and an allowance for administrative time spent by chief judges and county court time spent on county election canvassing boards. Applying this methodology, this Court certifies the need for four additional judgeships statewide, two of which are in circuit court and two in county court. *See* Appendix. We are also decertifying thirteen county court judgeships. *See* Appendix.

As noted in previous opinions, our judges and court staff continue to work diligently to administer justice, promptly resolve disputes, and ensure that children, families, and businesses receive the proper amount of judicial attention for their cases. They do so despite a demonstrated need for additional judges since 2007 and with a smaller staffing complement.

Our most recent analysis of trial court statistics from fiscal year 2015/2016 to preliminary data for fiscal year 2016/2017 indicates a ten percent increase in county civil filings (excluding civil traffic infractions), a five percent increase in circuit civil filings (excluding real property/mortgage foreclosures), a three percent increase in probate filings, and a two percent increase in dependency filings. At the same time, criminal

traffic filings (including driving under the influence) declined by 16 percent, civil traffic infractions declined by six percent, county criminal filings declined by five percent, juvenile delinquency filings declined by five percent, and felony filings experienced a two percent decline.

Similar downward filing trends are occurring nationally and we continue to closely monitor filing trends throughout the state as filings relate to judicial case weights and influence workload analysis. It is notable, however, that the opioid epidemic is severely impacting communities in Florida and across the country. Ninety-one Americans die every day from an opioid overdose.³ This epidemic has influenced Florida's child welfare system and has resulted in an increased number of dependency court cases throughout the state. Many trial courts have established Early Childhood Courts for families affected by the opioid epidemic by offering a continuum of evidence-based services, including Child-Parent Psychotherapy—an intervention aimed at healing trauma. According to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Florida Medical Examiners Report, in 2016, six of the seven Florida counties with the most opioid-related deaths have an Early Childhood Court in place.⁴

Notwithstanding the decreases to some filing categories, our judicial workload-per-judge analysis indicates that additional circuit court and county court judgeships are necessary in some areas.

Chief judges have identified many workload trends that are affecting court operations throughout the state. Several of the chief judges cited the additional workload associated with the continuing expansion of problem-solving courts (e.g., Adult Drug Court, Veterans' Court, Mental Health Courts, and Early Childhood Courts). We recognize that various studies have shown that well-conducted problem-solving courts, such as drug courts, have been shown to reduce recidivism and provide better outcomes for participants.⁵ Yet, these courts also require significantly more judicial time on the front end due to more frequent status hearings and multidisciplinary team meetings, typically over an extended period of time. Other chief judges noted the impact of complex civil litigation, high jury trial rates, and self-represented litigants. Collectively, these factors affect court time and court resources.

The chief judges have also noted that the number and frequency of court interpreting events protract case disposition times. Florida is an ethnically and culturally diverse state with thousands of non-English speaking residents who access our courts each year. This demand is expected to increase in coming years. This Court is mindful of the demographic changes occurring in Florida and has implemented rigorous steps to ensure that the quality of court interpreting services remains high by requiring credentialed interpreters to provide interpreting services⁶ and also by implementing video remote interpreting services in ten circuits using credentialed interpreters which we would like to expand further. The application of this technology demonstrates the court system's commitment to cost containment, innovation, and improved service delivery, while meeting due process of law requirements.

Similar efforts are occurring using software applications such as Open Court and the Integrated Case Management System developed by the Eighth Judicial Circuit. Both software platforms are open source and have tremendous potential for cost containment and the avoidance of vendor dependency issues associated with the purchase of specialized technology. We encourage the Legislature to favorably consider our Legislative Budget Request⁷ for technology as it demonstrates the judicial branch's commitment to apply technology in our service delivery staffing models, to help minimize our requests for additional full-time equivalent positions.

Nevertheless, chief judges advise that the lack of sufficient support staff positions contributes to slower case processing times, crowded dockets, and longer waits to access judicial calendars. Additional case management staff is a priority for the judicial branch. Accordingly, we fully support the trial courts' Legislative Budget Request⁸ that seeks additional funding for case managers, as these positions are integral to case disposition, docket management, and pending caseload reduction.

On a related matter, chief judges have advised us that because in-court administrative staff, both case managers and in-court clerk's office staff, has been either reduced or eliminated due to budget reductions, many trial court judges are now performing in-court administrative duties such as managing the court record, handling exhibits, swearing witnesses, filing documents, and making notations in the case

management systems. Judges performing ministerial and administrative functions is not the best use of judicial time and supports the need for additional case management assistance that is best supplied by case managers.

Several of the chief judges also advised that they are experiencing difficulty in securing senior judges to serve within their circuits. While the Court believes that our senior judge day allotment may be sufficient, there simply are not enough senior judges available to take the assignments. We remain concerned that the one-year sit-out provision for retiring judges is therefore impeding the court system’s ability to secure senior judges in different regions throughout the state. We encourage the Legislature to revisit the one-year sit-out requirement, as it is detrimental to Florida’s court system and the administration of justice.

Our analysis, using the previously described judicial workload per judge threshold methodology, indicates that there is a positive need for additional circuit court and county court judgeships. In those circuits and counties where the need exceeds the current number of authorized judicial positions, the workload impact can vary depending on the total number of judges in a circuit available to absorb the excess work. Our threshold methodology suggests a judicial need when the ratio per judge is greater than 1.10. In practical terms, this means that judges must share excess workload, leaving each judge with a total of 1.10 full-time equivalent of judicial work prior to a circuit court or county court being considered for a new judgeship.

The analysis also revealed that judicial need is less than the current number of authorized positions among county court judgeships. That determination is made through an examination of quantitative and qualitative secondary factors. A reduction in judicial need is initially presumed to occur in any court where the workload per judge is below 0.90. Judicial positions should be subtracted until the ratio is at or above 0.90. To better assess whether we should decertify any trial court judgeships, we conducted an analysis of secondary factors identified by the chief judge of each affected county. The factors that might weigh against decertification included geography, number of branch court-houses, access to justice concerns, and other factors listed in the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration.⁹ After careful consideration of all factors, we are certifying the need for two additional circuit court judgeships in the Ninth Judicial Circuit and two additional county court judgeships in Hillsborough County.

Applying these same factors, we are also decertifying county court judgeships in the following counties: one county court judgeship in Alachua County, three county court judgeships in Brevard County, one county court judgeship in Charlotte County, one county court judgeship in Collier County, one county court judgeship in Escambia County, one county court judgeship in Leon County, one county court judgeship in Monroe County, two county court judgeships in Pasco County, one county court judgeship in Polk County, and one county court judgeship in Putnam County. With the exception of Monroe County, where we are decertifying only one of the two county court judgeships that could potentially be decertified, the decertification includes counties we monitored last year that continue to demonstrate a negative need for two consecutive review cycles. Due to the impact of Hurricane Irma in Key West and the uncertainties related to litigation expected to occur in its aftermath, we will monitor the county court workload in Monroe County for an additional year as that county recovers and stabilizes.

Over the next twelve months, we will be closely monitoring the judicial workload of one circuit and nine counties¹⁰ that demonstrate a negative need, but also identified supplemental factors recognized in rule 2.240, which influence against decertification, to determine whether additional decertifications should occur in next year’s certification of need opinion.

It is important to note that we did not certify the need for an additional county court judgeship in three counties where they were requested (Citrus, Flagler, and Lee) and we certified only two county judgeships in Hillsborough, rather than the three requested, even though in all four requesting counties the judicial workload per judge demonstrates a need. We recognize that those county judges are currently shouldering what our data indicate to be more than a full-time judicial workload. Citrus, Hillsborough, and Lee counties demonstrated a current need, but were not certified additional judgeships, or in Hillsborough’s case is being certified one fewer judgeship than requested, due to the continued decline in each county’s judicial workload

when compared to last year. Citrus County workload declined by fourteen percent, Hillsborough County workload declined by four percent, and Lee County workload declined by seven percent. Considering the possibility that this downward trend will continue, if this Court certified the need for an additional county court judgeship this year, we might be obligated to decertify the same county court judgeship in the near future. In Flagler County, the county court judicial workload per judge increased two percent when compared to last year. However, if an additional county court judgeship were certified this year, Flagler County’s judicial workload per judge would fall below the 0.90 threshold, thus putting this Court in the position of potentially decertifying the same county court judgeship in next year’s opinion.

The Court does not take these steps lightly; rather, we do so recognizing that we must remain consistent in our application of the workload methodology and our obligations under Article V, section 9, of the Florida Constitution.

DISTRICT COURTS OF APPEAL

In keeping with our policy of not requesting judgeships unless qualified and requested by the chief judge of a district court, we do not certify the need for any additional district court judges.

In the fiscal year 2017/2018 certification opinion, the Court expressed a concern with the judicial workload indicating possible overstaffing in the Third District Court of Appeal. See In re Certification of Need for Additional Judges, 206 So. 3d 22, 36 (Fla. 2016). In addition, the Court requested input from the Third District Court of Appeal regarding staffing since that court does not employ a central staff model. Id.

We appreciate the thorough response to our inquiries from the chief judge of the Third District Court of Appeal. According to that response, the judicial workload within the Third District Court of Appeal includes a large amount of complex cases. The court handles multiple appeals and petitions involving complex business litigation, class actions, forum non conveniens, tobacco liability cases, bad faith insurance claims, and public development. Forum non conveniens cases are often difficult because they include competing legal opinions regarding the law of foreign countries.

The percentage of cases heard at oral argument in the Third District Court of Appeal was also double the figures for the other district courts of appeal, as documented by OPPAGA in its report issued in February of this year.¹¹ Additionally, Miami-Dade has been a primary destination for immigrant juveniles for the last two fiscal years. These cases present the judges in the Third District Court of Appeal with substantive legal questions and due process issues that merit and receive additional time and attention.

CONCLUSION

We have conducted both a quantitative and qualitative assessment of trial court and appellate court judicial workload. Using the case-weighted methodology and the application of other factors identified in Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.240, we certify the need for four additional trial court judges in Florida, consisting of two in circuit court and two in county court, as set forth in the appendix to this opinion. We are also recommending the decertification of thirteen county court judgeships, also identified in the appendix, and we certify no need for additional judges in the district courts of appeal.

It is so ordered.

LABARGA, C.J., and PARIENTE, LEWIS, QUINCE, CANADY, POLSTON, and LAWSON, JJ., concur.

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APPENDIX

Trial Court Need

Circuit	Circuit Court Certified Judges	County	County Court Certified Judges	County Court Decertified Judges
1	0	Escambia	0	1
2	0	Leon	0	1

3	0	N/A	0	0
4	0	N/A	0	0
5	0	N/A	0	0
6	0	Pasco	0	2
7	0	Putnam	0	1
8	0	Alachua	0	1
9	2	N/A	0	0
10	0	Polk	0	1
11	0	N/A	0	0
12	0	N/A	0	0
13	0	Hillsborough	2	0
14	0	N/A	0	0
15	0	N/A	0	0
16	0	Monroe	0	1
17	0	N/A	0	0
18	0	Brevard	0	3
19	0	N/A	0	0
20	0	Charlotte Collier	0 0	1 1
Total	2	Total	2	13

1. Article V, section 9, of the Florida Constitution provides in pertinent part:

Determination of number of judges.—The supreme court shall establish by rule uniform criteria for the determination of the need for additional judges except supreme court justices, the necessity for decreasing the number of judges and for increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits. If the supreme court finds that a need exists for increasing or decreasing the number of judges or increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits, it shall, prior to the next regular session of the legislature, certify to the legislature its findings and recommendations concerning such need.

2. Our certification methodology relies primarily on case weights and calculations of available judge time to determine the need for additional trial court judges. See Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.240.

3. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Understanding the Epidemic, (last updated August 30, 2017), <https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/epidemic/index.html>.

4. Florida Behavioral Health Association, Florida's Opioid Crisis, (January 2017), available at http://www.fadaa.org/links/Opioid%20Media%20Kit_FINAL.pdf.

5. Shannon M. Carey, et al., What Works? The Ten Key Components of Drug Court: Research-Based Best Practices, 8 Drug Court Review 6, 6-42 (2012); Christopher Lowenkamp & Edward Latessa, Evaluation of Ohio's CCA Funded Programs (2005) (unpublished report) (University of Cincinnati, Division of Criminal Justice); Deborah Koetzle Shaffer, Looking Inside the Black Box of Drug Courts: A Meta-Analytic Review, 28 Justice Quarterly 493, 493-521 (2011).

6. See In re Amends. to Fla. Rules for Certification & Regulation of Spoken Language Court Interpreters, 176 So. 3d 256, 257 (Fla. 2015).

7. The Florida State Courts System's Legislative Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 is available on the Florida Fiscal Portal at <http://floridafiscalportal.state.fl.us/>.

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9. See Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.240(b)(1)(B).

10. Eighth Judicial Circuit, Brevard County, Collier County, Duval County, Leon County, Miami-Dade County, Monroe County, Pinellas County, Polk County, and Volusia County.

11. See Florida Legislature, Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, A Review of the Florida District Courts of Appeal Boundaries and Workload, Report No. 17-05, February 2017, <http://www.oppaga.state.fl.us/Summary.aspx?reportNum=17-05>.

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Mr. President,

Effective today, I hereby resign from the Florida Senate.

Jeff Clemens
District 31

The Honorable Joe Negron, President
The Florida Senate
404 S. Monroe St., 405 Capitol
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December 20, 2017

Dear President Negron:

It has been my honor to serve my constituents in the Tampa Bay area in the Florida Senate for 15 of the last 23 years. I have worked hard and tried to do what I thought was in their best interests and those of the State of Florida. I have never intentionally dishonored my family, my constituents or the Florida Senate.

Our country has been caught up in a movement to shine a spotlight on behavior that dishonors women. Even though I have spent my entire career helping women advance in public service, such as the 14 current female judges in the Sixth Circuit whose campaigns I ran, my political adversaries have latched onto this effort to rid our country of sexual harassment to try to rid the Florida Senate of me. As a husband, father, and grandfather of women, I have been steadfast in my efforts to promote them professionally, but perhaps I haven't kept up with political correctness in my comments as well as I should have.

I have maintained that the charges in the original complaint are fabrications and say that still today. Unfortunately, except in the one instance where there were third party witnesses, the Special Master took the word of the accuser over mine on every count. He also went outside the realm of the original complaint and unknown to me introduced an entirely new issue into the process that I had no ability to challenge or rebut.

That was followed this morning by supposed leaders in the Republican Party calling for me to resign. All of this occurs today even though we still have anonymous accusers with no opportunity for me to have the privilege our U.S. Constitution affords to confront our accusers in cross examination.

But, I have had enough. If this is the process our Party and Senate leadership desires, then I have no interest in continuing to serve with you. I, therefore, will resign my seat in the Florida Senate at midnight, January 5, 2018.

I regret that my district will not be represented during the session but the timing has not been mine. I feel that if I avail myself of the constitutional protections that all Americans believe we have, the session will end up accomplishing nothing else for all other Floridians.

May God Bless us all!

Yours truly,

Jack Latvala
District 16

ENROLLING REPORTS

SCR 1522 and SCR 1524 have been enrolled, signed by the required constitutional officers, and filed with the Secretary of State on January 9, 2018.

Debbie Brown, Secretary

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

The Journal of June 9, 2017, Special Session A, was corrected and approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to the motion by Senator Benacquisto previously adopted, upon dissolution of the joint session at 12:13 p.m., the Senate adjourned for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other

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November 1, 2017

Senate business to reconvene at 3:30 p.m., Thursday, January 11 or upon call of the President.

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