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Beginning the Fifty-seventh Regular Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Florida Constitution as revised in 1968, and subsequently amended, and the 127th Regular Session since Statehood in 1845, at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, Florida, on Tuesday, the 4th of March, A.D., 2025, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for convening the Legislature.

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CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President Albritton at 9:30 a.m. A quorum present—39:

Mr. President	DiCeglie	Osgood
Arrington	Fine	Passidomo
Avila	Gaetz	Pizzo
Berman	Garcia	Polsky
Bernard	Grall	Rodriguez
Boyd	Gruters	Rouson
Bradley	Harrell	Sharief
Brodeur	Hooper	Simon
Burgess	Ingoglia	Smith
Burton	Jones	Truenow
Calatayud	Leek	Trumbull
Collins	Martin	Wright
Davis	McClain	Yarborough

Vacancy in Office: Senator Geraldine F. “Geri” Thompson, who represented Senate District 15, died in office February 13, 2025.

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Senator Osgood:

God our Father, we thank you for another day. We thank you for your loving kindness and tender mercies that last forever. We pray this

morning, God, that you will just lead and guide us. We pray this morning for President Trump; Governor DeSantis; Senate Leader Ben Albritton; Speaker of the House Danny Perez. We pray that you will bless them with wisdom and discernment, that you would allow them to hear you above all the other noise that will be vying for their attention.

I pray this morning for each one of my colleagues and their families, God. I pray that you would bless us with good health. Make us strong leaders, God, that will follow you as we make decisions to impact people’s lives. I pray, God, that your spirit will just abide in this place during this legislative session like never before. Help us to see you in what we do and what we say. Help us to govern ourselves in a way that will bring glory to your name.

We bless your name this morning, God, because you’ve been sure enough good to us through all of the struggles and trials and tribulations that we’ve had in our personal life—you’ve kept us. And, God, I pray this morning that you would use our diverse imperfections to create collective excellence that will make this state better and better, day by day. Keep our hearts and minds stayed on the little boys and little girls whose lives we are impacting for the future, God. Help us to follow you in a way that we would operate with respect and dignity and integrity, that this place will be a place of peace. It will be a place that when people look at us, God, they will know that you’re in charge, and that you reign.

We thank you, God. If we had 10,000 tongues this morning, we couldn’t thank you enough for how kind you’ve been to us. And, God, we pray this morning that you would just guide our path, continue to order our steps. We pray this prayer and we give thanks. Amen, Amen, and Amen.

COLOR GUARD

At the direction of the President, the Sergeant at Arms opened the doors of the chamber, and the Department of Agriculture Law Enforcement Officers marched into the chamber bearing flags of the United States of America and the State of Florida.

PLEDGE

All children present in the chamber met in the center aisle and led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

The President introduced Micah Cheng, AJ Nguyen, Owen Robinson, and Matthew James, who performed *The Star Spangled Banner*. The saxophone quartet is composed of students from the Florida State University College of Music.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

The President recognized Dr. Alicia Bishop, of Tallahassee, as the doctor of the day, here at his invitation. Dr. Bishop specializes in

emergency medicine, and her husband, John Hinchee, is a long-time staffer in the Senate.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President introduced the following guests: Attorney General James Uthmeier, Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis, and Commissioner of Agriculture and former Senate President Wilton Simpson.

The President recognized the following Supreme Court Justices: Chief Justice Carlos G. Muñoz, Justice Charles T. Canady, Justice Jorge Labarga, Justice John D. Curiel, Justice Jamie R. Grosshans, Justice Renatha Francis, and Justice Meredith L. Sasso.

The President welcomed former Lieutenant Governor Jeanette Nuñez, Interim President of Florida International University.

Senator Brodeur welcomed former Senate Presidents Jim Scott (1994-1996) and his wife, Ginger; Jeff Atwater (2008-2010); current Senator Don Gaetz (2012-2014); Bill Galvano (2018-2020) and his wife, Julie; and current Senator Kathleen Passidomo (2022-2024).

Senator Brodeur introduced former Senators Manny Diaz, Jr., Commissioner of Education; Ray Rodrigues, Chancellor of the State University System; Lorraine Ausley; Chris Smith; Bobby Powell, Jr., Palm Beach County Commissioner; Kelli Stargel; and Keith Perry.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

On motion by Senator Passidomo—

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SCR 1294—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 Ron DeSantis 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, March 4, 2025, for the purpose of receiving a message from the Governor.

—was read the first time by title. On motion by Senator Passidomo, **SCR 1294** was read the second time in full, adopted, and, by two-thirds vote, immediately certified to the House.

MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Passidomo, the Secretary was directed to notify the House of Representatives and the Governor that the Senate was convened and ready to proceed with the business of the 2025 Regular Session.

ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT BEN ALBRITTON

Good morning. Again, welcome to all of our special guests. It's a blessing to have you here today. I'd like to say a special welcome to our new granddaughter, Bella Grace, born on February 23. Bella is at home watching with her parents, Becca and Dustin. God is good.

Commissioner Simpson, Wilton, thank you for being here today. Your friendship and partnership in fighting for rural Florida and advocating for our legacy farm families mean the world to me. We are running to the fight for Florida agriculture and Florida citrus. Florida is blessed to have a man of your work ethic, character, and integrity in this key role.

CFO Patronis, "Jimmy P," it looks like this will be your last opening day with us as a member of Florida's Cabinet. We're grateful to you, and

we certainly look forward to seeing what the Lord has planned for you in Washington. We wish you, Katie, and your precious boys all the best. God bless you, my friend.

Attorney General Uthmeier, congratulations and welcome to your first opening day as a Cabinet officer.

To our Supreme Court Justices, it's a real honor to have you here with us today. Thank you. The work you do for all Floridians is incredibly meaningful.

I know many of you need to leave at some point soon to get over to the House. So again, thank you for being here.

Senators, it's wonderful to see so many family members and special guests here with us today. We've got so much to celebrate and to look forward to this session. Don't ever forget that those same family members who are supporting us today are our one true lifeline for success. Don't ever take them for granted.

I'd like to begin this morning by acknowledging a dear friend and colleague who is no longer with us. Senator Thompson's passing was a deep and profound loss for the Senate. Opening Day and the Florida Senate will certainly never be the same without her. We'll take the opportunity next week to formally pay our respects to her as a Senate family. I know we'll all cherish the chance to see Judge Thompson, and their extended family, and to celebrate the life and legacy of our dear friend. I'm sure when Geri went home, she heard the words, "Well done, my good and faithful servant." Senators, please join me in a moment of silence to honor Senator Geraldine Thompson.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

At the request of President Albritton, the Senate observed a moment of silence in memory of Senator Geraldine F. Thompson, who passed away February 13, 2025. Senator Thompson represented Senate District 15 from 2022-present and District 12 from 2012-2016. She also served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2006-2012 (District 39) and 2018-2022 (District 44).

In keeping with Senate tradition, our new Senate Handbook was finalized this week. The handbook is published every two years and is used as an educational resource for visitors to the Capitol, including the many student groups who travel to Tallahassee from around the state to tour our facilities, learn about the legislative process, and participate in mock sessions. If you've never seen a mock session made up of elementary students, you've definitely missed out.

As we all know, Senator Thompson was a lifelong educator and historian. She had a love of children and students, and particularly a focus on and passion for civics education, African American history, and the contributions of African Americans to our state and nation. That list is long. In honor of her life's work in education, we are pleased to dedicate the Senate's 2024-2026 Handbook to Senator Thompson. A copy of the handbook is on each of your desks. I encourage you to keep the handbook close to reflect on Senator Thompson and remember how important our process is.

Also, I've placed my personal challenge coin on each of your desks. As you can see from the signage throughout the building, the artwork in the President's office, the handbook cover, the gifts delivered to your offices yesterday, and now my challenge coin, we have an important theme going here. Agriculture matters.

The Peace River Basin is home to much of what's left of Florida's citrus production, as well as natural old Florida. My hometown of Wauchula sits about dead center of the basin and is marked on the coin with an orange. As I've said before, I was born and bred in Florida citrus and this vital industry is not going down on my watch. To those growers who are left in the business, hear me when I say, you are not forgotten, you are not alone, and I'm running to this fight. Research and new technologies are offering a new hope for the future of Florida citrus. We're on the edge of something special. Florida citrus is making a comeback—one tree at a time. This Florida legacy will live on. Citrus will not be left behind and neither will the rural communities across our state who support this legacy industry.

Senator Simon's legislation is kicking off a rural renaissance across Florida. This comprehensive package creates opportunities for our rural communities to expand education offerings, increase health care services, and modernize commerce, in addition to an investment in farm-to-market roads to support the agricultural supply chain that feeds communities across the state and the nation. Together, these initiatives will provide the chance for rural communities to prosper, in a real and honest way, and grow as they see fit. We've seen tremendous economic growth in urban areas of Florida, and as I've said before—it's rural Florida's turn.

Since President Trump's inauguration six weeks ago, we've seen an unprecedented, needed focus on government efficiency and accountability. As I travel around the state, this is one issue that resonates with everyone. Regardless of background, age, or political party, Floridians expect our government to operate efficiently and tax dollars to be spent wisely with accountability and results. Government efficiency sounds easy enough to explain at a Rotary club meeting or chamber luncheon back at home. But, when we dig deeper than the talking points, it begs the question—what does government efficiency actually mean?

Well, for starters, I'm proud of the fact that Florida has a great framework for accountability. Our state has been well served by the performance metrics, planning requirements, and accountability standards Governor Bush and legislative leaders put in place nearly 30 years ago. Florida has grown and changed a lot since that time, and today, technology continues to revolutionize nearly every facet of our economy and our lives at a pace never seen or felt before. To be clear, we will take the opportunity to build on and modernize some of Florida's longstanding accountability processes. Now's the time to do it.

For example, the Long-Range Program Plans submitted by state agencies have been in place since 2000 and provide a five-year plan for strategic goals and objectives, including explanations for budget requests. The Government Efficiency Task Force, on which Senators Brodeur, Rouson, Hooper, Burton, and I served, recommended modernizing the Long-Range Program Plan to improve flexibility, simplify processes, and shift a focus to measured outcomes rather than simple outputs.

These enhancements will allow our agencies to respond to changing situations quickly and efficiently, spending less time on bureaucratic paperwork and more time on their core mission to get the job done for Floridians. It's not enough to know government is completing a task or providing a service, we need to know if that service is being provided well, which means we need to have new, innovative ways to measure performance.

Another area where we know state government can improve is IT. Keeping up with the ever-changing technology landscape and the constantly increasing price tag of information technology is a real problem for government at every level—just like it's a challenge for every private sector business. Over my time in the legislature, we've tried many different ways to manage IT—from the Agency for State Technology to the Florida Digital Service. Despite everyone's best efforts, we can't seem to get it quite right. Along the way, I've learned a lot by just paying attention. There is no doubt in my mind, it's time for IT to be a Cabinet-level agency.

We must end the reality of Florida government not being on the same page. Whether we like it or not, the entirety of state government must be on the same page—all pulling in the same direction, for the same goals, and the same successes for Floridians. Under no circumstances, and I repeat, under no circumstances, do I want to create an expensive, bloated bureaucracy of former C-Suite executives from Silicon Valley. But, without fail, we must have top talent to win this battle against those who seek to use technology to harm us. We need the best of the best to help us understand the subject matter expertise within our state agencies to develop the best practices, guidelines, and standards that focus on security and efficiency. When it comes to cybersecurity, Floridians' personal data, and the IT infrastructure of our state—our citizens expect us to get that right. They deserve it. In my view, one of the reasons DOGE has become so popular at the federal level is that Americans have a problem with the idea that unelected federal bureaucrats have so much unchecked authority.

Now, I respect and appreciate those who dedicate their careers to public service. It's a very high calling. However, the fact is, we are a

state and nation of laws that should be created by elected officials accountable to the people who elected them, not appointed professional staff. Florida government is not, and should not be, immune to this kind of scrutiny. Florida's rulemaking process can and should be modernized to better serve our state. Senator Grall is sponsoring legislation by which all state agencies would be required to complete a five-year full and complete rule review process. Each agency will review 20 percent of all rules each year to identify if any changes, amendments, or repeals are necessary. Improved oversight of administrative rules will go a long way towards keeping government more accountable to Floridians. That's the way government is supposed to work, in its foundation.

In addition to government efficiency, the Floridians I hear from across the state are most concerned about the economy, their economy, and pocketbook issues that impact working families, seniors, and those less fortunate in our communities. As much as we would like to see it, we know President Trump can't turn around the national economy overnight. But we can see clearly that he and his team are running to that fight. Inflation is still a very real issue impacting everyone, especially our families and businesses across Florida. The struggle is very real. It's no surprise to anyone here, the cost of housing has skyrocketed following the pandemic. It has pushed property insurance and property taxes higher and higher. Combined with higher interest rates, there's been a big impact on homeowners and renters alike, particularly young families who are working hard to enter the housing market. As a conservative, we've got to be honest about the extent to which government, specifically state government, can or should address these issues in a meaningful way. Inflation is a national economic trend and won't be fixed overnight. As I speak, our economy is going through major changes, a reset in a way, and it's going to take time for things to stabilize or normalize.

With that being said, there are things we can and will do to help.

- We'll hold insurance companies accountable for the rates they charge and the services they provide when disaster strikes. They aren't going to manipulate the system. Neither is any other industry—not on my watch.
- We'll explore options for Floridians to vote to lower their own property taxes.
- We'll continue to pass a balanced budget that will include new measures for accountability, transparency, and outcome measures.
- We'll continue to pay down debt.
- We'll continue to maintain robust reserves to be prepared for any emergency that may happen.
- We'll continue to pass meaningful, broad-based tax cuts that benefit families, seniors, and those less fortunate in Florida.

Every little bit helps to make Florida more affordable. We'll do our part. You have my word on that.

I'm also excited about some other issues we are working on this session. Issues that affect real Floridians—meeting them where they are. Senator Harrell is sponsoring legislation to increase early detection, intervention, and support opportunities for children with autism and their families. Data clearly shows autism is impacting more and more families across our state, at an alarming rate. Florida will be a hub for autism research, services, and best practices. The families I've met with children who are autistic have touched me deeply.

Senator Burgess is sponsoring legislation to expand support services for veterans and their families, with a focus on mental health training and increasing the availability of Adult Day Health Care Programs that serve veterans who require full-time care. We can never do enough to repay their sacrifice, but we're certainly going to run to that fight. I know we're all proud of Florida's reputation as the most military and veteran-friendly state in the country. I'm thankful that Senators Burgess, Truenow, Avila, and Collins have made Florida their home during and after military service. We're all thankful for your service. Let's give them a hand. And, we want to make sure the next generation of war fighters—like Jack Pizzo, who we're all so proud of—return home to Florida after their tour of duty.

Senator Bradley is sponsoring the Tristin Murphy Act—critical mental health legislation, which creates model processes for diverting defendants into mental health treatment. The legislation is named after a young man who tragically took his own life in a Florida prison in 2021. Learning about Tristin's story and spending time with his parents,

Cindee and Dennis, had a tremendous impact on me. We're proud to move this bill forward with their support. I'm grateful to Jim Defede for telling Tristin's story. It moved me deeply.

Senator Grall is sponsoring important child welfare legislation to combat child exploitation, create a recruitment program for child welfare professionals, and establish professional foster care to better serve children with difficult behavioral needs. Many of these children have fallen through the cracks. Our child welfare system is always something we have to work on, and a space Missy and I have taken a keen interest in over our years of service.

As hard as we try, government can never replace the role of a healthy family. Data is also clear that the faster we can get traumatized children into loving, permanent homes, the better off those children will be in the long run. But, we're dedicated to working hard to be part of the solution. We know vicious and immoral criminals are out there each and every day in search of new ways to evade our laws and exploit vulnerable children. Evil is real and it lurks around every corner. We should be the shining city on the hill and war against evil in the fight for good. The more data we have on when and how this evil is happening, the better chance we have to stay one step ahead of these predators and keep vulnerable children safe. This goal serves Florida in a very special way. Children are our future—let's agree to fight together for their safety and give them hope.

Senator Brodeur is sponsoring legislation to affirm our state's unwavering commitment to Everglades restoration. With President Trump back in the White House, we have a strong federal partner ready to move forward on Everglades restoration. In recent years, the legislature, in partnership with Governor DeSantis, has appropriated record funding for Everglades restoration and our state's clean water infrastructure. I look forward to our continued work on these critical priorities.

Senator Simon is sponsoring legislation to create administrative efficiencies in public schools, or as I like to say, De-reg 2.0. I'm proud of the collaborative, bipartisan work of the Senate to rally around our legacy—neighborhood public schools. Florida parents will make the best decisions about where to send their kids to school, and public schools deserve a fighting chance to earn their business. Like so many other areas of public policy, this is one where continuous improvement matters. Hear me clearly, our public school teachers deserve to be freed of needless bureaucracy. Let them teach, let them compete, so our children win.

We will also be laser-focused on solving food insecurity in Florida. I struggle with the fact that kids in Florida are going to bed night after night hungry. We can and will do better than that. Please join me in this important fight.

Senators, I'm so thankful that you're here today—each and every one of you. Our backgrounds are diverse, but we are a family. I'm thankful for your commitment to the Senate, and to your constituents and communities back home. I'm blessed by our Senate family. The Book of Ecclesiastes [3.1] reminds us:

There's a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:

a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to harvest,
a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

These are important words of real and lasting wisdom. We have nine long weeks in front of us. I think we'll probably experience each of those times over the next 60 days. Let's always remember to be there for each

other, to support each other, and when we disagree to do so with love and respect. I'm so proud of how we've done that so far. I'm proud of each and every one of you. I couldn't be more blessed to be the President of this incredible Senate.

And, remember above all, 1 Corinthians 13:13—"And these three remain, faith, hope, and love, and the greatest of these is love." I love you all to the depths of my spirit. Thank you and God bless the great state of Florida.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

At the request of Senator Rodriguez, the Senate observed a moment of silence in memory of former Congressman and Senator Lincoln Diaz-Balart who passed away on March 3, 2025. Lincoln Diaz-Balart served in elected office for 24 years, 18 of those years in Congress (1993-2011) and 6 years between the Florida House of Representatives (1986-1989) and the Florida Senate (1989-1992).

MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Passidomo, the Senate adjourned at 10:21 a.m. and, pursuant to **SCR 1294**, 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 1294**, 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 Daniel Perez, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Members of the Cabinet were received and seated.

The Justices of the Supreme Court were received and seated.

The Speaker invited The Honorable Ben Albritton, President of the Senate, to the rostrum, and requested the President preside over the joint session.

THE PRESIDENT PRESIDING

The President declared a quorum of the joint session present.

Representative Kim Daniels delivered the prayer.

Senate President Pro Tempore Jason Brodeur and House Speaker Pro Tempore Wyman Duggan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

On motion by Leader Sirois that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the joint session was assembled to receive his message, the President appointed Senator Boyd, Co-Chair; and Senators Harrell, Hooper, and Wright. On behalf of the Speaker, the President appointed Representative Sirois, Co-Chair; and Representatives Cobb, Jacques, Lopez, J., and Shoaf. The committee withdrew from the chamber.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President recognized the following guests: First Lady of the House of Representatives, Stephanie Perez; and First Lady of the Senate, Missy Albritton.

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

The President recognized the First Lady of Florida, Casey DeSantis, who was present in the gallery.

The President presented the Governor to the joint assembly.

ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS

Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, members of the cabinet and legislature, and fellow citizens:

Florida leads, we lead with purpose and conviction. We lead with determination and strength. We lead with faith, and we lead with hope. Anyone can hold the helm while the sea is calm. Leadership matters when it is hard. Florida is the leader among the states because we lean into challenges, tackle the big issues, and deliver results for the people we serve. In these endeavors, we are mindful of the adage from an American philosopher: “If you don’t know where you are going, you might wind up some place else.” Yogi Berra was right to articulate—as only he could—the need for clear direction.

We are guided in our efforts by a strong commitment to the principles on which our country was founded and that have endured for centuries:

- that our rights come from God, not government
- that constitutional limitations on government’s power are essential to preserve liberty
- that ours is a government of laws, not of men
- that government derives its power from the consent of the people

The sturdy foundation of American principles is the guide that the free state of Florida must never abandon. We have stood in the breach and protected our people from noxious ideologies and trendy—but empty—social fads.

We chose freedom over fear; education over indoctrination; law and order over rioting and disorder. We are proud of our state’s accomplishments while we recognize the work that lies ahead. Our rudder is set. Our compass is in hand. True north is our destination. We can and we must continue to lead.

We are convening for the regular legislative session having already enacted groundbreaking legislation to fulfill the historic mission of delivering on President Donald Trump’s mandate to end the illegal immigration crisis once and for all. No state has done more, and no state did it sooner than we did in Florida. Thanks to the recent legislation, it is now a crime to enter Florida illegally, the days of catch and release are over, and all state and local law enforcement have a duty to assist in interior immigration enforcement efforts. The voters have spoken—and Florida has responded—we will be part of the solution, not part of the problem. Joining us today are two great leaders in this effort: Immigration Czar Larry Keefe and Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey. With leaders like Larry and Wayne, Florida will get the job done. We are not a sanctuary state; we are a rule of law state.

Florida has also led the way in creating a strong economic environment. For the past two years, Florida’s economy has ranked number one in these United States. We also rank number one in entrepreneurship, number one in new business formations, number one in GDP growth among large states, and have an unemployment rate that is lower than the national average for more than 50 months straight.

We represented the refuge for freedom and sanity during the coronavirus pandemic not just for the rest of the country, but for the entire world. People moved here. Businesses flocked to our state. And investment in Florida surged. We continue to set tourism records—2024 saw more than 142 million visitors to our state. This includes 3.3 million visitors from Canada—not much of a boycott. Maybe they wanted to get a glimpse of what a Stanley Cup-winning hockey team looks like.

The legislature has enacted historic reforms that have improved economic conditions and addressed difficult issues like insurance. Because of these reforms, automobile insurance rates are finally coming down—between 6 and 10.5 percent average reductions for the three largest companies—even as rates continue to skyrocket nationwide. And our homeowners’ insurance market is seeing stability:

- Eleven new companies have entered the market
- 130,000 new private policies over the past year
- In 2024, Florida had the lowest increase in rates of all 50 states
- Seventy-three percent of citizen homeowners in Miami-Dade are scheduled to receive a decrease on average of 6.3 percent

The fact is that the legislature has devoted more time and effort to address insurance reforms over the past few years than at any other time in the history of Florida. I hope that the legislature continues these efforts by providing funding for those on the My Safe Florida home waitlist. These grants have helped tens of thousands harden their homes and generate rate relief. The program is a testament to the legislature’s commitment to helping homeowners—it has made a difference and can do so again.

Our economy is strong in part because our spending and budget policies are sensible. We are actually spending less money in the current fiscal year than we did in the previous year. Where else have they actually reduced spending? We have the lowest number of state government workers per capita in the country. Over the past six years, we have more than tripled our state’s rainy-day fund. Florida just celebrated its 180th birthday, and I’m happy to say that just since 2019, we have paid off 41 percent of the debt accumulated over that 180 years. Our state has among the lowest per capita state debt in America. The share of Florida’s debt for each citizen is about \$660; the share of the national debt for each U.S. citizen is more than \$100,000. Can the Congressmen in Washington, D.C., please take a page out of Florida’s fiscal playbook?

Florida is a free state in part because we are a low tax state. We have one of the top five tax environments in the nation, have no income tax, and have enacted billions of dollars in tax cuts over the past six years. We must continue to be a friend to the taxpayer. In addition to our traditional tax holidays, I am proposing we add holidays for (1) marine fuel to help our boaters and anglers and (2) a Second Amendment summer for the purchases of firearms, ammo and accoutrements. Florida remains the only state in America to tax business rent—and while we have reduced the rate of the tax it is time to eliminate it.

While Florida property values have surged in recent years, this has come at a cost to taxpayers squeezed by increasing local government property taxes. Escalating assessments have created a gusher of revenue for local governments—and many in Florida have seen their budgets increase far beyond the growth in population. Taxpayers need relief. You buy a home, pay off a mortgage, and yet you still have to write a check to the government every year just to live on your own property. Is the property yours or are you just renting from the government?

I know members of the legislature are studying the issue in anticipation of formulating a proposal to place on the 2026 ballot to provide constitutional protections for Florida property owners. Please know you have my support. Oh, and one other thing—don’t let anyone tell you we will seek to raise state taxes, because we will not. We are and will remain a taxpayer-friendly state.

Florida has also led on education—and has been ranked number one in America for the past two years. We are the top state in America for school choice. This has changed lives. Joining us today is Harli McCullough, whose son, Thorne, is a recipient of Florida’s family empowerment scholarship for unique abilities. Thorne attends the Jacksonville School for Autism because of the scholarship. He can now pursue an education that fits his unique needs instead of being forced into a one-size-fits-all approach. Our universal school choice program works—families and students have benefited, and the academic bar has been raised throughout the state. It is a great testament to the legislature that Florida was the first state to enact such an ambitious and far-reaching choice program.

We recognize the importance of recruiting and retaining great teachers. We have enacted a teachers’ bill of rights, provided protection against coerced union dues, and invested a record \$4.6 billion to raise teacher salaries. I’m pleased to be joined by Hernando County teacher Jaime Suarez, who has been selected as Florida’s Teacher of the Year. Jaime is a high impact teacher, is the grade team lead and mentor, and serves as the district’s textbook selection committee. Thanks for making a difference, Jaime. I am again recommending an increase in money dedicated to increasing teacher salaries, as well as continuation of the civics bonus program that gives a \$3,000 bonus to all teachers that complete our civics seal of excellence training course.

Our universities have earned strong commendations. We currently have four state universities ranked in the top 50 public universities in the nation. Universities must be dedicated to the pursuit of truth, the promotion of academic rigor and integrity, and the preparation of stu-

dents to be citizens of our republic. We led the way in being the first state to eliminate DEI from our higher education system. We continue to lead by holding the line on tuition. We have not allowed a tuition increase since I've been the governor, and Florida has the lowest in-state tuition in America. Florida families deserve state universities that provide education, not indoctrination. And that education must be attainable regardless of financial status. I'm happy to report that, in this regard, we are delivering.

Florida has led on some of the most intractable issues, ranging from substance abuse to child welfare. Hope Florida was devised by our First Lady, Casey DeSantis, to transform the way government agencies provided services to our fellow citizens in need. Rather than perpetuate dependence on a Great Society-style bureaucracy, Hope Florida seeks to use government to connect individuals and families to more than 5,600 faith-based, community, and private sector partners. Ginger Faulk illustrates Hope Florida's impact. Ginger was struggling to make ends meet and her goal of becoming a physical therapist seemed like an elusive dream. Thanks to the help of a Hope Florida navigator, Ginger was connected to resources that helped her complete a physical therapy program. She is now a physical therapy assistant and has achieved her dream. By the end of 2024, Hope Florida helped nearly 30,000 participants reduce or eliminate their reliance on government assistance, netting the taxpayers over \$108 million in annual savings.

In the aftermath of Hurricanes Debby, Helene and Milton, Activate Hope—the emergency relief arm of Hope Florida—helped over 57,000 Floridians with essential supplies and provided more than 33,000 with referrals to overcome disaster-related hardships. The Hope Florida model is now being replicated by other states around the country. Thanks to Casey for her leadership and ingenuity.

We are fortunate to live in a naturally beautiful state. We promised to leave Florida to God better than we found, and we are doing just that. The Florida Wildlife Corridor, established in 2021, now spans 18 million acres, with 10 million acres already protected. Last year, we directed FDOT to enhance connectivity within the corridor. Since 2019, we have approved over \$129 million for 38 crossings, ensuring safer passage for species like the Florida panther.

We have shattered records for state support for Everglades restoration, for water quality improvements, and for beach renourishment. While our efforts have been strong, the federal government has lagged in its responsibilities regarding Everglades restoration. I am happy to report that the Trump administration is receptive to block granting money to us so that we can complete these projects ourselves. Florida time is faster than Army Corps of Engineers time. Joining us here are two leaders in Everglades restoration efforts, Erik Eikenberg from the Everglades Foundation and Anna Upton from the Everglades Trust. Thanks for supporting our efforts to conduct the largest environmental restoration in the nation.

Our Florida paradise was interrupted by a series of hurricanes over the past year. These storms brought major destruction but also witnessed a strong emergency response across state and local governments. Utility linemen were pre-staged and millions of customers who lost power were restored in record time. Massive amounts of debris were removed, including a round-the-clock emergency effort to marshal state assets to remove Hurricane Helene debris in advance of Hurricane Milton.

The search and rescue effort was momentous. This includes the rescue of a dog that had been abandoned on the side of I-75 in advance of Milton. FHP Trooper Orlando Morales rescued the dog as water was rising to the dog's neck. The dog has been renamed "Trooper" and is now in a safe and loving home. Thank you, Trooper Morales.

We have utilized available levers from the Florida Disaster Fund to the small business loan program to help individuals and businesses get back on their feet. We are joined by Cannon Gregg, the Founder of Pelican Oyster Co. His farm was devastated by Hurricane Michael and, after rebuilding, was hit again by Helene and Milton. Mr. Gregg will be a recipient of grant funds to support his rebuilding efforts and to get his business back to normal. The recovery efforts after major hurricanes persist long after the cameras leave. I know more needs to be done, and you can count on me to be supportive of future legislative support for these important recoveries.

We know we have other issues to address:

- Petition/amendment fraud
- Condos
- Second Amendment

Before I conclude, I would be remiss if I didn't remind everybody of some of the other accomplishments that, together, we have achieved over the past six years:

- We banned China from purchasing land in Florida.
- We enacted a digital bill of rights.
- We protected Floridians against the imposition of a central bank digital currency.
- We instituted the death penalty for pedophiles.
- We created a program to accelerate the repayment of state debt, saving hundreds of millions of dollars in interest costs.
- We enacted protections for the sanctity of life.
- We codified parental rights in education.
- We created a law enforcement bonus and scholarship program to recruit and retain great police officers.
- We divested state financial holdings from Chinese banks and investment firms.
- We kneecapped so-called ESG in our pension fund, in the workplace, and in financial institutions.
- We brought transparency and accountability to pharma companies to lower drug costs.
- We initiated the Moving Florida Forward program to accelerate over 20 infrastructure and congestion relief projects across the state.
- We provided billions of dollars in tax relief, including the permanent elimination of sales tax on essential baby items.

I could go on but, in the interest of time, I'll just say that, working together, we have amassed a record that is without peer anywhere in the country.

To our presiding officers, Speaker Perez and President Albritton, I look forward to working together to advance our shared goals. Speaker Perez represents the busy, fast-paced modern Miami, the gateway to the Americas—a unique place not just in our state but in our country. President Albritton represents the Florida heartland that is sometimes overlooked, but that has served as the backbone of our state for generations. While coming from differing backgrounds, these leaders have a strong desire to make Florida a better place. Congratulations on earning this opportunity to lead your respective chambers.

To our Chief Financial Officer, Jimmy Patronis, thank you for your service to our state as you prepare to get called up to the big leagues to serve in Congress. My advice is stay true to Northwest Florida values and don't catch Potomac fever. Oh, and if you can get them to handle the budget up there like we do down here, you will be doing a great service to the country.

Commissioner Simpson, you will soon be the most tenured member of the Cabinet. Your department has made significant improvements since you've taken over from your predecessor. You have stepped up as part of our state immigration board to assist in the state's effort to combat illegal immigration, and I thank you for it.

Our new Attorney General, James Uthmeier, has been instrumental in many of the successes I've outlined today. I was happy to appoint him to be the state's top law enforcement officer, and he is already off to a great start.

To the members of the legislature, you are entrusted by your constituents to exercise sound judgment on their behalf. You have been more productive than any legislature in America over these past six years. You should be proud of that work and of your willingness to serve. As Teddy Roosevelt famously said:

It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great

devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while doing greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat.

My friends, we have great opportunities over the next sixty days. The people of Florida are watching. Let's work together to solidify our successes and address the challenges before us. Our voyage is not yet complete. Our goal is to one day say, in the words of Walt Whitman: "O Captain! O Captain! Our fearful trip is done, the ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won."

Good luck and God bless.

DISSOLUTION OF JOINT SESSION

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

SPEAKER PEREZ PRESIDING

On motion by Senator Passidomo, the joint session was dissolved at 11:56 a.m., and the Senators were escorted from the House Chamber by the Senate Sergeant at Arms.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 560

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 320; SB 412

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 50; SB 200; SB 388

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 130; SB 234

The bills were referred to the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 152; SB 264; SB 294

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 116

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 recommends the following pass: SB 166

The bill was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 600; SB 602

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 274

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 126

The bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 374

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends the following pass: SB 100

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SJR 318

The bill was referred to the Committee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 110

The bill was referred to the Committee on Fiscal Policy under the original reference.

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 342

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 300; SB 302

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 68

The bill was referred to the Committee on Health Policy under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 210; SB 572

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 316

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 72

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: CS for SB 150

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 118

The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 recommends the following pass: SB 356

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends the following pass: SB 108

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SM 314

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Rules under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 150

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Agriculture under the original reference.

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 80; SB 164

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 160; SB 344

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 138

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Education Postsecondary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 270

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 102

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 184

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 88

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development under the original reference.

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 268

The Committee on Judiciary recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 48; SB 262

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 Environment and Natural Resources recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 56

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 322

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 384

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources under the original reference.

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 218

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 62

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.

The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 112

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Fiscal Policy under the original reference.

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 280

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 348

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security under the original reference.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 2—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of C.C. by the Department of Children and Families; providing an appropriation to compensate C.C. for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of the department; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of certain fees and costs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Patricia Ermini by the Lee County Sheriff's Office; providing for an appropriation to compensate her for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of the Lee County Sheriff's Office; 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; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 6—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Jose Correa by Miami-Dade County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Jose Correa for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of Miami-Dade County; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of certain 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; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Simon—

SB 8—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 harms and losses he sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Pasco County School Board; providing an appropriation to Robin Button, as the surviving parent and natural guardian of Marcus Button, for harms and losses sustained as a result of the injury to her child, Marcus Button; providing legislative intent for the waiver of certain lien interests; 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; Education Pre-K - 12; and Rules.

By Senator Pizzo—

SB 10—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Sidney Holmes; providing an appropriation to compensate Mr. Holmes for being wrongfully incarcerated for 34 years; directing the Chief Financial Officer to draw a warrant payable directly to Mr. Holmes; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to pay the directed funds without requiring Mr. Holmes to sign a liability release; providing for the waiver of certain tuition and fees for Mr. Holmes; declaring that the Legislature does not waive certain defenses or increase the state's limits of liability with respect to the act; prohibiting funds awarded under the act to Mr. Holmes from being used or paid for attorney or lobbying fees; prohibiting Mr. Holmes from submitting a compensation application under certain provisions upon his receipt of payment under the act; requiring Mr. Holmes to reimburse the state under specified circumstances; requiring Mr. Holmes to notify the Department of Legal Affairs upon filing certain civil actions; requiring the department to file a specified notice under certain circumstances; providing that certain benefits are void upon specified findings; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 12—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of L.P., a minor, by the Department of Children and Families; providing an appropriation to Sidney and Valerie Carey, as the grandparents and adoptive parents of L.P., to compensate L.P. for injuries and damages sustained due to the negligence of employees and caseworkers of the department; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of fees and costs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Jones—

SB 14—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Peniel Janvier by the City of Miami Beach; providing for an appropriation to compensate the Estate of Peniel Janvier for damages sustained as a

result of the negligence of the City of Miami Beach; 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; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Jones—

SB 16—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Danielle Maudsley; providing an appropriation to compensate the estate for Ms. Maudsley's death 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 a limitation on the payment of compensation and attorney fees; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 18—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of H.H. by the Department of Children and Families; providing an appropriation to compensate H.H. for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of the department; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of certain fees and costs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 20—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of J.N., a minor, by Hillsborough County; providing an appropriation to Stephany Grullon, as parent and guardian of J.N., to compensate J.N. for injuries and damages she sustained as a result of the negligence of Hillsborough County in maintaining sidewalks and culvert systems; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of certain fees and costs; 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; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 22—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Eric Miles, Jr., and Jennifer Miles, as copersonal representatives of their minor son, E.E.M., by the South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital; providing for an appropriation to compensate Eric Miles, Jr., and Jennifer Miles for the injuries and damages sustained by their son as a result of the negligence of the South Broward Hospital District; providing a limitation on compensation and 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; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 24—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Mande Penney-Lemmon by Sarasota County; providing for an appropriation to compensate her for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of Sarasota County, through its employee; providing a limitation on compensation and 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; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 26—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Kristen and Lia McIntosh; providing an appropriation to compensate Kristen and Lia McIntosh for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation and attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; the Committee on Judiciary; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Bills 28-30—Not introduced.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 32—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of L.E. by the Department of Children and Families; providing an appropriation to compensate L.E. for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of the department; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 34—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Michael Barnett, individually and as the natural parent and legal guardian of R.B., by the Department of Children and Families; providing an appropriation to compensate Mr. Barnett and R.B. for injuries and damages sustained; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 36—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.2421, 11.2422, 11.2424, and 11.2425, F.S.; adopting the Florida Statutes 2025 and designating the portions thereof that are to constitute the official law of the state; providing that the Florida Statutes 2025 shall be effective immediately upon publication; providing that general laws enacted during the 2024 regular session and prior thereto and not included in the Florida Statutes are repealed; providing that general laws enacted after the 2024 regular session are not repealed by this adoption act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 38—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 16.59, 400.9935, 409.91212, 440.105, 440.1051, 440.12, 552.113, 624.115, 624.521, 626.016, 626.989, 626.9891, 626.9893, 626.9894, 626.9896, 626.99278, 627.351, 627.711, 627.736, 627.7401, 631.156, 633.114, 633.126, 641.30, 791.013, 817.234, 843.08, and 932.7055, F.S., to conform to section 63 of chapter 2024-140, Laws of Florida, which directs the Division of Law Revision to prepare a reviser's bill for the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature to change the term "Division of Investigative and Forensic Services" to "Division of Criminal Investigations" wherever it appears in the Florida Statutes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 40—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; repealing ss. 161.101(22), 161.551, 220.193, 259.10521, 288.0655(7), 331.3101(5)(d), 381.933, 570.441(4), 570.83, 717.123(3), and 1002.334, F.S., and amending ss. 212.20, 320.06, 402.57, and 443.131, F.S., to delete provisions which have become inoperative by noncurrent repeal or expiration and, pursuant to s. 11.242(5)(b) and (i), F.S., may be omitted from the 2024 Florida Statutes only through a reviser's bill duly enacted by the Legislature; amending ss. 213.053, 220.02, 220.13, 377.703, 571.26, and 571.265, F.S., to conform to the changes by this act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Passidomo—

SB 42—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 17.69, 30.61, 39.5035, 39.822, 39.8296, 50.051, 119.071, 121.051, 121.71, 154.506, 159.8053, 159.811, 175.032, 177.073, 193.703, 196.011, 196.1978, 215.55871, 280.051, 282.709, 284.51, 286.0113, 288.102, 288.987, 316.0083, 319.30, 320.08058, 322.27, 322.76, 330.41, 337.195, 341.302, 365.172, 373.250, 393.12, 394.468, 395.901, 397.68141, 403.031, 403.086, 403.121, 408.051, 409.909, 409.988, 420.606, 420.6241, 456.0145, 456.4501, 459.0075, 465.022, 466.016, 466.028, 466.0281, 493.6127, 516.15, 516.38, 517.131, 550.0351, 553.8991, 581.189, 605.0115, 607.0149, 624.27, 624.307, 624.413, 624.4213, 624.424, 624.470, 626.878, 627.410, 629.121, 648.25, 655.0591, 683.06, 709.2209, 715.105, 717.101, 717.1201, 718.111, 719.108, 720.303, 720.3033, 720.3075, 738.505, 812.141, 828.30, 921.0022, 938.10, 985.433, 1001.372, 1001.47, 1001.706, 1002.33, 1002.394, 1002.395, 1004.44, 1004.647, 1004.6499, 1004.64991, 1004.76, 1006.07, 1006.28, 1008.34, 1009.23, 1009.895, 1011.804, 1012.22, and 1012.55, F.S.; reenacting and amending s. 394.467, F.S.; reenacting ss. 569.31, 895.02(8), 1003.485, and 1012.315, F.S.; and repealing s. 331.370, F.S.; deleting provisions that have expired, have become obsolete, have had their effect, have served their purpose, or have been impliedly repealed or superseded; replacing incorrect cross-references and citations; correcting grammatical, typographical, and like errors; removing inconsistencies, redundancies, and unnecessary repetition in the statutes; and improving the clarity of the statutes and facilitating their correct interpretation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 44—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; reclassifying the offense of driving, moving, or causing to be moved a vehicle or equipment with certain lighting on a highway as a third degree felony; amending s. 320.061, F.S.; reclassifying the offense of interfering with the legibility, angular visibility, or detectability of any feature or detail on a license plate or interfering with the ability to record any feature on a license plate as a third degree felony; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 46—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institutions; amending s. 1005.06, F.S.; removing religious colleges from the list of institutions specified as not being under the jurisdiction or purview of the Commission for Independent Education; creating s. 1005.12, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing requirements that must be met by nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institutions that operate without being licensed by the commission; requiring such institutions to provide a sworn affidavit with specified information to the commission; requiring the commission to provide such institutions annually with a written notice of exemption from licensure and of compliance with specified

requirements; providing methods for verifying such compliance; authorizing a religious nongovernmental education association to cooperate with the commission to determine whether a nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institution is in compliance; providing requirements for such associations; requiring the commission to send a specified notice to nonpublic religious postsecondary educational institutions under certain circumstances; requiring noncompliant institutions to submit specified documentation, apply for a license, or cease operations within a specified timeframe; requiring that the employee or agent of the noncompliant institution who produced the sworn affidavit be subject to criminal penalties under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; amending ss. 553.865, 1005.03, 1005.04, 1005.21, and 1005.31, F.S.; conforming cross-references and provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Postsecondary; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 48—A bill to be entitled An act relating to judicial sales procedures; amending s. 45.031, F.S.; specifying that courts must follow certain provisions when ordering the sale of real or personal property unless the use of other specified procedures is ordered; creating s. 45.0311, F.S.; providing a short title; prohibiting a court from allowing the use of bidding credits or certain other offsets in specified judicial sales or foreclosure sales; requiring the winning bidder to remit the full purchase price within a specified timeframe; requiring that the sale be voided and the property reaucted under certain circumstances; prohibiting specified persons and entities from bidding on properties in certain sales; requiring that a property be reaucted if the property does not sell for a specified percentage of the recent assessed property value; requiring that specified sales be held at locations that are open and available to the public; providing construction; prohibiting the courts from allowing certain sales of property unless specified rules and provisions are followed; prohibiting the courts from issuing certain orders for the judicial sale or foreclosure sale of property; providing that specified sales of property are void and the property must be reaucted if certain conditions are met; creating s. 45.036, F.S.; authorizing courts to order an alternate judicial sales procedure under specified conditions; requiring that such procedure follow specified notice provisions; requiring that the person conducting a sale hold a specified license unless he or she is a clerk of the court; prohibiting parties to the sale action and their attorneys from conducting such sale; prohibiting the person conducting the sale from directly or indirectly bidding on the property or profiting from the sale, except for receiving a certain fee; prohibiting an alternate judicial sales procedure from authorizing specified preferences or advantages; requiring that funds be held in an escrow or trust account unless the clerk of the court holds those funds; authorizing the court to audit such accounts and issue certain orders; providing that the clerk of the court is entitled to a specified service charge; prohibiting the court from waiving such charge; requiring the person who conducted the sale to file a specified certificate of sale and provide service of such certificate to specified parties; requiring the clerk of the court to file a specified certificate of title and provide service of such certificate to specified parties; prohibiting courts from waiving requirements related to a foreclosure surplus; requiring certain persons to file a specified certificate of disbursement; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 50—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nature-based methods for improving coastal resilience; amending s. 380.0933, F.S.; requiring the Florida Flood Hub for Applied Research and Innovation at the University of South Florida College of Marine Science to develop design guidelines and standards for green and gray infrastructure and models for conceptual designs of green infrastructure and green-gray infrastructure; creating s. 380.0938, F.S.; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules for nature-based methods for coastal resilience; providing requirements for such rules; requiring the

department, in consultation with the Division of Insurance Agent and Agency Services of the Department of Financial Services, to conduct a statewide feasibility study regarding the value of nature-based methods being used for a specified purpose; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 52—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school buses; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “school bus” as it relates to state uniform traffic control; making a technical change; amending s. 322.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “school bus” as it relates to driver licenses to include a motor vehicle used to transport students to and from a charter school, in addition to a public or private school; amending s. 1006.25, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “school bus” to include a motor vehicle regularly used for the transportation of students of private and charter schools in addition to public schools; reenacting ss. 163.31801(3)(a), 212.055(6)(c), 316.6145(5), 316.72(2), 324.022(2)(a), 627.733(1)(a), 1002.40(2)(c), and 1011.71(2)(i), F.S., relating to impact fees, short title, intent, minimum requirements, audits, and challenges; discretionary sales surtaxes, legislative intent, authorization, and use of proceeds; school bus safety belts or other restraint systems required; buses simulating school buses in color and insignia and conditions of use; financial responsibility for property damage; required security; the Hope Scholarship Program; and district school tax, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 1006.25, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 54—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal offenses; amending s. 784.048, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “harass,” “course of conduct,” and “cyberstalking”; providing criminal penalties for persons who willfully or maliciously harass or cyberstalk specified justice system personnel; revising the elements of an offense constituting aggravated stalking; amending s. 901.02, F.S.; authorizing courts to issue a warrant for a defendant’s arrest under specified circumstances; making technical changes; amending ss. 921.0022, 948.06, and 948.062, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting s. 784.0493(1), F.S., relating to harassment or intimidation based on religious or ethnic heritage, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 784.048, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting and amending s. 1006.147, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Garcia and Leek—

SB 56—A bill to be entitled An act relating to weather modification activities; repealing ss. 403.281, 403.291, 403.301, 403.311, 403.321, 403.331, 403.341, 403.351, 403.361, 403.371, 403.381, 403.391, and 403.401, F.S., relating to the definitions, purpose, licensing requirements, applications, proof of financial responsibility requirements, license issuance and discipline provisions, publication of notice of intention to operate requirements, required contents of the notice of intention, publication of the notice of intention requirements, proof of publication requirements, record and reports of operations requirements, provision of emergency licenses, and suspension or revocation of licenses, respectively, of the weather modification law; amending s. 403.411, F.S.; prohibiting certain acts intended to affect the temperature, the weather, or the intensity of sunlight within the atmosphere of this state; increasing civil penalties for violations of the weather modification law; amending ss. 252.44, 253.002, 373.026, 373.1501, 373.4598, and 373.470, F.S.; conforming cross-references and provisions

to changes made by the act; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 58—A bill to be entitled An act relating to boating safety; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue original, renewal, or replacement identification cards with a lifetime boating safety identification card symbol to applicants if certain conditions are met; requiring the department to include the symbol on such cards with no additional fee for the designation; requiring the department to issue certain replacement identification cards without charging a specified fee; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; requiring that applications for original, renewal, or replacement driver licenses or identification cards indicate whether the applicant has obtained a boating safety identification card and, if so, that a copy of such card be submitted with the application; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to provide the department with certain information relating to the applicant; amending s. 322.14, F.S.; requiring the department to issue original, renewal, or replacement driver licenses with a lifetime boating safety identification card symbol to applicants if certain conditions are met; requiring the department to include the symbol on such licenses with no additional fee for the designation; requiring the department to issue certain replacement driver licenses without charging a specified fee; amending s. 327.30, F.S.; revising the penalties for persons operating a vessel involved in an accident or injury who leave the scene of the accident or injury under certain circumstances; providing graduated penalties depending on the level of damage to property or injury to person; providing a mandatory minimum sentence for a person who willfully commits such a violation resulting in the death of another while boating under the influence; defining the term “serious bodily injury”; amending s. 327.33, F.S.; providing increased criminal penalties for the reckless operation of a vessel which causes serious bodily injury to another; defining the term “serious bodily injury”; amending s. 327.35, F.S.; revising the conditions that compose the offense of, and penalties for, boating under the influence (BUI); requiring courts to order the mandatory placement of ignition interlock devices upon certain vehicles leased or owned and routinely operated by certain persons; revising the conditions composing the offense of, and penalties for, BUI manslaughter; providing a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for a person convicted of BUI manslaughter; requiring courts to order the mandatory placement of ignition interlock devices upon certain vehicles leased or owned and routinely operated by certain persons; revising substance abuse education, evaluation, and treatment requirements for certain persons; requiring substance abuse programs to notify the court and department of an offender’s failure to report to or complete such treatment or education and evaluation; providing penalties for the offender; requiring waivers before organizations conducting substance abuse education and evaluation begin providing such treatment; providing authorization and documentation requirements for such waivers; authorizing civil penalties; requiring a person convicted of certain BUI violations to maintain an insurance policy that meets certain requirements; providing criminal penalties for failure to maintain such insurance policy; making technical changes; amending s. 327.352, F.S.; revising penalties for a person operating a vessel who fails to submit to a lawful test of his or her breath or urine; amending s. 327.395, F.S.; requiring that all persons, rather than only persons born on or after a specified date, have specified identification in their possession while operating a vessel; revising the required components of the commission’s developed or approved boating safety education course and temporary certificate examination; amending s. 327.731, F.S.; revising the mandatory education requirements for a person convicted of certain violations; requiring the commission to adopt rules; making technical changes; amending s. 782.072, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “vessel homicide” to include the killing of an unborn child by causing injury to the mother by operation of a vessel in a reckless manner under certain circumstances; defining the term “unborn child”; amending ss. 119.0712, 327.70, and 327.73, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting s. 327.54(4), F.S., relating to liveries, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 327.395, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Transportation; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Rodriguez, Osgood, and Jones—

SB 60—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; providing a short title; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “abuse” and “false report”; creating s. 39.0111, F.S.; specifying that every Child Protection Team investigator employed by the Department of Children and Families is required to perform all specified duties; providing criminal penalties; requiring the department to establish procedures for reporting and investigating Child Protection Team investigators who violate specified provisions; requiring the department to report such violations to the applicable law enforcement agency; creating s. 39.01391, F.S.; requiring the department to verify, and seek up-to-date and accurate records of, the parenting plan or court-ordered custody arrangement, if one exists, as part of every investigation involving parents or guardians who reside in separate households; requiring the department to enforce parenting plans and custody arrangements; requiring the department to verify that specified rights are not being unlawfully denied and that certain violations have not occurred; requiring the department to report violations to the applicable law enforcement agency; providing responsibilities of the department relating to ambiguities in parenting plans or court-ordered custody arrangements; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; requiring that anonymous reports of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect be subject to closer scrutiny than reports made by a person who identifies himself or herself; prohibiting anonymous reports from being afforded the same presumption of good faith as reports made by a person who identifies himself or herself; amending s. 39.205, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, the department to immediately discontinue all investigative activities under certain circumstances; specifying that a person who makes a false report of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect is not entitled to confidentiality under a certain provision; deleting a provision providing immunity from liability for a person who acts in good faith in making a report; amending s. 39.206, F.S.; expanding the circumstances under which the department may impose fines on persons who make certain anonymous reports; amending s. 39.301, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “criminal conduct”; amending s. 61.046, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “parenting plan” to include the requirement that parenting plans include specified information; creating s. 61.44, F.S.; requiring a law enforcement officer to accompany and assist a parent or legal guardian experiencing interference with custody in locating the child and to enforce such parent’s or legal guardian’s custody or visitation rights; creating s. 61.5085, F.S.; defining the term “emergency hearing”; requiring a court to grant an emergency hearing upon making a specified finding; requiring a court to set an emergency hearing within a specified timeframe after the filing of a motion alleging that certain violations have occurred; requiring that motions for emergency hearings be supported by a certain affidavit or verified statement; requiring the court to provide notice of the emergency hearing; authorizing the court to issue temporary orders at the emergency hearing; specifying requirements for a full hearing; amending s. 402.56, F.S.; requiring that the Children and Youth Cabinet meet at least quarterly, rather than at least four times each year; requiring the posting of specified information on a public website managed by the office of the Governor; expanding the membership of the Children and Youth Cabinet to include a member appointed by the citizen support organization for Florida Missing Children’s Day; requiring that the Children and Youth Cabinet submit quarterly, rather than annual, reports to the Governor, the Legislature, and the public; providing requirements for the reports; amending s. 402.57, F.S.; requiring the Secretary of Children and Families to appoint to the direct-support organization of the department the director appointed to serve on the board by the citizen support organization for Florida Missing Children’s Day; amending s. 683.23, F.S.; including children missing due to family abduction or custody interference among those remembered on Florida Missing Children’s Day; amending s. 683.231, F.S.; requiring that the citizen support organization for Florida Missing Children’s Day appoint one person to the Children and Youth Cabinet, one person to the direct-support organization of the department, and one person to each judicial circuit’s Family Law Advocacy Group; amending s. 741.28, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “domestic violence”; amending s. 741.29, F.S.; specifying that if a family member unlawfully takes or retains another family member who is a minor or vulnerable adult, and denies another family member’s lawful

right to custody or visitation of that minor or vulnerable adult, he or she commits an act of domestic violence; providing applicability; amending s. 787.01, F.S.; clarifying a provision regarding confinement of certain children as it relates to the definition of the term “kidnapping”; making technical changes; amending s. 787.03, F.S.; providing legislative intent; revising the elements of the offense of interference with custody; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting law enforcement officers from becoming involved in the merits of certain disputes or with certain individuals’ preferences relating to custody or visitation rights; authorizing law enforcement officers to locate certain individuals and enforce parenting plans or court orders; providing applicability; providing requirements for law enforcement officers who investigate alleged incidents of interference with custody; providing requirements for a specified notice; providing requirements for law enforcement officers when responding to alleged incidents of interference with custody; requiring law enforcement officers to produce a certain report; requiring that the report include specified information; revising defenses to the offense of interference with custody; requiring law enforcement agencies to adopt certain policies and procedures and create and implement specified annual trainings; deleting provisions relating to applicability; deleting a provision relating to information protected from public records; amending s. 827.03, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “child abuse”; creating s. 1003.042, F.S.; specifying that schools are responsible for and are required to enforce and adhere to any parenting plan or court order that specifies custody arrangements; providing applicability; requiring schools to keep on file up-to-date and accurate records of the parenting plan or court order; specifying that parents or guardians of a child must be given the opportunity to provide the school with certain information; requiring schools to verify the identity and custody rights of any individual requesting to pick up a student from school premises; requiring schools to establish and implement clear policies to address and manage situations where the parenting plan or court order may be ambiguous; requiring schools to ensure that a child is released only to the designated parent or guardian, or to an individual explicitly authorized by the parent or guardian who has custodial rights on that specific day as specified in the court order or parenting plan; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 61.45, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 61.125(4)(b), 61.13(2)(c), 61.402(3), 95.11(8), 390.01114(2)(b), 393.067(4)(g), (7), and (9), and 1001.42(8)(c), F.S., relating to parenting coordination; support of children, parenting and time-sharing, and powers of the court; qualifications of guardians ad litem; limitations other than for the recovery of real property; the definition of the term “child abuse”; facility licensure; and powers and duties of district school boards, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 39.01, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 39.101(3)(a), F.S., relating to the central abuse hotline, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 39.206, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 62—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resilient buildings; creating s. 220.197, F.S.; defining the term “resilient building”; specifying that owners of resilient buildings are eligible to receive a specified tax credit; specifying that a resilient building may qualify for such tax credit only once; requiring building owners to file a specified application with the Department of Environmental Protection by a specified date in order to claim such tax credit; authorizing the department to accept such applications electronically; specifying requirements for such applications; authorizing the department to disclose certain data that meets specified requirements; authorizing the department to publish certain data; requiring the department to take certain actions; requiring a building owner to attach a specified letter to certain tax returns; providing that a building owner may file only one application with the department; providing exceptions; specifying the amounts of the tax credit; authorizing a building owner to carry forward the unused amount of a tax credit to a subsequent tax year; authorizing the transfer of all or part of the tax credits under certain conditions; requiring the department to rescind eligibility for the tax credit under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Revenue and the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules; creating s. 403.8053, F.S.;

creating the Florida Resilient Building Advisory Council adjunct to the Department of Environmental Protection; providing the purpose of the advisory council; requiring the department to post certain policies on its website; providing for the duties, membership, and meetings of the advisory council; requiring the department to provide the advisory council with staffing and administrative assistance; providing for expiration of the advisory council; amending ss. 213.053, 220.02, and 220.13, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senators Garcia and Martin—

SB 64—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic monitoring devices in long-term care facilities; creating ss. 400.025 and 429.265, F.S.; defining the terms “electronic monitoring device” and “representative”; authorizing a resident, or his or her representative, of a nursing home facility or assisted living facility, respectively, to authorize the installation and use of an electronic monitoring device in the resident’s room if specified conditions are met; providing for installation and use of such device if the resident lives in a shared room with another resident with the consent of the other resident or his or her representative; authorizing the other resident or his or her representative to impose conditions on the consent; providing that consent may be withdrawn at any time, verbally or in writing; authorizing facilities to adopt a consent form; providing requirements for the form; prohibiting facilities from denying admission to a person or discharging a resident or otherwise discriminating or retaliating against a resident for the decision to install and use an electronic monitoring device in the resident’s room; providing an administrative penalty; providing a criminal penalty for unlawfully obstructing, tampering with, or destroying an electronic monitoring device or a recording made by such device; specifying who may view or listen to images and sounds broadcast or recorded by an electronic monitoring device; providing applicability; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 66—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighter benefits; amending s. 112.1816, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “cancer” to include acute myeloid leukemia for the purpose of expanding cancer treatment benefits; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 68—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health facilities authorities; amending s. 154.205, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “health facility” to include other entities and associations organized not for profit; amending s. 154.209, F.S.; revising the powers of health facilities authorities to include the power to issue certain loans and execute related loan agreements; amending s. 154.213, F.S.; specifying requirements for projects financed by loan agreements issued by a health facilities authority; specifying provisions that may be included in such loan agreements; amending ss. 154.219, 154.221, 154.225, 154.235, and 154.247, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Berman and Smith—

SB 70—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional hours for the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; amending ss.

1002.55, 1002.61, 1002.63, and 1002.71, F.S.; revising the instructional hours required to be delivered in the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program for school-year and summer programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 72—A bill to be entitled An act relating to use of campaign funds for child care expenses; amending s. 106.1405, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a candidate to use funds on deposit in his or her campaign account to pay for child care expenses under specified conditions; requiring candidates to maintain specified records for a specified timeframe and provide such records to the Division of Elections; requiring candidates to disclose certain child care expenses in campaign finance reports; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Berman and Smith—

SB 74—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a universal free school breakfast and lunch program; amending s. 595.402, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 595.405, F.S.; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, subject to the appropriation of funds by the Legislature, to establish and operate a program to provide universal free school breakfast and lunch meals to all public school students; specifying requirements for school districts; deleting provisions requiring school districts to implement and charge students for a breakfast program; deleting provisions requiring only certain school districts to implement a universal free school breakfast program and encouraging districts to provide free breakfast meals; revising the information that school districts are required to provide to parents regarding the availability of certain school meals, to conform to changes made by the act; authorizing school districts to operate free school meal programs using offsite food preparation locations; amending s. 595.404, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Berman and Smith—

SB 76—A bill to be entitled An act relating to paid parental leave; amending s. 110.221, F.S.; defining the term “paid parental leave”; requiring the state to provide paid parental leave to certain employees for a specified period of time; prohibiting the state from requiring that an employee use his or her annual or sick leave for paid parental leave; providing that the employee is entitled to accumulate specified benefits during such leave; prohibiting the state from refusing to grant such leave; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator McClain—

SB 78—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Mark LaGatta; providing an appropriation to compensate the estate for injuries and damages sustained by Mark LaGatta as a result of the negligence of the Department of Transportation; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master on Claim Bills; the Committee on Judiciary; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tour-

ism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senators Harrell, Bradley, Smith, and Gaetz—

SB 80—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state land management; providing a short title; amending s. 253.034, F.S.; requiring public hearings for all updated conservation and nonconservation land management plans; requiring the Division of State Lands of the Department of Environmental Protection to make available to the public, within a specified timeframe, electronic copies of land management plans for parcels of a certain size and for parcels located in state parks; making technical changes; amending s. 258.004, F.S.; revising the duties of the Division of Recreation and Parks of the Department of Environmental Protection; specifying requirements for the management of parks and recreational areas held by the state; defining the term “conservation-based public outdoor recreational uses”; making technical changes; amending s. 258.007, F.S.; requiring the division to comply with specified provisions when granting certain privileges, leases, concessions, and permits; authorizing the division to acquire, install, or permit the installation or operation at state parks of camping cabins that meet certain requirements; prohibiting the division from authorizing certain uses or construction activities within a state park; prohibiting the division from acquiring, installing, or permitting the installation or operation of any lodging establishment at a state park; amending s. 259.032, F.S.; requiring that individual management plans for parcels located within state parks be developed with input from an advisory group; requiring that the advisory group’s required public hearings be noticed to the public within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; specifying requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 82—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dental therapy; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; authorizing Medicaid to reimburse for dental services provided in a mobile dental unit that is owned by, operated by, or has a contractual agreement with a health access setting or another similar setting or program; amending s. 466.001, F.S.; revising legislative purpose and intent; amending s. 466.002, F.S.; providing applicability; reordering and amending s. 466.003, F.S.; defining the terms “dental therapist” and “dental therapy”; making technical changes; amending s. 466.004, F.S.; requiring the chair of the Board of Dentistry to appoint a Council on Dental Therapy, effective after a specified timeframe; providing for the membership, meetings, and purpose of the council; amending s. 466.006, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “full-time practice” and “full-time practice of dentistry within the geographic boundaries of this state within 1 year” to include full-time faculty members of certain dental therapy schools; amending s. 466.009, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to allow any person who fails the dental therapy examination to retake the examination; providing that a person who fails a practical or clinical examination to practice dental therapy and who has failed one part or procedure of the examination may be required to retake only that part or procedure to pass the examination; requiring such applicant to retake the entire examination under certain circumstances; amending s. 466.011, F.S.; requiring the board to certify an applicant for licensure as a dental therapist; creating s. 466.0136, F.S.; requiring the board to require each licensed dental therapist to complete a specified number of hours of continuing education; requiring the board to adopt rules and guidelines; requiring dental therapists to retain certain documentation in their records; authorizing the board to excuse licensees from continuing education requirements in certain circumstances; amending s. 466.016, F.S.; requiring a practitioner of dental therapy to post and display her or his license in each office where she or he practices; amending s. 466.017, F.S.; requiring the board to adopt certain rules relating to dental therapists; authorizing a dental therapist under the supervision of a dentist to administer local anesthesia and operate an X-ray machine, expose dental X-ray films, and interpret or read such films if specified requirements are met; making a technical change; amending s. 466.018, F.S.; providing that a dentist of record remains primarily re-

sponsible for the dental treatment of a patient regardless of whether the treatment is provided by a dental therapist; requiring that the initials of a dental therapist who renders treatment to a patient be placed in the record of the patient; creating s. 466.0225, F.S.; providing application requirements and examination and licensure qualifications for dental therapists; creating s. 466.0227, F.S.; authorizing a dental therapist to perform specified services under the supervision of a dentist under certain conditions; specifying state-specific dental therapy services; requiring that a collaborative management agreement be signed by a supervising dentist and a dental therapist and include certain information; requiring the supervising dentist to determine the number of hours of practice that a dental therapist must complete before performing certain authorized services; authorizing a supervising dentist to restrict or limit the dental therapist's practice in a collaborative management agreement; providing that a supervising dentist may authorize a dental therapist to provide dental therapy services to a patient before the dentist examines or diagnoses the patient under certain conditions; requiring a supervising dentist to be licensed and practicing in this state; specifying that the supervising dentist is responsible for certain services; amending s. 466.026, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for practicing dental therapy without an active license, selling or offering to sell a diploma from a dental therapy school or college, falsely using a specified name or initials, or holding oneself out as an actively licensed dental therapist; amending s. 466.028, F.S.; revising grounds for denial of a license or disciplinary action to include the practice of dental therapy; amending s. 466.0285, F.S.; prohibiting persons other than licensed dentists from employing a dental therapist in the operation of a dental office and from controlling the use of any dental equipment or material in certain circumstances; requiring the department, in consultation with the board and the Agency for Health Care Administration, to provide reports to the Legislature by specified dates; requiring that certain information and recommendations be included in the reports; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 84—A bill to be entitled An act relating to housing for legally verified agricultural workers; amending s. 163.3162, F.S.; defining the terms “housing site” and “legally verified agricultural worker”; prohibiting governmental entities from adopting or enforcing any legislation that inhibits the construction of housing for legally verified agricultural workers on agricultural land operated as a bona fide farm; requiring that the construction or installation of such housing units on agricultural lands satisfies certain criteria; requiring that local ordinances comply with certain regulations; authorizing governmental entities to adopt local land use regulations that are less restrictive; requiring property owners to maintain certain records for a specified timeframe; requiring the suspension of the use of certain housing units and authorizing their removal under certain circumstances; specifying applicability of permit allocation systems in certain areas of critical state concern; authorizing the continued use of housing sites constructed before the effective date of the act if certain conditions are met; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 86—A bill to be entitled An act relating to peer support for first responders; amending s. 111.09, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “first responder” to include specified support personnel for the provision of peer support; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Wright—

SB 88—A bill to be entitled An act relating to utility terrain vehicles; creating s. 316.21275, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a utility terrain vehicle (UTV) to be operated during all hours; authorizing the operation of UTVs on certain roadways; authorizing the operation of UTVs on certain parts of the State Highway System; authorizing the Department of Transportation to prohibit the use of UTVs under certain circumstances; authorizing persons possessing certain licenses to operate a UTV; requiring owners or operators of a UTV to comply with certain requirements and regulations; authorizing a county or municipality to restrict the operation of UTVs under certain circumstances; providing civil penalties; amending s. 320.0847, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue a license plate to the owner or lessee of a vehicle registered as a UTV upon payment of certain taxes and fees; requiring that license plates for UTVs comply with specified provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Rules.

SB 90—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 92—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle repair work; providing a short title; amending s. 559.905, F.S.; requiring a motor vehicle repair shop to request a written crash report from a customer under certain circumstances; requiring a motor vehicle repair shop to prepare a transaction form under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to approve the design and format of the transaction form; specifying requirements for the transaction form; requiring a motor vehicle repair shop to record specified information on the transaction form; requiring a motor vehicle repair shop to maintain a copy of the transaction form for a specified timeframe; requiring a motor vehicle repair shop to deliver transaction forms to the appropriate law enforcement agency within a specified timeframe; providing an exception; authorizing a motor vehicle repair shop to use certain evidence in court under certain circumstances; requiring the electronic transfer of transaction forms to the appropriate law enforcement agency by a motor vehicle repair shop under certain circumstances; authorizing the appropriate law enforcement agency to provide certain equipment to a motor vehicle repair shop; specifying ownership and maintenance of such equipment; specifying that a motor vehicle repair shop is not required to deliver original or copies of transaction forms under certain circumstances; authorizing the appropriate law enforcement agency to request an original transaction form from a motor vehicle repair shop under certain circumstances; requiring a motor vehicle repair shop to respond to such request within a certain timeframe; providing criminal penalties; authorizing the department to revoke a motor vehicle repair shop's registration under certain circumstances; revising the items required in a written repair estimate; making technical changes; amending s. 559.909, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; making technical changes; reenacting s. 559.907(1)(b), F.S., relating to charges for motor vehicle repair estimate and requirement of waiver of rights prohibited, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 559.905, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Fine and Gruters—

SB 94—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sales or transfers of firearms to persons under 21 years of age; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; deleting a prohibition on sales or transfers of firearms to persons under 21 years of age and exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bernard—

SB 96—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Jacob Rodgers by the City of Gainesville; providing for an appropriation to compensate Jacob Rodgers for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the City of Gainesville; providing a limitation on compensation and 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; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 98—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Max Giannikos by the City of Clearwater; providing for an appropriation to compensate Max Giannikos for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of the City of Clearwater; providing a limitation on compensation and 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; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Fine—

SB 100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the display of flags by governmental entities; creating s. 256.045, F.S.; defining the term “governmental entity”; prohibiting governmental entities from erecting or displaying certain flags; requiring governmental entities to remain neutral in certain circumstances; providing applicability; requiring that a United States flag displayed by governmental entities be in a certain position relative to other flags; authorizing a current or retired member of the United States Armed Forces or the National Guard to use reasonable force to prevent the desecration, destruction, or removal of the United States flag or to replace such flag to a position of prominence; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exceptional student education; creating s. 1003.5717, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to develop and implement, by a specified date, a workforce credential program for students with an autism spectrum disorder; providing the purpose of the program; providing requirements for the program; requiring the department to produce an annual report during a specified timeframe; providing requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Burgess, Collins, and Polsky—

SB 104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cardiac emergencies; amending s. 1003.453, F.S.; revising a requirement for instruction on cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator; creating s. 1003.457, F.S.; requiring each public school to develop a cardiac emergency response plan (CERP); requiring school officials to work with local emergency service providers to integrate the CERP into emergency responder protocols; providing a requirement for automated external defibrillator placement; requiring that certain school staff receive specified training as determined by the CERP; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exploitation of vulnerable adults; amending s. 825.1035, F.S.; authorizing the use of substitute service on unascertainable respondents; defining the term “unascertainable respondent”; requiring a petitioner to file with the court a sworn affidavit to effectuate substitute service; providing requirements for the affidavit; requiring the court to enter an order providing for specified service when a petitioner files the sworn affidavit; requiring the petitioner to file with the court proof that the petitioner attempted to serve the unascertainable respondent; requiring that any proposed transfer of funds or property in dispute be held for a specified time period; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Grall and Burgess—

SB 108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to administrative procedures; amending s. 120.52, F.S.; defining the term “technical change”; amending s. 120.54, F.S.; requiring agencies to publish a certain notice of proposed rule within a specified timeframe; deleting a provision related to the timeframe within which rules are required to be drafted and formally proposed; prohibiting materials from being incorporated by reference for certain rules reviewed after a specified date unless certain conditions are met; prohibiting rules proposed after a specified date from having materials incorporated by reference unless certain conditions are met; requiring agencies to use specific coding if they are updating or making changes to certain documents incorporated by reference; requiring that certain notices of rule development include incorporated documents; revising the notices required to be issued by agencies before the adoption, amendment, or repeal of certain rules; requiring that such notices be published in the Florida Administrative Register within a specified timeframe; requiring that specified information be available for public inspection; requiring that materials incorporated by reference be made available in a specified manner; requiring that certain notices be delivered electronically to all persons who made requests for such notice; requiring agencies to publish a notice of correction for certain changes; providing that notices of correction do not affect certain timeframes; requiring that technical changes be published as notices of correction; requiring agencies to provide copies of any offered regulatory alternatives to the Administrative Procedures Committee before the agency files a rule for adoption; requiring that certain materials incorporated by reference be made available in a specified manner; requiring that certain rules be withdrawn if not ratified within the legislative session immediately following the filing for adoption; requiring the agency to reinstate rulemaking within a specified timeframe of the adjournment of such legislative session; reducing the number of certified copies of a proposed rule that must be electronically filed with the Department of State; authorizing agencies to adopt emergency rules under specified conditions; requiring that specified information be published in the first available issue of the Florida Administrative Register and provided to the Administrative Procedures Committee; requiring that notices of renewal for emergency rules be published in the Florida Administrative Register before expiration of the existing emergency rule; requiring that such notices contain specified information; requiring that a note be added to a certain history note for certain emergency rules; requiring that emergency rules be published in the Florida Administrative Code; authorizing agencies to adopt emergency rules that supersede other emergency rules; requiring that the reason for such superseding rules be stated in accordance with specified provisions; authorizing agencies to make technical changes to emergency rules within a specified timeframe; requiring that such changes be published in the Florida Administrative Register as a notice of correction; authorizing agencies to repeal emergency rules by providing a certain notice in the Florida Administrative Register; requiring agencies to provide specified petitions to the committee within a specified timeframe after receipt; requiring agencies to provide a certain notification to the committee within a specified timeframe; reenacting and amending s. 120.541, F.S.; providing that a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative submitted after a notice of change is made in good faith only if the proposal contains certain statements; requiring agencies to provide a copy of such proposals and responses thereto to the committee within specified timeframes; prohibiting agencies from filing a rule for adoption unless such proposals are provided to the committee; requiring agencies to notify the committee within a specified timeframe

that a rule has been submitted for legislative ratification; creating s. 120.5435, F.S.; requiring agencies, by a specified date and in coordination with the committee, to review specified rules adopted before a specified date; requiring agencies to include a list of existing rules and a schedule of rules they plan to review each year in a certain regulatory plan; authorizing agencies to amend such schedules under specified circumstances but requiring that at least a specified percentage of an agency's rules be reviewed each year until completion of all reviews; requiring agencies to make specified determinations during rule review; requiring agencies to submit a certain report to the Legislature annually by a specified date; requiring agencies to take one of certain specified actions during rule reviews by a specified date; providing requirements for the agencies in connection with each of the specified actions; requiring the committee to examine agencies' rule review submissions; authorizing the committee to request certain information from such agencies; requiring that such review occur within a specified timeframe under specified conditions; requiring the committee to issue a certain certification upon completion of examinations; specifying circumstances under which rule review is considered completed; requiring the department to publish a certain notice in the Florida Administrative Register; providing construction; providing applicability; requiring the department to adopt rules before a specified date; providing for future review and repeal; amending s. 120.55, F.S.; revising the contents of the Florida Administrative Code to conform to changes made by the act; requiring, after a specified date, that any material incorporated by reference be filed in a specified electronic format with the department; requiring that the Florida Administrative Register contain a certain list; requiring that the department prescribe coding for certain documents incorporated by reference; amending s. 120.74, F.S.; requiring that regulatory plans submitted by agencies include certain schedules for rule review and certain desired updates to such plans; requiring agencies to take certain actions if the agencies have not completed reviewing a rule; deleting provisions related to deadlines for rule development; deleting deadlines for publishing proposed rules; deleting provisions requiring agencies to file certain certifications with the committee; authorizing agencies to correct a regulatory plan to conclude affected rulemaking proceedings by identifying certain rules; revising the timeframes within which agencies must publish certain notices; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rural communities; amending s. 20.60, F.S.; revising the list of divisions and offices within the Department of Commerce to conform to changes made by the act; revising the annual program reports that must be included in the annual report of the Department of Commerce; amending s. 163.3168, F.S.; requiring the state land planning agency to give preference for technical assistance funding to local governments located in a rural area of opportunity; requiring the agency to consult with the Office of Rural Prosperity when awarding certain funding; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; requiring that a certain sum be paid to the credit of the State Transportation Trust Fund for the exclusive use of the Florida Arterial Road Modernization Program; amending s. 202.18, F.S.; redirecting the transfer of certain communication services tax revenue; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; revising the distribution of sales and use tax revenue to include a transfer to fiscally constrained counties; amending s. 215.971, F.S.; providing construction regarding agreements funded with federal or state assistance; requiring each state agency to report to the Office of Rural Prosperity by a certain date with a summary of certain information; requiring the office to summarize the information it receives for its annual report; amending s. 218.67, F.S.; revising the conditions required for a county to be considered a fiscally constrained county; authorizing eligible counties to receive a distribution of sales and use tax revenue; revising the sources that the Department of Revenue must use to determine the amount distributed to fiscally constrained counties; revising the factors for allocation of the distribution of revenue to fiscally constrained counties; requiring that the computation and amount distributed be calculated based on a specified rounding algorithm; authorizing specified uses for the revenue; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 288.0001, F.S.; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Office of Program Policy Analysis

and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to prepare a report for a specified purpose; specifying requirements for the report; providing that the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and OPPAGA must be provided with all data necessary to complete the rural communities or areas report upon request; authorizing the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and OPPAGA to collaborate on all data collection and analysis; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and OPPAGA to submit the report to the Legislature by a specified date; providing additional requirements for the report; providing for expiration; amending s. 288.001, F.S.; requiring the Florida Small Business Development Center Network to use certain funds appropriated for a specified purpose; authorizing the network to dedicate funds to facilitate certain events; amending s. 288.007, F.S.; revising which local governments and economic development organizations seeking to recruit businesses are required to submit a specified report; creating s. 288.013, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating the Office of Rural Prosperity within the Department of Commerce; requiring the Governor to appoint a director, subject to confirmation by the Senate; providing that the director reports to and serves at the pleasure of the secretary of the department; providing the duties of the office; requiring the office to establish by a specified date a certain number of regional rural community liaison centers across this state for a specified purpose; providing the powers, duties, and functions of the liaison centers; requiring the liaison centers, to the extent possible, to coordinate with certain entities; requiring the liaison centers to engage with the Rural Economic Development Initiative (REDI); requiring at least one staff member of a liaison center to attend the monthly meetings in person or by means of electronic communication; requiring the director of the office to submit an annual report to the Administration Commission in the Executive Office of the Governor; specifying requirements for the annual report; requiring that the annual report also be submitted to the Legislature by a specified date and published on the office's website; requiring the director of the office to attend the next Administration Commission meeting to present detailed information from the annual report; requiring OPPAGA to review the effectiveness of the office by a certain date annually until a specified date; requiring OPPAGA to review the office at specified intervals; requiring such reviews to include certain information to be considered by the Legislature; requiring that such reports be submitted to the Legislature; requiring OPPAGA to review certain strategies from other states; requiring OPPAGA to submit to the Legislature its findings at certain intervals; creating s. 288.014, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Office of Rural Prosperity to administer the Renaissance Grants Program to provide block grants to eligible communities; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to certify to the Office of Rural Prosperity certain information by a specified date; defining the term "growth-impaired"; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to certify annually that a county remains growth-impaired until such county has positive population growth for a specified amount of time; providing that such county, after 3 consecutive years of population growth, is eligible to participate in the program for 1 additional year; requiring a county eligible for the program to enter into an agreement with the Office of Rural Prosperity in order to receive the block grant; giving such counties broad authority to design their specific plans; prohibiting the Office of Rural Prosperity from determining how such counties implement the block grant; requiring regional rural community liaison center staff to provide assistance, upon request; requiring participating counties to report annually to the Office of Rural Prosperity with certain information; providing that a participating county receives a specified amount from funds appropriated to the program; requiring participating counties to make all attempts to limit the amount spent on administrative costs; authorizing participating counties to contribute other funds for block grant purposes; requiring participating counties to hire a renaissance coordinator; providing that funds from the block grant may be used to hire the renaissance coordinator; providing the responsibilities of the renaissance coordinator; requiring the regional rural community liaison center staff to provide assistance and training to the renaissance coordinator, upon request; requiring participating counties to design a plan to make targeted investments to achieve population growth and increase economic vitality; providing requirements for such plans; requiring participating counties to develop intergovernmental agreements with certain entities in order to implement the plan; requiring the Auditor General to conduct an operational audit every 2 years for a specified purpose; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to provide an annual report on a specified date of renaissance block grant recipients by county; providing requirements for the annual report; requiring that

the report be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature; prohibiting funds appropriated for the program from being subject to reversion; providing for an expiration of the section; creating s. 288.0175, F.S.; creating the Public Infrastructure Smart Technology Grant Program within the Office of Rural Prosperity; defining terms; requiring the office to contract with one or more smart technology lead organizations to administer a grant program for a specified purpose; providing the criteria for such contracts; requiring that projects funded by the grant program be included in the office's annual report; amending s. 288.018, F.S.; requiring the office, rather than the Department of Commerce, to establish a grant program to provide funding for regional economic development organizations; revising who may apply for such grants; providing that a grant award may not exceed a certain amount in a year; providing exceptions to a provision that the department may expend a certain amount for a certain purpose; amending s. 288.019, F.S.; revising the program criteria and procedures that agencies and organizations of REDI are required to review; revising the list of impacts each REDI agency and organization must consider in its review; requiring REDI agencies and organizations to develop a proposal for modifications which minimizes the financial and resource impacts to a rural community; requiring that ranking of evaluation criteria and scoring procedures be used only when ranking is a component of the program; requiring that match requirements be waived or reduced for rural communities; providing that donations of land may be treated as in-kind matches; requiring each agency and organization that applies for or receives federal funding to request federal approval to waive or reduce the financial match requirements, if any, for projects in rural communities; requiring that proposals be submitted to the office, rather than the department; requiring each REDI agency and organization to modify rules or policies as necessary to reflect the finalized proposal; requiring that information about authorized waivers be included on the office's online rural resource directory; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 288.021, F.S.; requiring, when practicable, the economic development liaison to serve as the agency representative for REDI; amending s. 288.065, F.S.; defining the term "unit of local government"; requiring the office to include in its annual report certain information about the Rural Community Development Revolving Loan Fund; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 288.0655, F.S.; revising the list of grants that may be awarded by the office; deleting the authorization for local match requirements to be waived for a catalyst site; revising the list of departments the office must consult with to certify applicants; requiring the office to include certain information about the Rural Infrastructure Trust Fund in its annual report; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 288.0656, F.S.; providing legislative findings; providing that REDI is created within the Office of Rural Prosperity, rather than the department; deleting the definitions of the terms "catalyst project" and "catalyst site"; requiring that an alternate for each designated deputy secretary be a deputy secretary or higher-level staff person; requiring that the names of such alternates be reported to the director of the office; requiring at least one rural liaison to participate in REDI meetings; requiring REDI to meet at least each month; deleting a provision that a rural area of opportunity may designate catalyst projects; requiring REDI to submit a certain report to the office, rather than to the department; specifying requirements for such report; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 288.06561, F.S., relating to reduction or waiver of financial match requirements; amending s. 288.0657, F.S.; requiring the office, rather than the department, to provide grants to assist rural communities; providing that such grants may be used for specified purposes; requiring the rural liaison to assist those applying for such grants; providing that marketing grants may include certain funding; amending s. 288.9961, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "underserved"; requiring the office to consult with regional rural community liaison centers on development of a certain strategic plan; requiring rural liaisons to assist rural communities with providing feedback in applying for federal grants for broadband Internet services; requiring the office to submit reports with specified information to the Governor and the Legislature within certain timeframes; repealing s. 290.06561, F.S., relating to designation of rural enterprise zones as catalyst sites; amending s. 319.32, F.S.; revising the disposition of fees collected for certain title certificates; amending s. 334.044, F.S.; revising the powers and duties of the Department of Transportation; amending s. 339.0801, F.S.; revising the allocation of funds received in the State Transportation Trust Fund; amending s. 339.2816, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, that certain funds received from the State Transportation Trust Fund be used for the Small County Road Assistance Program; requiring the department to

use other additional revenues for the Small County Road Assistance Program; providing an exception from the prohibition against funding capacity improvements on county roads; amending s. 339.2818, F.S.; deleting a provision that the funds allocated under the Small County Outreach Program are in addition to the Small County Road Assistance Program; deleting a provision that a local government within the Everglades Agricultural Area, the Peace River Basin, or the Suwannee River Basin may compete for additional funding; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making a technical change; amending s. 339.68, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating the Florida Arterial Road Modernization Program within the Department of Commerce; defining the term "rural community"; requiring the department to allocate from the State Transportation Trust Fund a minimum sum in each fiscal year to fund the program; providing that such funding is in addition to any other funding provided to the program; providing criteria the department must use to prioritize projects for funding under the program; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring that such report be submitted every 2 years thereafter; providing the criteria for such report; requiring the Department of Transportation to allocate additional funds to implement the Small County Road Assistance Program and amend the tentative work program for a specified number of fiscal years; requiring the department to submit a budget amendment before the adoption of the work program; requiring the department to allocate sufficient funds to implement the Florida Arterial Road Modernization Program; requiring the department to amend the current tentative work program for a specified number of fiscal years to include the program's projects; requiring the department to submit a budget amendment before the implementation of the program; requiring that the revenue increases in the State Transportation Trust Fund which are derived from the act be used to fund the work program; creating s. 381.403, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating the Rural Access to Primary and Preventive Care Grant Program within the Department of Health for a specified purpose; defining terms; requiring the department to award grants under the program to physicians and autonomous advanced practice registered nurses intending to open new practices or practice locations in qualifying rural areas; specifying eligibility criteria for the grants; requiring the department, by a specified date, to create an application process for applying for grants under the program; specifying requirements for the application and application process; authorizing the department, subject to specific appropriation, to award grants under the program; specifying limitations on the awarding of grants; specifying expenses for which grant funds are authorized and prohibited; requiring the department to enter into a contract with each grant recipient; specifying requirements for the contracts; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring the department, beginning on a specified date and annually thereafter, to provide a report containing specified information to the Governor and the Legislature; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the program; creating s. 381.9856, F.S.; creating the Stroke, Cardiac, and Obstetric Response and Education Grant Program within the Department of Health; specifying the purpose of the program; defining terms; requiring the department to award grants under the program to certain entities meeting specified criteria; requiring the department to give priority to certain applicants; limiting individual grants to a specified amount per year; requiring grant recipients to submit quarterly reports to the department; requiring the department to monitor program implementation and outcomes; requiring the department to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing construction; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the program; amending s. 395.6061, F.S.; providing that rural hospital capital grant improvement program funding may be awarded to rural hospitals to establish mobile care units and telehealth kiosks for specified purposes; defining terms; amending s. 420.9073, F.S.; revising the calculation of guaranteed amounts distributed from the Local Government Housing Trust Fund; reenacting and amending s. 420.9075, F.S.; authorizing a certain percentage of the funds made available in each county and eligible municipality from the local housing distribution to be used to preserve multifamily affordable rental housing; specifying what such funds may be used for; providing an expiration; amending s. 1001.451, F.S.; revising the services required to be provided by regional consortium service organizations when such services are found to be necessary and appropriate by such organizations' boards of directors; revising the allocation that certain regional consortium service organizations are eligible to receive from the General Appropriations Act; requiring each regional consortium service organization to submit

an annual report to the Department of Education; requiring that unexpended amounts in certain funds be carried forward; requiring each regional consortium service organization to provide quarterly financial reports to member districts; requiring member districts to designate a district to serve as a fiscal agent for certain purposes; providing for compensation of the fiscal agent district; requiring regional consortium service organizations to retain all funds received from grants or contracted services to cover indirect or administrative costs associated with the provision of such services; requiring the regional consortium service organization board of directors to determine products and services provided by the organization; requiring a regional consortium service organization board of directors to recommend the establishment of positions and appointments to a fiscal agent district; requiring that personnel be employed under specified personnel policies; authorizing the regional consortium service organization board of directors to recommend a salary schedule for personnel; authorizing regional consortium service organizations to purchase or lease property and facilities essential to their operations; providing for the distribution of revenue if a regional consortium service organization is dissolved; deleting a provision requiring applications for incentive grants; authorizing regional consortium service organization boards of directors to contract to provide services to nonmember districts; requiring that a fund balance be established for specified purposes; deleting a requirement for the use of certain funds; authorizing a regional consortium service organization to administer a specified program; creating s. 1001.4511, F.S.; creating the Regional Consortia Service Organization Supplemental Services Program; providing the purpose of the program; authorizing funds to be used for specified purposes; requiring each regional consortium service organization to report the distribution of funds annually to the Legislature; providing for the carryforward of funds; providing appropriations; creating s. 1009.635, F.S.; establishing the Rural Incentive for Professional Educators Program within the Department of Education; requiring the program to provide financial assistance for the repayment of student loans to eligible participants who establish permanent residency and employment in rural communities; providing that eligible participants may receive up to a certain amount in total student loan repayment assistance over a certain timeframe; requiring the department to verify certain information of participants in the program before it disburses awards; providing that the program is administered through the Office of Student Financial Assistance within the department; requiring the department to develop procedures and monitor compliance; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules by a certain date; amending s. 1013.62, F.S.; revising the calculation methodology to determine the amount of revenue that a school district must distribute to each eligible charter school; amending s. 1013.64, F.S.; revising conditions under which a school district may receive funding on an approved construction project; providing appropriations for specified purposes; amending ss. 163.3187, 212.205, 257.191, 257.193, 265.283, 288.11621, 288.11631, 443.191, 571.26, and 571.265, F.S.; conforming cross-references and provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 288.9935(8), F.S., relating to the Microfinance Guarantee Program, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 20.60, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 125.0104(5)(c), 193.624(3), 196.182(2), 218.12(1), 218.125(1), 218.135(1), 218.136(1), 252.35(2)(cc), 288.102(4), 403.064(16)(g), 589.08(2) and (3), and 1011.62(1)(f), F.S., relating to authorized uses of tourist development tax; applicability of assessments of renewable energy source devices; application of exemptions of renewable energy source devices; appropriations to offset reductions in ad valorem tax revenue in fiscally constrained counties; offset for tax loss associated with certain constitutional amendments affecting fiscally constrained counties; offset for tax loss associated with reductions in value of certain citrus fruit packing and processing equipment; offset for ad valorem revenue loss affecting fiscally constrained counties; Division of Emergency Management powers; one-to-one match requirement under the Supply Chain Innovation Grant Program; applicability of provisions related to reuse of reclaimed water; land acquisition restrictions; and funds for operation of schools, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 218.67, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 403.0741(6)(c), F.S., relating to grease waste removal and disposal, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 218.67 and 339.2818, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 163.3177(7)(e), F.S., relating to required and optional elements of comprehensive plans and studies and surveys, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 288.0656, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 288.9962(7)(a), F.S., relating to the Broadband Opportunity Program, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 288.9961, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 215.211(1), F.S., relating to service charges and elimination or reduc-

tion for specified proceeds, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 319.32, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 339.66(5) and (6), F.S., relating to upgrades of arterial highways with controlled access facilities, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 339.68, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 420.9072(4) and (6), 420.9076(7)(b), and 420.9079(2), F.S., relating to the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program, adoption of affordable housing incentive strategies and committees, and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 420.9073, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children with developmental disabilities; amending s. 381.9855, F.S.; revising the scope of the Dr. and Mrs. Alfonse and Kathleen Cinotti Health Care Screening and Services Grant Program to allow grant funds to be used for screenings, referrals for treatment, and related services for autism; amending s. 391.302, F.S.; revising applicability of definitions to conform to changes made by the act; defining the term “department”; amending s. 391.308, F.S.; revising requirements for the annual grant application submitted by the Department of Health for the Early Steps Program to conform to changes made by the act; creating s. 391.3081, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing a purpose for the Early Steps Extended Option; defining the term “child”; requiring the department to seek federal approval for the Early Steps Extended Option; requiring the department, jointly with the Department of Education, to develop or amend any rule, policy, procedure, written agreement, or contract necessary to implement the Early Steps Extended Option; requiring the department to seek additional federal grant funds for implementation of the Early Steps Extended Option; authorizing the department to implement the Early Steps Extended Option regardless of certain federal funding; requiring local program offices of the Early Steps Program to include certain steps for transition in the individualized family support plan for each child served by the Early Steps Extended Option; specifying eligibility criteria for a child’s enrollment in the Early Steps Extended Option; authorizing a child to continue receiving services under the Early Steps Extended Option until the beginning of the school year following his or her aging out of the Early Steps Extended Option; providing that a child becomes ineligible to reenter the Early Steps Extended Option upon exiting; requiring local school districts, in conjunction with local program offices, to notify a child’s parent or legal guardian of his or her rights under certain circumstances; requiring local program offices to take specified steps for transitioning children out of the Early Steps Extended Option within a specified timeframe before they age out; requiring local program offices, in conjunction with local school districts, to modify or develop, as applicable, individual education plans with specified elements for such children; requiring local program offices and local school districts to provide specified written information to a child’s parent or legal guardian if the child is determined ineligible for school district program services; requiring the department to include a performance assessment of the Early Steps Extended Option in a specified annual report; specifying requirements for such assessment; creating s. 1003.5711, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; requiring the University of Florida Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment to oversee certain grants; requiring the center to develop guidelines for grant administration; providing eligibility requirements for grant applicants; providing that grants may be used for specified purposes; authorizing the center to prioritize grant allocations for specified purposes; requiring grant recipients to submit a specified report; creating s. 1003.5712, F.S.; providing legislative findings and purpose; requiring the University of Florida Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment to fund specialized summer programs for children with autism spectrum disorder; requiring the center to publish guidelines for grant applications; requiring the center to provide technical assistance to grant applicants and recipients; providing eligibility requirements for the specialized summer programs; authorizing the center to set maximum grant amounts; requiring grant recipients to submit a report to the center within a specified timeframe; creating s. 1004.551, F.S.; creating the University of Florida Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment; providing duties of the center; requiring the center to develop an autism micro-credential; providing requirements for the micro-credential; requiring the center to

publish on its website an annual report; prohibiting the host state university from charging certain fees to the center; amending s. 1012.582, F.S.; requiring the Commissioner of Education to review specified curricula by a specified date; requiring the commissioner to report findings and recommendations to the Legislature; amending s. 1012.585, F.S.; revising the process for the renewal of professional certificates to include training in the knowledge and skills required to support students with autism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Trumbull—

SB 114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance research; amending s. 1004.647, F.S.; renaming the Florida Catastrophic Storm Risk Management Center to the Florida Center for Excellence in Insurance and Risk Management; revising the purpose of the center; revising the duties of the center; providing areas of interest for research; requiring the center to collaborate with the Office of Insurance Regulation to produce an annual report analyzing the property insurance market in this state; requiring that the report be published by a specified date and updated at least biennially; requiring the center to develop a program with the office and the Actuarial Science Program at Florida State University for a specified purpose; requiring the center to use the public hurricane loss projection model when necessary; requiring the center to conduct research in response to inquiries from the Legislature; authorizing the center to conduct research in response to requests from the office; amending s. 627.06281, F.S.; requiring the office to contract with the center to manage the public hurricane loss projection model; requiring the center to update the model; providing that certain fees charged for access and use of the model do not apply to the Florida Center for Excellence in Insurance and Risk Management; providing for a type two transfer of the public hurricane loss projection model from Florida International University to Florida State University; amending s. 627.06292, F.S.; making conforming changes; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Burgess and Collins—

SB 116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterans; amending s. 265.003, F.S.; revising the maximum number of nominees for the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame submitted by the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for submission to the Governor and the Cabinet; amending s. 292.05, F.S.; requiring the Department of Veterans' Affairs to conduct a study that includes a survey evaluating the extent to which specified persons are aware of certain existing programs or services; requiring that such survey also include specified recommendations; requiring that a certain report include additional actions taken by the Department of Veterans' Affairs and other information and recommendations as the department determines are necessary; requiring that a specified report include an evaluation of the health literacy of veterans in this state and recommendations on how to increase knowledge of programs and services available to such veterans; requiring the department to ensure coordination to the greatest extent possible with the United States Department of Defense for a specified purpose; authorizing the Department of Veterans' Affairs to engage county and city veteran service officers for assistance; amending s. 292.115, F.S.; revising the purpose of the Veteran Suicide Prevention Training Pilot Program to include specialized mental health training; requiring individuals electing to participate in the pilot program to be trained to identify indicators of elevated mental health risk; requiring the department to contract with an organization developing and implementing veteran-relevant and evidence-based mental health training; amending s. 295.124, F.S.; revising a reference to the United States Code; amending s. 295.21, F.S.; requiring Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to advise the Department of Veterans' Affairs on specified problems or needs of certain military personnel and their spouses; amending s. 295.22, F.S.; revising the collaborators of the Veterans Employment and Training Services Program to include a specified direct-support organization; amending s. 296.43, F.S.; requiring the Department of Veterans' Affairs to develop a plan to establish adult day health care facilities across this state to

serve veterans and their families; requiring that such plans include specified information; requiring the department to provide a specified report to the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; authorizing the use of a specified percentage of proceeds from the sale of a specified specialty license plate for the promotion and administrative costs of the plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senators Brodeur, Gaetz, DiCeglie, and Fine—

SB 118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of presidential libraries; creating s. 257.51, F.S.; providing legislative findings; preempting to the state all regulatory authority over the establishment, maintenance, activities, and operations of presidential libraries; deferring such regulatory authority to the Federal Government; defining the term “presidential library”; prohibiting counties, municipalities, or other political subdivisions from enacting or enforcing any ordinance, resolution, rule, or other measure regarding presidential libraries unless authorized by federal law; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the homeowners' association ombudsman; creating s. 720.319, F.S.; creating the Office of the Homeowners' Association Ombudsman within the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing for funding of the office; directing the Governor to appoint the ombudsman; requiring that the ombudsman be an attorney admitted to practice before the Florida Supreme Court; providing that the ombudsman serves at the pleasure of the Governor; prohibiting the ombudsman and officers and full-time employees of the office from holding certain positions, engaging in certain activities, or receiving certain remuneration; providing for the principal location of the ombudsman's office; authorizing the ombudsman to establish branch offices under specified circumstances; specifying the powers and duties of the ombudsman; providing for the administration of an election monitoring process; authorizing rule-making for the division; providing that a specified rule governs the administration of election monitoring under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health professionals; amending s. 491.003, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 491.0045, F.S.; reclassifying intern registrations as associate registrations for the professions of clinical social work, marriage and family therapy, and mental health counseling; amending s. 491.005, F.S.; deleting the requirement that a licensed mental health professional be present on the premises when registered associates, formerly classified as registered interns, are providing clinical services in a private practice setting; amending ss. 491.009, 491.012, 491.014, and 491.0149, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Burgess and Rouson—

SB 124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to grandparent visitation rights; amending s. 752.011, F.S.; authorizing a grandparent of a minor child to petition a court for court-ordered visitation with the child in certain circumstances; making technical changes; reenacting ss. 752.015 and 752.071, F.S., relating to mediation of visitation disputes

and the effect of adoption by a stepparent or close relative, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 752.011, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bradley—

SB 126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescription hearing aids; amending ss. 468.1265 and 484.054, F.S.; authorizing the sale and distribution of prescription hearing aids to consumers through the mail if certain conditions are met before the sale; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential property insurers; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; requiring homeowner's policy insurers to give specified notifications to policyholders; requiring that such notice be mailed and, under certain circumstances, e-mailed; specifying exceptions to notification requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to compensation of victims of wrongful incarceration; amending s. 961.02, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term "violent felony"; amending s. 961.03, F.S.; expanding the period during which a petition for compensation for wrongful incarceration may be filed; providing that certain persons who had petitions dismissed or who had not previously filed such petitions may file such petitions; amending s. 961.04, F.S.; providing that a wrongfully incarcerated person is not eligible for compensation for any period of incarceration during which the person was concurrently serving a sentence for a conviction of another felony for which such person was lawfully incarcerated; deleting provisions excluding persons convicted of violent felonies from compensation; deleting other exclusions; amending s. 961.06, F.S.; revising provisions concerning the offset of civil judgments in favor of claimants against awards; providing that the Chief Financial Officer may not draw a warrant to purchase an annuity for a claimant in certain circumstances; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to draw a warrant after a certain term has concluded; amending s. 961.07, F.S.; revising provisions concerning a continuing appropriation for certain payments; providing that certain payments are subject to specific appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to legal tender; creating s. 215.986, F.S.; defining terms; specifying that specie legal tender and electronic currency are legal tender; prohibiting specie or specie legal tender from being characterized as personal property for taxation and regulatory purposes; specifying that certain transactions of specie do not give rise to tax liability; providing that exchange of one type or form of legal tender for another type or form of legal tender does not give rise to tax liability; prohibiting persons from compelling others to tender or accept specie as legal tender; authorizing governmental entities to recognize specie legal tender for certain payments; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sales tax exemption of bullion; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; exempting the sale of gold, silver, and platinum bullion from the state sales tax; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school personnel salary schedules; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; deleting definitions; deleting a requirement relating to cost-of-living salary adjustments; revising requirements for salary schedules for school employees; authorizing, rather than requiring, a district school board to base a portion of each employee's compensation on performance; deleting a requirement that district school boards adopt a performance salary schedule based on specified requirements; revising the requirement for a base salary for instructional personnel or school administrators; revising conditions under which a district school board must provide salary supplements; deleting a provision that prohibits a performance salary schedule from being reduced due to budget constraints; making technical changes; reenacting ss. 1002.33(16)(b), 1002.451(5)(a), 1003.621(2)(h), and 1011.6202(3)(b), F.S., relating to charter school exemption from statutes, district innovation school of technology program exemption from statutes, academically high-performing school districts' compliance with statutes and rules, and Principal Autonomy Program Initiative exemption from laws, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 1012.22, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

SB 138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving under the influence; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; prohibiting a person from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of any intoxicating substance; amending s. 316.1932, F.S.; requiring that a person be told that his or her failure to submit to a lawful test of breath or urine is a second degree misdemeanor or a first degree misdemeanor under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.1939, F.S.; classifying a person's refusal to submit to a chemical or physical test of breath or urine as a second degree misdemeanor or a first degree misdemeanor under certain circumstances; creating s. 316.19395, F.S.; authorizing judicial circuits to create driving under the influence diversion programs; providing requirements for such diversion programs; providing that a person who successfully completes a diversion program is ineligible for participation in such a program in the future; amending s. 316.656, F.S.; prohibiting a court from suspending, deferring, or withholding adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence for a specified violation; amending s. 322.34, F.S.; providing penalties for specified violations of driving while a license or driving privilege is canceled, suspended, or revoked or under suspension or revocation equivalent status; amending s. 327.35, F.S.; prohibiting a person from operating a vessel while under the influence of any intoxicating substance; amending s. 933.02, F.S.; permitting the issuance of a search warrant when a sample of blood of a person constitutes evidence relevant to proving specified crimes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; revising which persons or entities may apply for a conversion charter school; authorizing a municipality to apply for a job engine charter under certain conditions; providing the purpose of a job engine charter; providing requirements for a job engine charter;

amending s. 1013.15, F.S.; requiring a school board to submit a 5-year plan to the Department of Education before occupying purchased or acquired real property; requiring that the plan be updated and submitted to the department annually; prohibiting a school board from purchasing or acquiring real property if enrollment in the school district has declined in the preceding 5-year period; requiring a school board to dispose of real property, deemed by the State Board of Education to be surplus; requiring that surplus real property be given priority for conversion for specified purposes; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules and procedures; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protections for public employees who use medical marijuana as qualified patients; creating s. 112.0556, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a public employer from taking adverse personnel action against an employee or a job applicant for his or her use of medical marijuana if the employee or job applicant is a qualified patient; providing exceptions; requiring a public employer to provide written notice of an employee's or a job applicant's right to explain or contest a positive marijuana test result within a specified timeframe; providing procedures that apply when an employee or a job applicant tests positive for marijuana; providing a cause of action and damages; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marriage between persons of the same sex; repealing s. 741.212, F.S., relating to marriage between persons of the same sex; deleting a prohibition on the recognition of same-sex marriages; deleting a prohibition on the state and its agencies and subdivisions giving effect to a public act, record, or judicial proceeding that respects a same-sex marriage or relationship or a claim arising from such marriage or relationship; deleting the definitions of the terms “marriage” and “spouse”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protection of parental rights; amending s. 39.806, F.S.; prohibiting a court from denying or restricting certain parental rights based solely on a parent's status as a qualified patient for purposes of medical marijuana use; prohibiting the presumption of neglect or child endangerment based solely on a parent's status as a qualified patient for purposes of medical marijuana use; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to legal representation contracts; amending s. 16.0155, F.S.; defining the term “contingency fee”; creating s. 16.0156, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the Department of Legal Affairs from entering into certain contracts until the Attorney General makes a specified written determination; requiring that the determination include certain findings; requiring the Attorney General to request proposals from private attorneys after making such determination; providing that the written determination does not constitute a final agency action that is subject to review; providing that the request for proposals and the contract award are not subject to challenge under the Administrative Procedure Act; requiring contracted private attorneys to maintain certain records and to provide those records to the department at specified intervals; requiring the department

to post and maintain specified information on its website; requiring the Attorney General to submit an annual report to the Legislature by a specified date; specifying requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal cruelty during a declared state of emergency; amending s. 828.12, F.S.; providing increased criminal penalties for animal cruelty offenses committed during a declared state of emergency; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Davis and Sharief—

SB 152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protection from surgical smoke; creating s. 395.1013, F.S.; defining the terms “smoke evacuation system” and “surgical smoke”; requiring hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers to, by a specified date, adopt and implement policies requiring the use of smoke evacuation systems during certain surgical procedures; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Davis—

SB 154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Commission on Human Relations; amending s. 760.11, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the Florida Commission on Human Relations send certain information to certain persons by registered mail; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Safe Waterways Act; providing a short title; requiring the Department of Health to provide a report of specified information to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection to submit to the Governor and the Legislature, by a specified date, certain recommendations relating to the transfer of duties related to the bacteriological sampling of beach waters and public bathing places; requiring the departments to enter into an interagency agreement, by a specified date, that meets certain requirements; transferring the duties related to the bacteriological sampling of beach waters and public bathing places from the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection by a type two transfer by a specified date; providing that certain employees retain and transfer certain types of leave upon the transfer; amending s. 514.021, F.S.; specifying that the Department of Environmental Protection is solely responsible for adopting and enforcing rules related to the bacteriological sampling of beach waters and public bathing places; amending s. 514.023, F.S.; defining the term “department”; requiring, rather than authorizing, the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt and enforce certain rules; revising requirements for such rules; requiring, rather than authorizing, the department to issue health advisories under certain circumstances; directing the department to require closure of beach waters and public bathing places under certain circumstances; requiring that such closures remain in effect for a specified period; including public bathing places in an existing preemption of authority to the state pertaining to the issuance of such health advisories and an existing notification requirement; requiring the department to notify the local affiliates of national television networks in affected areas; requiring municipalities and counties to notify the department of any incident that may affect the quality of beach

waters and public bathing places within their respective jurisdictions; requiring public boat docks, marinas, and piers to notify the municipality or county having jurisdiction of any incident that may affect the quality of beach waters in which the dock, marina, or pier is located; requiring the department to investigate wastewater treatment facilities and ocean outfalls within the adjoining municipalities and counties of the affected beach waters and public bathing places; requiring the department to adopt by rule a certain health advisory sign; providing requirements for the sign; providing that municipalities and counties are responsible for posting and maintaining the health advisory signs around affected beach waters and public bathing places that they own; providing that the department is responsible for maintaining the health advisory signs around affected beach waters and public bathing places owned by the state; requiring the department to coordinate with the Department of Health and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission as necessary to implement such signage requirements; requiring the department to monitor affected beach waters and public bathing places for compliance with the signage requirements; requiring the department to establish a public statewide interagency database for a specified purpose; requiring the department, in coordination with the Department of Health, to adopt certain rules and procedures; providing requirements for the publication of certain data; amending s. 514.0231, F.S.; deleting an obsolete provision; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coverage for diagnostic and supplemental breast examinations; amending s. 110.123, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 110.12303, F.S.; prohibiting the state group insurance program from imposing any cost-sharing requirement upon an enrollee with respect to coverage for diagnostic breast examinations or supplemental breast examinations; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senators Gruters and Boyd—

SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public accountancy; amending s. 473.301, F.S.; making a technical change regarding the purpose of ch. 473, F.S.; amending s. 473.302, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term “Uniform Accountancy Act”; amending s. 473.3035, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Accountancy to contract with certain corporations not for profit for the performance of certain duties assigned to the Division of Certified Public Accounting of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 473.306, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; making a technical change; amending s. 473.308, F.S.; revising the education and work experience requirements for a certified public accountant license; directing the board to prescribe specified coursework for licensure; revising requirements for licensure by endorsement; deleting provisions with respect to licensure of applicants with work experience in foreign countries; deleting obsolete language; creating s. 473.3085, F.S.; requiring an international applicant who seeks licensure as a certified public accountant in this state to meet specified criteria prescribed by the board; requiring such applicants to apply to the department; requiring such applicants to create and maintain an online account with the department; providing that the applicant’s e-mail address serves as the primary means of communication from the department; requiring an applicant to submit any change in certain information within a specified timeframe through the department’s online system; requiring the department to certify an applicant who meets certain requirements; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 473.312, F.S.; revising requirements for the approval of providers who administer continuing education on ethics for certified public accountants; requiring the board to give preference to certain providers; amending s. 473.3141, F.S.; revising requirements for certified public accountants licensed in another state or a territory of the United States to practice in this state without obtaining a license; reenacting s. 473.311(1)(b), F.S., relating to renewal of license, to in-

corporate the amendment made to s. 473.312, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Berman—

SB 162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer finance loans; creating s. 516.181, F.S.; prohibiting persons from engaging in specified actions to evade the requirements of ch. 516, F.S.; providing that consumer finance loans made in violation of such prohibitions are void and uncollectible; providing construction relating to when a person is deemed to be a lender subject to such prohibitions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel accountability; amending s. 327.02, F.S.; deleting the term “owner”; defining the term “vessel owner”; reenacting and amending s. 327.4107, F.S.; providing a penalty for a person anchoring, mooring, or allowing certain vessels to occupy the waters of this state if an officer of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or a law enforcement agency finds that specified conditions exist; revising the manner and timeframe for vessel owners or operators to demonstrate a vessel’s effective means of propulsion for safe navigation; deleting provisions providing a penalty for a person who anchors or moors certain vessels on the waters of this state; creating s. 327.4111, F.S.; defining the term “long-term anchoring”; requiring the commission to issue, at no cost, a permit for the long-term anchoring of a vessel which includes specified information; providing construction; providing a penalty for long-term anchoring without a permit; providing applicability; providing that a permit is not required under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; amending s. 327.70, F.S.; authorizing the enforcement of certain noncriminal violations by citation mailed or issued to the owner of certain vessels; amending s. 327.73, F.S.; requiring that a vessel subject to a specified number of violations within a 24-month period which result in certain dispositions be declared a public nuisance; providing that failure to appear at a hearing or failure to pay civil penalties constitutes a certain disposition; providing penalties related to long-term anchoring; requiring that a vessel subject to a specified number of violations relating to long-term anchoring within a 24-month period which result in certain dispositions be declared a public nuisance; providing that failure to appear at a hearing or failure to pay a certain civil penalty constitutes a disposition other than acquittal or dismissal; providing an exception; authorizing certain persons to relocate, remove, or cause to be relocated or removed certain vessels; requiring that certain persons be held harmless for all damages to a vessel resulting from such relocation or removal; providing exceptions; amending s. 705.103, F.S.; revising the notice placed upon a derelict vessel declared a public nuisance which is present upon the waters of this state; deleting a provision specifying that a party responsible for a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance has the right to a certain hearing; deleting provisions assigning liability to a party deemed legally responsible for a derelict vessel or vessel declared a public nuisance; deleting provisions allowing a law enforcement officer or a representative of a law enforcement agency or other governmental entity to notify a party deemed legally responsible for a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance of the final disposition of the derelict vessel; reenacting and amending s. 823.11, F.S.; prohibiting a vessel owner from leaving a derelict vessel upon the waters of this state; deleting provisions related to a party responsible for a derelict vessel; providing prima facie evidence of ownership or control of a derelict vessel left upon the waters of this state; providing a means of exonerating an owner of a vessel or derelict vessel of responsibility if such owner attempts to transfer ownership or control of such vessel; providing that the owner of a derelict vessel is exclusively responsible for all costs associated with the relocation, removal, storage, destruction, or disposal of the derelict vessel; authorizing the commission to use grant funds allocated for the removal, storage, destruction, and disposal of derelict vessels from the waters of this state for the derelict vessel prevention program; providing

penalties; prohibiting a person from dwelling or residing on a derelict vessel; providing penalties; authorizing law enforcement officers to enforce such provisions; authorizing a person to reside on a vessel if the vessel is in a state or condition that is no longer derelict; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; reenacting ss. 327.04 and 327.4108(6)(d), F.S., relating to rules and the anchoring of vessels in anchoring limitation areas, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 832.11, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 327.54(3)(d), F.S., relating to liveries, safety regulations, and penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 327.4107 and 823.11, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 705.101(1), F.S., relating to definitions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 327.73, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 705.104(1) and 713.585(8), F.S., relating to the title to lost or abandoned property and the enforcement of a lien by sale of motor vehicle, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 705.103, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Simon—

SB 166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to administrative efficiency in public schools; amending s. 120.81, F.S.; exempting district school boards from requirements for adopting certain rules; amending s. 1001.02, F.S.; revising a duty of the State Board of Education to adopt certain rules; amending s. 1001.23, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to annually inform district school superintendents by a specified date that they are authorized to petition to receive a specified declaratory statement; requiring the department to annually maintain and provide school districts with a list of statutory and rule requirements; providing requirements for such list; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; deleting a requirement for a district school board to employ an internal auditor in certain circumstances; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the school financial report be included in the student handbook; requiring the department to produce specified reports relating to school accountability and make such reports available on the department's website; requiring each school district to provide a link to such reports; amending s. 1002.31, F.S.; revising how often a school district or charter school must update its school capacity determination; deleting a requirement relating to school capacity determination by district school boards; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; conforming a provision relating to a 5-year facilities plan; amending s. 1002.394, F.S.; revising the timeframe for a school district to develop an IEP and matrix of services after receipt of a parent's request; amending s. 1002.451, F.S.; requiring innovation schools of technology to comply with specified provisions relating to instructional multiyear contracts, in addition to annual contracts, for instructional personnel in addition to annual contracts; amending s. 1002.61, F.S.; removing public schools from a requirement for early learning coalitions to verify compliance with law; amending s. 1002.63, F.S.; deleting a requirement for an early learning coalition to verify that certain public schools comply with specified provisions; amending s. 1002.71, F.S.; revising requirements relating to district school board attendance policies for Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Programs; requiring a school district to certify its attendance records for a Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.; deleting a requirement for district school boards to provide an accountability plan to the Commissioner of Education under certain conditions; amending s. 1003.26, F.S.; authorizing a district school board to determine a timeframe for purposes of addressing a student's absences; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; revising requirements for assessments needed for a student to earn a high school diploma; deleting a requirement for a student who transfers into a public high school to take specified assessments; revising the courses for which the transferring course final grade must be honored for a transfer student under certain conditions; amending s. 1003.433, F.S.; deleting requirements that must be met by students who transfer to a public school for 11th or 12th grade; amending s. 1006.1494, F.S.; providing that provisions relating to student online personal information protection do not impose requirements for a K-12 school, school district, or school board; amending s. 1006.40, F.S.; revising the timeframe within which certain instructional materials must be purchased; amending s. 1008.212, F.S.; providing that certain assessments are not subject to specified requirements; revising a deadline for IEP teams to submit requests for extraordinary exemp-

tions; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; requiring the Commissioner of Education to notify school districts of the assessment schedule for a specified time interval; deleting requirements relating to a uniform calendar that must be published by the commissioner each year; revising an annual timeframe for each school district to establish schedules for the administration of statewide, standardized assessments; requiring each school district to publish certain information regarding such schedules on its website; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1008.25, F.S.; specifying the score needed on any administration of the coordinated screening and progress monitoring system for a student to be promoted to grade 4; conforming cross-references; amending s. 1008.33, F.S.; prohibiting a school from being required to use a certain parameter as the sole determining factor to recruit instructional personnel; providing requirements for a rule adopted by the State Board of Education; amending s. 1010.20, F.S.; requiring charter schools to respond to monitoring questions from the department; amending s. 1011.035, F.S.; deleting a requirement that each district school board budget posted on the school board's website include a graphical representation of specified information; revising website requirements; amending s. 1011.14, F.S.; revising the types of facilities for which district school boards may incur certain financial obligations; amending s. 1011.60, F.S.; revising circumstances under which the State Board of Education may alter the length of school terms for certain school districts; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; deleting a requirement that certain full-time equivalent bonuses under the Florida Education Finance Program be paid only to teachers who are employed by the district when the bonus is calculated; amending s. 1011.6202, F.S.; requiring schools participating in the Principal Autonomy Program Initiative to comply with specified provisions relating to instructional multiyear contracts, in addition to annual contracts, for instructional personnel; amending s. 1011.69, F.S.; deleting a requirement relating to Title I fund allocations to schools; providing a new category of funding school districts are authorized to withhold; revising a category of funding a school district is authorized to withhold; requiring the department to make certain funds available to local education agencies; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; revising specified vehicles that may be purchased or leased using specified revenue; revising the types of facilities payments that may be made from such revenue; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; providing requirements for advanced degrees which may be used to set salary schedules for instructional personnel and school administrators hired after a specified date; specifying district school board activities that may not be precluded by collective bargaining; amending s. 1012.335, F.S.; defining the term "instructional multiyear contract"; providing requirements for the award of an instructional multiyear contract; requiring that an employee awarded an instructional multiyear contract be returned to an annual contract under certain conditions; making conforming and technical changes; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; requiring that procedures and requirements established by the district school superintendent for performance evaluations be approved by the district school board; requiring the district school superintendent to submit evaluation systems to the department under certain circumstances; deleting a requirement for the department to approve and monitor each school district's evaluation systems; revising the portion of a performance evaluation that is based on student performance; deleting certain performance evaluation requirements; providing that student performance may not be the sole determinant for incentive pay for instructional personnel or school administrators; amending s. 1012.39, F.S.; revising an occupational experience qualification requirement for nondegree teachers of career programs; deleting a training requirement for full-time nondegree teachers of career programs; amending s. 1012.555, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for individuals to participate in the Teacher Apprenticeship Program; amending employment requirements for paraprofessionals to serve as an apprentice teacher; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; specifying individuals who must demonstrate mastery of general knowledge for educator certification; authorizing school districts and consortia of school districts to issue temporary certificates under certain conditions; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1012.585, F.S.; revising the validity period for professional certificates; providing eligibility requirements for 5-year and 10-year professional certificates; revising requirements for the renewal of professional certificates; amending s. 1013.19, F.S.; requiring that proceeds from certain sales or leases of property be used for specified purposes by boards of trustees for Florida College System institutions or state universities; amending s. 1013.35, F.S.; deleting definitions; revising requirements for the contents of a district school board's tentative district educational facilities plan; deleting provisions relating to district school boards coordinating with

local governments to ensure consistency between school district and local government plans; authorizing, rather than requiring, local governments to review tentative district educational facilities plans; making conforming changes; amending s. 1013.41, F.S.; revising requirements for an educational facilities plan; revising the duties of the Office of Educational Facilities; amending s. 1013.45, F.S.; specifying that Florida College System institution and state university boards of trustees are required to use an architect for the development of certain plans; deleting district school board requirements for certain construction plans; repealing s. 1013.451, F.S., relating to life-cycle costs comparisons; amending s. 1013.62, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1013.64, F.S.; revising determinations of allocations from the Public Education Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund; revising criteria for construction project funding from a specified account; revising district school board requirements relating to educational plant construction; amending ss. 163.3180, 1002.68, 1003.631, 1004.04, 1004.85, 1012.586, and 1012.98, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health; providing a short title; amending s. 394.658, F.S.; expanding the programs and diversion initiatives supported by implementation or expansion grants to include training for 911 public safety telecommunicators and emergency medical technicians for certain purposes and to include veterans treatment court programs; exempting certain fiscally constrained counties from local match requirements for specified grants; amending s. 916.105, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating s. 916.135, F.S.; defining terms; encouraging communities to apply for specified grants to establish misdemeanor or ordinance violation mental health diversion programs; providing a model process for such mental health diversion programs; requiring adherence to specified provisions to the extent of available funds; authorizing specified entities to collaborate to establish certain policies and procedures and to develop a certain consent form; providing consent form requirements; requiring defendants to sign the consent form to participate in the diversion program; authorizing the screening of certain defendants and prompt evaluation for involuntary examination under certain circumstances; specifying procedures if the evaluation demonstrates that the defendant meets the criteria for involuntary examination; authorizing a court to consider releasing a defendant on his or her own recognizance under certain circumstances; requiring a court to order that a defendant be assessed for outpatient treatment under certain circumstances; authorizing the state attorney, the defense attorney, or the court to, at any stage of the criminal proceedings, request that such a defendant be screened pursuant to certain provisions; authorizing defendants out of custody to be evaluated pursuant to certain provisions; requiring the state attorney to consider dismissal of the charges upon a defendant's successful completion of all treatment recommendations from a mental health assessment; authorizing the court to exhaust therapeutic interventions aimed at improving compliance before a defendant is returned to jail; creating s. 916.136, F.S.; defining terms; encouraging communities to apply for specified grants to establish pretrial felony mental health diversion programs; providing a model process for such mental health diversion programs; authorizing specified entities to collaborate to establish certain policies and procedures and to develop a certain consent form; providing consent form requirements; requiring defendants to sign the consent form to participate in the diversion program; specifying criteria under which a defendant may be eligible for the mental health diversion program; specifying that the state attorney has the sole discretion to determine a defendant's pretrial felony mental health diversion eligibility; authorizing the state attorney to recommend that certain defendants be screened and offered pretrial felony mental health diversion; requiring defendants to sign the consent form to participate in the diversion program; requiring that a defendant be assessed for outpatient treatment upon his or her agreeing to participate in the mental health diversion program; requiring the state attorney to consider dismissal of the charges upon a defendant's successful completion of all treatment recommendations from a mental health assessment; authorizing the state attorney to revoke the defendant's participation in such mental health diversion program under

specified circumstances; amending s. 916.185, F.S.; expanding eligibility for the Forensic Hospital Diversion Pilot Program to include Hillsborough County; creating s. 945.093, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to evaluate the physical and mental health of each inmate eligible for work assignments and correctional work programs; requiring the department to document eligibility before the inmate receives orders for an assignment or program; creating s. 948.0395, F.S.; requiring mental health evaluations and the following of all recommendations as conditions of probation for specified defendants; amending s. 1004.649, F.S.; creating the Florida Behavioral Health Care Data Repository within the Northwest Regional Data Center; specifying the purposes of the data repository; requiring the Northwest Regional Data Center to develop a specified plan; requiring the Northwest Regional Data Center to submit, by a specified date, a certain developed plan to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring the Florida Behavioral Health Care Data Repository to submit, by a specified date and annually thereafter, a specified report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burton—

SB 170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the quality of care in nursing homes; reviving, reenacting, and amending s. 400.0225, F.S., relating to consumer satisfaction surveys; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop user-friendly consumer satisfaction surveys for nursing home facilities; specifying requirements for the surveys; authorizing family members, guardians, and other resident designees to assist the resident in completing the survey; prohibiting employees and volunteers of the facility or of a corporation or business entity with an ownership interest in the facility from attempting to influence a resident's responses to the survey; requiring the agency to specify certain protocols for administration of the survey; requiring the agency to publish on its website aggregated survey data in a manner that allows for comparison between nursing home facilities; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; requiring medical directors of nursing home facilities to obtain, or to be in the process of obtaining, certain qualifications by a specified date; requiring the agency to include such medical director's name on each nursing home facility's online provider profile; requiring nursing home facilities to conduct biennial patient safety culture surveys; specifying requirements for administration of such surveys; requiring nursing home facilities to submit the results of such surveys biennially to the agency in a format specified by agency rule; authorizing nursing home facilities to develop an internal action plan between surveys to identify measures for improvement of the survey and submit such plan to the agency; amending s. 400.191, F.S.; requiring the agency to include the results from specified consumer satisfaction surveys as part of the Nursing Home Guide on its website; amending s. 408.051, F.S.; requiring nursing home facilities that maintain certain electronic health records to make available certain data to the agency's Florida Health Information Exchange program for a specified purpose; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; amending s. 408.061, F.S.; requiring the agency to impose administrative fines against home offices of nursing homes for failing to comply with certain reporting requirements; defining the term "violation"; providing construction; requiring the agency to adopt rules; providing requirements for such rules; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; requiring the agency to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature on payments made under the Quality Incentive Program; specifying requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burton—

SB 172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care practitioner specialty titles and designations; amending s. 456.003, F.S.; revising legislative findings; creating s. 456.65, F.S.; prohibiting the use of specified titles and designations by health care practitioners not licensed as physicians or osteopathic physicians, as applicable, with an exception; providing that the use of such titles and designations constitutes the unlicensed practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine, as

applicable; authorizing the Department of Health to pursue specified remedies for such violations; authorizing health care practitioners to use names and titles, and their corresponding designations and initials, authorized by their respective practice acts; specifying the manner in which health care practitioners may represent their specialty practice areas; specifying titles and abbreviations certain health care practitioners may use; providing construction; amending ss. 458.3312 and 459.0152, F.S.; specifying specialist titles and designations that physicians and osteopathic physicians, respectively, are prohibited from using unless they have received formal recognition by the appropriate recognizing agency for such specialty certifications; authorizing the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, as applicable, to adopt certain rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SJR 174—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 authorize the Legislature, by general law, to prohibit the consideration of any change or improvement made to homestead property to mitigate flood damage in determining the assessed value of such property for ad valorem taxation purposes and to provide an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assessment of homestead property; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; defining terms; requiring that changes, additions, or improvements that replace or are made to elevate homestead property be assessed in a specified manner; specifying how such assessment must be calculated under certain conditions; authorizing property appraisers to require certain evidence; requiring that homestead property comply with certain requirements; providing applicability; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

SB 178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an agronomic study on emerging crops; requiring Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University to conduct an agronomic study on emerging crops in this state, subject to legislative appropriation; requiring Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency preparedness and response; amending s. 161.101, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to waive or reduce local government match requirements under certain circumstances; providing for future expiration; amending s. 193.4518, F.S.; providing a tangible personal property assessment limitation, during a certain timeframe and in certain counties, for certain agricultural equipment that is unable to be used due to Hurricanes Debby, Helene, or Milton; specifying conditions for applying for and receiving the assessment limitation; providing procedures for petitioning the value adjustment board if an application is denied; providing applicability; amending s. 215.559, F.S.; deleting a reference to a certain report; revising public hurricane shelter funding prioritization requirements for the Division of Emergency Management; amending s. 250.375, F.S.; authorizing certain servicemembers to provide medical care in specified circumstances;

amending s. 252.35, F.S.; providing legislative intent; revising the date by which the state comprehensive emergency management plan must be submitted to the Legislature and the Governor; revising the components of the plan; requiring the division to provide certain assistance to political subdivisions; revising requirements for training provided by the division; revising inventory requirements; deleting a requirement for a certain biennial report; requiring the division to conduct an annual hurricane readiness session in each region designated by the division for a specified purpose; requiring all county emergency management directors, and authorizing others county and municipal personnel, to attend, such session; requiring that the session include specified topics and needs; amending s. 252.355, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Veterans' Affairs to provide certain information to specified clients or their caregivers; amending s. 252.3611, F.S.; directing specified entities to submit specified contracts and reports to the Legislature under specified conditions; requiring that such contracts be posted on a specified secure contract system; requiring the Auditor General to post the results of specified audits on his or her official website; requiring the division to report annually to the Legislature specified information on expenditures related to emergencies; providing requirements for such report; amending s. 252.365, F.S.; revising the responsibilities for agency emergency coordination officers; requiring agency heads to notify the Governor and the division of the person designated as the emergency coordination officer annually by a specified date; amending s. 252.3655, F.S.; creating the natural hazards risks and mitigation interagency coordinating group; providing the purpose of the group; providing for the membership and administration of the group; requiring agency representatives to provide information relating to natural hazards to this state, agency resources, efforts to address and mitigate risk and impacts of natural hazards; requiring the group to meet in person or by communication media technology at least quarterly for specified purposes; requiring specified agency heads to meet at least annually to strategize and prioritize state efforts; requiring the division, on behalf of the group, to prepare a certain progress report; revising the requirements of such report; revising requirements for an annual progress report by the division on behalf of the group; requiring the division, on behalf of the group, to submit such report to the Governor and the Legislature; creating s. 252.3713, F.S.; requiring the division to administer the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program; authorizing the division to retain a specified percentage of the funds for state use; requiring that the remaining percentage be distributed for use by certain recipients; authorizing subrecipients to make a certain election for a specified use; requiring the prioritization of certain projects; authorizing the division to coordinate with specified entities under certain circumstances; requiring that such cooperation ensures certain requirements are met and certain projects are funded; authorizing fiscally constrained counties to request that the division administer the grant for such a county; authorizing such counties to request certain assistance from the division; requiring the division to adopt rules; amending s. 252.373, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 252.38, F.S.; requiring each political subdivision to notify the division of the designated emergency contact annually by a specified date; amending s. 252.385, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for the division; revising requirements for a specified list; requiring the Department of Health and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to assist the division with certain determinations; creating s. 252.392, F.S.; requiring counties and municipalities to develop a post-storm permitting plan; providing requirements for the plan; requiring annual updates to the plan by a specified date; requiring counties and municipalities to publish, and post on their websites, a specified storm recovery guide annually by a specified date; prohibiting certain counties and municipalities from increasing building permit or inspection fees within a specified timeframe; requiring such counties and municipalities to have certain personnel available during normal business hours; amending s. 400.063, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 403.7071, F.S.; providing that local governments are authorized and encouraged to add addendums to certain contracts or agreements; requiring counties and municipalities to apply to the Department of Environmental Protection for authorization to designate at least one debris management site; authorizing municipalities to apply jointly with a county or another adjacent municipality for authorization of a minimum number of debris management sites if such entities approve a memorandum of understanding; providing requirements for such memoranda; prohibiting certain counties from proposing or adopting certain moratoriums, amendments, or procedures for a specified period; declaring that such moratoriums, amendments, or procedures are null and void; providing for retroactive application; providing that certain comprehensive plan

amendments, land development regulation amendments, site plans, and development permits or orders may be enforced under specified conditions; providing for future expiration; reenacting s. 252.55(6), F.S., relating to a certain biennial report submitted by the wing commander of the Civil Air Patrol, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 252.35, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax credits for charitable contributions; creating s. 211.02535, F.S.; providing a credit against oil and gas production taxes under the Home Away From Home Tax Credit beginning on a specified date; prohibiting the combined credit allowed under certain provisions from exceeding a certain amount; requiring that a specified credit be taken first under certain circumstances; prohibiting any remaining liability from exceeding a certain amount; creating s. 212.18345, F.S.; providing a credit against sales taxes payable by direct pay permit holders under the Home Away From Home Tax Credit beginning on a specified date; requiring that the amount of tax due used to calculate the credit include certain amounts; requiring the Department of Revenue to disregard certain tax credits for a specified reason; providing applicability; requiring a dealer to pay his or her taxes electronically under certain circumstances; amending s. 220.02, F.S.; revising legislative intent; creating s. 220.18775, F.S.; providing a credit against the corporate income tax under the Home Away From Home Tax Credit beginning on a specified date; requiring that an eligible contribution be made on or before a specified date; providing that a credit granted by the act is reduced by specified calculation; authorizing the credit on a consolidated return basis under certain circumstances; providing applicability; specifying requirements if a taxpayer applies and is approved for a specified credit; creating s. 402.63, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Department of Health to designate organizations meeting specified criteria as eligible charitable organizations for purposes of the tax credit; prohibiting the Department of Health from designating certain organizations; specifying requirements for eligible charitable organizations receiving contributions; specifying duties of the Department of Health; specifying a limitation on, and application procedures for, the tax credit; specifying requirements and procedures for, and restrictions on, the carryforward, conveyance, transfer, assignment, and rescindment of credits; specifying requirements and procedures for the Department of Revenue; providing construction; authorizing the Department of Revenue, the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and the Department of Health to develop a cooperative agreement and adopt rules; authorizing certain interagency information sharing; providing construction; creating s. 561.12135, F.S.; providing a credit against excise taxes on certain alcoholic beverages under the Home Away From Home Tax Credit beginning on a specified date; prohibiting the credit from exceeding a certain amount; requiring the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to disregard certain tax credits for a specified reason; providing applicability; creating s. 624.51059, F.S.; providing a credit against the insurance premium tax under the Home Away From Home Tax Credit for certain taxable years; specifying that certain insurers are not required to pay additional retaliatory tax; providing that a certain provision does not limit the credit; providing applicability; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules related to the Home Away From Home Tax Credit; providing that such emergency rules are effective for a specified period of time; authorizing that such emergency rules be renewed under certain circumstances; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to affordable housing; amending s. 163.31771, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, a local government to adopt an ordinance to allow accessory dwelling units in certain areas; prohibiting such an ordinance from increasing parking requirements; providing applicability of such an ordinance; creating s. 420.5098, F.S.; requiring the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to

establish a model program that uses mezzanine finance for a certain purpose; requiring the corporation to consult with a specified entity; amending s. 420.615, F.S.; authorizing a local government to provide a density bonus incentive to landowners who make certain real property donations to assist in the provision of affordable housing for military families; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Berman and Smith—

SB 186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to safe storage of firearms and ammunition in motor vehicles and vessels; creating s. 790.176, F.S.; defining the terms “motor vehicle,” “trunk,” and “vessel”; requiring persons who store or leave firearms or ammunition in motor vehicles or vessels under their control to keep the firearms or ammunition locked inside specified locations within the motor vehicles or vessels while not in the motor vehicles or vessels; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the possession or use of a firearm in a sensitive location; creating s. 790.075, F.S.; defining the term “sensitive location”; prohibiting the possession or use of a firearm in a sensitive location; providing criminal penalties; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Rouson and Smith—

SB 190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to storage of handguns in private conveyances and vessels; amending s. 790.25, F.S.; providing requirements for storage of handguns in private conveyances and vessels; providing definitions; requiring law enforcement agencies to engage in a specified promotional campaign; requiring counties to adopt, by a date certain, specified ordinances concerning the parents of children who have been found to have stolen a handgun from a conveyance or vessel; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Community Affairs; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to revenue administration; amending s. 63.088, F.S.; replacing the term “tax assessor” with the term “property appraiser”; amending s. 125.01, F.S.; revising the powers of the legislative and governing body of counties; amending s. 153.60, F.S.; revising ex officio officers for county water and sewer districts; specifying the manner in which such districts must administer taxes and non-ad valorem assessments; repealing s. 153.69, F.S., relating to designation of the county property appraiser as ex officio tax assessor for a district; amending s. 153.81, F.S.; deleting the term “special” related to ad valorem maintenance taxes; amending s. 153.82, F.S.; replacing the term “special assessments” with the term “non-ad valorem assessments”; amending ss. 157.06, 170.08, 171.093, 189.021, 190.021, and 190.022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; reordering and amending s. 192.001, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “ad valorem tax” and “assessed value of property”; defining terms; amending s. 192.0105, F.S.; revising the rights guaranteed to state taxpayers; amending s. 193.077, F.S.; revising the requirements of a specified list; creating s. 193.4614, F.S.; prohibiting the levy of non-ad valorem assessments on agricultural lands under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; providing

applicability; amending ss. 193.503, 193.505, and 194.306, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 197.2421, 197.2524, 197.263, 197.272, and 197.282, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 197.3632, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “non-ad valorem assessment”; amending s. 200.065, F.S.; revising the instructions that property appraisers must send to each taxing authority regarding the taxable value of certain property; specifying the method of calculation of the rolled-back rate; defining the term “gross taxable value for operating purposes”; amending ss. 298.301, 298.349, and 298.353, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 298.36, F.S.; authorizing the payment of non-ad valorem assessments for lands belonging to the state; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 298.365, F.S.; authorizing the collection of non-ad valorem assessments; making technical changes; amending s. 298.366, F.S.; specifying that non-ad valorem assessments may become delinquent and bear penalties in the same manner as county taxes; making technical changes; amending ss. 298.41 and 298.465, F.S.; requiring the collection and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments on land in certain subdistricts and districts, respectively; making technical changes; amending s. 298.49, F.S.; specifying how certain interest must be appropriated for non-ad valorem assessments; making technical changes; amending s. 298.50, F.S.; authorizing the levy of non-ad valorem assessments to pay the principal and interest on bonds issued; making technical changes; amending ss. 298.52 and 298.54, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 298.56, F.S.; authorizing non-ad valorem assessments to be levied to pay certain bonds issued; making technical changes; amending ss. 298.71, 298.72, 298.76, 298.77, 298.78, and 373.0697, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending ss. 112.312, 119.071, 192.042, 212.08, 220.03, 377.708, 472.003, and 624.5105, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing severability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 194—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Insurance Solutions Advisory Council; creating the advisory council within the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission for specified purposes; providing for membership and meetings of the advisory council; requiring the office to provide the advisory council with staffing and administrative assistance; requiring the advisory council to submit a specified report annually; providing for expiration of the advisory council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to foods containing vaccines or vaccine materials; amending s. 499.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “drug”; defining the term “vaccine or vaccine material”; amending s. 499.007, F.S.; deeming a drug misbranded if it is a food containing a vaccine or vaccine material, but its label does not include specified information; amending s. 500.11, F.S.; deeming a food misbranded if it contains a vaccine or vaccine material, but its label does not include specified information; amending ss. 499.01 and 499.05, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Berman—

SCR 198—A concurrent resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the United States Constitution relating to equal rights for men and women.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a comprehensive waste reduction and recycling plan; amending s. 403.7032, F.S.; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to develop a comprehensive waste reduction and recycling plan for this state by a specified date, based on certain department recommendations; requiring the department to create and convene a technical assistance group for a specified purpose; specifying minimum requirements for the comprehensive plan; requiring the department to submit a report to the Legislature upon completion of the comprehensive plan; specifying requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to municipal water and sewer utility rates; amending s. 180.191, F.S.; requiring a municipality to charge customers receiving its utility services in another municipality the same rates, fees, and charges as it charges consumers within its municipal boundaries under certain circumstances; defining terms; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Jones—

SB 204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educator certifications and training; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; revising the core curricula for certain teacher preparation programs to include training relating to mass casualty incidents; amending s. 1004.85, F.S.; requiring certain postsecondary educator preparation institutes’ programs to include training relating to mass casualty incidents; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; revising the certified educator eligibility criteria to require such persons to receive training in mass casualty incidents; creating s. 1012.5841, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to develop a list of approved trainings relating to mass casualty incidents; beginning in a specified school year, requiring the department to include such trainings in existing continuing education and inservice training requirements for instructional personnel; providing applicability; authorizing the State Board of Education to adopt rules; amending ss. 1012.55 and 1012.57, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; Judiciary; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pregnant women in custody; providing a short title; creating s. 907.033, F.S.; requiring that, upon her request, every female arrested and not released on bond within 72 hours after arrest be administered a pregnancy test within a specified timeframe; requiring each municipal detention facility or county detention facility to notify each arrested female upon booking at the facility of her right to request a pregnancy test; providing for the types of pregnancy tests that may be given; defining the term “female”; creating s. 925.13, F.S.; defining the term “pregnant woman”; authorizing a sentencing court to stay the beginning of the period of incarceration for up to a certain amount of time for a pregnant woman convicted of any offense; requiring the court to consider specified factors in determining whether to grant a pregnant woman’s request to stay the beginning of the period of incarceration; requiring the court to explain in writing its reasons for granting a stay of incarceration; authorizing a sentencing court to order a pregnant woman to comply with specified terms and conditions during the stay of incarceration; requiring that, within 10 days after the end of the stay and the commencement of the

woman's incarceration, she be offered and, upon her request, receive a specified assessment and services; authorizing a judge to impose specified sanctions for another criminal conviction or a violation of the terms and conditions ordered by the judge; requiring municipal detention facilities and county detention facilities to collect and report to the Department of Corrections, and the department to collect from its own institutions, specified information; requiring the department to quarterly compile and publish the information on its public website; providing requirements for publishing such information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Arrington, Thompson, Berman, Polsky, Sharief, and Rouson—

SB 208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote; providing for enactment of the agreement; providing a method by which a state may become a member state; requiring a statewide popular election for President and Vice President of the United States; establishing a procedure for appointing presidential electors in member states; providing that the agreement becomes effective upon the occurrence of specified actions; providing for the withdrawal of a member state; requiring notification of member states when the agreement takes effect in a non-member state or when a member state withdraws from the agreement; providing severability; providing definitions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal cremation; creating s. 501.961, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; requiring a provider of companion animal cremation services to provide certain individuals and entities with a written description of the services the provider offers; requiring that the written description include a detailed explanation of each service offered; providing that the written description may not contain false or misleading information; requiring certain persons or entities that make referrals to providers or accept deceased companion animals for cremation through a provider to make a copy of the provider's written description of services available to owners or their representatives; providing construction; requiring certain providers to include a certification with the returned animal's cremation remains; specifying requirements for the certification; providing that certain acts are unlawful; providing civil penalties for initial and subsequent offenses; providing circumstances under which a person commits an unfair or deceptive act or practice or an unfair method of competition in violation of certain provisions; providing for a private right of action; providing powers of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; requiring that certain fines collected by the department be paid into the General Inspection Trust Fund; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Judiciary; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the official state bird; requiring the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to develop and conduct a certain survey; requiring the commission to provide the survey and certain website information to specified persons during a specified timeframe; requiring that the survey include specified bird species; requiring the commission to submit the results of the survey to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to special observances; creating s. 683.3343, F.S.; designating August 21 of each year as "Fentanyl Awareness and Education Day"; encouraging specified agencies, local governments, and public schools to sponsor events to promote awareness of the dangers of fentanyl and potential overdoses, including education on specified topics; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign finance; creating s. 106.1438, F.S.; defining the term "state agency"; prohibiting state agencies from using state funds to advocate for or against any matter that is the subject of a constitutional amendment or revision; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax exemption for disabled ex-servicemembers; amending s. 196.24, F.S.; increasing the value of a tax exemption for certain disabled ex-servicemembers; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Social Work Licensure Compact; creating s. 491.022, F.S.; creating the Social Work Licensure Compact; providing a purpose and objectives of the compact; defining terms; specifying requirements for state participation in the compact; specifying requirements for member states to maintain membership in the compact; requiring member states to designate the categories of social work licensure which are eligible for issuance of a multistate license in such states; specifying criteria licensed social workers must meet to be issued a multistate license under the compact; providing additional requirements based on the licensure category of such social workers; providing for the renewal of multistate licenses; specifying that a licensed social worker's services provided in a remote state are subject to that remote member state's regulatory authority; authorizing remote states to act on a licensee's multistate authorization to practice; specifying the consequences and parameters of practice for a licensee whose multistate license or multistate authorization to practice is encumbered; specifying procedures for issuing multistate licenses; providing for the recognition of multistate licenses in all member states; providing construction; specifying that a licensed social worker may hold a home state license in only one member state at a time; specifying requirements and procedures for reissuing a multistate license by a new home state; providing construction; authorizing active duty military personnel or their spouses to keep their home state designation during active duty; authorizing member states to take adverse action against a licensee's multistate authorization to practice and to issue subpoenas for hearings and investigations under certain circumstances; providing requirements and procedures for such adverse actions and subpoenas; authorizing member states to recover costs of investigations and dispositions from the affected licensed social workers in adverse actions; authorizing member states to engage in joint investigations under certain circumstances; providing that a licensee's multistate authorization to practice must be deactivated in all member states for the duration of an encumbrance imposed by the licensee's home state; providing for notice to the data system and the licensee's home state of any adverse action taken against a licensee; providing construction; establishing the Social Work Licensure Compact Commission; providing for membership, meetings, and powers of the commission; providing for powers, duties, membership, and meetings of the commission's executive committee; requiring the commission to adopt annual reports and provide them to member states; providing public notice and records

requirements for meetings of the commission; authorizing the commission to hold closed, nonpublic meetings under certain circumstances; providing for the financing of the commission; providing commission members, officers, executive directors, employees, and representatives immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; providing construction; requiring the commission to defend the commission's members, officers, executive directors, employees, and representatives in civil actions under certain circumstances; providing construction; requiring the commission to indemnify and hold harmless such individuals for any settlement or judgment obtained in such actions under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing for the development of the data system, reporting procedures, and the exchange of specified information between member states; requiring member states to report any adverse action taken against a licensee and monitor the data system for adverse action taken against a licensee in other member states; authorizing member states to designate as confidential information provided to the data system; requiring the commission to remove information from the data system under certain circumstances; providing rulemaking procedures for the commission, including public notice and meeting requirements; providing for member state enforcement of the compact; providing for the jurisdiction and venue for court proceedings brought against the commission; specifying that the commission is entitled to receive service of process, and has standing to intervene, in certain judicial and administrative proceedings; rendering certain judgments and orders void as to the commission, the compact, or commission rules under certain circumstances; providing for defaults, technical assistance, and termination of compact membership; providing procedures for the resolution of certain disputes; providing for commission enforcement of the compact; providing for remedies; providing that only a member state may seek enforcement of the compact against the commission; providing for implementation of, withdrawal from, and amendment to the compact; providing construction and severability; specifying that licensees providing services in a remote state under the compact must adhere to the laws and rules of the remote state; providing construction; amending s. 456.073, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to report certain investigative information to the data system of the Social Work Licensure Compact; amending s. 456.076, F.S.; requiring that monitoring contracts for impaired practitioners participating in treatment programs contain certain terms; amending s. 491.004, F.S.; requiring the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling to appoint an individual to serve as the state's delegate on the Social Work Licensure Compact Commission; amending ss. 491.005 and 491.006, F.S.; exempting social workers practicing under the compact from certain licensure requirements; amending s. 491.009, F.S.; authorizing certain disciplinary action under the compact for specified prohibited acts; amending s. 768.28, F.S.; designating the state delegate and other members or employees of the commission as state agents for the purpose of applying waivers of sovereign immunity; requiring the commission to pay certain claims or judgments; authorizing the commission to maintain insurance coverage to pay such claims or judgments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; creating s. 491.023, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain information held by the Department of Health or the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling pursuant to the Social Work Licensure Compact; authorizing the disclosure of such information under certain circumstances; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for certain meetings or portions of certain meetings of the Social Work Licensure Compact Commission or its executive committee or other committees; providing an exemption from public records requirements for recordings, minutes, and records generated during the exempt meetings or portions of such meetings; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the resolution of disputed property insurance claims; amending s. 627.7015, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, parties in a property insurance claim dispute to participate in mediation; providing that mediation is a condition precedent to commencing litigation; deleting provisions relating to the eligibility of claims for mediation; providing that the parties may mutually agree to conduct the mediation by teleconference or other electronic means; requiring all insureds, or their representatives, to personally attend the mediation; revising and specifying duties relating to bearing certain costs of mediation; requiring, rather than authorizing, the Department of Financial Services to adopt certain rules; authorizing the department to adopt certain emergency rules; requiring the policyholder to provide the insurer with any information and certain documents within a specified timeframe after mediation is invoked; revising conditions under which a policyholder has a certain timeframe to rescind a settlement; revising the definition of the term “claim”; providing and revising construction; amending s. 627.7074, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an appropriation; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoking in public places; amending s. 386.202, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 386.203, F.S.; defining the term “public place”; revising the definition of the terms “smoking” and “vape” or “vaping”; amending s. 386.204, F.S.; prohibiting smoking in public places in this state, with exceptions; providing applicability; amending s. 386.205, F.S.; revising requirements for customs smoking rooms to prohibit smoking and vaping of marijuana products at any time; amending s. 561.695, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

SR 228—Not introduced.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 230—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; amending s. 624.1551, F.S.; clarifying the prohibition related to claims for extra-contractual damages; revising construction relating to an adverse adjudication required for certain claims; specifying requirements for a certain notice; requiring that certain damages be available under and pursuant to a specified policy; prohibiting such damages from including certain fees, costs, and damages; prohibiting a certain notice from including certain provisions, demands, or requirements; requiring that applicable statutes of limitations and notice requirements be tolled under certain circumstances; requiring the property insurer to send a specified request within a specified timeframe; requiring that the notice and tolling period be continued under certain circumstances; amending s. 626.732, F.S.; revising the requirements for licensing or qualifying general lines agents; amending s. 626.878, F.S.; specifying when adjusters must include their appointment type if communicating by text message; prohibiting public adjusters from engaging in certain adversarial conduct; amending s. 627.4108, F.S.; specifying requirements for the claims-handling manual of authorized residential property insurers with active residential policies; amending s. 627.4133, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which an insurer or agent may cancel certain policies; amending s. 627.429, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term “ARC”; authorizing insurers to make certain inquiries relating to a person's HIV infection or related diagnoses and medical care that person has received or is currently receiving; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.;

revising the required statement by insurers issuing an insurance policy that does not provide flood insurance; amending s. 627.70131, F.S.; specifying when adjusters must include their name and license number if communicating by text message; revising the required statement by insurers providing a preliminary or partial estimate; revising the required statement by insurers providing payment on a claim which is not the full and final payment for the claim; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to debt collection; amending s. 559.72, F.S.; revising prohibited practices for a person attempting to collect consumer debt; making a technical change; reenacting ss. 559.565(2), 559.725(2), 559.77(1) and (2), 648.44(1)(o), and 817.7001(2)(b), F.S., relating to enforcement action against out-of-state consumer debt collector, consumer complaints and administrative duties, civil remedies, prohibitions and penalties, and definitions, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 559.72, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal offenses against law enforcement officers and other personnel; providing a short title; amending s. 776.051, F.S.; revising a prohibition on the use or threatened use of force to resist arrest or detention; amending s. 782.065, F.S.; providing for enhanced punishment for manslaughter when committed against specified officers; revising applicability; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “law enforcement officer”; revising provisions concerning assault or battery upon specified officers and other personnel; amending s. 843.01, F.S.; revising a provision concerning resisting, obstructing, or opposing specified officers or legally authorized persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Community Violence Task Force; creating the task force within the Department of Law Enforcement; providing for membership, duties, and meetings of the task force; requiring state agencies to provide assistance when requested by the task force; authorizing the task force to receive exempt or confidential and exempt information and specifying that the information maintains such status; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing for expiration of the task force; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the preemption of firearms and ammunition; repealing s. 790.33, F.S., relating to the preemption of the field of regulation of firearms and ammunition to the Legislature, to the exclusion of local jurisdictions; amending s. 790.251, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Berman and Rodriguez—

SB 240—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victims of domestic violence and dating violence; creating s. 741.317, F.S.; providing a short title; creating the Helping Abuse Victims Escape Now (HAVEN) Coordinating Council within the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring the department to provide certain services; defining terms; specifying the composition of the coordinating council; providing requirements for member appointments, election of a chair, and meetings; requiring that member appointments be completed and the first meeting of the coordinating council be held by a date certain; specifying duties of the coordinating council; requiring the coordinating council to submit certain reports to specified entities and persons, the Governor, and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for funding of the coordinating council; specifying that the act supersedes certain local regulations; providing for expiration of the coordinating council; amending s. 741.402, F.S.; defining the term “dating violence”; amending s. 741.403, F.S.; providing that victims of dating violence may apply to participate in the Attorney General’s address confidentiality program; amending ss. 741.465, 741.4651, and 960.001, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 242—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 741.317, F.S.; specifying that information obtained by the Helping Abuse Victims Escape Now (HAVEN) Coordinating Council which is exempt or confidential and exempt from public records requirements retains its protected status; providing an exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information of a victim of domestic violence and dating violence and other specified information contained in records held by the coordinating council; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of the coordinating council’s meetings during which exempt or confidential and exempt information is discussed; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Fine—

SB 244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary education; creating s. 1004.072, F.S.; prohibiting Florida College System institutions and state universities that meet specified criteria from accepting the application of or admitting an individual who is undocumented for federal immigration purposes; amending s. 1007.263, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the waiver of out-of-state fees for certain students; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senators Rodriguez and Thompson—

SB 246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to grandparent visitation; amending s. 752.011, F.S.; revising the criteria required for the grandparent of a minor child to petition the court for grandparent visitation; revising the purpose for which the court shall hold a certain preliminary hearing; revising the circumstances in which the court may appoint a guardian ad litem and must refer the matter to family mediation; revising the circumstances in which the court may award reasonable visitation to a grandparent; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to private school student participation in interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular sports; amending s. 1006.15, F.S.; revising the criteria a private school student must meet to participate in a sport at a Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) member school; deleting a provision limiting which non-FHSAA member private school students are eligible to participate in FHSAA sports; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescriptive authority certification for psychologists; creating s. 490.0065, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Board of Psychology to certify psychologists to exercise prescriptive authority if they meet specified criteria; requiring the board to develop procedures and adopt rules relating to prescriptive authority certification; authorizing the board to require that a prescribing psychologist correct certain deficiencies under certain circumstances; specifying certification application requirements; providing an exemption; requiring the board to adopt rules providing for certification renewal; specifying continuing education requirements for certification renewal; specifying requirements for the prescribing of drugs and controlled substances by a prescribing psychologist; prohibiting specified prescribing actions; requiring a prescribing psychologist who is authorized to prescribe controlled substances to file his or her federal Drug Enforcement Administration registration number with the board within a specified timeframe; requiring the board to maintain a current record of every prescribing psychologist authorized to prescribe controlled substances; requiring a prescribing psychologist to maintain professional liability insurance; exempting specified licensees from certain certification requirements; requiring the Board of Psychology to establish an interim panel for a specified purpose by a specified date; providing panel membership; requiring the panel to submit recommendations for rules to the board by a specified date; requiring the panel to develop a formulary for prescribing psychologists; providing requirements for the formulary; providing for the expiration of the panel; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Polsky and Smith—

SB 252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to weapons and firearms; providing a short title; creating s. 790.0653, F.S.; defining terms; requiring background checks on all persons involved in a firearm sale or other transfer; requiring that firearm sales or other transfers between unlicensed persons be conducted through, and processed by, a licensed dealer; specifying requirements for firearm sales or transfers through licensed dealers; authorizing a fee; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; requiring the investigating law enforcement agency to report certain violations to the Attorney General; providing applicability; amending s. 790.174, F.S.; revising requirements for the safe storage of firearms; revising criminal penalties for violations; providing exceptions; defining terms and revising the definition of the term “minor”; amending s. 790.175, F.S.; prohibiting licensed dealers from selling firearms without trigger locks or gun cases; providing exceptions; revising written warnings required to be delivered by licensed dealers to purchasers or transferees upon retail commercial sales or retail transfers of firearms; requiring that certain written materials be delivered to gun purchasers; providing applicability; requiring licensed dealers and purchasers to sign a specified statement; providing record retention requirements for licensed dealers; providing construction; providing criminal penalties; defining the term “licensed dealer”; creating s. 790.223, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting certain actions leading to the manufacture or assembly, sale, importing, purchasing, offering for sale, or transfer of a firearm not imprinted with a valid serial number; prohibiting specified acts involving unfinished firearm frames or receivers; prohibiting specified acts involving undetectable firearms; prohibiting certain activities involving a three-dimensional printer or computer numerical control milling machine that has the

primary or intended function of manufacturing or assembling firearms or related items; providing an exception; providing criminal penalties; providing applicability; providing construction; defining the term “licensed dealer”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 254—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearms; amending s. 790.001, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “machine gun”; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; ranking certain offenses related to bump-fire stocks on level 5 of the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; reenacting ss. 775.087(3)(a) and (d), 784.07(3)(b), 790.06(1)(a), and 921.0024(1)(b), F.S., relating to required minimum sentences and legislative intent, required minimum sentences, the definition of the term “concealed weapon or concealed firearm,” and the worksheet key for worksheet computations of the Criminal Punishment Code, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 790.001, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 256—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale or transfer of ammunition; providing a short title; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; requiring background checks for the sale or transfer of ammunition; providing exceptions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for records containing certain information pertaining to a buyer or transferee who is not found to be prohibited from receipt or transfer of ammunition; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing for the reversion of specified statutory text unless certain conditions are met; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Arrington—

SB 260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to statewide, standardized assessments; amending ss. 1008.22 and 1008.25, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to develop versions of statewide, standardized assessments and specified portions of the statewide, standardized coordinated screening and progress monitoring system in certain languages by a specified date; requiring the department to establish criteria for the use of such assessments and portions of the system; authorizing parents to prohibit the use of such assessments and portions of the system in certain languages; requiring the department to develop a timetable and an action plan for the development and implementation of such assessments and written portions of the system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trusts; amending s. 736.04117, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “authorized trustee”; revising how an authorized trustee may exercise the power to invade principal as an authorized trustee administering a trust; providing that notice of such exercise by an authorized trustee is not a trust disclosure document; providing that a trust disclosure document may not commence a limitations period unless such trust disclosure document is provided after the effective date of the exercise of the power to invade principal by an authorized trustee; providing applicability; amending s. 736.08125, F.S.; providing an exception with regard to protection of successor trustees; creating s. 736.10085, F.S.; barring certain actions initiated by specified parties against prior trustees; creating s. 736.1110, F.S.; providing that property devised to or from a revocable trust which is devised, given, or distributed to a donee by a settlor during the settlor’s lifetime is treated as a satisfaction of devise to that donee if certain criteria are met; providing that property distributed or given to a devisee during a settlor’s lifetime is to be valued at the time the devisee came into possession or enjoyment of the property, or at the time of the death of the settlor, whichever occurs first; providing applicability; amending s. 736.1502, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “community property” and “community property trust”; amending s. 736.151, F.S.; providing that homestead property transferred by one or both settlor spouses to community property will not be treated as a change of ownership for the purposes of reassessing the property; providing that such transfer qualifies as a change or transfer of legal or equitable title between spouses; providing construction and retroactive application; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to step-therapy protocols; amending s. 409.901, F.S.; defining the term “serious mental illness”; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to approve drug products for Medicaid recipients for the treatment of serious mental illness without step-therapy prior authorization under certain circumstances; amending s. 409.910, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; directing the agency to include rate impacts resulting from the act in certain rates that become effective on a specified date; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 266—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax of electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; exempting from the state sales tax the lease, sale, or transfer of electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft from a manufacturer to an operator; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Jones and Brodeur—

SB 268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; defining terms; providing exemptions from public records requirements for the partial home addresses and telephone numbers of current public officers, their spouses, and their adult children, and the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth of, and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by, the minor children of such officers; authorizing the disclosure of exempt information for a specified purpose; providing for the future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing for retroactive application of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 270—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for a student who earns a high school diploma from a non-Florida school under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Postsecondary; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government official salaries; amending ss. 145.051, 145.09, and 145.10, F.S.; revising the base salary used to calculate the compensation of a clerk of the circuit court and a county comptroller, a supervisor of elections, and a property appraiser, respectively; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 274—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 Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Wright—

SB 276—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sheltering or aiding unmarried minors; amending ss. 984.085 and 985.731, F.S.; creating a presumption of knowledge upon proof that an unmarried minor has not attained 18 years of age for the purpose of unlawfully sheltering or aiding unmarried minors; providing a defense to unlawfully sheltering or aiding unmarried minors; increasing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

SB 278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the misuse of emergency communications systems; amending s. 365.172, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for a specified violation relating to the use of emergency communications services which results in bodily injury or property damage; requiring courts to order restitution for certain violations; providing requirements for such restitution; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 280—A bill to be entitled An act relating to candidate qualification; creating s. 99.013, F.S.; providing eligibility requirements for persons seeking to qualify for nomination as candidates of a political party or as candidates with no party affiliation; providing that certain entities may bring an action for declaratory and injunctive relief based on a certain claim; prohibiting a person from qualifying as a candidate

for election and prohibiting his or her name from appearing on the ballot under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 282—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home and service warranty association financial requirements; amending s. 634.3077, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 634.406, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which certain service warranty associations are not required to establish unearned premium reserves or to maintain contractual liability insurance and are authorized to allow their premiums to exceed specified ratios; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

SB 284—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recreational customary use of beaches; repealing s. 163.035, F.S., relating to the establishment of recreational customary use of beaches; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 286—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement Act; amending s. 456.0145, F.S.; revising the list of persons ineligible for a license by endorsement under the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 288—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exceptions to the limitation on termination of pregnancies; amending s. 390.011, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “fatal fetal abnormality”; amending s. 390.0111, F.S.; providing that one physician, rather than two physicians, must make specified medical determinations for purposes of specified medical exceptions to the limitation on termination of pregnancies; revising the criteria of a specified medical exception; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

SB 290—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the property tax exemption for surviving spouses of veterans; amending s. 196.081, F.S.; authorizing the surviving spouses of veterans who predecease the issuance of a certain letter from the Federal Government to produce the letter before the property appraiser; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burton—

SB 292—A bill to be entitled An act relating to virtual currency kiosk businesses; amending s. 560.103, F.S.; defining terms and revising the definition of the term “control person”; amending s. 560.105, F.S.; requiring the Office of Financial Regulation of the Financial Services Commission to supervise virtual currency kiosk businesses; requiring

that rules adopted to regulate virtual currency kiosk businesses be responsive to certain changes; creating part V of ch. 560, F.S., entitled “Virtual Currency Kiosk Businesses”; creating s. 560.501, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating s. 560.502, F.S.; prohibiting a virtual currency kiosk business from operating without registering or renewing its registration in accordance with certain provisions; requiring the office to make certain notifications; specifying that certain money transmitters are exempt from registration but are subject to certain provisions; requiring that certain entities that perform or prevent certain actions be licensed as money services businesses; providing criminal penalties for certain entities that operate or solicit business as a virtual currency kiosk business under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties for persons who register or attempt to register as a virtual currency kiosk business by certain means; providing that a virtual currency kiosk business registration is not transferable or assignable; creating s. 560.503, F.S.; specifying application requirements for registering as a virtual currency kiosk business; requiring certain virtual currency kiosk businesses to submit an application within a specified timeframe; requiring a registrant to report certain changes in information within a specified timeframe; requiring a registrant to renew its registration within a specified timeframe; specifying requirements for a registrant to renew its registration; requiring that the registration of a virtual currency kiosk business be made inactive if such business does not renew its registration by a certain date; specifying requirements for a virtual currency kiosk business to renew an inactive registration; providing that a registration becomes null and void under certain circumstances; providing requirements if a registration becomes null and void; requiring the office to deny certain applications under certain circumstances; providing that certain false statements made by a virtual currency kiosk business render its registration void; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; creating s. 560.504, F.S.; specifying requirements for specified disclosures and attestations displayed by a virtual currency kiosk; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; creating s. 560.505, F.S.; requiring an owner-operator to transact business under the legal name by which it is registered; providing exceptions; requiring an owner-operator to maintain certain policies, processes, and procedures; requiring an owner-operator to use blockchain analytics; creating s. 560.506, F.S.; providing criminal penalties; authorizing a court to invalidate the registration of a registrant under certain circumstances; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 294—A bill to be entitled An act relating to collaborative pharmacy practice for chronic health conditions; amending s. 465.1865, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “chronic health condition” to exclude specified heart conditions for purposes of collaborative pharmacy practice for chronic health conditions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Bradley, Yarborough, and Davis—

SB 296—A bill to be entitled An act relating to middle school and high school start times; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; deleting the duty of district school boards to adopt policies for middle school and high school start times; deleting a requirement that instructional days for middle schools and high schools begin no earlier than specified times; deleting a requirement that district school boards inform the community of specified impacts of sleep deprivation on students and the benefits of later school start times and discuss related strategies; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; deleting a requirement that certain charter schools comply with middle school and high school start times; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Wright—

SB 298—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an ad valorem tax exemption for nonprofit homes for the aged; amending s. 196.1975, F.S.; revising an eligibility requirement for Florida limited partnerships applying for such exemption; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

SB 300—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; defining the term “appellate court”; providing an exemption from public records requirements for the personal identifying and location information of current appellate court clerks and the spouses and children of such appellate court clerks; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing for retroactive application of the exemption; amending s. 744.21031, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; 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 Rouson—

SB 302—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 the personal identifying and location information of current and former employees of the Judicial Qualifications Commission and the personal identifying and location information of the spouses and children of such employees; providing for legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing for retroactive application 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 Sharief—

SB 304—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child abuse investigations; providing a short title; amending s. 39.301, F.S.; requiring child protective investigators to inform subjects of their investigations of the right to request specified examinations of the alleged victim; amending s. 39.304, F.S.; authorizing an alleged perpetrator of child abuse to request specified examinations of the alleged victim under certain circumstances; providing that the alleged perpetrator is responsible for paying for such examinations; prohibiting the request for or use of such examinations to obtain a second opinion on whether an alleged victim has been sexually abused; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Sharief and Gaetz—

SB 306—A bill to be entitled An act relating to managed care plan network access; amending s. 409.967, F.S.; requiring that the Agency for Health Care Administration include specified requirements in its contracts with Medicaid managed care plans; amending s. 409.975, F.S.; authorizing enrollees of Medicaid managed care plans to receive care from Medicaid providers not under contract with the plan under certain circumstances; requiring the plans to reimburse such providers at the applicable rates paid for such services under the plan; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Sharief—

SB 308—A bill to be entitled An act relating to injunctions for protection in cases of repeat or serious violence; amending s. 784.046, F.S.; replacing the term “repeat violence” with the term “repeat or serious violence”; defining the term “repeat or serious violence”; expanding the grounds for an existing cause of action for an injunction of protection to include serious violence in addition to repeat violence; revising the name of an existing cause of action to an injunction for protection in cases of repeat or serious violence, rather than in cases of repeat violence; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 44.407, 61.1825, 119.0714, 394.4597, 394.4598, 741.2901, 741.30, 741.313, 784.047, 784.048, 790.06, 790.065, 934.03, and 943.05, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 28.2221(8)(a), (c), and (d), 61.1827(1), 741.311(2), 741.315(2), 790.401(2)(e) and (3)(c), 901.15(6), 901.41(5), 921.141(6)(p), 921.1425(7)(j), and 934.425(3), F.S., relating to electronic access to official records, identifying information concerning applicants for and recipients of child support services, Hope Card Program for persons issued orders of protection, recognition of foreign protection orders, risk protection orders, when arrest by a law enforcement officer without a warrant is lawful, prearrest diversion programs, aggravating factors relating to a sentence of death or life imprisonment for capital felonies, aggravating factors relating to a sentence of death or life imprisonment for capital sexual battery, and installation or use of tracking devices or tracking applications, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 784.046, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

SB 310—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 312—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc.; amending s. 1004.447, F.S.; requiring the board of directors of the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc., rather than the Board of Governors, to authorize the creation of a subsidiary of the corporation; requiring the corporation, rather than the Board of Trustees of the University of West Florida, to annually certify specified information to the Governor and Legislature; amending s. 1004.4471, F.S.; authorizing subsidiaries of the corporation to enter into certain affiliation agreements; amending s. 1004.4472, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Wright and Collins—

SM 314—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to impel the National Guard Bureau to examine the present allocations of the Florida National Guard and allow an increase in its force structure.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limited liability companies; amending s. 48.062, F.S.; defining the terms “registered foreign protected series of a foreign series limited liability company” and “registered foreign series limited liability company”; specifying that certain limited liability companies are considered a nonresident under certain circumstances; providing for service of a summons and complaint on such companies and series; specifying that such service serves as notice to such companies and series; amending s. 605.0103, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 605.0117, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 605.0211, F.S.; revising requirements for certificates of status; creating s. 605.2101, F.S.;

providing a short title; creating s. 605.2102, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 605.2103, F.S.; providing that a protected series of a series limited liability company is a person distinct from certain other entities; creating s. 605.2104, F.S.; providing for powers and prohibitions for protected series of series limited liability companies; creating s. 605.2105, F.S.; providing construction; creating s. 605.2106, F.S.; providing construction regarding protected series operating agreements; providing applicability with regard to certain restrictions on limited liability companies; creating s. 605.2107, F.S.; providing prohibitions and authorizations relating to operating agreements; creating s. 605.2108, F.S.; providing applicability; creating s. 605.2201, F.S.; authorizing domestic limited liability companies to establish protected series; specifying requirements for establishing protected series and amending protected series designations; creating s. 605.2202, F.S.; specifying requirements for naming a protected series; creating s. 605.2203, F.S.; providing specifications and requirements for the registered agent for a protected series; specifying requirements relating to protected series designations; specifying that a registered agent is not required to distinguish between certain processes, notices, demands, and records unless otherwise agreed upon; creating s. 605.2204, F.S.; authorizing service on, and provision of notice and demand to, certain limited liability companies and protected series in a specified manner; providing that certain notice is effective regardless of whether any notice or demand identifies a person if certain requirements are met; providing authorizations relating to certain services and notices; providing construction; creating s. 605.2205, F.S.; requiring the Department of State to issue a certificate of status under certain circumstances; specifying requirements for certificates of status; providing that a certificate of status may be relied upon as conclusive evidence of the facts stated in the certificate; creating s. 605.2206, F.S.; requiring series limited liability companies and registered foreign series limited liability companies to include specified information in a required annual report; specifying that failure to include such information prevents a certificate of status from being issued; creating s. 605.2301, F.S.; specifying that only certain assets may be considered associated assets; specifying requirements for an asset to be considered an associated asset; authorizing that certain records and recordkeeping be organized in a specified manner; authorizing series limited liability companies or protected series of such companies to hold an associated asset in a specified manner; providing exceptions; creating s. 605.2302, F.S.; specifying requirements for becoming an associated member of a protected series of a series limited liability company; creating s. 605.2303, F.S.; requiring that protected-series transferable interests be owned initially by an associated member of the protected series or the series limited liability company; providing for ownership when a protected series of a series limited liability company does not have associated members upon establishment under certain circumstances; authorizing series limited liability companies to acquire such interests by transfer; providing applicability; creating s. 605.2304, F.S.; authorizing a protected series to have one or more protected-series managers; specifying that if a protected series does not have associated members, the series limited liability company is the protected-series manager; providing applicability; specifying that a person does not owe a duty to specified entities for certain reasons; providing rights of associated members; providing applicability; specifying that an associated member of a member-managed protected series, or a protected-series manager of a manager-managed protected series, is an agent for the protected series and has a specified power; creating s. 605.2305, F.S.; providing rights for certain persons relating to information concerning protected series; providing applicability; creating s. 605.2401, F.S.; providing limitations on liability for certain persons; creating s. 605.2402, F.S.; specifying that certain claims are governed by specified provisions; specifying that the failure of limited liability companies or protected series to observe certain formalities is not a ground to disregard a specified limitation; providing applicability; creating s. 605.2403, F.S.; specifying that certain provisions relating to the provision or restriction of remedies apply to certain judgment creditors; creating s. 605.2404, F.S.; defining the terms “enforcement date” and “incurrence date”; authorizing that certain judgments be enforced in accordance with specified provisions; authorizing courts to provide a specified prejudgment remedy; providing that a party making a certain assertion has the burden of proof in specified proceedings; providing applicability; creating s. 605.2501, F.S.; providing events causing the dissolution of protected series of series limited liability companies; creating s. 605.2502, F.S.; specifying requirements and authorizations relating to dissolved protected series; specifying that a series limited liability company has not completed winding up until each of the protected series of the company has done

so; creating s. 605.2503, F.S.; providing for the effect of reinstatement of series limited liability companies and revocation of voluntary dissolutions; creating s. 605.2601, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 605.2602, F.S.; prohibiting protected series from involvement in certain transactions; creating s. 605.2603, F.S.; prohibiting series limited liability companies from involvement in certain transactions; creating s. 605.2604, F.S.; authorizing series limited liability companies to be a party to a merger under certain circumstances; creating s. 605.2605, F.S.; requiring that plans of merger meet certain requirements; creating s. 605.2606, F.S.; requiring articles of merger to meet certain requirements; creating s. 605.2607, F.S.; providing for effects of mergers of protected series; creating s. 605.2608, F.S.; providing the means for enforcement of creditors’ rights; providing applicability of certain provisions after a merger; creating s. 605.2701, F.S.; providing that the law of the governing jurisdiction of a foreign series limited liability company’s formation governs certain aspects of the internal affairs of the foreign series limited liability company; providing applicability; creating s. 605.2702, F.S.; specifying requirements for making a specified determination relating to certain companies transacting business in this state or being subject to the personal jurisdiction of the courts in this state; creating s. 605.2703, F.S.; providing applicability of laws of this state relating to certificates of authority for foreign series limited liability companies and foreign protected series of such companies; requiring that an application by a foreign protected series for a certificate of authority include certain information and comply with specified provisions; providing applicability; creating s. 605.2704, F.S.; requiring foreign series limited liability companies and foreign protected series of such companies to make specified disclosures; tolling such requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing certain parties to make a specified request or bring a separate proceeding if such company or series fails to make the disclosures; creating s. 605.2801, F.S.; providing applicability of provisions relating to electronic signatures; creating s. 605.2802, F.S.; providing construction; prohibiting domestic limited liability companies from creating or designating any protected series before a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SJR 318—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 3 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 tangible personal property from ad valorem taxation.

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

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 320—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure requirements for surveyors and mappers; amending s. 472.013, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring the Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers to establish and administer the 1st Step Florida Surveyors and Mappers Credentialing and Licensure Protocol as an alternative pathway to temporary licensure; providing requirements for eligibility to take the surveyor and mapper licensure examination under the protocol; providing for the expiration of licenses granted pursuant to the protocol; requiring the department to provide certain notice to applicants; reenacting s. 472.015(4), F.S., relating to licensure, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 472.013, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property rights; creating s. 82.037, F.S.; authorizing a property owner or his or her authorized agent to request the sheriff in the county in which the owner’s commercial real property is located to immediately remove persons unlawfully occupying the owner’s commercial real property,

under certain conditions; requiring such owners or agents to submit a specified completed and verified complaint; specifying requirements for the complaint; specifying requirements for the sheriff; authorizing the sheriff to arrest an unauthorized person for legal cause; providing that sheriffs are entitled to a specified fee for service of the required notice to vacate immediately; authorizing the owner or agent to request that the sheriff stand by while the owner or agent takes possession of the commercial real property; authorizing the sheriff to charge a reasonable hourly rate; providing that the sheriff is not liable to any party for loss, destruction, or damage; providing that the property owner or agent is not liable to any party for the loss or destruction of, or damage to, personal property unless it was wrongfully removed; providing civil remedies; providing construction; amending s. 806.13, F.S.; prohibiting unlawfully detaining, or occupying or trespassing upon, commercial real property intentionally and causing a specified amount of damage; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 817.0311, F.S.; prohibiting listing or advertising for sale, or renting or leasing, real property under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 775.0837(1)(c) and 895.02(8)(a), F.S., relating to habitual misdemeanor offenders and definitions, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 806.13 and 817.0311, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 324—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction disruption assistance; creating part XIII of ch. 288, F.S., to be entitled the “Construction Disruption Assistance Act”; creating s. 288.9991, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 288.9992, F.S.; providing legislative findings and purpose; creating s. 288.9993, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 288.9994, F.S.; establishing rulemaking authority; creating s. 288.9995, F.S.; establishing the Construction Impact Relief Program within the Department of Commerce pursuant to the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund; requiring the department to provide specified financial assistance to eligible small businesses within construction zones; requiring the department to develop a public awareness and marketing campaign to promote the program in partnership with specified entities; providing requirements for the campaign; requiring applicants to submit specified information with their applications; creating s. 288.9996, F.S.; directing the department to establish a hotline to provide information about the program; creating s. 288.9997, F.S.; requiring the department to submit an annual report by a specified date to the Governor and the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SJR 326—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 prohibit the assessed value of the homestead property of certain low-income seniors from exceeding a certain amount, to provide that the assessed value may be changed only under certain circumstances, and to provide an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 328—A bill to be entitled An act relating to applicability of valued policy law to surplus lines insurers; amending s. 626.926, F.S.; requiring surplus lines insurers to comply with the valued policy law under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.702, F.S.; defining the term “insurer” to include surplus lines insurers for the purpose of the valued policy law; amending ss. 627.7011 and 627.7142, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential utility disconnections; creating s. 366.043, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting an electric utility, a public utility, or a water utility from disconnecting service to residential customers for nonpayment of bills or fees under specified circumstances; requiring such utilities to waive reconnection fees and late fees in certain circumstances; requiring such utilities to refer to the National Weather Service for the forecasted heat index and forecasted temperatures; prohibiting such utilities from disconnecting service to residential customers for nonpayment of bills or fees on specified days; prohibiting such utilities from recovering from customers any fee or expense incurred in complying with the act; requiring such utilities to provide, in a specified manner, their policy for disconnection for nonpayment to residential customers; requiring an electric utility to publish alerts informing residential customers of certain disconnection suspensions; specifying language requirements for such notice; requiring such utilities to deliver notice of nonpayment of bills or fees to residential customers within a specified timeframe using specified methods of notice and including certain information; prohibiting such utilities from disconnecting service for nonpayment of bills and fees until an account is past due by at least a specified number of days; providing construction; authorizing such utilities to voluntarily suspend disconnections in order to protect the health and safety of customers and the reliability of services; providing penalties and remedies; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 332—A bill to be entitled An act relating to patient protection; providing a short title; creating s. 395.1013, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining terms; requiring health care facilities to implement staffing plans that comply with specified minimum staffing levels for direct care registered nurses; providing construction; prohibiting health care facilities from taking specified actions; requiring such facilities to ensure that certain staffing is maintained; specifying minimum staffing levels for direct care registered nurses based on the hospital or clinical unit setting; requiring that patients be cared for only in hospital or clinical units that meet the specified minimum staffing levels; prohibiting health care facilities from using video cameras or monitors as a substitute for direct observation and assessment by a direct care registered nurse; exempting health care facilities from the minimum staffing level requirements during a declared state of emergency under certain circumstances; providing requirements for any acuity-based patient classification system adopted by a health care facility; providing whistle-blower protections; creating a cause of action; providing remedies; providing for complaints to and administrative actions by the Agency for Health Care Administration; prohibiting health care facilities from discriminating or retaliating against persons who, in good faith, initiate, file, or cooperate in an administrative or civil action against the facility; providing construction; providing civil penalties; requiring the agency to post specified information on its website; providing construction with respect to collective bargaining agreements; prohibiting employers from taking specified actions with respect to employment for certain unionized staff; providing an effective date.

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

SB 334—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Arrington—

SB 336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Educational Dollars for Duty program; providing a short title; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 250.10(7) and (8), F.S.; requiring the program to set aside a certain amount of funds to provide tuition as-

sistance to spouses and children of active members of the Florida National Guard; authorizing the Legislature to increase the amount of such funds; requiring the Department of Military Affairs to oversee implementation and enforcement; requiring the department to establish certain procedures; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 338—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; amending s. 1009.53, F.S.; requiring public high schools to establish a Bright Futures Scholarship mentorship program for students; providing requirements for such program; authorizing such programs to connect students to certain mentors; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 340—A bill to be entitled An act relating to international health organization policies; amending s. 381.00322, F.S.; prohibiting governmental entities and educational institutions from adopting, implementing, or enforcing international health organizations' public health policies or guidelines without exception; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 342—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 the personal identifying and location information of certain current or former personnel of the Agency for Health Care Administration and the names and personal identifying and location information of the spouses and children of such personnel; 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 Rodriguez—

SB 344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991; amending s. 427.702, F.S.; revising the legislative findings, purpose, and intent of the Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991; amending s. 427.703, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 427.704, F.S.; revising the powers and duties of the Florida Public Service Commission in overseeing the administration of the telecommunications access system; amending s. 427.705, F.S.; revising the duties of the system's administrator; revising the procedures required for the distribution of specialized telecommunications devices; requiring the administrator to assume responsibility for the distribution of specialized communications technologies; amending s. 427.706, F.S.; revising the composition of the advisory committee appointed to assist the commission with implementing the act; amending s. 427.708, F.S.; authorizing the central communications office of each county sheriff's department to purchase and continually operate at least one telecommunications device for the deaf; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 346—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state preemption of the regulation of hoisting equipment; amending s. 489.113, F.S.; deleting provisions preempting to the state the regulation of certain hoisting equipment; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gaetz and Collins—

SB 348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; creating s. 112.3131, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting candidates, elected public officers, appointed public officers, and public employees from knowingly misrepresenting their Armed Forces of the United States service records, awards, or qualifications or wearing any uniform, medal, or insignia that they are not authorized to wear; providing applicability; providing civil penalties; providing construction; amending s. 112.317, F.S.; requiring the Attorney General to attempt to determine whether an individual owing certain penalties is a current public officer or public employee; requiring the Attorney General to notify the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, school district, or special district of the total amount of any such penalty owed by a current public officer or public employee; requiring the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to begin withholding portions of any salary-related payment that would otherwise be paid to the officer or employee; requiring that the withheld payments be remitted to the commission until the penalty is satisfied; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to retain a portion of each retained payment for administrative costs; authorizing the Attorney General to refer certain unpaid fines to a collection agency; authorizing the collection agency to use any lawful collection method; authorizing the Attorney General to collect an unpaid fine within a specified period after issuance of the civil penalty or restitution penalty; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 350—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unlawful speed; amending s. 316.183, F.S.; including compliance with a local ordinance regarding the operation of a motor vehicle on flooded or inundated streets in an exception to a prohibition against driving at slow speeds; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 352—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employee protections; creating s. 112.3242, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining terms; prohibiting agencies and independent contractors from taking specified actions against employees for disclosing certain information to the Commission on Ethics; providing applicability; requiring that information disclosed include specified violations or alleged violations; requiring disclosure of specified information to the commission under specified circumstances; providing that specified provisions protect employees and persons who submit written complaints to the commission or provide information to an investigator during an investigation of a complaint; providing applicability; authorizing certain employees or applicants for employment to file complaints in accordance with specified provisions; authorizing such employees or applicants to pursue a specified administrative remedy or a civil action within a specified timeframe; authorizing local public employees to file a complaint with the appropriate local governmental authority, under specified circumstances; providing requirements for administrative procedures created by local governmental authorities; authorizing such employee to bring civil actions in a court of competent jurisdiction, under specified conditions; requiring specified relief; providing that it is an affirmative defense to certain actions that the adverse action was predicated on

grounds other than the exercising of certain protected rights; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Public Service Commission; amending s. 350.01, F.S.; revising the membership of the Public Service Commission; amending s. 366.06, F.S.; requiring the commission to establish a certain schedule; amending s. 366.81, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent; amending s. 366.82, F.S.; revising the requirements for the annual report provided by the commission to the Governor and the Legislature; reenacting ss. 366.8255(4), 366.8260(2)(b), and 366.95(2)(c), F.S., relating to environmental cost recovery, storm-recovery financing, and financing for certain nuclear generating asset retirement or abandonment costs, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 366.06, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 553.975, F.S., relating to the report to the Governor and Legislature, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 366.82, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Berman, Davis, Polsky, Arrington, Smith, and Gaetz—

SB 356—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Holocaust Remembrance Day; creating s. 683.196, F.S.; requiring the Governor to proclaim a specified day annually as “Holocaust Remembrance Day”; authorizing “Holocaust Remembrance Day” to be observed in this state’s public schools and be observed by public exercise as the Governor may designate; providing construction; authorizing specified instruction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Osgood and Davis—

SB 358—A bill to be entitled An act relating to treatment of inmates; creating s. 944.092, F.S.; specifying certain rights of inmates in the correctional system; requiring that a written copy of the rights be provided to each inmate upon his or her entry into the correctional system; authorizing relief for deprivation of rights; amending s. 947.149, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “permanently incapacitated inmate” for purposes of conditional medical release; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Osgood—

SB 360—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing that a person may not lose his or her resident status for tuition purposes due to incarceration; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Osgood and Garcia—

SB 362—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reusable tenant screening reports; creating s. 83.471, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a landlord to accept reusable tenant screening reports and require a specified statement; requiring that certain information be included in reusable tenant screening reports; prohibiting a landlord from charging certain fees to an applicant using a reusable tenant screening report; providing construction; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Osgood—

SB 364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 16.615, F.S.; establishing the council within the Department of Education, rather than the Department of Legal Affairs; requiring the Department of Education, rather than the Office of the Attorney General, to provide staff and administrative support to the council; providing that the council’s meeting times are approved by the Commissioner of Education, rather than the Attorney General; providing that members of the council may be reimbursed for certain expenses by the Department of Education, rather than the Department of Legal Affairs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 366—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disability provisions for firefighters and law enforcement and correctional officers; amending s. 112.18, F.S.; defining the term “heart disease”; revising definitions; deleting obsolete language; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community associations; creating s. 16.0151, F.S.; creating the Condominium and Homeowners’ Association Economic Crime, Fraud, and Corruption Investigation Pilot Program within the Department of Legal Affairs; providing the purpose of the pilot program; defining the term “corruption”; authorizing the department to contract with a private entity to achieve the program’s purpose; requiring the department to hire specified personnel under certain circumstances; authorizing the submission of complaints to the Office of the Condominium and Homeowners’ Ombudsman; requiring the ombudsman to review such complaints and take specified actions; providing powers of and requirements for the department relating to the pilot program; requiring that the pilot program be funded from the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes Trust Fund; requiring that the pilot program’s primary office be located in Miami-Dade County; providing for future repeal of the pilot program, unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature; amending s. 215.22, F.S.; exempting the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes Trust Fund from contributing to the General Revenue Fund; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; requiring the division to monitor condominium associations’ compliance with requirements relating to maintenance of certain insurance or fidelity bonding of certain persons; authorizing the division to levy fines and penalties for noncompliance; amending s. 718.1224, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 718.13, F.S.; requiring the division to establish a searchable, cloud-based database by a specified date which contains specified information regarding each condominium association in this state; requiring the division to establish rules and procedures for associations to report such information; requiring a condominium association to notify the division of any changes to the information listed in the database which is related to the association; requiring that the creation and administration of the database be funded in part by specified proceeds; amending s. 718.501, F.S.; requiring the division to forward complaints alleging fraud or corruption to the Office of the Condominium and Homeowners’ Ombudsman; making technical changes; amending s. 718.5011, F.S.; renaming the Office of the Condominium Ombudsman as the Office of the Condominium and Homeowners’ Ombudsman; amending s. 718.5012, F.S.; revising the powers of the ombudsman; making a technical change; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 718.509, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 720.301, F.S.; revising definitions and de-

fining terms; amending s. 720.302, F.S.; providing that certain parcels, including amenities or recreational properties governed by a recreational covenant, are exempt from ch. 720, F.S.; amending s. 720.305, F.S.; authorizing an association to levy fines for violations specified in the governing documents of the association; prohibiting fines from exceeding a specified amount; prohibiting additional fines from being levied for the same violation; prohibiting fines from being aggregated to create a lien against a parcel; authorizing parcel owners to attend hearings by certain teleconferencing methods; prohibiting an association from taking action related to alleged violations if the committee hearing the matter makes certain findings or takes no action on the violations; requiring that fines be reduced by a specified percentage if the parcel owner cures the violation within a specified period; authorizing an association to collect reasonable attorney fees and costs if the parcel owner does not cure the violation within a specified period; requiring that the fine due date be no earlier than a specified time period after the hearing on a violation; requiring an association to provide written notice to a parcel owner with specific information related to a violation; providing a parcel owner the right to a detailed accounting of any amounts due and owed by the parcel owner if the parcel owner submits a written request for such accounting to an association; requiring an association to produce such accounting within a specified timeframe; providing that an association's failure to produce such accounting within that timeframe constitutes a waiver of any pending violations, fines, or penalties; requiring an association to apply payments in a specified order; prohibiting the accrual of attorney fees and costs after a parcel owner satisfies a fine; authorizing a parcel owner to request a hearing before an association to dispute the reasonableness of attorney fees and costs; amending s. 720.3085, F.S.; providing for the application of payments, in a specified priority, when a parcel owner fails to designate how such payments are to be applied; requiring that monetary judgment actions be brought in the same lawsuit as the claim of lien action against a parcel owner; making technical changes; conforming cross-references; amending s. 720.3086, F.S.; revising the requirement that a developer of a residential subdivision make available for inspection within a specified timeframe a complete financial report of certain expenses if an owner in the subdivision submits a written request to the developer; deleting a requirement that a developer mail, publish, or post such report to each parcel owner of the subdivision; conforming cross-references; amending ss. 336.125, 558.002, 617.0725, 697.07, 702.10, 718.116, and 720.303, F.S.; conforming cross-references; making technical changes; reenacting ss. 626.854(19), 718.110(11)(f), 718.115(1)(f), and 718.406(6), F.S., relating to the definition and prohibitions of the public insurance adjusters, amendment of declarations, common expenses and common surplus, and condominiums created within condominium parcels, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 718.111, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 723.0751(1), F.S., relating to mobile home subdivision homeowners' associations, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 720.302, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 617.0825(9), F.S., relating to board committees and advisory committees, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 720.305, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Sharief—

SB 370—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health screenings for K-12 students; amending ss. 1001.42 and 1014.06, F.S.; authorizing specified screening to be performed on K-12 students after written parental notification of such services is provided and the student's parents are given specified opportunities; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dense breast tissue screenings; creating s. 381.94, F.S.; providing that certain patients may receive an ultrasound or other additional screening tests without first having a conventional mammogram; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to farm products; amending s. 163.3162, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "farm product"; providing that the collection, storage, processing, and distribution of a farm product is an activity of a bona fide farm operation which a governmental entity may not prohibit, restrict, regulate, or otherwise limit; reenacting s. 163.3177(7)(b), F.S., relating to the definition of the term "rural agricultural industrial center," to incorporate the amendment made to s. 163.3162, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

SB 376—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 378—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem taxation; amending s. 196.011, F.S.; authorizing a taxpayer to rescind a homestead exemption application; providing requirements for rescinding such application; requiring the property appraiser to adjust the tax roll; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing applicability; amending s. 196.196, F.S.; revising conditions under which property is entitled to a certain exemption; defining the term "religious activities"; relocating a provision relating to property used as a parsonage, burial grounds, or a tomb; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 380—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clinical laboratory personnel; amending s. 483.809, F.S.; deleting requirements that the Department of Health conduct examinations for clinical laboratory personnel licensure and register clinical laboratory trainees; deleting the requirement that the Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel approve training curricula for licensure of clinical laboratory personnel; repealing s. 483.811, F.S., relating to approval of laboratory personnel training programs; amending s. 483.823, F.S.; requiring that applicants for licensure as a technologist or technician who meet specified criteria be deemed to have satisfied minimum qualifications for licensure, as applicable; amending ss. 483.800, 483.803, and 483.807, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bernard—

SB 382—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rent of affordable housing dwelling units; amending s. 83.46, F.S.; prohibiting certain landlords of specified dwelling units from increasing rent during the term of a rental agreement; providing construction; defining the term "affordable"; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burton—

SB 384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to annexing state-owned lands; amending s. 171.0413, F.S.; requiring a municipality proposing to

annex state-owned lands to notify the county legislative delegation at a certain time; reenacting ss. 101.6102(5) and 171.042, F.S., relating to mail ballot elections and limitations and prerequisites to annexation, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 171.0413, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Environment and Natural Resources; and Rules.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 386—A bill to be entitled An act relating to self-storage spaces; amending s. 83.803, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “last known address”; amending s. 83.806, F.S.; revising the notice requirements of owners of self-storage units in order to enforce a lien on a tenant’s property; revising the notice requirements for such owners who wish to sell such tenant’s property; amending s. 83.808, F.S.; requiring that rental agreements for renters of self-storage units which are entered into on or after a specified date provide certain information in compliance with the Florida Self-storage Facility Act; providing that failure or refusal of a tenant to designate an alternate contact does not affect a tenant’s or an owner’s rights or remedies; providing an exception; authorizing owners of a self-storage unit to send notice to certain tenants’ last known address to apprise such tenants of a specified right; reenacting s. 713.78(2)(b), F.S., relating to liens for recovering, towing, or storing vehicles and vessels, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 83.806, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 388—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds for wildlife management; amending s. 379.201, F.S.; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to invest and reinvest the funds and the interest thereof of the Administrative Trust Fund; specifying that any balance in the trust fund at the end of the fiscal year remains in the fund; amending s. 379.205, F.S.; revising the purposes for which the commission may spend money from the Florida Panther Research and Management Trust Fund; amending s. 379.206, F.S.; revising the uses of the Grants and Donations Trust Fund; amending s. 379.209, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the commission designate an identifiable unit to administer the Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund; authorizing the commission to use the proceeds from the trust fund for law enforcement; authorizing the commission to enter into specified agreements with private landowners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 390—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ballot boxes; amending s. 101.24, F.S.; requiring that ballot boxes or ballot transfer containers be transported from a supervisor of elections to a precinct by a law enforcement officer; requiring that all ballot boxes and ballot transfer containers be under the supervision of a law enforcement officer at all times until they have been transported to a supervisor; amending s. 102.071, F.S.; requiring that all ballot boxes, ballots, ballot stubs, memoranda, and other related papers be transported to a supervisor’s office by a law enforcement officer; making technical changes; amending s. 102.101, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 943.1718, F.S.; requiring that certain policies and procedures include general guidelines for the recording and the proper storage, retention, and release of body camera audio and video data recorded by body cameras while performing specified actions; requiring such a law enforcement agency to ensure that specified personnel are trained in certain policies and procedures; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 392—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requirements of lenders of money; providing a short title; amending s. 687.08, F.S.; requiring lenders of money or the agents, officers, or other representatives of such lenders to provide a dated receipt under certain circumstances; clarifying additional requirements for such lenders; creating s. 687.085, F.S.; requiring lenders of money or the agents, officers, or other representatives of such lenders to give a specified notice to the borrower and all obligors of the loan within a specified timeframe; requiring that such notice be sent to certain mailing addresses and, if provided, e-mail addresses; specifying the content of such notice; prohibiting default or delinquency interest charges under certain circumstances; requiring such lenders or the agents, officers, or other representatives of such lenders to provide to the borrower monthly statements after initial notification to the borrower and obligors; specifying requirements for such statements; providing applicability; providing a penalty for lenders who fail or refuse to comply with certain provisions; amending s. 701.01, F.S.; requiring the assignor of a mortgage loan to provide, within a specified timeframe, a copy of the loan history statement to a borrower or obligor upon request; requiring the assignor to provide the first copy of the history statement at no cost; authorizing the assignor to charge its standard charge for additional copies of such statement; requiring the assignee of a mortgage loan to make specified notifications to the borrower and obligor; specifying the requirements of such notice; providing retroactive application; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 394—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 97.021, F.S.; defining terms; making technical changes; amending s. 101.015, F.S.; requiring the Department of State to adopt rules for minimum standards for security measures for electronic and electromechanical voting and other election systems; requiring that the Election Technology Advisory Board annually evaluate such rules; requiring that the department annually update such rules; revising the standards for such rules; requiring that voting and other election systems comply with specified standards; providing the required standards that must be met or exceeded; requiring the Election Technology Advisory Board to resolve conflicts among differing standards by making a specified determination; providing exceptions to such standards under specified circumstances; requiring that security measures be outlined in the county security plan approved by the department; requiring the department to adopt or modify specified rules; requiring that a certain full supply chain analysis be conducted on specified components; requiring the Election Technology Advisory Board to make certain recommendations; making technical changes; amending s. 101.017, F.S.; revising the name of the Bureau of Voting Systems to the Bureau of Voting Systems and Other Election Systems; providing that the bureau is also responsible for other election technology standards and certification; requiring that the bureau hire a certain number of credentialed cybersecurity experts; requiring that the Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council and a state security risk assessment team review all county security plans and election security rules biennially; creating s. 101.018, F.S.; creating the Election Technology Advisory Board; providing the board’s responsibilities, membership, and quorum requirements; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the advisory board; amending s. 101.293, F.S.; providing that other election systems are subject to competitive solicitation requirements under specified conditions; making technical changes; amending s. 101.294, F.S.; requiring the Division of Elections to adopt specified rules; prohibiting governing bodies from purchasing any other election system unless such system has been certified by the Department of State; requiring governing bodies to notify the division of purchasing or selling other election systems; requiring the division to inform governing bodies of the availability of new or used other election systems; prohibiting vendors from providing other election systems that are uncertified to local governing bodies and supervisors of elections; requiring that vendors of other election systems provide a certain certification to local governing bodies or supervisors of elections; amending s. 101.295, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for members of governing bodies who purchase or sell other election systems in violation of specified provisions; increasing the criminal penalty for such members who purchase or sell voting equipment; amending s. 101.34, F.S.; providing that supervisors of elections

are the custodians of other election systems; authorizing supervisors of elections to appoint deputies to prepare and supervise other election systems; reenacting and amending s. 101.341, F.S.; prohibiting specified persons from accepting employment or any consideration from persons or entities involved in the purchase, repair, or sale of other election systems and election materials under specified conditions; prohibiting supervisors and their employees from seeking employment, contracts, or other relationships with specified suppliers on behalf of the employees' family members; requiring such persons to advise family members that such relationships create the appearance of a conflict of interest; requiring supervisors to notify the Secretary of State of such conflict; authorizing the secretary to remove or retain supervisors under specified conditions; requiring the secretary to promptly report certain information to the public; providing criminal penalties; making technical changes; amending s. 101.5604, F.S.; authorizing boards of county of commissioners to adopt, purchase, or otherwise procure other election systems under specified conditions; providing that counties may use either electronic or electromechanical precinct-count tabulation voting systems or count ballots by hand at the precinct level; amending s. 101.5605, F.S.; requiring the Department of State to examine publicly all other election systems submitted and make a certain determination; authorizing persons owning or interested in other election systems to submit such systems to the department for examination; requiring the department to employ specified individuals; prohibiting the Secretary of State and examiners from having a pecuniary interest in other election systems, election materials, and election-related service providers; requiring disclosure of potential conflicts under specified conditions; providing that any examiners who have a conflict be excluded from certain activities; requiring that persons contracting with the Department of State to provide other election systems have a registered agent in this state; making technical changes; amending s. 101.5606, F.S.; revising the requirements voting systems must meet to be approved by the Department of State; prohibiting other election systems or election vendors from being approved by the department unless certain conditions are confirmed; amending s. 101.56065, F.S.; revising definitions; requiring vendors to file a written disclosure with the department identifying defects in other election systems; requiring the department to suspend the use of systems if a certain determination is made; prohibiting the sale, lease, or use of other election systems under a specified condition; requiring, rather than authorizing, the department to initiate investigations under certain circumstances; revising the civil penalty for vendors that fail to disclose or cure a defect; revising the actions the department is authorized or required to take if it finds a defect existed; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 101.5612, F.S.; requiring that a certification team inspect and approve all source code for specified equipment; requiring the Secretary of State and vendors to maintain specified certificates; requiring vendors to prepare a code package and digital signature using such certificate and submit both to the secretary; requiring the secretary to promptly and permanently publish such materials on its publicly available website; requiring the secretary to follow such process for all change events; prohibiting the installation of certain software; requiring that a certain list of all systems be posted on the website and updated under specified conditions; requiring that certain tests be sufficient to make certain determinations; requiring that the same testing standards be implemented on other election systems; requiring supervisors of elections to have other election systems publicly tested; specifying that voting system testing must ascertain that such system will correctly count votes cast for all offices and measures; requiring, rather than authorizing, supervisors to conduct additional testing within a specified timeframe under certain conditions; requiring that other election system testing ascertain that the system will correctly perform its designated functions during an election; requiring that all testing be subject to public notice of the time and place; requiring, rather than authorizing, supervisors or other municipal elections officials to give a certain notice to candidates; specifying that designees from political parties are allowed in work areas during testing and ballot counting; authorizing the party designee to observe other election systems during elections, request inspection of and photograph system settings, and have access to a certain hotline; providing that the public must be able to observe tabulators and other election equipment through specified means; prohibiting designees and the public from interfering with certain operations of the canvassing board; requiring that the public and designees be able to call a hotline and submit a work ticket; requiring that such calls be monitored by the state and canvassing board; authorizing political parties to have designees monitor the hotline; requiring that a randomly selected number of test

ballots from public participants be chosen; providing that after reconciliation, two batches of ballots be comingled and reconciled again; requiring that such process be repeated and errorless results be achieved under specified conditions; requiring that voting systems in absentee vote counting centers be publicly tested; revising the sample selection process for such testing; requiring that a randomly selected number of test ballots from public participants be chosen; providing that after reconciliation, two batches of ballots be comingled and reconciled again; requiring that such process be repeated and errorless results be achieved under specified conditions; requiring that other election systems that are determined to have an error in their functions or security measures be deemed unsatisfactory; requiring the canvassing board, with assistance from specified experts, to take steps to determine the cause of the error, identify and test other devices, and test a number of additional devices to make a certain determination; prohibiting systems from allowing remote logins; requiring that specified seals be used to seal specified points of entry for voting devices; revising the written statements executed by a canvassing board or its representative to include the number of seals and other election systems; requiring that tabulating devices and other election systems that are unsatisfactory be recoded, repaired, or replaced and be available for retesting; requiring that records of certain tests on other election systems be kept; requiring that certain records related to testing be available through public records requests at no charge; authorizing the posting of such records on the election office website; requiring that records be kept for a specified timeframe; making technical changes; amending s. 101.591, F.S.; revising when county canvassing boards or local boards responsible for certifying elections must conduct a manual audit; specifying how such manual audit must be conducted; revising the contents of the tally sheet used by precincts for ballots collected and counted; requiring the canvassing board and public observers to be present for specified actions; requiring that such actions be videotaped and livestreamed; requiring that automated audits use original paper ballots; requiring that precincts be randomly selected by the county canvassing board or the local board responsible for certifying an election at a publicly noticed meeting; requiring that audits be completed and results made public before an election is certified; making a technical change; amending ss. 101.68 and 101.69, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 396—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 97.021, F.S.; defining the term “other election system”; amending s. 101.015, F.S.; requiring the Department of State to adopt rules relating to the security of certain voting procedures; requiring the department to create a certain manual; requiring the department to adopt by rule certain minimum security standards; requiring county canvassing boards to enforce such standards; requiring county canvassing board manuals to include specified information; requiring county canvassing boards to reconcile certain ballots and forms; requiring the department to develop and adopt certain rules for the physical security of election materials and technology, absentee vote process reporting and observation, and manual cross-checks for certain systems; amending s. 101.131, F.S.; authorizing political action committees and political committees to have poll watchers in polling rooms and early voting areas; revising the date before which poll watchers must be designated; revising the information that must be on a poll watcher's identification badge; prohibiting a poll watcher from wearing another poll watcher's identification badge; creating s. 101.132, F.S.; authorizing certain persons to designate watchers for absentee vote processing locations; providing requirements for absentee vote processing location work areas and the number of watchers who may observe in each area; providing requirements for such watchers; requiring the Department of State to establish a certain telephone hotline; requiring the department to adopt by rule a certain manual; requiring the department to prescribe certain forms; requiring a supervisor of elections to accept certain forms; requiring a supervisor of elections to furnish a specified list to county canvassing boards; prohibiting certain persons from being designated as watchers; authorizing watchers to enter into specified areas and watch operations in compliance with certain safety recommendations; providing requirements for watcher identification badges; amending s.

101.21, F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to determine the actual number of voter certificate envelopes to be printed for each election; providing requirements for printed ballots and voter certificate envelopes; requiring a supervisor of elections to complete a certain report; requiring the county canvassing boards to complete and reconcile the review and approve such report before an election is certified; amending s. 101.545, F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to retain envelopes, seals, and video recordings for a certain period; authorizing the destruction of certain election materials after a certain audit is completed and published on the supervisor's website; amending s. 101.5614, F.S.; requiring certain information to be entered on certain forms; requiring precinct poll workers to conduct certain hand-counted audits; providing requirements and procedures for such audits; providing that certain results may be provided to county canvassing boards for a specified purpose; prohibiting a tabulator from using networking communication hardware; authorizing a supervisor of elections to collect certain data in a certain manner; requiring certain ballots to be duplicated in the presence of certain watchers; authorizing a duplicate to be made by hand duplication; authorizing certain persons to observe the duplication of ballots; requiring a county canvassing board to convene in the presence of certain parties for certain discussions before certification of the election; making technical changes; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 101.595, F.S.; requiring that a certain audit be conducted after each election; providing requirements for the audit; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 101.6103, F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to mail ballots with certain envelopes; requiring a supervisor of elections to use separate postal service billing permits for certain purposes; revising actions an elector must take upon receipt of his or her ballot; revising information to be included on the voter's certificate; requiring an elector who requests a replacement ballot to provide certain identification; requiring a supervisor of elections to verify signatures on certain sworn statements; revising the circumstances in which such a ballot is counted; requiring a supervisor of elections to keep such ballots stored in an area secured in a specified manner; requiring that the canvassing of mail ballots be open for public observation; amending s. 101.6104, F.S.; requiring a ballot to be treated in a certain manner upon county canvassing board receipt of a challenge of a voter certificate envelope or cure affidavit signature; amending s. 101.62, F.S.; requiring a person requesting a vote-by-mail ballot to provide and attest to an allowed reason for such request; providing such allowed reasons; requiring voters to provide certain information in certain written requests for vote-by-mail ballots; deleting provisions related to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters; requiring a supervisor of elections to record certain information for each vote-by-mail ballot request; revising a statement that must be marked on certain envelopes; amending s. 101.64, F.S.; revising the specified envelopes that a supervisor of elections must enclose with a vote-by-mail ballot; revising the voter's certificate that accompanies vote-by-mail ballots; amending s. 101.65, F.S.; revising the instructions that a supervisor of elections must enclose with a vote-by-mail ballot; amending s. 101.655, F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to provide bipartisan supervised voting for certain absent electors at the request of certain persons; providing requirements for the transportation and chain of custody for ballots delivered to and completed by certain absent voters; requiring a supervised voting team to verify an elector's identity in a certain manner; amending s. 101.68, F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to verify a certificate signature, a voter certificate envelope, and ballot material in a specified manner; requiring a supervisor of elections to evaluate certain photo identification in a certain manner; requiring a county canvassing board to complete the canvass of certain ballots within a certain timeframe; requiring a county canvassing board to make certain ballot comparisons according to specified records and reports; specifying that certain identification is considered ballot material and must be presented to certain persons; providing that certain envelopes are considered illegal; requiring that logs of certain information be kept; requiring that certain materials be preserved in a specified manner and reviewed for certain purposes; requiring a supervisor of elections to provide direct links to his or her website in certain circumstances; revising the vote-by-mail cure affidavit; authorizing certain persons to inspect certain materials; requiring the review of certain materials in certain circumstances; requiring a supervisor of elections to provide certain persons with certain access to certain ballot materials; prohibiting a supervisor of elections from limiting the time available to certain persons to complete a cure affidavit review during certain periods; providing that a ballot for which a cure affidavit protest is rejected shall be counted; requiring county canvassing board minutes to contain certain information; requiring a

supervisor of elections to research certain electors to determine their voter eligibility; providing that certain information must be made available to certain persons; amending s. 101.69, F.S.; revising the process for marking certain returned ballots as canceled; requiring that certain materials be submitted to the Office of Election Crimes and Security for investigation; revising locations at which secure ballot intake stations may be placed; requiring certain daily inspection of secure ballot intake stations during early voting; providing a civil penalty for supervisors of elections for deploying secure ballot intake stations that do not meet certain standards; amending s. 101.6921, F.S.; revising the specified envelopes that a supervisor of elections must enclose with a vote-by-mail ballot; revising the voter's certificate; amending s. 101.6923, F.S.; revising the instructions that a supervisor of elections must enclose with certain vote-by-mail ballots; amending s. 102.012, F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to recruit absentee vote processing workers; requiring such workers to subscribe to an oath or affirmation and meet certain qualifications; amending s. 102.014, F.S.; requiring a supervisor of elections to conduct required training for absentee vote processing workers; requiring the department to develop a certain uniform training curriculum for use by supervisors of elections; requiring such workers to demonstrate a working knowledge of certain laws and procedures; requiring a supervisor of elections to appoint a replacement for such a worker in certain circumstances; prohibiting an absentee vote processing worker from working in a work area unless he or she completes certain minimum training requirements; revising the contents of the polling place procedures manual; requiring the department to create and adopt by rule an absentee vote processing procedures manual; providing requirements for such manual; requiring the department to revise the manual as necessary; amending s. 102.141, F.S.; revising the composition of county canvassing boards; authorizing a supervisor of elections to appoint a municipal official as a substitute member of the county canvassing board; requiring a specified quorum of the county canvassing board for certain proceedings; requiring real-time video monitoring of county canvassing board meetings; requiring meeting minutes to be published on the supervisor of elections' website; requiring the county canvassing board to review certain reports each day and take certain actions; requiring the county canvassing board to review certain information before certifying an election; requiring the county canvassing board to address certain discrepancies in a certain manner; requiring a special election in certain circumstances; authorizing the removal from office of the supervisor of elections in certain circumstances; requiring a manual recount to use original paper ballots and voter certificate envelopes in certain circumstances; revising requirements for a county canvassing board conducting a recount; amending s. 102.166, F.S.; authorizing a candidate to request a manual recount of certain votes after a first set of unofficial returns in certain circumstances; revising the percentage of votes by which a candidate is defeated upon which a manual recount of certain votes is required; providing requirements for such recounts; authorizing certain governmental entities to request a manual recount in certain circumstances; requiring a certain audit to be conducted upon delivery of a certain petition; providing requirements for such audit; requiring a manual audit in certain races for which a specified discrepancy exists; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 104.21, F.S.; providing that an election worker who changes certain envelope information or markings commits a misdemeanor; providing criminal penalties; creating s. 104.291, F.S.; providing that a poll worker who wears the poll worker identification badge of another person commits a misdemeanor; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 104.30, F.S.; providing that a person who prints certain ballots or voter certificate envelopes without authorization commits a felony; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Burgess, Smith, and Berman—

SB 398—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an awareness program for Alzheimer's disease and dementia-related disorders; creating s. 430.5016, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to contract for the development and implementation of the Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Program; providing requirements for the program; providing requirements for the entity with which the department contracts for the development and implementation of the program; requiring the Alz-

heimer's Disease Advisory Committee to evaluate the program and make certain recommendations; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Wright—

SB 400—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children; repealing s. 1000.40, F.S., relating to the future repeal of the compact; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

SB 402—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unlawful use of uniforms, medals, or insignia; amending s. 817.312, F.S.; prohibiting persons from wearing the uniform of or any medal or insignia authorized for use by members or veterans of the Space Force; making technical changes; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 404—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ticket sales and resales; providing a short title; creating s. 817.362, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring operators, ticket resellers, and online ticket marketplaces to disclose specified information in a specified manner during the ticket listing and purchasing process; requiring ticket resellers and online ticket marketplaces to provide to purchasers proof of purchase that includes specified information within a specified period of time; prohibiting specified practices by online ticket marketplaces and ticket resellers; providing applicability; prohibiting ticket resellers and ticket marketplaces from engaging in specified actions; prohibiting persons from taking specified actions relating to the use of Internet domain names and ticket purchases under certain conditions; providing conditions under which tickets may not be sold; requiring online ticket marketplaces to disclose specified information to the Secretary of Commerce upon his or her request; providing that trade secrets received by the secretary remain confidential when shared with the Attorney General; authorizing the secretary or his or her designee to enforce certain provisions; providing an effective date.

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

SB 406—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 408—A bill to be entitled An act relating to thoroughbred permitholders; amending s. 550.01215, F.S.; removing a requirement that a thoroughbred permitholder must conduct live racing; amending s. 551.104, F.S.; removing certain slot machine gaming licensure requirements for thoroughbred permitholders who are slot machine licensees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 410—A bill to be entitled An act relating to personal mobility device battery safety standards; creating s. 316.2067, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative intent; defining the term “personal mobility device”; requiring that certain batteries be certified as meeting a specified ingress protection standard; requiring manufacturers, distributors, or operators of a personal mobility device to provide proof of such battery certification in certain circumstances; prohibiting the sale, shipment, operation, or charging of certain personal mobility devices; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to coordinate with local governmental entities for compliance purposes; authorizing the department to take certain enforcement actions; providing for the forfeiture of noncompliant personal mobility devices; providing civil penalties; providing severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Smith—

SB 412—A bill to be entitled An act relating to repair of motorized wheelchairs; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; creating s. 559.971, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 559.972, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 559.973, F.S.; requiring an original equipment manufacturer to make available any documentation, parts, and tools required for the diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of a motorized wheelchair and parts for the motorized wheelchair; requiring an original equipment manufacturer of a motorized wheelchair with an electronic security lock to make available any special documentation, parts, and tools needed to access and reset the lock when disabled in the course of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of the motorized wheelchair; creating s. 559.974, F.S.; providing that violation of the act is an unlawful practice under the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act; creating s. 559.975, F.S.; providing that an original equipment manufacturer is not required to divulge trade secrets; providing that the act does not alter the terms of an arrangement between an authorized repair provider and an original equipment manufacturer; providing an exception; limiting the liability of an original equipment manufacturer or authorized repair provider in certain circumstances; creating s. 559.976, F.S.; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

Senate Bills 414-418—Not used.

Senate Bills 420-432—Not introduced.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 434—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Compact for School Psychologists; creating s. 490.016, F.S.; creating the Interstate Compact for School Psychologists; providing a purpose and objectives of the compact; defining terms; specifying requirements that states must meet to join and participate in the compact; providing for recognition of school psychologist licenses in member states; specifying criteria that a school psychologist must satisfy to practice with an equivalent license in remote states under the compact; providing requirements for renewal of an equivalent license in a member state; specifying multiple locations an active military member and his or her spouse may be deemed to hold a home state license; providing construction; providing for the exchange of files and information relating to investigations and discipline of licensees in member states; establishing the Interstate Compact for School Psychologists Commission; providing for membership, duties, and powers of the commission; specifying the powers and duties of the executive committee of the commission; providing for membership and meetings of the executive committee; requiring the commission to adopt and provide an annual report to member states; specifying public notice and recordkeeping requirements for commission meetings; providing for the financing of the commission; providing members, officers, the executive director, em-

ployees, and representatives of the commission immunity from suit and liability under certain circumstances; requiring the commission to defend such individuals in civil actions under certain circumstances; providing for the indemnity of such individuals for any settlements or judgments in such cases; providing exceptions; providing construction; requiring member states to participate in the exchange of specified information; authorizing the commission to adopt rules and bylaws; specifying rulemaking procedures, including public notice and meeting requirements; specifying emergency rulemaking procedures; providing for state enforcement of the compact; providing for the jurisdiction and venue for court proceedings against the commission; providing that the commission is entitled to receive service of process, and has standing to intervene, in all proceedings involving the enforcement or interpretation of the compact; providing procedures for defaulting member states; providing for the termination of compact membership; providing procedures for the resolution of certain disputes related to the compact; specifying procedures and jurisdiction for initiating legal action against member states or the commission; specifying the process by which the compact becomes effective; specifying procedures for withdrawing from, and making amendments to, the compact; providing construction and severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 436—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; creating s. 490.017, F.S.; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for certain portions of meetings of the Interstate Compact for School Psychologists Commission and its executive committee; providing an exemption from public records requirements for recordings, minutes, and records generated during exempt portions of such meetings; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

Senate Bills 438-446—Not introduced.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 448—A bill to be entitled An act relating to administrative procedure; amending s. 120.52, F.S.; specifying that an agency's issuance of a guidance document or other statement interpreting a statute without express statutory delegation to issue such guidance is an invalid exercise of delegated legislative authority; amending s. 120.536, F.S.; prohibiting an agency from adopting a rule or issuing a guidance document without statutory delegation; reenacting and amending s. 120.541, F.S.; requiring an agency to prepare a statement of estimated regulatory costs for proposed rules, notices of change, and final rules; providing requirements for such statements; requiring the agency to conduct a retrospective cost-benefit analysis for each adopted rule after a specified period; providing requirements for such analysis; requiring review of prior cost-benefit analyses as part of a specified review; requiring agencies to use the findings of such a review for specified purposes; requiring publication of materials used to produce estimates of regulatory costs in a specified manner; providing additional requirements for cost-benefit analyses; amending s. 120.545, F.S.; revising requirements for review of rules by the Administrative Procedures Committee; amending s. 120.55, F.S.; requiring that additional information be published in the Florida Administrative Code; providing for the expiration of rules after a specified period unless readopted; providing requirements for the readoption process; requiring the Administrative Procedures Committee to set expiration dates for existing rules; providing exceptions to rule expiration; requiring review of such exempt rules; requiring the agency to perform specified actions during reviews; providing for a limited extension of expiration in certain circumstances; amending s. 120.555, F.S.; requiring that specified information be published concerning expired rules; amending s. 120.56, F.S.; specifying that guidance documents are subject to specified pro-

visions; providing that a party subject to an enforcement action may challenge the action on the basis that the agency lacked statutory authority for the rule or guidance document; providing for award of costs and attorney fees; providing for challenges to rules on the grounds that the agency failed to comply with specified provisions; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 450—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 acts based on the gender or gender identity of any person; specifying that the reclassification must occur if the crime was based in whole or in part on specified characteristics of any person; providing and revising definitions; amending s. 775.0863, F.S.; replacing the term “mental or physical disability” with the term “disability”; defining the term “disability”; specifying that the reclassification of a certain crime must occur if the crime was based in whole or in part on a disability of any person; amending s. 877.19, F.S.; expanding the data the Governor is required to collect and disseminate to include specified incidents; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

SB 452—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 454—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telephone solicitation; amending s. 501.059, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms “telephone solicitor” and “telephonic sales call”; revising the conditions for awarding attorney fees in civil actions relating to telephone solicitation; making technical changes; providing construction and retroactive application; reenacting s. 517.0615(2)(c), F.S., relating to solicitations of interest, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 501.059, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 456—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bail bonds; reenacting and amending s. 903.011, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, that any monetary or cash component of any form of pretrial release be met by specified means; amending s. 903.045, F.S.; revising a statement of public policy and legislative intent relating to the nature of criminal bail bonds; amending s. 903.046, F.S.; revising the criteria that a court must consider in making specified determinations; amending s. 903.0471, F.S.; requiring that, upon a court's entry of an order to revoke pretrial release and order pretrial detention, the clerk of the court discharge any bond previously posted as a condition of pretrial release without further order of the court; amending s. 903.05, F.S.; deleting the requirement that a surety own certain real estate as a qualification for the release of a person on bail; repealing s. 903.08, F.S., relating to sufficiency of sureties; amending s. 903.09, F.S.; requiring sureties, other than bail bond agents, to justify their suretyship by attaching to the bond United States currency, a United States postal money order, or a cashier's check in the amount of the bond; providing that such currency, money order, or cashier's check may not be used to secure more than one bond; deleting the requirement that a surety execute an affidavit providing certain information; amending s. 903.101, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 903.16, F.S.; authorizing a defendant who has been admitted to bail, or another person on the defendant's behalf, to deposit with the official authorized to take bail money an amount equal to the bail amount set in the court order; requiring that such deposit be receipted in the name of the defendant; requiring, rather than authorizing, the sheriff or other officials to remit to the clerk money or bonds received which are to be held by the clerk

pending court action; deleting a provision stating that consent is conclusively presumed for the clerk of the circuit court to sell bonds deposited as bail after forfeiture of the bond; repealing s. 903.17, F.S., relating to substitution of cash bail for other bail; amending s. 903.21, F.S.; specifying that the surety is exonerated of liability on a bond if a specified determination is made before forfeiture of the bond; requiring clerks, upon a certain affirmation by the sheriff or the chief correctional officer, to discharge the bond without further hearing or order from the court; amending s. 903.26, F.S.; providing that a certain signed certificate that certifies a specified required notice constitutes sufficient proof of the mailing or electronic transmission of such notice; deleting a requirement that municipal officials having custody of forfeited money deposit such money in a designated municipal fund within 60 days after the forfeiture notice has been mailed or electronically transmitted; deleting certain requirements that must be met when bonds are forfeited; revising the circumstances under which the court is required to discharge a forfeiture within a specified timeframe; specifying circumstances under which the clerk must discharge a forfeiture and issue a certain notice to the surety without further order of the court; specifying circumstances under which the clerk does not have standing to object to specified motions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 903.27, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to enter a certain judgment if the forfeiture is not paid or discharged by order of a court of competent jurisdiction within 60 days after the forfeiture notice has been mailed or electronically transmitted; reducing the number of days within which the clerk must furnish specified information to the Department of Financial Services and the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission and the surety company at its home office; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 903.28, F.S.; increasing the amount of time within which a court must order remission of a forfeiture if it determines that there was no breach of the bond; requiring a court, upon a certain motion, to order remission in accordance with specified provisions if a defendant surrenders, is deceased, is apprehended, or is deported within a certain time after forfeiture; deleting provisions relating to the ordering of remission under specified circumstances; decreasing the amount of time for which the clerk of the circuit court and the state attorney must be given notice before a certain hearing and be furnished with copies of certain documents; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to issue a remission within a certain timeframe after the entry of a court order directing remission; providing for accrual of interest if remission is not issued within such timeframe; amending s. 903.31, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the ordering of a bond cancellation; revising applicability; defining the term "revoked"; specifying that the original appearance bond does not guarantee a sentencing deferral, a delayed sentencing, or an appearance after entering a plea agreement; amending s. 924.065, F.S.; specifying that an appeal may not be a supersedeas to the execution of the judgment, sentence, or order of the payment of the judgment, fine, and any future costs that may be adjudged by the appellate court; deleting a provision requiring that bonds be conditioned on certain factors; amending s. 951.26, F.S.; requiring that county public safety coordinating councils include a licensed bail bond agent; providing for designation and the term of such agents; requiring that public safety coordinating councils for a consortium of counties include a licensed bond agent; providing for designation and the term of such agents; reenacting ss. 903.047(1)(c) and 907.041(5)(c) and (d), F.S., relating to conditions of pretrial release and pretrial detention and release, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 903.046, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 903.286(2), F.S., relating to cash bond forms, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 903.09, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 924.14, F.S., relating to stay of execution when a defendant appeals, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 924.065, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 458—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; amending ss. 119.071 and 286.0113, F.S.; revising the applicability of public records and public meetings exemptions, respectively, relating to competitive solicitations; amending s. 337.11, F.S.; defining the terms "competitive solicitation" and "team"; providing an exemption from public records requirements for sealed bids, proposals,

or replies received and publicly announced by the Department of Transportation pursuant to competitive solicitations for certain contracts; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of meetings at which negotiations with, oral presentations of, or questions answered by a vendor taking part in a competitive solicitation of the department occur and portions of team meetings at which negotiation strategies are discussed; providing an exemption from public records requirements for recordings of and any records presented at such exempt meetings; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing statements of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 460—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student elopement; creating s. 1003.211, F.S.; defining terms; requiring public schools to create a school staff assistance for emergencies (SAFE) team and a school elopement plan; providing for membership and responsibilities of the SAFE team; providing requirements for the plan; requiring the SAFE team to create student-specific elopement quick reference guides for certain students; providing requirements for such guides; requiring public schools to annually provide their plans to the district school board; authorizing the State Board of Education to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 462—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; requiring the Department of Revenue to distribute certain amounts monthly to the State Transportation Trust Fund beginning on a certain date; providing for future repeal; creating s. 218.3215, F.S.; requiring each county to provide the Department of Transportation with uniform project data; providing requirements for such data; requiring the department to compile the data and publish it on its website; amending s. 334.044, F.S.; authorizing the department to acquire property or property rights in advance to preserve a corridor for future proposed improvements; authorizing the department to expend a certain amount of grant funds annually to state colleges and high schools for certain construction workforce development programs; requiring that priority be given to certain colleges and high schools; creating s. 334.63, F.S.; providing requirements for certain project concept studies and project development and environment studies; amending s. 337.11, F.S.; clarifying a provision related to third-party beneficiary rights; revising the bidding and award process for contracts for road construction and maintenance projects estimated to cost under a specified amount; revising the circumstances in which the department must competitively award a phased design-build contract for phase one; authorizing a design-build firm to self-perform portions of work under a contract; requiring that contracts let by the department on or after a certain date for bridge construction or maintenance over navigable waters include protection and indemnity coverage; amending s. 337.1101, F.S.; prohibiting the department from creating a new contract in certain circumstances unless the contract is competitively procured; amending s. 337.14, F.S.; authorizing the department to waive contractor certification requirements for certain projects; reducing the threshold value of contracts for which the department may waive a contract bond requirement; requiring a contractor seeking to bid on certain maintenance contracts to possess certain qualifications; amending s. 337.185, F.S.; increasing the limits of claims per contract which a contractor may submit to the State Arbitration Board; limiting the period in which an arbitration request may be made for a claim related to a written warranty or defect; amending s. 337.19, F.S.; limiting the period in which a suit by or against the department may be commenced for a claim related to a written warranty or defect for a contract entered into on or after a certain date; amending s. 337.401, F.S.; requiring certain entities to make underground utilities within a right-of-way electronically detectable; requiring a utility owner to pay the authority reasonable damages in certain circumstances; conditioning the issuance of permits for certain utility placements on the payment of certain costs; defining the term "as-built plans"; pro-

viding submission requirements for as-built plans; requiring the submission of as-built plans before reimbursement of certain costs; amending s. 337.403, F.S.; authorizing the department to reimburse a certain percentage of costs for relocation of certain utility facilities; revising the costs considered in determining whether the department may participate in utility work costs; revising the agreements under which the authority must bear the cost of utility removal or relocation; revising a determination that, if made by the department, authorizes the department to pay the cost of certain utility work; requiring the department and a utility owner to adhere to certain rules and procedures before the notice to initiate work; requiring the department to provide to a utility owner preliminary plans and certain notice; requiring the utility owner to submit certain plans to the department; requiring that the plans include a utility relocation schedule; providing for extensions and revisions to a utility relocation schedule in certain circumstances; providing that a utility owner is liable to the department for certain damages; requiring the department to establish mediation boards to resolve certain disputes between the department and a utility; providing mediation board requirements and procedures; authorizing rulemaking; amending s. 339.65, F.S.; requiring the department to prioritize certain Strategic Intermodal System highway corridor projects; amending ss. 443.191, 571.26, and 571.265, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing a legislative finding; requiring the department to develop a report on widening Interstate 4; providing requirements for the report; requiring the department to submit the report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Regulated Industries; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 464—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certified recovery residences; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “certified recovery residence”; amending s. 397.487, F.S.; requiring a credentialing entity to revoke a certified residence’s certificate of compliance if the certified recovery residence willfully, knowingly, or intentionally provides false or misleading information to the credentialing entity; amending s. 397.4873, F.S.; revising applicability of provisions governing referrals to or from recovery residences; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Leek and Burgess—

SB 466—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Museum of Black History; creating s. 267.07221, F.S.; providing legislative intent; establishing the Florida Museum of Black History Board of Directors; providing for the membership of the board; requiring that appointments to the board be made by a specified date; prohibiting specified members of the board from holding state or local elective office while serving on the board; providing for the filling of vacancies; requiring that the board work jointly with the Foundation for the Museum of Black History, Inc.; requiring the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners to provide administrative support and staffing to the board until specified actions are completed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Collins—

SB 468—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer; amending s. 316.1935, F.S.; revising the law enforcement vehicle marking requirements for specified offenses; providing mandatory minimum classification of certain offenses; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; reclassifying offenses for purposes of the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Rodriguez and Rouson—

SB 470—A bill to be entitled An act relating to naturopathic medicine; redesignating the title of ch. 462, F.S., from “Naturopathy” to “Naturopathic Medicine”; creating s. 462.001, F.S.; providing legislative findings and purpose; creating s. 462.002, F.S.; providing applicability and construction; renumbering and amending s. 462.01, F.S.; revising and defining terms; creating s. 462.004, F.S.; creating the Board of Naturopathic Medicine within the Department of Health; providing for membership of the board; requiring the board, in conjunction with the department, to establish a disciplinary training program for board members; providing requirements for the program; providing that board members may not participate in probable cause panels or disciplinary decisions unless they have completed the training program; requiring board members appointed to probable cause panels to attempt to complete their work on every case presented; authorizing board members to reconvene a probable cause panel under certain circumstances; providing applicability; renumbering and amending s. 462.023, F.S.; authorizing the board to adopt rules; deleting obsolete language; creating s. 462.006, F.S.; prohibiting certain unlicensed persons from practicing naturopathic medicine or promoting, identifying, or describing themselves using specified titles or abbreviations; providing construction; creating s. 462.007, F.S.; providing for licensure by examination of naturopathic physicians; requiring the department and the board to use an investigative process that ensures applicants meet the applicable criteria; authorizing the State Surgeon General or her or his designee to issue a 90-day licensure delay under certain circumstances; providing construction; prohibiting the board from certifying for licensure certain applicants until a certain investigation is completed; providing applicability; prohibiting the department from issuing a license to certain applicants until the board has reviewed the application and certified the applicant for licensure; authorizing the board to enter an order imposing certain sanctions against or conditions on an applicant for licensure under certain circumstances; creating s. 462.008, F.S.; providing for licensure by endorsement of naturopathic physicians; renumbering and amending s. 462.08, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure renewal for naturopathic physicians; requiring the department to adopt rules; renumbering and amending s. 462.18, F.S.; revising continuing education requirements for naturopathic physicians; requiring naturopathic physicians to use the department’s electronic continuing education tracking system to demonstrate compliance with continuing education requirements; renumbering and amending s. 462.19, F.S.; revising provisions related to reactivation of inactive naturopathic physician licenses; requiring the board to adopt rules relating to the reactivation of inactive licenses; providing requirements for the rules; prohibiting the department from reactivating a license until certain conditions have been met; renumbering and amending s. 462.11, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 462.014, F.S.; requiring the board to adopt rules providing for the handling of medical records by licensed naturopathic physicians; providing requirements for such rules; creating s. 462.015, F.S.; providing financial responsibility requirements as a condition of licensure for naturopathic physicians; providing exemptions from such requirements; requiring certain insuring entities to notify the department promptly of a naturopathic physician’s cancellation or nonrenewal of insurance; requiring the department to suspend the license of a naturopathic physician under certain circumstances until the licensee demonstrates compliance with specified requirements; providing applicability; requiring certain naturopathic physicians to provide a specified notice to their patients; providing requirements for the notice; providing for permanent disqualification from any exemption from the financial responsibility requirements, and for disciplinary action, for specified conduct; requiring certain naturopathic physicians to notify the department in writing of any change in circumstance and demonstrate compliance with certain requirements; requiring the department to suspend the license of a naturopathic physician under certain circumstances until certain requirements are met; providing applicability; requiring the board to adopt rules; renumbering and amending s. 462.13, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; renumbering and amending s. 462.14, F.S.; revising grounds for disciplinary action; providing construction; providing for disciplinary actions by the board and department; providing for the standard of proof in certain administrative ac-

tions; providing requirements for the reinstatement of a license for certain persons; providing requirements for disciplinary guidelines adopted by the board; providing requirements and procedures for the department's receipt of certain closed claims and reports involving a licensed naturopathic physician; authorizing the department to bring an action to enjoin a naturopathic physician from providing medical services under certain circumstances; requiring the department to furnish certain documents promptly to a naturopathic physician or her or his attorney upon undertaking an investigation of the naturopathic physician; authorizing a naturopathic physician who is the subject of such investigation to submit a written response within a specified timeframe; requiring that the response be considered by the probable cause panel, if held on the matter; creating s. 462.018, F.S.; prohibiting licensed naturopathic physicians from holding themselves out as board-certified specialists unless certified by the board regulating such specialty; authorizing licensed naturopathic physicians to indicate or state accurately which services or types of services they provide within the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine; renumbering and amending s. 462.17, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for specified violations relating to the practice of naturopathic medicine; creating s. 462.024, F.S.; providing that patients are responsible for advising treating health care practitioners about any legend drug, nutrient, or natural medicinal substance that a naturopathic physician has prescribed or recommended to the patient; requiring naturopathic physicians to advise their patients of such responsibility; creating a rebuttable presumption that certain injuries sustained by a patient are caused by her or his failure to disclose such information as required; providing for the rebuttal of such presumption under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing that a naturopathic physician is not required to confirm whether a patient has disclosed this information to another treating health care practitioner; creating s. 462.025, F.S.; providing severability; renumbering s. 462.09, F.S., relating to disposition of fees; repealing s. 462.16, F.S., relating to reissue of license; repealing s. 462.2001, F.S., relating to saving clause; amending ss. 20.43, 381.0031, 468.301, 476.044, 477.0135, 485.003, 486.161, 627.351, 893.02, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 472—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education in correctional facilities for licensed professions; amending s. 944.801, F.S.; requiring the Correctional Education Program to develop a plan in conjunction with the boards of professions regulated by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation for inmates to take classes for credit toward licensure requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 474—A bill to be entitled An act relating to modified sentences for veterans; creating s. 775.37, F.S.; defining the term “modified sentence”; authorizing a court to impose a modified sentence for veterans under specified circumstances; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 476—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited discrimination based on hairstyle; providing a short title; amending s. 1000.05, F.S.; defining the term “protected hairstyle”; prohibiting discrimination based on protected hairstyle in the K-20 public education system; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; defining the terms “race” and “protected hairstyles” for purposes of public K-12 nondiscrimination re-

quirements; amending s. 1002.421, F.S.; defining the terms “race” and “protected hairstyles” for purposes of antidiscrimination requirements for private schools participating in the state school choice scholarship program; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 478—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Deferred Retirement Option Program eligibility for school employees and personnel; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; deleting the time limitation for DROP eligibility for certain instructional personnel, administrative personnel, and educational support employees; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 480—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonprofit agricultural organization health coverage; providing directives to the Division of Law Revision; providing a short title; creating s. 632.701, F.S.; providing legislative purpose; defining the term “nonprofit agricultural organization”; authorizing nonprofit agricultural organizations to provide health coverage; specifying that such coverage is not insurance for purposes of the Florida Insurance Code; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 482—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government; amending s. 125.022, F.S.; prohibiting a county from requiring an applicant to take certain actions as a condition of processing a development permit or development order; amending s. 163.31801, F.S.; defining the term “extraordinary circumstances”; requiring that a demonstrated-need study include certain information; amending s. 166.033, F.S.; prohibiting a municipality from requiring an applicant to take certain actions as a condition of processing a development permit or development order; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 484—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student mental health; amending s. 1006.041, F.S.; requiring minimum ratios of school psychologists and of certified school counselors, school social workers, or other licensed mental health professionals to students in certain grades, respectively, beginning with a specified school year; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Avila—

SB 486—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limestone mining operations; creating s. 552.31, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing that the Division of Administrative Hearings has exclusive jurisdiction over all claims for damages to real or personal property caused by limestone mining operations; authorizing a property owner to initiate an administrative proceeding to recover damages resulting from limestone mining operations; requiring administrative law judges to consider a certain State Fire Marshal report as part of the evidence presented in a formal administrative hearing; providing for

preemption; defining the term “limestone mining operations”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Transportation; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 488—A bill to be entitled An act relating to affordable property ad valorem tax exemption for leased land; amending s. 196.1978, F.S.; authorizing certain leased land to qualify for a specified ad valorem tax exemption; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 490—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed carry licensing requirements for law enforcement officers, correctional officers, and military servicemembers; amending s. 790.051, F.S.; providing that law enforcement officers, correctional officers, and military servicemembers are considered to be in compliance with concealed weapons and concealed firearms licensing requirements with valid identification; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator McClain—

SB 492—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mitigation banking; amending s. 373.4136, F.S.; revising the schedule to which the Department of Environmental Protection and water management districts are required to adhere for the release of credits awarded by a mitigation bank permit; prohibiting the release of mitigation credits for freshwater wetland creation until certain criteria are met; requiring that a mitigation bank service area established by the department or a water management district for a mitigation bank be considered to have met specified requirements; authorizing certain projects or activities to use credits released from a bank to offset impacts if certain requirements are met; authorizing a project applicant to use credits released from a mitigation bank outside a mitigation service area to offset impacts if an insufficient number or type of credits have been released in the proposed project area under certain circumstances; requiring the department and water management districts to apply a certain multiplier in granting the out-of-service area credits; declaring that use of the multipliers meets the requirements for addressing certain impacts; requiring the department or water management district to contact all mitigation banks within a specified area in a specified number of days after an applicant requests to use credits from a mitigation bank outside a specified area; requiring such mitigation banks to provide an accounting within a specified number of days; requiring the department or water management district to make a certain determination upon receipt of the accounting and notify the applicant of such determination; authorizing the applicant to rely on the determination for a specified period of time; requiring mitigation banks to submit annual reports to the department or the districts which contain specified information; requiring the department and each district to compile the reports into an annual assessment and provide it to the Legislature; reenacting ss. 373.403(19), 373.4135(1)(b), (3), (4), (5), (6)(c) and (g), and (8)(c), 373.41365, and 373.414(1)(b), F.S., relating to definitions, mitigation banks and offsite regional mitigation, adoption and modification of rules to ensure financial assurances for long-term management of mitigation under ss. 373.4136 and 373.414, F.S., and additional criteria for activities in surface waters and wetlands, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 373.4136, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Leek—

SB 494—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal cruelty; amending s. 828.12, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to post on its website the names of certain individuals who have violated specified animal cruelty provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator McClain—

SB 496—A bill to be entitled An act relating to timeshare management firms; amending s. 468.4334, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 468.4335, F.S.; revising applicability for provisions governing conflicts of interest between community association managers or community association management firms and certain persons with a financial interest in such associations; amending s. 468.438, F.S.; providing construction; amending s. 721.13, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring managing entities that perform community association management to comply with certain provisions related to community association management firms; requiring timeshare management firms and individuals employed by timeshare management firms to discharge their duties in good faith; exempting such firms and individuals from liability for monetary damages; requiring the board of administration of a timeshare condominium to meet once per year; providing an exception; requiring disclosure of certain information annually to certain persons if a timeshare management firm or an owners’ association provides goods and services through arrangements with specified entities; providing construction; reenacting s. 721.14(2), F.S., relating to discharge of a managing entity, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 721.13, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Grall—

SB 498—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the interest rates applicable to the Interest on Trust Accounts Program; creating s. 655.97, F.S.; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to establish quarterly two interest rate alternatives applicable to the Interest on Trust Accounts (IOTA) Program to determine interest paid to Funding Florida Legal Aid (FFLA) by participating financial institutions; requiring such institutions to select one of the two rate alternatives annually; requiring that each rate alternative be set at a specified rate; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to inform FFLA of the rate alternatives established for each upcoming quarter; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Avila—

SB 500—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Spectrum Alert; creating s. 937.0401, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement, in cooperation with the Department of Transportation, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Department of the Lottery, and local law enforcement agencies, to establish and implement the Spectrum Alert; requiring the department, in cooperation with specified entities, to develop a training program and alert system for missing children with autism spectrum disorder which is compatible with existing alert systems; specifying requirements for the training program; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to establish specified policies and procedures; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Leek—

SB 502—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal cruelty offenses; amending s. 828.02, F.S.; revising definitions; defining the term “domestic animal”; amending s. 921.0024, F.S.; providing criminal punishment scoring; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Agriculture; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 504—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Department of Transportation construction projects; amending s. 334.044, F.S.; revising the percentage of the contracted amount for certain construction projects which the Department of Transportation is required to allocate for the purchase of plant materials; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to graduation requirements for English for Speakers of Other Languages program students; amending s. 1003.433, F.S.; authorizing certain English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program students to meet the Algebra I end-of-course assessment requirements in a specified manner; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Jones—

SB 508—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Family Empowerment Scholarship Program; amending s. 1002.394, F.S.; requiring private schools participating in the Family Empowerment Scholarship Program to provide specified information in writing to parents before student enrollment in the school; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

SB 510—A bill to be entitled An act relating to heat illness prevention; creating s. 448.112, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing applicability; defining terms; requiring certain employers to implement an outdoor heat exposure safety program that has been approved by specified departments; specifying requirements for the safety program; providing responsibilities for certain employers and employees; providing exceptions; requiring specified annual training on heat illness and providing requirements for such training; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, in conjunction with the Department of Health, to adopt specified rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 512—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical marijuana edibles; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; revising the packaging and labeling requirements for medical marijuana edibles; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 514—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical malpractice review committees; amending s. 766.101, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “medical review committee”; revising provisions related to discovery and evidence in civil and administrative actions to conform 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 Collins—

SB 516—A bill to be entitled An act relating to complaints against law enforcement and correctional officers; amending s. 112.532, F.S.; requiring that a copy of a complaint, signed by the complainant under oath, be provided to law enforcement officers and correctional officers who are under investigation; prohibiting certain personnel actions from being taken against a law enforcement officer or correctional officer unless such officer receives a copy of the complaint signed by the complainant under oath; prohibiting the investigative file of certain investigations of law enforcement officers or correctional officers from being included in such officer's personnel file; prohibiting the existence of certain investigations from affecting an officer's ability to receive a promotion, a raise, or any other commendation; amending s. 112.533, F.S.; requiring a complaint against a law enforcement officer or correctional officer to be in writing and signed under oath by the person filing the complaint; providing penalties for making a false complaint; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 518—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility contractors; amending s. 334.044, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Transportation to enter into certain construction, maintenance, and operation agreements; specifying that contractors that construct transportation facilities pursuant to the Florida Transportation Code do not act on behalf of the department for purposes of public records requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 520—A bill to be entitled An act relating to curators of estates; amending s. 733.501, F.S.; revising the requirements for a court to appoint a curator of certain estates; providing that a curator has specified authority and duties; providing the circumstances in which a curator must take into its custody the estate of specified decedents or persons; requiring a curator to act as trustee when appointed by the court; requiring a curator to post a reasonable bond, determined by the court; providing an exception; providing that a curator is subject to removal and surcharge by the court; requiring a curator to file periodic reports with the court; requiring that certain details be included in such reports; requiring the court to review such reports at regular intervals; authorizing the court to require more frequent reporting or additional documents under certain circumstances; providing construction; making technical changes; reenacting s. 90.5021(1), F.S., relating to fiduciary lawyer-client privilege, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 733.501, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

SB 522—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sickle cell care management and treatment education; creating s. 456.0311, F.S.; requiring the applicable licensing boards for specified health care professions to require a 2-hour continuing education course on sickle cell disease care management as part of every second biennial licensure or certification renewal; specifying requirements for the course; specifying the procedure for licensees and certificateholders to submit confirmation of completing the course; authorizing the applicable boards to approve additional equivalent courses to satisfy the requirement; authorizing the applicable boards to include the course hours in the total hours of continuing education required for the applicable profession, with an exception; authorizing health care practitioners holding two or more licenses or certificates subject to the course requirement to show proof of completion of one course to satisfy the requirement for all such licenses or certificates; providing for disciplinary action; authorizing the applicable boards to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 524—A bill to be entitled An act relating to newborn screenings; amending s. 383.14, F.S.; beginning on a specified date, requiring that the Department of Health's rules require that newborns be screened for Duchenne muscular dystrophy at the appropriate age; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 526—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing education programs; amending s. 464.019, F.S.; revising application requirements for nursing education program approval; requiring the Board of Nursing to deny an application under certain circumstances; authorizing the board to revoke a program's approval under certain circumstances; revising requirements for annual reports approved programs are required to submit to the board; providing for the revocation of a program's approval, and discipline of its program director, under certain circumstances; revising remediation procedures for approved programs with graduate passage rates that do not meet specified requirements; subjecting program directors of approved programs to specified disciplinary action under certain circumstances; deleting a provision authorizing the board to extend a program's probationary status; authorizing agents of the Department of Health to conduct onsite evaluations and inspections of approved and accredited nursing education programs; authorizing the department to collect evidence as part of such evaluations and inspections; deeming failure or refusal of a program to allow such evaluation or inspection as a violation of a legal obligation; revising rule-making authority of the board; deleting a provision authorizing approved nursing education programs to request an extension to meet the board's accreditation requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Avila—

SB 528—A bill to be entitled An act relating to political polls; creating s. 106.146, F.S.; defining the term "political poll"; requiring that political polls contain a specified phrase; specifying requirements for providing or including such phrase; providing criminal penalties; defining the term "person"; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 530—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assessments levied on recreational vehicle parks; amending ss. 125.0168, 166.223, and 189.052, F.S.; providing that a non-ad valorem special assessment on a recreational vehicle park levied by a county, municipality, or special district, respectively, may not be levied against a certain portion of a recreational vehicle parking space or campsite; requiring counties, municipalities, and special districts, respectively, to consider a recreational vehicle park's occupancy rates for a certain purpose; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 532—A bill to be entitled An act relating to toll payments; amending s. 338.155, F.S.; exempting certain disabled veterans from the required payment of tolls for the use of toll facilities; reenacting s. 316.1001(1), F.S., relating to the required payment of tolls on toll facilities and penalties, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 338.155, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 534—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal cruelty; re-ordering and amending s. 828.12, F.S.; prohibiting a person from confining an animal in an unattended motor vehicle under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SJR 536—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VI and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to revise the term limits applicable to state representatives and state senators and to provide an effective date.

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

By Senator Bradley—

SB 538—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state courts system; amending s. 26.20, F.S.; revising the availability of judges to require at least one circuit judge in each circuit to be available for hearings with limited notice; amending s. 44.103, F.S.; deleting the per diem cap for arbitrators who participate in court-ordered, nonbinding arbitration; amending s. 92.50, F.S.; authorizing judges to authenticate a jurat, or certificate of proof or acknowledgment, by affixing their signature and printing their name, title, and court; reenacting ss. 28.2221(6)(b), 92.525(1), 110.12301(2)(a) and (d), and 112.181(2), F.S., relating to electronic access to official records restricted from public display, inspection, or copying; verification of documents; spouse and dependent eligibility verification by affidavit; and affidavits from firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, law enforcement officers, and correctional officers to be entitled to a certain presumption, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 92.50, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Collins and Burgess—

SB 540—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disability history and awareness instruction; providing a short title; amending s. 1003.4205, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, disability history and awareness instruction; requiring that disability history and awareness instruction include specified material; authorizing a district school board to consult with the Evin B. Hartsell Foundation to further develop material; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Osgood—

SB 542—A bill to be entitled An act relating to decreasing racial and ethnic disparities in mental health and substance abuse services; amending s. 381.7355, F.S.; revising priority areas for project proposals under the Closing the Gap grant program to include those addressing racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates relating to mental health and substance use disorders; requiring priority be given to proposals for areas with the greatest documented racial and ethnic disparities in the provision of mental health and substance abuse services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 544—A bill to be entitled An act relating to foster care payments; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; authorizing certain payments to relatives or nonrelatives who have a child placed with them in out-of-home care and who obtain a child-specific level I foster license within a specified timeframe; making technical changes; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 546—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home cultivation of marijuana; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; authorizing certain qualified patients to apply to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for a certificate to cultivate up to two cannabis plants for personal consumption; requiring the department to adopt rules related to such certificates, including rules for inspection and registration of each cannabis plant; requiring an applicant to provide certain documentation if he or she is leasing a residence; providing that no more than two cannabis plants may be cultivated at a single residence regardless of the number of eligible qualified patients who reside there; specifying limitations on and requirements for the cultivation of cannabis plants for personal use; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 548—A bill to be entitled An act relating to carrying concealed weapons and firearms in courthouses; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; revising the list of places into which a person may not carry a handgun or a concealed weapon or concealed firearm to allow judges and magistrates to carry concealed weapons and concealed firearms into any courthouse in the circuit in which they serve in such capacity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 550—A bill to be entitled An act relating to investments of public funds in Bitcoin; creating s. 17.573, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to make investments in Bitcoin and other digital assets for a certain purpose; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to ensure his or her investment strategies align with a certain goal; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to maintain flexibility in certain investment decisions; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to invest money in Bitcoin from certain public funds; providing limits to such investments; providing requirements for holding acquired Bitcoin; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer and other parties to loan Bitcoin under specified circumstances; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to adopt rules governing such loans; requiring taxes and fees paid in Bitcoin to be transferred to the General Revenue Fund; requiring the General Revenue Fund to reimburse designated funds in United States currency for such payments; amending ss. 17.57 and 17.61, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.151, F.S.; authorizing the Trustees of the State Board of Administration to invest and reinvest available funds of the System Trust Fund in Bitcoin; providing requirements for such investments; defining terms; amending s. 280.03, F.S.; providing that investments of public funds in Bitcoin are exempt from certain security requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 552—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical marijuana; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; specifying additional medical conditions that qualify an individual to receive medical marijuana and medical marijuana delivery devices; authorizing qualified physicians to use telehealth to perform the initial certification examination of patients for the medical use of marijuana; conforming provisions related to documentation a qualified physician is required to submit to the Board of Medicine or Board of Osteopathic Medicine, as applicable, to conform to changes made by the act; increasing the number of supply limits of marijuana a qualified physician may issue in a single physician certification for the medical use of marijuana; revising the frequency with which qualified physicians must evaluate existing qualified patients for a physician certification for the medical use of marijuana; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; deleting obsolete language; revising the frequency with which qualified patient and caregiver identification cards must be renewed, from annually to biennially; requiring the Department of Health to establish procedures and processes for certain nonresidents to register as visiting qualified patients and be issued identification cards within a specified timeframe; providing that a visiting qualified patient may engage in all conduct authorized for qualified patients in this state; requiring the department to waive all fees associated with identification cards for certain veterans of the United States Armed Forces; prohibiting medical marijuana treatment center dispensing facilities from being located on the same parcel of land as retail outlets; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 554—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance practices; amending s. 55.03, F.S.; revising the calculation that the Chief Financial Officer performs to set the rate of interest payable on judgments or decrees; amending s. 624.315, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission to create specified reports on related entities and compensation of executive officers for insurers, licensees, and registrants; specifying requirements for such reports; requiring the office to publish the reports annually on its website and submit the reports annually to specified entities; requiring the office to use a reliable and up-to-date

methodology and software to create specified reports and review such methodology and software for accuracy; specifying that certain data is not considered a trade secret and may be used for certain purposes; prohibiting insurers from withholding certain data from the office under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; revising the facts the office must consider in determining whether a rate is excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory; amending s. 627.70131, F.S.; requiring insurers to send policyholders a written estimate of the amount of loss under certain circumstances; specifying certain requirements for insurers when creating and sending such estimates; prohibiting insureds and insurers from waiving such requirements; amending s. 627.7015, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference and provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.70152, F.S.; revising the manner in which an insurer must respond to a notice to initiate litigation; requiring a claimant and insurer to participate in mandatory mediation under certain circumstances; requiring the court to determine attorney fees in a specified manner for cases arising from a property insurance dispute; authorizing the office to impose penalties for violations of certain provisions; amending s. 627.70154, F.S.; requiring insurers to disclose to policyholders the dollar amount of a credit or premium discount for a mandatory binding arbitration endorsement; reenacting ss. 627.151(1), 627.715(3)(b), and 627.7151(9)(b), F.S., relating to workers' compensation or employer's liability insurance filings, flood insurance, and sinkhole coverage insurance, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 627.062, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Wright—

SB 556—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resale-restricted affordable housing; amending s. 193.011, F.S.; requiring owners of resale-restricted affordable housing to submit a specified application to the property appraiser; specifying the contents of such application; creating s. 193.0181, F.S.; defining terms; requiring that resale-restricted affordable housing be assessed under a specified law; specifying that resale-restricted affordable housing is a land-use regulation and subject to a certain limitation; requiring the property appraiser to consider such limitation to arrive at just valuation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Grall—

SB 558—A bill to be entitled An act relating to contracts for post-adoption contact; amending s. 63.0427, F.S.; defining the term “legal relative”; authorizing certain parties to enter into a written contract for postadoption contact that permits contact between an adopted child and his or her legal relatives; providing that certain contract provisions are unenforceable; requiring that a postadoption contract include certain statements; authorizing any party to such contract to file the contract with the court; requiring the court to make the contract a part of the final adoption order; providing that the continuing validity of the adoption is not contingent upon compliance with the terms of the contract; authorizing and providing requirements for enforcement, modification, or termination of the contract; prohibiting enforcement of the contract in certain circumstances; providing for automatic termination of the contract in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 560—A bill to be entitled An act relating to chemical additives in food products; creating s. 500.454, F.S.; beginning on a specified date, prohibiting a food establishment from manufacturing, selling, or distributing food that contains specified chemical additives; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 562—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of artificial intelligence to detect firearms; creating s. 790.34, F.S.; prohibiting the use of artificial intelligence to detect firearms in public areas; providing criminal penalties; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 564—A bill to be entitled An act relating to chiropractic medicine; amending s. 460.403, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “practice of chiropractic medicine” to include the ordering, storing, possessing, prescribing, and administering of articles of natural origin under certain circumstances by certain chiropractic physicians; authorizing pharmacists to fill the orders of such chiropractic physicians; amending s. 460.408, F.S.; deleting a requirement that all chiropractic continuing education be completed in a classroom setting; prohibiting the Board of Chiropractic Medicine from limiting the number of hours of continuing education a chiropractic physician may complete through distance learning; authorizing the board to make exceptions to continuing education requirements during a declared state of emergency in this state; specifying who may teach board-approved continuing education courses; requiring, rather than authorizing, the board to adopt rules; amending s. 460.413, F.S.; revising grounds for disciplinary action to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 460.4165, F.S.; revising certification requirements for certified chiropractic physician's assistants; amending s. 627.736, F.S.; revising limitations on medical benefits in insurance policies providing personal injury protection; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Rodriguez and Sharief—

SB 566—A bill to be entitled An act relating to patient-directed medical orders; amending s. 765.101, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 765.102, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent to include palliative care for progressive illnesses; creating s. 765.3041, F.S.; providing a purpose and requirements for a patient-directed medical order; authorizing the use of telehealth for a specified purpose; requiring that certain health care services be provided to the principal regardless of the decision to withhold or withdraw life-prolonging procedures; authorizing physicians, physician assistants, and certain advanced practice registered nurses to withhold or withdraw life-prolonging procedures under certain circumstances without penalty; providing construction; amending ss. 395.1041, 400.142, 400.487, 400.605, 400.6095, 400.611, 401.35, 401.45, 429.255, 429.73, 744.4431, 752.001, 765.110, 765.204, 765.205, and 765.305, F.S.; conforming cross-references and provisions to changes made by the act; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to create and update a database for the storage of patient-directed medical orders; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 568—A bill to be entitled An act relating to swimming safety; providing a short title; creating s. 514.0731, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting organizations from granting water access at public bathing places or public swimming pools to certain children without first being provided specified information; requiring organizations to provide specified personal flotation devices to certain children; providing an alternative to providing children with personal flotation devices; requiring organizations to properly fit certain children with personal

flotation devices that the organization provides; providing exceptions; providing penalties for violations; authorizing public bathing places and public swimming pools to refuse water access to certain children whose parents or legal guardians have not provided specified information; authorizing public bathing places and public swimming pools to loan or rent for use specified personal flotation devices for certain purposes; requiring public bathing places and public swimming pools to prominently display a certain sign describing water-related dangers; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt rules; revising the title of ch. 515, F.S.; designating ss. 515.21 through 515.37, F.S., as part I of ch. 515, F.S., entitled "Residential Swimming Pool Safety Act"; amending ss. 515.21, 515.23, 515.25, 515.31, 515.33, 515.35, and 515.37, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating part II of ch. 515, F.S., entitled "Open Water Safety"; creating s. 515.41, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 515.42, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating s. 515.43, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 515.44, F.S.; requiring certain counties and municipalities to create pilot programs to install drowning prevention stations at high-risk public water access areas; providing specifications regarding the locations of such drowning prevention stations; specifying information that each participating county and municipality must provide to the Department of Environmental Protection by a specified date; requiring the department to submit a final report to the Governor and Legislature; providing contents of the report; creating s. 515.45, F.S.; encouraging local governments to implement sponsorship programs with businesses to help fund drowning prevention stations; specifying uses for such funds; creating s. 515.46, F.S.; requiring the department to coordinate a public awareness campaign dealing with water safety during implementation of the pilot program; creating s. 515.47, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 1003.225, F.S.; requiring parents or legal guardians of students with autism to provide specified information regarding water safety and swimming certifications to the child's public school annually; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 570—A bill to be entitled An act relating to swimming pool and spa contractors; amending s. 489.105, F.S.; revising definitions for purposes of part I of ch. 489, F.S.; reenacting ss. 489.107(4)(b), 489.113(2), 489.117(1)(a), (2)(a) and (b), and (4)(a), (d), and (e), 489.118(1), 489.131(10) and (11), 489.141(2), 514.0315(3), and 514.075, F.S., relating to the Construction Industry Licensing Board, qualifications for and restrictions on the practice of contracting, registration requirements for specialty contractors, certification of registered contractors, applicability, conditions and eligibility for recovery from the recovery fund, required safety features for public swimming pools and spas, and public pool service technician certification, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 489.105, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Collins and Wright—

SB 572—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dangerous dogs; providing a short title; amending s. 767.01, F.S.; requiring certain dog owners to securely confine their dogs in a proper enclosure; amending s. 767.10, F.S.; revising legislative findings relating to dangerous dogs; reordering and amending s. 767.11, F.S.; defining the term "department"; revising definitions; amending s. 767.12, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, that dogs subject to certain dangerous dog investigations be confiscated, impounded, and held; requiring, rather than authorizing, that such dogs be held until the completion of certain actions; revising the circumstances under which an owner is responsible for paying certain costs and fees; requiring that certain dogs not impounded be confined in a proper enclosure by the owner; requiring animal control authorities to provide certain information to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and to destroy certain dogs; revising the information that the owner of a dog classified as a dangerous dog is required to provide to an animal control authority; requiring such owner to obtain dangerous dog liability insurance cover-

age; providing requirements for such insurance; revising the civil penalty for violations; creating s. 767.125, F.S.; requiring the department to create and maintain a statewide Dangerous Dog Registry; providing the purpose of the registry; requiring animal control authorities to provide the department with certain information; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending ss. 767.13 and 767.135, F.S.; making technical changes; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 767.136, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which the owner of a dog that has not been declared dangerous is liable for such dog's severe injury to, or the death of, a human; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Judiciary; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 574—A bill to be entitled An act relating to toll exemptions for Purple Heart medal recipients; amending s. 338.155, F.S.; revising eligibility for toll exemptions to include operators displaying a Purple Heart specialty license plate or a Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Leek—

SB 576—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service of process; amending s. 48.091, F.S.; expanding the hours during which registered agents are required to keep the designated registered office open for the purpose of process service; specifying that certain registered agents may be served process in a specified manner; providing that process may be served on an employee of the registered agent in accordance with applicable law; authorizing a person attempting to serve process to serve an employee of the registered agent present at the registered office; amending s. 48.101, F.S.; authorizing service of process by personally serving the receiver for specified domestic entities in receivership during pendency of the receivership; amending s. 48.161, F.S.; requiring that a certain substituted service of process be issued in the name of the party to be served in care of the Secretary of State; deleting a provision requiring the Secretary of State to keep certain records; authorizing the use of a specified substituted service method under certain circumstances; requiring parties using such method to send the notice of service and a copy of the process to the last known physical and, if applicable, electronic addresses of the party being served; revising the information that must be contained in a certain affidavit of compliance; providing that the Secretary of State and the Department of State are not parties to lawsuits and may not be served additional court filings by reason of specified substituted service; amending s. 48.181, F.S.; specifying that registered agents must have been designated under a specified provision for a specified purpose; authorizing substituted service on the Secretary of State in specified circumstances; providing that certain individuals are deemed to have appointed the Secretary of State as their agents on whom all process may be served in certain actions and proceedings; providing retroactive application; providing applicability and construction; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 578—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wine containers; amending s. 564.05, F.S.; providing that wine may be sold in recyclable containers of a specified volume; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 580—A bill to be entitled An act relating to persons authorized to solemnize matrimony; amending s. 741.07, F.S.; authorizing members of the Legislature to solemnize the rights of matrimonial contract; reenacting ss. 741.08 and 741.10, F.S., relating to marriage not being solemnized without a license and proof of marriage where no certificate is available, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 741.07, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 582—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unlawful demolition of historical buildings and structures; amending s. 162.09, F.S.; authorizing a code enforcement board or special magistrate to impose a fine that exceeds certain limits for the unlawful demolition of certain historical buildings or structures under certain circumstances; providing that such fine may not exceed a certain percentage of just market valuation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 584—A bill to be entitled An act relating to young adult housing support; amending s. 409.1452, F.S.; requiring each Florida College System institution and state university to develop plans for prioritizing the placement of certain students; requiring a Florida College System institution or state university to provide certain students with first priority for housing and work study opportunities in certain circumstances; prohibiting Florida College System institutions and state universities from requiring that certain students have a cosigner or guarantor; creating s. 409.14525, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families, community-based care lead agencies, and housing authorities to take any action required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to administer the federal Foster Youth to Independence initiative; requiring the department, community-based care lead agencies, and certain subcontractors to take reasonable actions to facilitate current and former foster youths in the acquisition of residential leases; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study of the barriers to housing faced by young adults who are homeless or were formerly in foster care; requiring OPPAGA to consult with certain entities in conducting the study; requiring OPPAGA to provide a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Postsecondary; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Leek—

SB 586—A bill to be entitled An act relating to actions by condominium associations; amending s. 718.124, F.S.; revising the limitations on actions by associations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Leek and Gaetz—

SB 588—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign communications; amending s. 106.147, F.S.; prohibiting campaign-related telephone calls and text messages to specified voters; requiring candidates and other persons or organizations to cease immediately all communications with certain voters; specifying how a voter indicates that he or she no longer consents to such communications; authorizing a voter to bring a certain action in a court of competent jurisdiction; providing that such voter is entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs under a

specified circumstance; specifying applicable penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 590—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the State Board of Administration; amending s. 121.4501, F.S.; revising the federal regulations that apply to the statement of fiduciary standards and responsibilities for the Florida Retirement System Investment Plan; amending s. 121.591, F.S.; revising the timeframe after which third-party administrators or duly authorized agents of the board are required to cancel financial instruments issued for a specified purpose; revising the timeframe after which certain amounts transferred to the suspense account are forfeited by the employee; amending s. 215.47, F.S.; authorizing the board to invest no more than a specified percentage in investments that comply with a specified fiduciary standard; requiring the State Board of Administration to file a certain report by a specified date with the Investment Advisory Council, members of the Board of Trustees, and the Legislature; authorizing the State Board of Administration and its affiliated limited liability entities to issue securities and borrow money through specified means, subject to specified limitations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Leek—

SB 592—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the My Safe Florida Condominium Pilot Program; amending s. 215.55871, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “condominium”; limiting participation in the My Safe Florida Condominium Pilot Program to certain condominiums; revising the approval requirements to receive a mitigation grant; deleting the amount of grant funding designated for certain projects; revising the improvements for which a grant may be used; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to no anchoring or mooring zones; creating s. 311.104, F.S.; authorizing certain seaports to designate no anchoring or mooring zones for specified purposes; specifying boundary limits for no anchoring or mooring zones; authorizing certain seaports to apply to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to establish no anchoring or mooring zones; requiring an applicant to hold a specified number of public hearings; authorizing the commission to consult with other entities; authorizing the commission to modify no anchoring or mooring zone boundaries; requiring certain seaports to annually review the boundaries of approved no anchoring or mooring zones and submit a revised application under certain circumstances; requiring that certain information be included in seaport security plans and seaport strategic plans; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Environment and Natural Resources; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Leek—

SB 596—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cardiac services providers; amending s. 395.1055, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure of Level I and Level II adult cardiovascular programs; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to update specified rules as new applicable industry standards and guidelines are published; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 598—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enhanced firearms training facilities; creating s. 790.41, F.S.; defining terms; establishing procedures for licensure by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; authorizing a sheriff to provide supporting documentation to an application for licensure; specifying the duration of a license; specifying conditions under which a license must be revoked; authorizing a sheriff to enter into an agreement with the owner of an enhanced firearms training facility to conduct training for the school guardian program at the facility; exempting an enhanced firearms training facility from complying with specified local government requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 600—A bill to be entitled An act relating to manufacturing; creating s. 14.37, F.S.; creating the Statewide Office of Manufacturing within the Department of Commerce for a certain purpose; requiring that the office be headed by a Chief Manufacturing Officer appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Secretary of Commerce; providing responsibilities for the Chief Manufacturing Officer; directing all state and local governmental entities to assist the Chief Manufacturing Officer; requiring the department to biennially prepare a report regarding manufacturing efforts in this state; requiring the department to submit its report on a specified date and biennially thereafter to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring that the report include certain information; creating s. 288.103, F.S.; creating the Florida Manufacturers' Workforce Development Grant Program; providing that the grant program is created within the Department of Commerce and under the direction of the Chief Manufacturing Officer; providing a specified purpose for the grant program; requiring the department, the Chief Manufacturing Officer, and the state Manufacturing Extension Partnership to review applications submitted and to select specified projects; requiring that priority be given to projects that meet certain criteria; authorizing applicants to seek funding for a specified purpose; requiring the department to administer the grant awards from the Economic Development Trust Fund; requiring the department to include certain information in its annual incentives report; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating part XIV of ch. 559, F.S., to be entitled "Florida Manufacturing Promotional Campaign"; creating s. 559.971, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating s. 559.972, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 559.973, F.S.; creating the Florida Manufacturing Promotional Campaign within the Department of Commerce; providing the purpose of the campaign; requiring the department to take certain actions in promoting the campaign; creating s. 559.974, F.S.; requiring persons that participate in the campaign to register annually with the department; creating s. 559.976, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules; authorizing the department to establish, by rule, the logos or product identifiers to be depicted for use in the campaign; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 602—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; creating s. 559.975, F.S.; requiring the Department of Commerce to establish by rule registration and renewal fees sufficient to fund the costs of administering the Florida Manufacturing Promotional Campaign; requiring the department to assess and collect fees for the purpose of promoting the campaign; requiring that such fees be deposited into the Economic Development Trust Fund for a specified purpose; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 604—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential swimming pool requirements; amending ss. 515.27 and 515.29, F.S.; requiring that swimming pools located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after a specified date meet certain pool safety and pool barrier requirements; requiring certain persons to report violations of the law to a local law enforcement agency; providing a criminal penalty; amending s. 515.31, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference and making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 606—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public lodging and food service establishments; amending s. 509.013, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 509.141, F.S.; revising the instances under which the operator of any public lodging establishment may remove a guest; providing requirements for the notice an operator of a public lodging establishment or public food service establishment may give to a guest under specified circumstances; making technical changes; requiring a law enforcement officer to remove a guest who remains on the premises of any public lodging establishment after an operator makes a specified request; authorizing a law enforcement officer to arrest and take into custody any guest under certain circumstances; reenacting ss. 196.1978(3)(k), 196.199(1)(a), 212.031(1)(a), 404.056(5), 413.08(1)(c), 480.043(14)(b), (c), and (e), and 559.955(5)(b), F.S., relating to affordable housing property exemption; government property exemption; taxes and fees for use of real property; environmental radiation standards and testing, and notification on real estate documents; rights and responsibilities of an individual with a disability, and penalties; massage establishments, requisites, licensure inspection, and human trafficking awareness training and policies; and home-based businesses, local government, and restrictions, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 509.013, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 721.13(14), F.S., relating to management, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 509.141, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 608—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Gulf of America; amending ss. 7.03, 7.08, 7.09, 7.11, 7.15, 7.17, 7.19, 7.23, 7.27, 7.29, 7.33, 7.36, 7.38, 7.41, 7.46, 7.51, 7.52, 7.55, 7.56, 7.62, 7.65, 7.66, 125.0104, 161.052, 161.053, 161.088, 161.141, 161.151, 161.161, 161.54, 161.55, 206.9935, 253.03, 253.12, 253.783, 258.09, 258.395, 258.3991, 327.02, 327.60, 331.307, 373.019, 373.069, 375.031, 376.25, 377.242, 377.2431, 379.101, 379.244, 379.248, 380.0555, and 380.24, F.S.; renaming the Gulf of Mexico as the "Gulf of America" throughout the Florida Statutes; reenacting s. 337.401(7)(b) and (p), F.S., relating to the use of rights-of-way for utilities subject to regulation, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 161.053, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 327.371(1) and 379.2431(2)(p), F.S., relating to the regulation of human-powered vessels and the regulation of marine animals, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 327.02, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 610—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health support residences; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; providing that the use of certain dwellings as, or the conversion of such dwellings into, certain residences

is not a change in occupancy as defined in the Florida Building Code; amending s. 633.208, F.S.; providing that the use of certain dwellings as, or the conversion of such dwellings into, certain residences does not require the reclassification of such dwellings for purposes of enforcing the Florida Fire Prevention Code; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 612—A bill to be entitled An act relating to murder; amending s. 782.04, F.S.; revising the elements that constitute the felony offense of murder in the third degree; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 614—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facility and program background screening requirements; amending s. 409.175, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “personnel” to include recreational enrichment program personnel for screening purposes; revising the definition of the term “residential child-caring agency” to exclude recreational enrichment programs; defining the term “recreational enrichment program”; exempting such programs from certain licensing requirements of the Department of Children and Families; authorizing rulemaking; authorizing the department to pursue certain remedies for the failure of a recreational enrichment program to comply with certain screening requirements; prohibiting recreational enrichment programs from using or releasing information from certain criminal or juvenile records for purposes other than employment screening; providing criminal penalties; creating s. 409.1751, F.S.; requiring the department, in conjunction with the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Law Enforcement, to develop and maintain a statewide background screening public awareness campaign; amending s. 409.1676, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; making a technical change; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Martin and Burgess—

SB 616—A bill to be entitled An act relating to damages recoverable in wrongful death actions; providing a short title; amending ss. 400.023, 400.0235, and 429.295, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 768.21, F.S.; removing a provision that prohibits adult children and parents of adult children from recovering certain damages in medical negligence suits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator McClain—

SB 618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community-based care lead agency and subcontractor liability; amending s. 409.993, F.S.; revising the minimum per occurrence and aggregate limit amounts of general liability insurance coverage that must be obtained as a part of certain contracts; reducing the limit on net economic damages in tort actions brought against community-based care lead agencies or employees; providing that a community-based care lead agency and its subcontractors are not liable for certain claims and judgments arising out of a given incident or occurrence when such claims or judgments exceed a specified aggregate amount; providing a limitation on attorney fees; deleting provisions requiring an annual increase in conditional limitations on damages; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 620—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Miami Dade College license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 622—A bill to be entitled An act relating to jai alai permit holders; amending s. 550.475, F.S.; providing that holders of a valid pari-mutuel permit may lease any of their facilities to any other holder of the same pari-mutuel permit or to any jai alai permitholder when located within a specified radius of each other; reenacting ss. 550.054(14)(b) and 550.615(8), F.S., relating to application for permit to conduct pari-mutuel wagering and intertrack wagering, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 550.475, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to forwarding agents; amending s. 212.06, F.S.; defining the term “electronic database”; providing that an applicant may not be required to submit an application to register as a dealer under certain circumstances; requiring the forwarding agent to surrender its certificate to the Department of Revenue under certain circumstances; requiring the department to report the state sales tax rate and discretionary sales surtax rate in a specified system as zero under certain circumstances; providing applicability; prohibiting certain dealers from collecting certain taxes under certain circumstances; revising the liability of a dealer under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Osgood—

SB 626—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys; amending s. 16.615, F.S.; revising the quorum requirements for the Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys to require only 9 members for a quorum; authorizing members to appear by communications media technology; providing that members who appear by such technology are considered present and may be counted toward the quorum requirement; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 628—A bill to be entitled An act relating to boating safety; providing a short title; amending s. 327.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “livery vessel”; amending s. 327.30, F.S.; revising and providing penalties for vessel collisions, accidents, and casualties; amending s. 327.33, F.S.; revising and providing penalties for reckless or careless operation of a vessel; creating s. 327.35105, F.S.; requiring the suspension of driver licenses for boating under the influence and reckless or careless operation of a vessel; amending s. 327.353, F.S.; requiring a vessel operator to submit to a blood test without probable

cause in cases of death or serious bodily injury; reenacting and amending s. 327.395, F.S.; requiring that all persons, rather than only persons born on or after a specified date, have specified documents in their possession while operating a vessel; amending s. 327.54, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “livery”; amending s. 782.072, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “vessel homicide”; defining the term “unborn child”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Transportation; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 630—A bill to be entitled An act relating to review of compensation for legislators and Cabinet members; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct research, analyze data, and prepare a report containing certain information relating to the compensation of members of the Legislature; requiring that such report be provided to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; requiring OPPAGA to conduct research, analyze data, and prepare a report containing certain information relating to the compensation of members of the Cabinet; requiring that such report be provided to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Martin—

SB 632—A bill to be entitled An act relating to treatment of chronic and terminal illnesses; creating s. 499.0296, F.S.; defining terms; providing that chronically and terminally ill patients have the right, with assistance and guidance from their health care providers, to determine their individual courses of treatment; authorizing compounding pharmacies to obtain certain active pharmaceutical ingredients to provide the prescribed course of treatment in such cases, provided the active pharmaceutical ingredients meet specified conditions; providing applicability; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 634—A bill to be entitled An act relating to land use and zoning; amending s. 70.001, F.S.; providing applicability of provisions related to protection of private property rights; creating s. 163.31773, F.S.; defining the terms “single-family hybrid use” and “single-family owner use”; authorizing a local government to provide for certain residential land uses in its comprehensive plan and land development regulations; authorizing a local government to prohibit single-family hybrid use while allowing single-family owner use within a land use category; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 636—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles using the furthestmost left-hand lane; amending s. 316.081, F.S.; defining the term “furthestmost left-hand lane”; prohibiting a driver from operating a motor vehicle in the furthestmost left-hand lane on specified roadways; providing exceptions; providing applicability; requiring the Department of Transportation to make certain designations and install specified signage; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 638—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home inspectors; amending ss. 468.8313 and 468.8321, F.S.; revising the examination and disclosure requirements for home inspectors; amending s. 468.8322, F.S.; requiring home inspectors to maintain an errors and omissions insurance policy in a specified amount; amending s. 468.8314, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 640—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retail sale of ephedrine and related compounds; amending s. 893.1495, F.S.; defining the terms “administrator of the electronic recordkeeping system” and “covered entity”; revising applicability; providing criminal penalties; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

SB 642—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Wright—

SB 644—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dual enrollment student eligibility; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; providing that certain students enrolled in an adult education program are eligible for dual enrollment; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

SR 646—Not introduced.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 648—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Diabetes Prevention and Obesity Treatment Act; creating s. 385.2035, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; beginning on a specified date, requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide Medicaid coverage for diabetes prevention programs if the Medicaid recipient meets specified criteria; requiring the agency to provide Medicaid coverage for certain treatments for obesity; providing that covered services may be offered in various settings; providing construction; requiring the agency to adopt rules and provide written notification of certain information to Medicaid recipients; authorizing the agency to seek federal approval through a state plan amendment or Medicaid waiver if necessary to implement specified provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Leek and Rouson—

SB 650—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hazardous walking conditions; amending s. 1006.23, F.S.; revising the criteria that determine a hazardous walking condition for public school students; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bradley—

SB 652—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterinary professional associates; providing a short title; creating s. 474.2126, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining terms; authorizing certain individuals to use the title “veterinary professional associate”; authorizing veterinary professional associates to perform certain duties only while under the responsible supervision of a licensed veterinarian; prohibiting such associates from prescribing certain drugs or controlled substances or performing certain surgical procedures; providing exceptions; providing that supervising veterinarians are liable for the acts or omissions of veterinary professional associates under their supervision; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bradley—

SB 654—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 Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 656—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care billing and collection activities; amending s. 395.3011, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “extraordinary collection action”; defining the terms “furnisher of medical debt information” and “medical debt”; authorizing the furnishing of paid or settled medical debt information to consumer reporting agencies; authorizing the furnishing of certain information relating to medical debt payment plans to consumer reporting agencies under certain circumstances; requiring consumer reporting agencies and credit scoring service providers to adopt certain procedures for the use of positive consumer credit information; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 658—A bill to be entitled An act relating to waiver or release of liens; amending s. 713.20, F.S.; requiring that waiver and release of lien forms include specific language; authorizing a lienor who executes such lien and release forms in exchange for payment, rather than a check, to condition such waiver and release on receipt of funds, rather than payment of a check; deleting a provision that a lien waiver or lien release is enforceable if it does not contain such specific language; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burton—

SB 660—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the prohibition of pyramid promotional schemes; amending s. 849.091, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to pyramid sales schemes; creating s. 849.0913, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a person from establishing, promoting, operating, or participating in a pyramid promotional scheme; providing construction; defining the terms “inventory,” “commercially reasonable terms,” and “current and marketable inventory”; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to issue and serve a complaint and cease and desist order under certain circumstances; establishing procedures for such cease and desist orders; authorizing the department to modify or set aside its cease and desist order at any time by rehearing when it is in the interest of the public welfare; requiring that such orders be in compliance with the rules of judicial review; requiring that such judicial reviews take precedence over other pending civil cases; providing that

such orders do not become effective until a specific timeframe lapses or a final order has been entered by a certain court; prohibiting cease and desist orders from acting as a limitation upon any other action or remedy available; requiring the department to hold a rehearing of such orders within a specified timeframe after a court remands such orders to the department; requiring the department, with the Office of Statewide Prosecution, to prosecute persons believed to be participating in a pyramid promotional scheme; providing civil and criminal penalties; providing for restitution; requiring the court, in determining the value of property loss, to consider certain expenses from prosecuting such persons and any profits realized in such pyramid promotional schemes; authorizing the department to apply for an injunction under certain circumstances; providing requirements for such injunction; authorizing the court to appoint receivers; providing for the powers and duties of such receivers; authorizing the court to stay certain civil actions and require that such actions be assigned to the court that appointed the receiver; providing that specified provisions and penalties are in addition to civil, administrative, or criminal actions provided by law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 662—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 Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 664—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 Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 666—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Miami Northwestern Alumni Association license plate; specifying design elements 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 Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 668—A bill to be entitled An act relating to storage and disposal of prescription drugs and sharps; requiring the Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection to conduct a study of the safe collection and proper disposal of sharps; requiring the departments to make a specified assessment of the use of sharps in the home; establishing the collection methods to be considered in conducting the study; authorizing the departments to work or contract with counties, municipalities, and private entities; requiring the departments to submit a specified report to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; providing for an appropriation; amending s. 499.0121, F.S.; providing applicability; providing requirements for establishments that store, warehouse, or hold certain prescription drugs solely for the purpose of destruction; amending ss. 465.022, 499.003, 499.0051, 499.01,

499.012, 499.01201, 499.05, and 499.067, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 670—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional personnel and school administrator salaries; providing a short title; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; increasing the minimum base salary for certain teachers; revising the purpose of the classroom teacher and other instructional personnel salary increase; revising requirements for funding for the increase; revising the definition of the term “minimum base salary”; revising the requirements for specified school district reporting requirements beginning on a date certain; requiring school districts to provide a specified plan to the Department of Education beginning on a specified date; providing requirements for the plan; providing charter school requirements relating to the plan; requiring the department to establish and oversee a phased implementation of specified requirements; providing requirements for such implementation; requiring the department to provide specified grants to certain school districts and charter schools for specified purposes; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; providing requirements for school districts relating to salary structures and schedules; requiring that performance salary schedules include step-based salary increases and compression relief supplements; providing requirements for such increases and supplements; providing that certain duties qualify as additional academic responsibilities; providing an effective date.

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

SR 672—Not introduced.

By Senator Wright—

SB 674—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bonuses for employees of county tax collectors and property appraisers; amending s. 445.09, F.S.; authorizing specified county tax collectors or property appraisers to budget for and pay specified bonuses to employees, pending a specified approval; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 676—A bill to be entitled An act relating to minimum wage requirements; amending s. 448.110, F.S.; providing that an employer is not subject to certain minimum wage requirements for specified employees; authorizing employees to opt out of the minimum wage requirements in a specified manner; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 678—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pawnbroker transaction forms; amending s. 539.001, F.S.; authorizing pawnbroker transaction forms to be in digital or printed formats; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 680—A bill to be entitled An act relating to individualized investigational treatments for life-threatening or severely debilitating illnesses; creating s. 499.0296, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing eligible patients to request and receive individualized investigational treatment if they meet specified conditions; authorizing eligible facilities and certain manufacturers to provide individualized investigational treatments to eligible patients; providing construction with respect to insurance coverage and health care services related to an eligible patient's use of an individualized investigational treatment; providing that an eligible patient's heirs are not liable for any outstanding debt related to the patient's use of an individualized investigational treatment; prohibiting a licensing board and certain state entities from taking disciplinary action against a physician solely for recommending an individualized investigational treatment for an eligible patient; prohibiting officials, employees, and agents of the state from blocking or attempting to block an eligible patient's access to individualized investigational treatment; providing construction; providing that a cause of action may not arise against the manufacturer of an individualized investigational treatment or any person or entity involved in the care of an eligible patient using such treatment under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 682—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the recording of protective investigations; amending s. 39.301, F.S.; requiring that certain interviews be audio and video recorded; providing exceptions; providing that a person charged with a certain criminal offense does not have standing to object to an investigator's failure to record such an interview; providing that an investigator's failure to record such an interview is not grounds for precluding certain statements from certain proceedings; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Avila—

SB 684—A bill to be entitled An act relating to credit for military service; amending s. 121.111, F.S.; revising the initial date of employment for members who have military service and may receive creditable military service; requiring the Department of Management Services to adopt specified rules; amending s. 1.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “veteran” to include more recent periods of wartime service; reenacting s. 121.021(20), F.S., relating to the definition of “military service,” specifically the definition of “wartime service,” to incorporate the changes made to s. 1.01, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 686—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a K9s for Warriors license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 688—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the canine support grant program for first responders; providing a short title; creating s. 943.701, F.S.; providing legislative findings and a purpose; defining the term “State Fire Marshal”; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement and the State Fire Marshal to establish and jointly administer the grant program; providing requirements for the grants awarded under the program; providing support dog requirements; providing handler requirements; providing agency eligibility requirements; providing application requirements; providing for oversight and annual reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Osgood—

SB 690—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominium structural integrity reserve studies; amending s. 553.899, F.S.; defining the term “structural integrity reserve study”; requiring condominium associations that govern a building of a specified height to conduct a structural integrity reserve study for a specified purpose; providing that condominium associations that govern a building that does not meet such specified height requirement are not required to conduct a structural integrity reserve study; authorizing certain condominium associations to elect, by a majority vote of their members, to waive or reduce reserve contributions; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Osgood—

SB 692—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Swimming Lesson Voucher Program; amending s. 514.073, F.S.; revising the purpose of the program; revising the contract requirements for establishing a network of swimming lesson vendors; revising eligibility criteria to participate in the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Osgood—

SB 694—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cold case murders; providing a short title; creating s. 782.41, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the heads of law enforcement agencies or their designees to review certain cold cases and make a specified determination upon receiving a written application from a designated person; specifying requirements for such reviews; requiring law enforcement agencies to conduct a full reinvestigation of a cold case under certain circumstances; specifying requirements for such reinvestigations; requiring law enforcement agencies to develop certain written applications; requiring the heads of law enforcement agencies or their designees to adopt certain procedures to ensure compliance with specified provisions; requiring law enforcement agencies to provide specified training; requiring law enforcement agencies to provide written confirmation to a designated person of receipt of an application to review a cold case; authorizing the denial of an application for review of a case that does not satisfy certain criteria; requiring the head of the law enforcement agency or his or her designee to issue to the designated person a written explanation of the reason or reasons for the denial; providing timeframe and notice requirements for law enforcement agencies’ cold case reviews after receipt of a written application; requiring law enforcement agencies, by a specified date and periodically thereafter, to report certain data to the Global Forensic and Justice Center at Florida International University; requiring the center to establish and maintain a case tracking system and searchable public website that includes specified information; requiring the center to create and publish on its searchable public website a list of certain resources; requiring coordination between law enforcement agencies if more than one law enforcement agency conducted the initial in-

vestigation; authorizing law enforcement agencies to request investigative assistance from the Department of Law Enforcement to complete cold case reviews or reinvestigations; requiring that such requests be in writing; providing that specified provisions are subject to appropriations; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Osgood—

SB 696—A bill to be entitled An act relating to grants for low-income senior citizen condominium unit owners; amending s. 420.507, F.S.; requiring the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to establish by rule requirements for a specified grant; providing the maximum amount for such grant; defining terms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Osgood—

SB 698—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the timely filing of tax returns; amending s. 202.26, F.S.; requiring that certain rules allow a tax return to be timely filed if it meets specified requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 700—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 110.205, F.S.; providing that certain positions in the department are exempt from the Career Service System; amending s. 186.801, F.S.; requiring an electric utility to submit a 10-year site plan for a proposed power plant on certain lands to the county commission where such proposed power plant is located; requiring a county commission receiving such site plans to fulfill certain requirements; amending s. 193.461, F.S.; revising requirements for land to be classified as agricultural; amending s. 201.25, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 330.41, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a person from knowingly or willfully performing certain actions on lands classified as agricultural; providing criminal penalties; providing applicability; prohibiting a person from knowingly or willfully performing certain actions on private property, state wildlife management lands, or a sport shooting and training range; providing criminal penalties; providing applicability; creating s. 366.20, F.S.; requiring that certain lands acquired by an electric utility be offered for sale for less than fee simple acquisition of development rights by the state; requiring that certain lands owned by an electric utility be offered for sale for less than fee simple acquisition of development rights by this state before certain circumstances; providing retroactive applicability; amending s. 366.94, F.S.; defining the term “electric vehicle charging station”; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring local governmental entities to issue permits for electric vehicle charging stations based on specified standards and provisions of law; requiring an electric vehicle charger to register with the department before being placed into service for use by the public; providing the department with certain authority relating to electric vehicle charging stations; providing a penalty; authorizing the department to issue an immediate final order to an electric vehicle charging station under certain circumstances; providing that the department may bring an action to enjoin a violation of specified provisions or rules; requiring the court to issue a temporary or permanent injunction under certain circumstances; amending s. 388.011, F.S.; revising the definition of “board of commissioners”; defining the term “program”; amending s. 388.021, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 388.181, F.S.; authorizing programs to perform specified actions; amending s. 388.201, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; requiring that the tentative work plan budget covering the proposed operations and requirements for arthropod control measures show the estimated amount to be raised by county, municipality, or district taxes; requiring

that county commissioners' or a similar governing body's mosquito control budget be made and adopted pursuant to specified provisions and requiring that summary figures be incorporated into the county budgets as prescribed by the department; amending s. 388.241, F.S.; providing that certain rights, powers, and duties be vested in the board of county commissioners or similar governing body of a county, city, or town; amending s. 388.261, F.S.; increasing the amount of state funds, supplies, services, or equipment for a certain number of years for any new program for the control of mosquitos and other arthropods which serves an area not previously served by a county, municipality, or district; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.271, F.S.; requiring each program participating in arthropod control activities to file a tentative integrated arthropod management plan with the department by a specified date; conforming provisions with changes made by the act; amending s. 388.281, F.S.; requiring that all funds, supplies, and services released to programs be used in accordance with the integrated arthropod management plan and certified budget; requiring that such integrated arthropod management plan and certified budget be approved by both the board of county commissioners and appropriate representative; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.291, F.S.; providing that a program may perform certain source reduction measures in any area providing that the department has approved the operating or construction plan as outlined in the integrated arthropod management plan; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.301, F.S.; revising the schedule by which state funds for the control of mosquitos and other arthropods may be paid; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.311, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.321, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.322, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain a record and inventory of certain property purchased with state funds for arthropod control use; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.323, F.S.; providing that certain equipment no longer needed by a program be first offered for sale to other programs engaged in arthropod control at a specified price; requiring that all proceeds from the sale of certain property owned by a program and purchased using state funds be deposited in the program's state fund account; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.341, F.S.; requiring a program receiving state aid to submit a monthly report of all expenditures from all funds for arthropod control by a specified timeframe as may be required by the department; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.351, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.361, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.3711, F.S.; revising the department's enforcement powers; amending s. 388.381, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.391, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.401, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 388.46, F.S.; revising the composition of the Florida Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control; amending s. 403.067, F.S.; providing an exception for inspection requirements for certain agricultural producers; authorizing the department to adopt rules establishing an enrollment in best management practices by rule process; authorizing the department to identify best management practices for specified landowners; requiring the department to annually perform onsite inspections of a certain percentage of all enrollments that meet specified qualifications within a specified area; providing requirements for such inspections; requiring agricultural producers enrolled by rule in a best management practice to annually submit nutrient records to the department; requiring the department to collect and retain such records; amending s. 403.852, F.S.; defining the term "water quality additive"; amending s. 403.859, F.S.; providing that the use of certain additives in a water system which do not meet the definition of water quality additive or certain other additives is prohibited and violates specified provisions; amending s. 482.111, F.S.; revising requirements for the renewal of a pest control operator's certificate; authorizing a third-party vendor to collect and retain a convenience fee; amending s. 482.141, F.S.; requiring the department to provide in-person and remote testing for the examination through a third-party vendor for an individual seeking pest control operator certification; authorizing a third-party vendor to collect and retain a convenience fee; amending s. 482.155, F.S.; requiring the department to provide in-person and remote testing for the examination through a third-party vendor for an individual seeking limited certification for a governmental pesticide applicator or a private applicator; authorizing a third-party vendor to collect and retain a convenience fee; deleting provisions requiring the department to make such examination

readily accessible and available to all applicants on a specified schedule; amending s. 482.156, F.S.; requiring the department to provide in-person and remote testing for the examination through a third-party vendor for an individual seeking a limited certification for commercial landscape maintenance; authorizing a third-party vendor to collect and retain a convenience fee; deleting provisions requiring the department to make such examination readily accessible and available to all applicants on a specified schedule; amending s. 482.157, F.S.; revising requirements for issuance of a limited certification for commercial wildlife management personnel; authorizing a third-party vendor to collect and retain a convenience fee; deleting provisions requiring the department to make an examination readily accessible and available to all applicants on a specified schedule; amending s. 482.161, F.S.; authorizing the department to take specified disciplinary action upon the issuance of a final order imposing civil penalties or a criminal conviction pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; amending s. 487.044, F.S.; requiring the department to provide in-person and remote testing through a third-party vendor for the examination of an individual seeking a limited certification for pesticide application; authorizing a third-party vendor to collect and retain a convenience fee; amending s. 487.175, F.S.; providing that the department may suspend, revoke, or deny licensure of a pesticide applicator upon issuance of a final order to a licensee which imposes civil penalties or a criminal conviction under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; amending s. 496.404, F.S.; defining the terms "foreign country of concern" and "foreign source of concern"; amending s. 496.405, F.S.; revising which documents a charitable organization or sponsor must file before engaging in specified activities; requiring that any changes to such documents be reported to the department on a specified form in a specified timeframe; revising the requirements of the charitable organization's initial registration statement; authorizing the department to investigate or refer to the Florida Elections Commission certain violations of the charitable organization or sponsor; amending s. 496.415, F.S.; prohibiting specified persons from soliciting or accepting anything of value from a foreign source of concern; amending s. 496.417, F.S.; authorizing the department to investigate or refer to the Florida Elections Commission certain violations of a charitable organization or sponsor; amending s. 496.419, F.S.; prohibiting a charitable organization or sponsor from registering as a charitable organization for a specified timeframe if the charitable organization or sponsor submits a false attestation; prohibiting specified persons from serving in any capacity in the charitable organization for a specified timeframe if such person was serving in such charitable organization at the time the charitable organization submitted a false attestation; creating s. 496.431, F.S.; requiring the department to create the Honest Service Registry to provide residents with information relating to charitable organizations; requiring a charitable organization included in the Honest Services Registry to submit an attestation statement to the department; requiring the department to publish the Honest Services Registry on the department's website; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 500.03, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "cottage food product"; amending s. 500.12, F.S.; providing that the department requires a food permit from any person or business that operates a food establishment; revising exceptions; revising the schedule for renewing certain food permits; authorizing the department to establish a single permit renewal date for certain food establishments; amending s. 500.166, F.S.; requiring certain persons engaged in interstate commerce to retain all records that show certain information for a specified timeframe; amending s. 500.172, F.S.; authorizing the department to facilitate the destruction of certain articles that violate specified provisions; prohibiting certain persons from certain actions without permission from, or in accord with a written agreement with, the department; creating s. 500.75, F.S.; providing that it is unlawful to import, sell, offer for sale, furnish, or give away certain spores or mycelium; providing a penalty for violations; creating s. 500.93, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the department to adopt rules to enforce the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA's) standard of identity for milk to prohibit the sale of plant-based products mislabeled as milk; providing a contingent effective date; requiring the department to adopt rules to enforce the FDA's standard of identity for meat, poultry, and poultry products to prohibit the sale of plant-based products mislabeled as meat; providing a contingent effective date; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing construction; repealing s. 501.135, F.S., relating to consumer unit pricing; amending s. 501.912, F.S.; revising the definition of "antifreeze"; creating s. 525.19, F.S.; requiring the department to create an annual petroleum registration program for petroleum owners or operators who own and operate vehicles for transporting

petroleum; requiring the department to adopt rules for such registration which include specified information; requiring that the registration program be free for all registrants; authorizing the department to require registrants to provide certain information during a state of emergency; creating s. 526.147, F.S.; creating the Florida Retail Fuel Transfer Switch Modernization Grant Program within the department; requiring the grant program to provide funds up to a certain amount to be used for installation and equipment costs related to installing or modernizing transfer switch infrastructure at retail fuel facilities; requiring the department to award funds based on specified criteria; requiring retail fuel facilities awarded grant funds to comply with specified provisions; requiring such facilities to install a transfer switch with specified capabilities; requiring retail fuel facilities to provide specified documentation before being awarded funding; prohibiting certain facilities from being awarded funding; requiring the department, in consultation with the Division of Emergency Management, to adopt rules; requiring that such rules include specified information; amending s. 531.48, F.S.; requiring that certain packages bear specified information on the outside of the package; amending s. 531.49, F.S.; revising requirements for the advertising of a packaged commodity; amending s. 570.07, F.S.; requiring the department to foster and encourage the employment and retention of qualified veterinary pathologists; providing that the department may reimburse the educational expenses of certain veterinary pathologists who enter into a certain agreement with the department; requiring the department to administer rules; requiring the department to extend certain opportunities to public school students enrolled in agricultural education to support Future Farmers of America programming; amending s. 570.544, F.S.; revising which provisions the director of the Division of Consumer Services must enforce; creating s. 570.546, F.S.; authorizing the department to create a process for the bulk renewal of licenses; authorizing the department to create a process that will allow licensees to align the expiration dates of licenses within a specified program; authorizing the department to change the expiration date for current licenses for a certain purpose; requiring the department to pro-rate the licensing fee for certain licenses; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 570.822, F.S.; defining the term “declared emergency”; revising the definition of the term “program”; providing that loan funds from the department may be used to restock aquaculture; authorizing the department to renew a loan application under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to defer or waive loan payments under certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 570.823, F.S.; defining terms; establishing the silviculture emergency recovery program within the department to administer a grant program to assist certain timber landowners; requiring that such grants be used for certain purposes; requiring that only timber lands located on agricultural property are eligible for the program; requiring the department to coordinate with state agencies to provide financial assistance to timber landowners after a specified declared emergency; providing construction; authorizing the department to adopt rules to implement this section; providing construction; amending s. 581.1843, F.S.; deleting provisions that exclude certain citrus nurseries from certain requirements; deleting provisions relating to regulated areas around the perimeter of commercial citrus nurseries; repealing ss. 593.101, 593.102, 593.103, 593.104, 593.105, 593.106, 593.107, 593.108, 593.109, 593.11, 593.111, 593.112, 593.113, 593.114, 593.1141, 593.1142, 593.115, 593.116, and 593.117, F.S., relating to the Florida Boll Weevil Eradication Law; definitions; powers and duties of Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; the entry of premises to carry out boll weevil eradication activities and inspections; reports by persons growing cotton; quarantine areas and the regulation of articles within a boll weevil eradication zone; the regulation of collection, transportation, distribution, and movement of cotton; cooperative programs for persons engaged in growing, processing, marketing, or handling cotton; the department’s authority to designate eradication zones, prohibit planting of cotton, and require participation in eradication program; regulation of the pasturage of livestock, entry by persons, and location of honeybee colonies in eradication zones and other areas; eligibility for certification of cotton growers’ organization; the certification of cotton growers’ organization; a referendum; an assessment; the department’s authority to enter agreements with the Farm Service Agency; liens; mandamus or injunction; penalty for violation; and the handling of moneys received, respectively; amending s. 595.404, F.S.; revising the department’s powers and duties regarding school nutrition programs; amending s. 599.002, F.S.; renaming the Viticulture Advisory Council as the Florida Wine Advisory Council; revising the membership of the Florida Wine Advisory council; conforming provisions to changes made

by the act; amending s. 599.003, F.S.; renaming the State Viticulture Plan as the State Wine Plan; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 599.004, F.S.; making technical changes; providing that wineries that fail to recertify annually or pay a specified licensing fee are subject to certain actions and costs; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 599.012, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 616.12, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring a person who operates a minstrel show in connection with any certain public fairs to pay specified license taxes; deleting a provision that exempts such person from paying specified taxes; creating s. 687.16, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; prohibiting a financial institution from discriminating in the provision of financial services to an agricultural producer based on an ESG factor; providing an inference with regard to a certain violation; providing that the financial institution may overcome the inference by making certain demonstrations regarding its denial or restriction of financial services to an agricultural producer; authorizing the Attorney General to enforce specified provisions; providing that a violation of specified provisions constitutes an unfair and deceptive trade practice; authorizing the Attorney General to investigate and seek remedies for such unfair trade practices; authorizing an aggrieved party to seek an action for damages; amending s. 741.0305, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which the department may temporarily suspend a person’s license to carry a concealed weapon or concealed firearm or the processing of an application for such license; requiring the department to notify certain licensees or applicants of his or her right to a hearing; requiring that the hearing regarding such suspension of license be for a limited purpose; requiring the department to issue an order lifting the suspension of an applicant’s license upon a certain disposition of the criminal case; requiring that the suspension remain in effect upon a certain disposition of the criminal case; providing construction; providing legislative findings; revising the duties of the department after the date of receipt of a completed application for a license to carry a concealed weapon or concealed firearm; requiring that a license issued under this section be temporarily suspended or revoked if the license was issued in error or if the licensee commits certain actions; amending s. 790.33, F.S.; specifying requirements for the assessment of certain civil fines and attorney fees and costs; amending s. 812.0151, F.S.; revising the elements of third degree and second degree felony retail fuel theft; creating s. 812.136, F.S.; defining terms; providing elements for the crime of mail theft; providing elements of theft of or unauthorized reproduction of a mail depository key or lock; providing criminal penalties; creating s. 1013.373, F.S.; prohibiting a local government from adopting any measure to limit the activities of public educational facilities or auxiliary facilities constructed by certain organizations; requiring that lands used for agricultural education or for the Future Farmers of America or 4-H activities be considered agricultural lands; reenacting s. 295.07(5)(a), F.S., relating to preference in appointment and retention, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 110.205, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 125.01(1)(r), 163.3162(3)(a)-(d), 163.3163(3)(c), 163.3164(4), 163.3194(5), 170.01(4), 193.052(2), 193.4615, 212.08(5)(a) and (19)(a), 373.406(2), 403.182(11)(a), 403.9337(4), 472.029(2)(d), 474.2021(5), 474.2165(4)(d), 487.081(6), 570.85(1), 570.87(1), 570.94(3), 582.19(1)(a), 586.055, 604.50(2)(a) and (d), 604.73(3)(b), 692.201(1), 741.30(5)(a) and (6)(a), 810.011(5)(a), and 823.14(6), F.S., relating to powers and duties; agricultural lands and practices; applications for development permits; community planning act; legal status of comprehensive plan; authority for providing improvements and levying and collecting special assessments against property benefited; preparation and serving of returns; assessment of obsolete agricultural equipment; storage tax; exemptions; local pollution control programs; the Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes; authorization to enter lands of third parties; veterinary telehealth; ownership and control of veterinary medical patient records; exemptions; agritourism; agritourism participation impact on land classification; best management practices for wildlife; qualifications and tenure of supervisors; location of apiaries; nonresidential farm buildings; urban agriculture pilot projects; definitions; definitions; domestic violence; and the Florida Right to Farm Act, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 193.461, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 189.062(1)(a) and 388.261(7), F.S., relating to special procedures for inactive districts and state aid to counties and districts for arthropod control, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 388.271, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 482.072(3)(b) and 482.163, relating to pest control customer contact centers and responsibility for pest control activities of employee, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s.

482.161, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 487.156, F.S., relating to governmental agencies, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 487.044, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 496.4055(2) and 496.406(2) and (4), F.S., relating to charitable organization or sponsor board duties and exemption from registration, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 496.405, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 500.80(1)(a), F.S., relating to cottage food operations, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 500.12, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 500.121(6), F.S., relating to disciplinary procedures, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 500.172, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 790.061, F.S., relating to judges and justices, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 790.06, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 702—A bill to be entitled An act relating to provenance of digital content; amending s. 106.145, F.S.; defining the term “provenance data”; requiring that certain content include provenance data; creating s. 252.353, F.S.; creating a digital content provenance pilot program within the Division of Emergency Management; providing the pilot program’s purpose; requiring the division to adopt rules; requiring the division to submit an annual report to the Legislature by a specified date; specifying requirements for the report; providing for future repeal; creating s. 501.9741, F.S.; defining terms; requiring that provenance data be included on specified data; requiring providers of certain artificial intelligence tools to make application tools and provenance readers available to the public; requiring certain social media platforms to retain and make available certain provenance data; requiring that certain capture devices allow an option to include provenance data on certain content; providing a requirement for the manufacturer of such devices; providing that a violation constitutes an unfair or deceptive act or practice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 704—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coverage for ground ambulance emergency services; creating s. 627.42398, F.S.; defining the terms “ambulance service provider” and “nonparticipating ambulance service provider”; requiring certain health insurers to reimburse nonparticipating ambulance service providers at the lowest of specified rates for providing ground ambulance services; providing that certain payments by the insured constitute an accord and satisfaction and a release of certain claims; providing that certain cost-sharing responsibilities paid for nonparticipating providers’ covered services may not exceed a certain amount; providing that ambulance service providers are considered to be providers subject to specified provisions and that certain claims are subject to those provisions; amending s. 627.6699, F.S.; requiring small employer carriers to comply with specified reimbursement provisions; creating s. 641.31078, F.S.; defining the terms “ambulance service provider” and “out-of-network ambulance service provider”; requiring certain health maintenance contracts to require a health maintenance organization to reimburse out-of-network ambulance service providers at the lowest of specified rates for providing covered ambulance services; providing that certain payments by the subscriber constitute an accord and satisfaction and a release of certain claims; providing that certain cost sharing responsibilities paid for out-of-network ambulance service providers’ covered services may not exceed such responsibilities for covered services received by subscribers; providing that an ambulance service is considered a provider and that certain claims are subject to certain provisions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 706—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an 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 Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 708—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disclosure of estimated ad valorem taxes; amending s. 689.261, F.S.; defining the terms “listing platform” and “property”; requiring that certain property listings include estimated ad valorem taxes; prohibiting the current owner’s ad valorem taxes from being displayed or used for certain purposes; providing an exception; providing requirements for listing platforms, the Department of Revenue, and property appraisers; providing protection from liability for specified parties who take certain actions; providing construction; prohibiting certain materials from including specified information; requiring, beginning on a specified date, the department to publish a formula and certain information annually on its website; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Osgood—

SB 710—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 specified personal identifying and location information of employees of crime stoppers organizations and the board members and volunteers of such crime stoppers organizations; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing for retroactive application; 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 Grall—

SB 712—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction regulations; creating s. 125.572, F.S.; defining the term “synthetic turf”; prohibiting local governments from adopting or enforcing any ordinance, resolution, order, rule, or policy that prohibits, or is enforced to prohibit, property owners from installing synthetic turf on their land; prohibiting local governments from adopting or enforcing any ordinance, resolution, order, rule, or policy that regulates synthetic turf installed in specified single-family residential areas; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules; creating s. 218.755, F.S.; requiring local governmental entities to approve or deny certain price quotes and provide notice to contractors within a specified timeframe; requiring denials to specify alleged deficiencies and actions necessary to remedy such deficiencies; providing that a local governmental entity that fails to provide such information with a denial is liable to the contractor for specified overhead; prohibiting contracts from altering specified duties of a local governmental entity; amending s. 255.0992, F.S.; prohibiting the state or political subdivisions that contract for public works projects from penalizing or rewarding bidders for performing larger or smaller volumes of construction work, respectively, for the state or political subdivisions; amending s. 553.79, F.S.; prohibiting local enforcement agencies from requiring ancillary documentation between permit applicants and their clients for issuing building permits or as a requirement for submitting building permit applications; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Burton—

SB 714—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonopioid advance directives; amending s. 765.1103, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to develop a voluntary nonopioid advance directive form for a specified purpose and make the form available on its website; providing requirements for the form; providing for the valid execution of the form; requiring that the form be filed in the patient's medical record with the facility or provider of the patient's choosing; authorizing a patient to revoke the form for any reason, verbally or in writing; providing health care providers with immunity from civil and criminal liability for failing to act in accordance with an advance directive under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; defining the term "medical emergency situation"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 716—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual offenses by registered sexual offenders or sexual predators; creating s. 794.0116, F.S.; providing mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for specified sexual offenses when committed by registered sexual offenders or sexual predators; providing requirements for such sentences; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 718—A bill to be entitled An act relating to autonomous practice by a certified registered nurse anesthetist; amending s. 395.0191, F.S.; revising staff membership and clinical privileges for certain certified registered nurse anesthetists; amending s. 464.012, F.S.; authorizing certain certified registered nurse anesthetists to perform specified acts under certain circumstances; amending s. 464.0123, F.S.; revising practice requirements for autonomous advanced practice registered nurses; authorizing autonomous advanced practice registered nurses to perform certain acts; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 720—A bill to be entitled An act relating to classroom teacher mental health care; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; requiring district school boards to provide classroom teachers with access to mental health services and mental health days; providing requirements for such mental health services and mental health days; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 722—A bill to be entitled An act relating to location of equipment owned by amusement business owners; defining the terms "agricultural lands" and "amusement business owner"; prohibiting counties and municipalities from enacting certain policies, ordinances, regulations, or other measures that require payment from an amusement business owner for the placement, parking, or storage of equipment for longer than a specified length of time on certain lands classified as agricultural lands; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Martin and Leek—

SB 724—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property owner liability; creating s. 768.396, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and purpose; providing that a property owner is liable for damages caused by trees or shrubs located on his or her property when they fall on another's property; providing applicability; providing that trees and shrubs located on two or more parcels may be removed by any of the property owners after serving proper notice and posting on the other parcels; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 726—A bill to be entitled An act relating to false reporting; amending s. 365.172, F.S.; providing that a person who misuses emergency communication systems is liable for the costs of prosecution and investigation; amending s. 837.05, F.S.; providing that a person who makes a false report to law enforcement authorities is liable for the costs of prosecution and investigation; providing that such persons are also liable for restitution if the false report involves another person who sustained injuries or property damage as a result of the false report; reenacting s. 943.082(2)(c), F.S., relating to the School Safety Awareness Program, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 837.05, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 728—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cannabis research; amending s. 893.03, F.S.; excepting cannabis and its derivatives from Schedule I of controlled substances for certain bona fide scientific research purposes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 730—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clerks of the circuit court; creating s. 28.51, F.S.; providing that the clerk of the circuit court is the county auditor with the duty and power to guard against illegal use of county funds; authorizing the county auditor to perform specified actions; requiring the county auditor to perform specified duties; requiring that reports be published upon the completion of an audit; authorizing third-party financial institutions to rely on specified provisions to provide specified records and documents to county auditors without requiring additional processes or court orders; authorizing third-party contractors to rely on specified provisions and provide county auditors requested information under specified conditions; providing construction; providing that the clerk of the circuit court has legal standing to pursue the recovery of certain funds in a circuit court action; creating s. 28.52, F.S.; authorizing county auditors to obtain a certain credential to be designated as the county inspector general; providing that the county inspector general has specified authority; requiring county inspectors general to perform specified actions; authorizing the inspector general to engage in specified actions in furtherance of his or her duties; providing construction; amending s. 129.09, F.S.; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 732—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county officers; repealing ss. 145.051, 145.09, and 145.10, F.S., relating to compensation for clerks of the circuit court and county comptrollers, supervisors of elections, and property appraisers, respectively; amending s. 145.11, F.S.; aligning the compensation of property appraisers, supervisors of elections, clerks of the circuit court, and county comptrollers with the compensation provided to tax collectors; providing that salaries are based on a 5-day workweek and must be prorated in certain circumstances; authorizing a special qualification salary in certain circumstances; authorizing property appraisers, supervisors of elections, clerks of the circuit court, and county comptrollers to voluntarily reduce their salary rate; amending ss. 104.051, 192.115, 193.1147, and 195.002, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 734—A bill to be entitled An act relating to actions for recovery of damages for wrongful death; amending s. 768.21, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting the recovery of certain damages by specified parties related to the decedent in wrongful death proceedings; amending ss. 400.023, 400.0235, and 429.295, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 95.11(11) and 429.29(1), F.S., relating to limitations other than for recovery of real property and civil actions to enforce rights, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 768.21, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 736—A bill to be entitled An act relating to brownfields; amending s. 376.303, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring certain property owners to provide information regarding institutional controls to the local government for mapping purposes; deleting local government requirements for such mapping; requiring that sites issued a site rehabilitation completion order without institutional controls be removed from the registry of all contaminated sites located in a brownfield area; amending s. 376.30781, F.S.; revising the conditions under which an applicant that has rehabilitated a contaminated site may submit and claim certain tax credits; specifying a timeframe within which such tax credit application must be submitted; revising the criteria for determining applicants who are redeveloping brownfield sites who may be eligible for certain tax credits; deleting the definition of the term “monetary compensation”; revising the date by which the Department of Environmental Protection must issue annual site rehabilitation tax credit certificate awards; revising the amount of time the department has to respond to a tax credit applicant regarding a certain notice; amending s. 376.78, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 376.79, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 376.80, F.S.; revising the entities that may propose brownfield area designations using specified criteria; deleting the requirement that certain persons be identified before negotiating a brownfield site rehabilitation agreement; amending s. 376.81, F.S.; providing legislative findings; prohibiting the department or a delegated local pollution control program from denying a specified status or refusing to issue a specified order for certain brownfield sites that are only a portion of larger contaminated sites; providing applicability; amending s. 376.82, F.S.; revising the persons and sites eligible for participation in the brownfield program; revising requirements for such participation; revising the information necessary from the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the department for a person's participation in the program; authorizing that certain brownfield sites are eligible to participate in the brownfield program under certain circumstances; amending ss. 196.1995 and 288.1175, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting s. 1004.53(1), F.S., relating to the Center for Brownfield Rehabilitation Assistance, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 376.79, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Burton—

SB 738—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care and early learning providers; amending s. 170.201, F.S.; exempting public and private preschools from specified special assessments levied by a municipality; defining the term “preschool”; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; revising licensing standards for all licensed child care facilities and minimum standards and training requirements for child care personnel; requiring the Department of Children and Families to conduct specified screenings of child care personnel within a specified timeframe and issue provisional approval of such personnel under certain conditions; providing an exception; revising minimum standards for sanitation and safety of child care facilities; making technical changes; deleting provisions relating to educating parents and children about specified topics; deleting provisions relating to specialized child care facilities for the care of mildly ill children; amending s. 402.306, F.S.; requiring a county commission to affirm annually certain decisions; amending s. 402.3115, F.S.; expanding the types of providers to be considered when developing and implementing a plan to eliminate duplicative and unnecessary inspections; revising requirements for an abbreviated inspection plan for certain child care facilities; requiring the department to review and update certain elements included in such abbreviated inspections; requiring the department to revise the abbreviated inspection plan as necessary; amending s. 402.316, F.S.; providing that certain child care facilities are exempt from specified requirements; amending s. 627.70161, F.S.; defining the term “large family child care home”; providing that specified insurance provisions apply to large family child care homes; amending s. 1002.59, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 740—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing education requirements; amending s. 455.2124, F.S.; revising applicability of a certain provision relating to completion of a continuing education requirement for licensure renewal to exempt certain building code administrators and inspectors; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 742—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workforce development; amending s. 1011.801, F.S.; providing that the Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program includes charter schools; amending s. 1011.803, F.S.; revising the number of workforce education programs that each school district and Florida College System institution must offer a money-back guarantee on; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 744—A bill to be entitled An act relating to arrest warrants for state prisoners; creating s. 944.085, F.S.; authorizing a prisoner in a state prison who has an unserved warrant to file a notice of unserved warrant in the circuit court in which the warrant was issued; requiring the prisoner to serve the notice on the state attorney; requiring the circuit court to schedule the notice for a status hearing within a certain timeframe after receiving the notice; specifying procedures and requirements for the status hearing; requiring the court to send an order to the county sheriff; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 746—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; defining the term “medical examiner”; providing an exemption from public records requirements for the personal identifying and location information of current and former medical examiners and the spouses and children of such medical examiners; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing for retroactive application; 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 Senators Simon and Gaetz—

SJR 748—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 6 of Article VII and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature to provide for a homestead property tax exemption for the surviving spouses of certain quadriplegics.

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

By Senators Simon and Gaetz—

SB 750—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax exemptions for surviving spouses of quadriplegics; amending s. 196.101, F.S.; authorizing the surviving spouses of certain quadriplegics to carry over a certain tax exemption in certain circumstances; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 752—A bill to be entitled An act relating to defamation, false light, and unauthorized publication of name or likenesses; amending s. 770.02, F.S.; requiring that certain articles or broadcasts be removed from the Internet within a specified period to limit damages for defamation; amending s. 770.04, F.S.; providing persons in certain positions relating to newspapers with immunity for defamation if such persons exercise due care to prevent publication or utterance of such a statement; declaring that the continued presence on the Internet of a published statement determined to be false is deemed to be a new publication of the false statement for certain purposes and that the owner, licensee, or operator is not entitled to a certain privilege; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burton—

SB 754—A bill to be entitled An act relating to International Baccalaureate bonus funding; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising the requirements for the calculation of additional full-time equivalent membership and certain bonuses based on International Baccalaureate examination scores of students to include students who earn equivalent scores as determined by the Department of Education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burton—

SB 756—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance coverage for individuals with developmental disabilities; amending ss. 627.6686 and 641.31098, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “autism spectrum disorder” and “eligible individual”; reenacting ss. 409.906(26) and 943.1727, F.S., relating to optional Medicaid services and continued employment training relating to autism spectrum disorder, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 627.6686, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 758—A bill to be entitled An act relating to autonomous practice by certain psychiatric nurses; amending s. 464.0123, F.S.; authorizing certain advanced practice registered nurses who are psychiatric nurses to engage in the autonomous practice of specified acts and in mental health practice, as defined by rule of the Board of Nursing; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 760—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state university student fee waivers; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; requiring state universities to waive specified fees for graduate students who meet a specified full-time equivalent appointment requirement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Postsecondary; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 762—A bill to be entitled An act relating to preventing the spread of avian influenza; creating the Be Ready Task Force within the Department of Health for a specified purpose; providing for membership and meetings of the task force; requiring the task force to develop specified recommendations; requiring the task force to submit a report of its recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for dissolution of the task force; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Wright—

SB 764—A bill to be entitled An act relating to food additives; creating s. 500.181, F.S.; requiring that food and drink products intended for human consumption which contain synthetic dyes have a certain warning on the products’ packaging; providing penalties; providing for the deposit of fine proceeds to the General Inspection Trust Fund; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to conduct certain inspections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 766—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the registration of agents and organizations associated with foreign nations; creating s. 106.031, F.S.; defining terms; requiring agents of a foreign principal and

foreign-supported political organizations to register with the Division of Elections; requiring the division to create registration forms; providing requirements for such forms; requiring periodic updates by agents and organizations; providing penalties for violations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 768—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlling business interests by persons with ties to foreign countries of concern; amending s. 408.810, F.S.; revising minimum health care provider licensure requirements relating to persons or entities possessing a controlling interest in the licensee; defining the term “controlling interest”; revising the definition of the term “foreign country of concern”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

SB 770—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cybersecurity; amending s. 110.205, F.S.; exempting the state chief technology officer from the Career Service System; amending s. 282.0041, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms “data” and “open data”; defining the terms “enterprise digital data”; amending s. 282.0051, F.S.; revising the purpose of the Florida Digital Service; revising the timeframes for the Florida Digital Service to issue certain reports to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring that, by a specified date, an annual report on specified alternative standards be provided to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring the Florida Digital Service to support state agencies with the use of electronic credentials in compliance with specified standards; requiring the state chief information officer, in consultation with the Secretary of Management Services, to designate a state chief technology officer; providing requirements for such position; providing the responsibilities of the state chief technology officer; amending s. 282.318, F.S.; revising the standards and processes for assessing state agency cybersecurity risks of the Department of Management Services, acting through the Florida Digital Service; requiring state agencies to report all ransomware and cybersecurity incidents to the Cybersecurity Operations Center and the Cybercrime Office; requiring the Cybersecurity Operations Center to notify the state chief information officer and the state chief information security officer immediately of a reported incident; requiring the state chief information officer, in consultation with the state chief information security officer, to notify the Legislature of certain reported incidents within a specified timeframe; revising the timeframe during which the Cybersecurity Operations Center is required to provide a consolidated incident report to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council; revising the name of an Emergency Support Function from ESF-Cyber to ESF-20; revising the specified date by which a state agency head must designate an information security manager; requiring that the agency strategic cybersecurity plan take the statewide cybersecurity strategic plan into consideration; requiring that such agency operational cybersecurity program include a certain set of measures for a specified purpose; requiring agency heads to require that enterprise digital data be maintained in accordance with specified provisions; providing construction; authorizing designated members of the Legislature and designated members of legislative staff to attend portions of meetings where material exempt from public disclosure is discussed, under certain circumstances; amending s. 282.3185, F.S.; revising the timeframes in which a local government must report a discovery of all ransomware incidents and certain cybersecurity incidents; requiring the Cybersecurity Operations Center to notify immediately the state chief information officer and the state chief information security officer of a reported incident; requiring the state chief information officer, in consultation with the state chief information security officer, to notify the Legislature of incidents of certain severity levels within a specified timeframe; revising the timeframe during which the Cybersecurity Operations Center is required to provide a quarterly consolidated incident report to the Legislature and the Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council; amending s. 282.319, F.S.; re-

vising the membership of the Florida Cybersecurity Advisory Council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 772—A bill to be entitled An act relating to diabetes management in schools; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; authorizing a school district or charter school to annually request a prescription for glucagon from certain entities; authorizing a licensed pharmacist to dispense undesignated glucagon in accordance with specified provisions; authorizing a school district or charter school to enter into arrangements with a manufacturer or supplier to obtain glucagon free of charge or at a fair market or reduced price; authorizing a school district or charter school to obtain monetary donations or apply for grants to purchase glucagon; providing requirements for the storage and administration of glucagon; requiring parental notification after the administration of glucagon; providing certain persons and entities with immunity from civil and criminal liability under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

SB 774—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic transmittal of court orders; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the court, within 6 hours after a court issues an ex parte order for involuntary commitment, to submit the order electronically to the sheriff or law enforcement agency in the county where the order is to be served; amending s. 397.68151, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the court, within 6 hours after a certain summons is issued, to submit the summons electronically and, if applicable, a copy of the petition for involuntary services and a notice of the hearing to a law enforcement agency to effect service on certain persons; amending s. 790.401, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the court to transmit electronically, within a certain timeframe after the court issues a risk protection order and notice of hearing, a copy of the order, notice of hearing, petition to the appropriate law enforcement agency for service upon the respondent; requiring the clerk of the court to transmit electronically, within a certain timeframe after the court issues a temporary ex parte risk protection order or risk protection order, a copy of the notice of hearing, petition, and temporary ex parte risk protection order or risk protection order, as applicable, to the sheriff; requiring that an electronic copy of a temporary ex parte risk protection order or a risk protection order be certified by the clerk of the court and that the electronic copy be served in the same manner as the certified copy; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Ingolia—

SB 776—A bill to be entitled An act relating to aggravating factors for capital felonies; amending s. 921.141, F.S.; adding as an aggravating factor that the capital felony was committed against the head of a state, or in an attempt to commit such crime a capital felony was committed against another individual; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Smith—

SB 778—A bill to be entitled An act relating to qualifying medical conditions for medical use of marijuana; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; revising the list of qualifying medical conditions for the medical use of

marijuana to include an addiction to or dependence on an opioid drug; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Osgood—

SB 780—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Doula Support for Healthy Births pilot program; creating s. 383.295, F.S.; defining terms; establishing the pilot program in Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach Counties for a specified purpose; providing aims of the pilot program; requiring the Department of Health, in collaboration with its maternal and child health section, to implement and oversee the pilot program; specifying the duration of the pilot program, subject to funding; requiring the pilot program to target specified populations for enrollment; specifying services that will be provided under the pilot program; requiring the department to collaborate with specified entities to integrate doula services into existing maternal health programs and facilitate outreach and service delivery; authorizing the department to integrate doula services into existing maternal and child health programs as an expansion of the pilot program, subject to certain requirements; providing for funding of the pilot program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senators Pizzo, Bradley, and Gruters—

SB 782—A bill to be entitled An act relating to immigration; amending s. 20.60, F.S.; revising the duties and responsibilities of the Office of Economic Accountability and Transparency within the Department of Commerce; amending s. 448.09, F.S.; revising penalties, including suspension and revocation of certain licenses and the imposition of fines, for violating provisions related to employing unauthorized aliens; requiring that such fines be deposited into a specified trust fund; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing increased penalties, including suspension and revocation of certain licenses and the imposition of fines, for violating provisions related to employing unauthorized aliens where specified injury or death occurs; requiring that such fines be deposited into a specified trust fund; amending s. 448.095, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “employee”; requiring that all private employers, rather than only those employing a specified number or more of employees, use the E-Verify system to verify a new employee’s employment eligibility; prohibiting the awarding of future public contracts by any public agency in this state to specified contractors; requiring that certain fines be deposited into a specified trust fund; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 908.104, F.S.; authorizing law enforcement agencies to use the E-Verify system to investigate a detained person’s immigration status; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 784—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the issuance of an address and an individual parcel identification number; creating s. 177.1115, F.S.; requiring the appropriate governing body to issue, within a specified time after the recording of the plat, certain information; providing a penalty; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 786—A bill to be entitled An act relating to improvements to structures on agricultural lands; amending s. 193.461, F.S.; prohibiting

assessment of any agricultural improvements used for certain purposes on specified lands; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 788—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterans’ nursing homes; amending s. 296.33, F.S.; defining the term “veteran- and spouse-designated nursing home beds”; creating s. 296.411, F.S.; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Veterans’ Affairs to approve requests to create or modify veteran- and spouse-designated nursing home beds if certain conditions are met; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 408.036, F.S.; revising exemptions from certificate of need requirements for certain projects relating to veterans’ nursing homes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 790—A bill to be entitled An act relating to policy cancellations and nonrenewals by property insurers; amending s. 627.4133, F.S.; prohibiting insurers from canceling or nonrenewing, within certain timeframes, policies covering personal residential or commercial residential properties damaged by hurricanes or wind losses; providing that such prohibition applies to flood damages caused by hurricanes under certain circumstances; providing that an insurer may not cancel personal residential or commercial residential property insurance policies until certain repairs are made or a specified policy renewal expires; prohibiting certain claims for loss or damage from being covered under an extended or renewed policy; specifying that such loss or damage is excluded from the extended or renewed policy; providing applicability; revising exceptions; authorizing the Commissioner of Insurance Regulation to waive certain provisions; providing construction; deleting applicability; revising construction; requiring that certain policies contain similar terms under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; requiring homeowner’s policy insurers to give specified notifications to policyholders; requiring that such notice be mailed and, under certain circumstances, e-mailed; specifying exceptions to notification requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 792—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property insurer financial strength ratings; amending s. 624.315, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring certain annual insurance reports prepared by the Office of Insurance Regulation for the Legislature and the Governor to include the financial strength ratings of property insurers against which delinquency and similar proceedings were instituted; requiring the office to maintain and make available upon request information relating to financial strength ratings of property insurers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 794—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory human reviews of insurance claim denials; creating s. 627.4263, F.S.; defining the term “qualified human professional”; requiring insurers’ decisions to deny claims to be reviewed, approved, and signed off on by qualified human professionals; prohibiting artificial intelligence, machine learning algorithms, and automated systems from serving as the basis for denying claims; requiring insurers to maintain certain records of the

human review process for denied claims; requiring insurers to include certain information in denial communications to claimants; providing reporting requirements; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to audit claim denials; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 796—A bill to be entitled An act relating to general permits for distributed wastewater treatment systems; amending s. 403.814, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing the Secretary of Environmental Protection to grant a general permit for the replacement of an existing onsite sewage treatment and disposal system with a distributed wastewater treatment system under certain circumstances; providing for the installation of distributed wastewater treatment units to proceed without any further action by the Department of Environmental Protection if a permittee submits a notification to the department at least a specified number of days before installation; providing requirements for such notification; requiring such a permittee to take specified actions for distributed wastewater treatment units they install; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 798—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic payment of public records fees; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; requiring an agency subject to ch. 119, F.S., to provide an electronic option for payment of fees associated with a public records request; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator McClain—

SB 800—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requirements for battery manufacturers; amending s. 403.7192, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting cell manufacturers or marketers from selling consumer or nonconsumer products powered by medium-format, portable, lithium, or primary batteries; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SJR 802—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Section 1 of Article VIII and Section 4 of Article IX of the State Constitution to provide term limits for members of boards of county commissioners and district school boards.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 804—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the designation of the official state flagship; amending s. 15.0465, F.S.; redesignating the official state flagship as the S.S. American Victory; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 806—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Trust Code; amending s. 736.0110, F.S.; providing that the Attorney General has exclusive standing to assert certain rights of beneficiaries of charitable trusts in any judicial proceeding within this state or elsewhere; prohibiting certain public officers of another state from asserting such rights; amending s. 736.0106, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 736.0405, F.S.; providing construction; reenacting s. 738.303(2)(b) and (d), F.S., relating to authority of a fiduciary, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 736.0110, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 808—A bill to be entitled An act relating to underground utility and excavation contractors; amending s. 489.105, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “underground utility and excavation contractor”; amending s. 633.102, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “Contractor V”; defining the term “underground utility and excavation contractor”; reenacting s. 489.117(1)(a), (2)(a) and (b), and (4)(a), (d), and (e), relating to registration and specialty contractors, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 489.105, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 633.224(1) and 633.318(2)(a), F.S., relating to automatic fire sprinkler systems and fire protection system contractor certificate application and examination, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 633.102, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 810—A bill to be entitled An act relating to stormwater management systems; amending s. 373.423, F.S.; requiring each political subdivision to inspect annually by a specified date the known works under its normal and customary control; requiring the Division of Emergency Management to create a specified form to be completed upon inspection of such works; requiring that the form be submitted to the division; requiring the division to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 812—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic infraction enforcement; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term “railroad traffic infraction detector”; amending s. 316.008, F.S.; authorizing counties and municipalities to use railroad traffic infraction detectors for a certain purpose; authorizing counties and municipalities to place or install, or contract with a vendor to place or install, railroad traffic infraction detectors at certain locations; requiring a county or municipality to enact a certain ordinance before the county or municipality may place or install a railroad traffic infraction detector; specifying requirements for a public hearing for such ordinance; amending s. 316.0776, F.S.; authorizing the placement or installation of traffic infraction detectors at certain railroad crossings with permission from the railroad owner; defining the term “work zone area”; authorizing the Department of Transportation to enforce a posted speed limit in a work zone area through the use of a speed detection system; authorizing the department to place or install, or contract with a vendor to place or install, speed detection systems at certain locations; requiring the department to install certain signage and develop and maintain a certain website;

requiring the department to make a public announcement and conduct a public awareness campaign in certain circumstances; specifying requirements for such campaign; authorizing the placement or installation of railroad traffic infraction detectors at certain locations in certain circumstances; requiring the department to establish certain specifications by a specified date; requiring the department, a county, or a municipality to install certain signage in certain circumstances; requiring the signage to meet certain specifications; creating s. 316.1578, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, a county, or a municipality to authorize a traffic infraction enforcement officer to issue a traffic citation for certain violations; requiring that certain notification be sent to the registered owner of a motor vehicle within a certain period; specifying requirements for such notification; authorizing a person who receives such notice to request an administrative hearing within a certain period; defining the term "person"; providing that a request for such hearing waives any challenge or dispute as to the delivery of the notice of violation; requiring that a traffic citation be issued in a certain manner under certain circumstances; providing that the initiation of a proceeding to challenge such citation waives any challenge or dispute as to the delivery of the citation; requiring that a traffic citation include notice of a certain presumption; providing that the owner of a motor vehicle involved in a certain violation is responsible and liable for paying a uniform traffic citation except in certain circumstances; requiring the owner of a motor vehicle to provide an affidavit to an appropriate governmental entity in certain circumstances; requiring the governmental entity to dismiss a citation in certain circumstances; authorizing the governmental entity to issue a certain notice of violation to a person designated in such an affidavit as having care, custody, or control of the motor vehicle; providing that the affidavit is admissible in certain proceedings; providing criminal penalties for the submission of a false affidavit; providing that certain images or video is evidence of a violation and admissible in certain proceedings; providing a rebuttable presumption; requiring that certain penalties assessed and collected by the department, a county, or a municipality be paid to the Department of Revenue weekly; providing for the remittance and distribution of certain fines in a specified manner; prohibiting an individual from receiving certain commissions; prohibiting a manufacturer or vendor of a railroad traffic infraction detector from receiving certain fees or remuneration; amending s. 316.1894, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.1896, F.S.; providing that the Department of Transportation may authorize a traffic infraction enforcement officer to issue uniform traffic citations for certain violations in work zone areas; requiring that such violation be evidenced by a speed detection system; providing construction; requiring the department to provide certain notice to the registered owner of a motor vehicle involved in such violation within a certain period; specifying requirements for such notice; requiring that penalties assessed and collected by the department's transportation infraction enforcement officers be paid to the Department of Revenue weekly by electronic funds transfer; providing for the remittance and use of such penalties in a specified manner; requiring the registered owner of a motor vehicle to provide an affidavit to the Department of Transportation in certain circumstances; specifying requirements for such affidavit; requiring the department to dismiss a citation in certain circumstances; requiring the department to issue a certain notice of violation to a person identified in such an affidavit in certain circumstances; specifying requirements for certain hearings; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide to the Department of Transportation a certain model form; prohibiting the use of a speed detection system in a work zone area for remote surveillance; providing that certain recorded video and photographs collected in a work zone area may only be used for certain purposes; requiring the vendor of a speed detection system to provide to the department certain written notice annually by a specified date; providing that registered motor vehicle owner information obtained as a result of certain operations in a work zone area is not the property of certain entities and may only be used for certain purposes; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to consult with the Department of Transportation on certain legislative recommendations; amending s. 316.1906, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "traffic infraction enforcement officer"; amending s. 316.306, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.640, F.S.; revising the purposes for which the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may designate employees as traffic infraction enforcement officers; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; requiring a person cited for a certain violation in a work zone area to pay a specified fine in certain circumstances; requiring such fine to be remitted to the Department of Revenue and used for certain purposes;

conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 348.025, F.S.; defining the terms "speed detection system" and "work zone area"; authorizing an expressway authority to enforce the posted speed limit in a work zone area through the use of a speed detection system; requiring the Department of Transportation to enter into a certain agreement with an expressway authority in certain circumstances; amending s. 351.03, F.S.; authorizing a county or municipality to place or install a railroad traffic infraction detector at a railroad-highway grade crossing for a certain purpose; amending s. 655.960, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Fine—

SB 814—A bill to be entitled An act relating to weapons or firearms at school-sponsored events or on school property; amending s. 790.115, F.S.; prohibiting persons from storing, rather than possessing, firearms or weapons at a school-sponsored event or on the property of any school, school bus, or school bus stop; authorizing persons to carry firearms on the property of any college or university; revising the definition of the term "school"; providing that the Department of Law Enforcement may authorize a college or university, while hosting or sponsoring a sporting or athletic event, to designate a campus facility or area as a sensitive location in which the possession of a concealed weapon or a concealed firearm is prohibited; requiring the college or university to submit a security plan to the department to receive such authorization; requiring the department to create and make publicly available a certain electronic form on its website; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 397.417(4)(e), 420.6241(4)(b), 435.04(2)(y), 790.251(7)(a), 921.0022(3)(d), 943.051(3)(b), 943.0585(1)(d), 943.059(1)(b), 985.11(1)(b), and 985.557(1)(a), F.S., relating to background screening for peer specialists, background screening for persons with lived experience, Level 2 screening standards, protection of the right to keep and bear arms in motor vehicles for self-defense and other lawful purposes, level 4 of the offense severity ranking chart, fingerprinting of minors, court-ordered expunction of criminal history records, court-ordered sealing of criminal history records, fingerprinting and photographing of children, and discretionary direct filing of an information, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 790.115, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 816—A bill to be entitled An act relating to required life skills instruction; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising the required instruction in specified life skills to include career readiness, financial literacy, and home economics; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 818—A bill to be entitled An act relating to utility relocation; amending s. 337.403, F.S.; requiring utility owners to provide a certain authority with utility relocation schedules within a certain timeframe to expedite work; revising the timeframe within which a utility owner must initiate work; requiring a service provider to perform work under specific circumstances; requiring the authority to pay relocation expenses in certain instances; amending s. 125.42, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 820—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Office of Faith and Community; creating s. 14.311, F.S.; providing legislative findings; establishing the Office of Faith and Community within the Executive Office of the Governor for a specified purpose; specifying the duties of the Office of Faith and Community; providing for the appointment of a liaison for faith and community; specifying the duties of the liaison for faith and community; amending s. 14.31, F.S.; providing that the Office of Faith and Community provides administrative support to the Florida Faith-Based and Community-Based Advisory Council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 822—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; providing requirements for specified deadlines for charter schools; prohibiting a sponsor from imposing certain limitations on charter school enrollment; authorizing a charter school to increase its enrollment capacity under certain circumstances; providing requirements for such charter school's facilities; authorizing a charter school to assign its charter to another governing board under certain circumstances; providing requirements for such assignment; authorizing charter school governing boards to adopt their own codes of student conduct; providing requirements for such codes; providing requirements for the resolution of complaints or appeals relating to such codes; revising the criteria for a charter school to give enrollment preferences or limit the enrollment process to certain students; revising provisions relating to the background screenings of charter school employees and governing board members; requiring charter schools to be in compliance with specified provisions relating to student welfare; revising which facilities and land are exempt from specified ad valorem taxes; providing sponsor and Department of Education requirements for the sharing of specified data with charter schools, including educational service providers; providing that certain provisions only apply to certain relationships and transactions with for-profit businesses; prohibiting certain persons from serving as members of a charter school governing board; providing an exception; amending s. 1002.331, F.S.; authorizing high-performing charter schools to assume the charters of certain charter schools; amending s. 1013.28, F.S.; providing legislative intent; requiring school districts to take specified actions before the disposal of real property; providing that charter schools within a school district have a right of first refusal for such real property; providing school district requirements before the finalization of any disposal of real property; prohibiting school districts from such disposal before meeting certain requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

SB 824—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Supporting FHP Troopers license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; amending ss. 320.08053 and 320.08056, F.S.; exempting the plate from minimum presale voucher requirements and minimum valid registration requirements, respectively; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Fine—

SB 826—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service of process; amending s. 48.021, F.S.; requiring that all process be served by the

sheriff of the county where the person to be served is found; deleting provisions relating to other persons authorized to serve process; amending s. 48.031, F.S.; authorizing sheriffs to serve spouses with certain substituted service at any place in the county; deleting provisions authorizing other persons to serve process; repealing s. 48.27, F.S., relating to certified process servers authorized by sheriffs; repealing s. 48.29, F.S., relating to certification of process servers authorized by judges; repealing s. 48.31, F.S., relating to removal of such certified process servers and false return of service; amending ss. 113.07 and 316.29545, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 48.196(2), F.S., relating to service of process in connection with actions under the Florida International Commercial Arbitration Act, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 48.021, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bernard—

SB 828—A bill to be entitled An act relating to temporary cash assistance eligibility; amending s. 414.095, F.S.; removing the prohibition against awarding benefits to a person who has a felony drug conviction for trafficking; removing specified requirements for a person convicted of a drug felony to receive benefits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 830—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lost or abandoned property; amending s. 823.11, F.S.; defining the terms "irregularly constructed vessel" and "migrant vessel"; prohibiting persons, firms, and corporations from leaving any migrant vessel upon the waters of this state; authorizing the removal of migrant vessels to be funded by specified grants; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to implement a plan to procure federal disaster funds to remove migrant vessels; authorizing the commission to establish a program to provide grants for the removal, storage, destruction, and disposal of migrant vessels; amending s. 705.103, F.S.; requiring law enforcement officers to place a certain notice on migrant vessels under certain circumstances; authorizing specified law enforcement agencies or their respective designees to destroy and dispose of the vessel or to authorize another governmental entity or its designee to do so; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to former phosphate mining lands; amending s. 376.308, F.S.; providing conditions for a cause of action against certain former phosphate mine sites; creating s. 378.213, F.S.; providing legislative findings; providing for certain notice of former phosphate mines; creating s. 404.0561, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to conduct surveys of former phosphate land parcels upon petition; providing conditions and requirements for such surveys; creating s. 768.405, F.S.; requiring that specified documentation of radiation levels be submitted in certain civil actions related to phosphate mining; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 834—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recreational fishing vessel licenses; amending s. 379.354, F.S.; requiring licensure to operate a freshwater fishing vessel under certain circumstances; providing an

exception; providing freshwater fishing vessel licensure fees; amending ss. 212.06 and 379.353, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Smith—

SB 836—A bill to be entitled An act relating to auxiliary containers, wrappings, and disposable plastic bags; amending s. 403.7033, F.S.; removing the state preemption on the regulation of certain auxiliary containers, wrappings, and disposable plastic bags; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 838—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Building Code; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; prohibiting a local government from adopting a local lookback ordinance for substantial improvements or repairs to a structure which is more stringent than the Florida Building Code; providing that lookback ordinances adopted by local governments before a specified date are void and unenforceable; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 840—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing a public records exemption for personal identifying and location information of current municipal clerks and their staff and the personal identifying and location information of the spouses and children of such municipal clerks and their staff; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing for retroactive application of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Arrington—

SB 842—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 the personal identifying and location information of current county administrators, deputy county administrators, assistant county administrators, city managers, deputy city managers, and assistant city managers, and their spouses and children; 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 Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 844—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic violence; amending ss. 414.0252 and 741.28, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “domestic violence” to include coercive control of one family or household member by another family or household member; amending ss. 741.281, 741.283, 741.29, 741.2901, and 741.30, F.S.; making technical changes; reenacting ss. 25.385(1), 39.301(9)(a), 39.902(1), 44.407(3)(b), 61.125(4)(b), 61.13(2)(c), 61.13001(7)(j), 61.45(7)(b), 90.5036(1)(a), 397.417(4)(e), 406.135(1)(a), 420.0004(13), 420.6241(4)(b), 435.03(3), 435.04(3), 443.101(1)(a), 456.031(1)(a), 464.018(1)(e), 497.005(43), 626.9541(1)(g), 741.313(1)(a), 741.402(3), 768.35(1) and (4),

775.08435(1)(c), 787.03(4)(b) and (6)(a), 790.401(3)(c), 900.05(2)(t), 901.15(7) and (13), 901.41(5), 903.011(6), 907.041(5)(a), 921.0024(1)(b), 938.08, 943.171(2)(a), 944.705(4), 948.038, 985.255(2), and 985.265(3)(b), F.S., relating to standards for instruction of circuit and county court judges in handling domestic violence and dependency cases; initiation of protective investigations; definitions; an elder-focused dispute resolution process; parenting coordination; parenting and time-sharing; parental relocation with a child; court-ordered parenting plans, risk of violation, and bond; domestic violence advocate-victim privilege; peer specialists; confidentiality of reports of minor victims of domestic violence; definitions; persons with lived experience; level 1 screening standards; level 2 screening standards; disqualification for benefits; requirement for instruction on domestic violence; disciplinary actions; definitions; unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices; unlawful action against employees seeking protection; definitions; continuing domestic violence, prohibition on withholding adjudication in felony cases; interference with custody; risk protection orders; criminal justice data collection; when arrest by an officer without a warrant is lawful; prearrest diversion programs; pretrial release, general terms, and statewide uniform bond schedule; pretrial detention and release; the Criminal Punishment Code worksheet key; additional cost to fund programs in domestic violence; basic skills training in handling domestic violence cases; the release orientation program; batterers’ intervention program as a condition of probation, community control, or other court-ordered community supervision; detention criteria; and detention transfer and release, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 741.28, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 846—A bill to be entitled An act relating to notary public fraud; amending s. 117.05, F.S.; prohibiting the literal translation of the phrase “Notary Public” into a language other than English; specifying the applicable penalties for violations; amending s. 117.107, F.S.; prohibiting notaries public from using specified terms to describe themselves under certain circumstances; authorizing declaratory or injunctive relief and civil actions for injunctive relief or to recover damages; providing for the recovery of attorney fees and costs; providing for expedited trials for such actions; amending s. 908.107, F.S.; authorizing certain entities to file suit for declaratory or injunctive relief for certain violations; authorizing declaratory or injunctive relief and civil actions for injunctive relief or to recover damages; providing for the recovery of attorney fees and costs; providing for expedited trials for such actions; creating s. 908.113, F.S.; prohibiting certain persons from engaging in the practice of law in immigration matters for compensation or specified acts or practices for compensation in immigration matters; providing exceptions; requiring certain persons or businesses offering immigration assistance to make a specified disclosure; providing applicability; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 848—A bill to be entitled An act relating to restoration of voting rights; amending s. 20.32, F.S.; requiring the Florida Commission on Offender Review to develop and maintain a database containing certain information for a certain purpose; requiring certain governmental entities to provide certain information to the commission monthly; requiring the Department of Management Services, acting through the Florida Digital Service, to provide certain technical assistance to the commission; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring the commission to make the database available to the public on an Internet website by a certain date; requiring the commission to update the database monthly and publish certain information on the website; requiring the commission to provide a comprehensive plan to the Governor and Legislature by a certain date; providing requirements for the comprehensive plan; providing that a person who takes certain actions in reasonable reliance on the database has an affirmative right to register and to vote and may not be charged with certain violations of

criminal law; requiring the commission to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Osgood—

SB 850—A bill to be entitled An act relating to federal approval for community health workers as Medicaid providers; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to seek federal approval by a specified date to enroll and recognize community health workers as Medicaid providers and to use certain funds and means to secure financing for the workers' services; providing guidelines for the federal approval; providing reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 852—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a study on the elimination of property taxes; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to conduct a specified study; specifying the requirements of such study; requiring the office to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 854—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer protection; creating s. 501.0195, F.S.; defining the term "unlicensed vendor"; requiring an unlicensed vendor providing home repair services to take certain actions within a specified timeframe after receiving payment, except under certain circumstances; requiring the homeowner or homeowner's representative to make a written demand in a letter to the unlicensed vendor under certain circumstances; providing requirements for such letter; providing a presumption against the existence of just cause; prohibiting an unlicensed vendor who has received money in excess of the value of the work performed from failing to perform such work within a specified period of time; providing elements of prima facie evidence that an unlicensed vendor received money in excess of the value of the work performed; providing requirements for proper notification of contract termination; requiring the homeowner or the homeowner's representative to draft and send a letter containing a written demand if the unlicensed vendor fails to take certain action; providing requirements for such letter; providing a presumption against the existence of just cause; providing that the burden is on the unlicensed vendor to rebut this presumption; providing for prosecution of violations; providing that a specified claim on the part of the unlicensed vendor is not a defense to prosecution; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 501.022, F.S.; revising an exemption from permitting requirements for certain solicitors, salespersons, and agents; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Criminal Justice; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 856—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 the personal identifying and location information of sexual assault counselors; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing for retroactive application; 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.

SR 858—Not introduced.

By Senator Smith—

SB 860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to political advertisements by governmental officials; providing a short title; creating s. 112.3262, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining terms; prohibiting elected and appointed officials from using or threatening to use their official authority, position, and influence to compel, coerce, induce, or intimidate broadcasters to air or refrain from airing certain political advertisements; prohibiting such officials from threatening to withhold or promise to grant state funding, permits, or other benefits to such broadcasters or initiating or threatening regulatory action, investigations, or audits against such broadcasters; providing criminal and administrative penalties; authorizing the Commission on Ethics to investigate complaints of specified violations; authorizing certain individuals and entities to file certain complaints with the commission or seek specified relief from a court of competent jurisdiction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 862—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Social Services Estimating Conference; amending s. 216.136, F.S.; requiring the Social Services Estimating Conference to develop specified information related to the home and community-based services Medicaid waiver program; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SJR 864—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution to decrease the percentage of elector votes required from 60 percent to 50 percent to approve an amendment to or a revision of the State Constitution.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 866—A bill to be entitled An act relating to anchoring limitation areas; amending s. 327.60, F.S.; restricting local regulation of vessels outside the marked boundaries of mooring fields in certain counties and areas of critical state concern; revising exceptions; amending s. 327.4108, F.S.; designating specified sections of Biscayne Bay in Miami-Dade County as grandfathered-in anchoring limitation areas; amending s. 327.4109, F.S.; increasing the prohibited anchoring and mooring distance of vessels and floating structures near public mooring fields; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 868—A bill to be entitled An act relating to social media use by minors; amending s. 501.1736, F.S.; requiring social media platforms to disable certain encryption features for a specified purpose; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Davis—

SB 870—A bill to be entitled An act relating to termination of pregnancies; amending s. 390.0111, F.S.; prohibiting physicians from knowingly performing or inducing a termination of pregnancy after determining that the fetus is sustainable outside the womb through standard medical measures, with exceptions; revising exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 872—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county price controls for the removal and storage of electric vehicles; amending s. 166.043, F.S.; requiring counties to establish specified rates for the removal and storage of electric vehicles from an accident scene; authorizing a wrecker operator to charge specified costs for the cleanup of an accident scene and removal of such vehicles; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 874—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gift certificate forgery; amending s. 831.01, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for persons who falsely make, alter, forge, or counterfeit gift certificates with the intent to injure or defraud a person; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

SB 876—A bill to be entitled An act relating to chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy; creating ss. 627.64198, 627.6614, and 641.31078, F.S.; prohibiting health insurers and health maintenance organizations issuing, delivering, or renewing certain policies or contracts from refusing to contract with or denying coverage for certain providers of chimeric antigen receptor T-cell therapy; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 878—A bill to be entitled An act relating to probation for misdemeanor offenses; amending s. 948.15, F.S.; increasing probationary periods for certain misdemeanor offenses involving controlled or chemical substances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 880—A bill to be entitled An act relating to designation of the state birds; creating s. 15.0352, F.S.; designating the American flamingo as the official state bird and the Florida scrub-jay as the official state songbird; providing that such designations supersede the designation of the mockingbird as the official Florida state bird; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Berman—

SB 882—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxes on homestead property; amending s. 197.252, F.S.; authorizing certain persons to apply to defer payment of certain taxes on homestead property up to a specified assessed just value; amending s. 197.432, F.S.; revising the maximum amount of the tax certificate representing delinquent taxes on certain property which may not be sold at public auction or by electronic sale; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 884—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida State Guard; amending s. 115.07, F.S.; authorizing leaves of absence for members of the Florida State Guard when they are engaged in certain ordered training; revising legislative intent; amending s. 258.0145, F.S.; providing a discount on annual entrance passes to state parks for current members of the Florida State Guard; amending s. 379.354, F.S.; creating and specifying the annual fee for the Florida State Guard gold sportsman's license for hunting and fishing; specifying application requirements for the license; providing construction; creating s. 1009.8959, F.S.; creating the Florida State Guard Scholarship Program for a specified purpose; requiring the Department of Education to administer the program according to rules and procedures established by the State Board of Education; specifying eligibility requirements for initial and recurring funding under the program; providing for the issuance of awards under the program; requiring the Department of Education to issue the awards annually, subject to legislative appropriation; specifying requirements if appropriated funds are not sufficient to fully fund awards; requiring the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors to adopt rules and regulations, respectively; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 886—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coordinated systems of care; creating s. 394.45731, F.S.; creating the Crisis Care Coordination Pilot Program in specified counties, contingent upon legislative appropriation; requiring the Department of Children and Families to administer the pilot program; requiring the pilot program to provide community-based care coordination and support for individuals after a mental health-related contact with law enforcement officers; providing the interventions that the program offers such individuals; requiring that such services be provided by nationally accredited community mental health centers in partnership with local law enforcement agencies for specified purposes; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; providing for repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Avila—

SB 888—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer transparency for homeowner's insurance; creating s. 624.37, F.S.; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to provide a consumer guide relating to homeowner's insurance on a publicly accessible website; specifying requirements for such guide; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 890—A bill to be entitled An act relating to improving screening for and treatment of blood clots; amending s. 385.102, F.S.; revising legislative findings under the Chronic Diseases Act; creating s. 385.213, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish, or contract to establish, a statewide registry for a specified purpose; requiring certain licensed facilities to report specified information to the department for inclusion in the registry; specifying limitations on the use and publication of information from the registry; providing that certain personal identifying information is confidential and exempt from public records requirements, with exceptions; specifying requirements for the use of certain appropriated funds; authorizing the department, by rule, to classify facilities for purposes of certain reporting requirements; requiring the department to exempt certain facilities from certain reporting requirements; providing applicability; creating s. 395.3042, F.S.; requiring certain licensed facilities to arrange for the rendering of appropriate medical attention for persons at risk for certain conditions; specifying requirements for the manner in which such facilities must provide such medical attention, including admission, training, and practice policies; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; revising requirements for certain annual inservice training for certified nursing assistants employed by nursing home facilities; revising training requirements for certain certified nursing assistants who may be delegated tasks in nursing home facilities; amending s. 429.41, F.S.; revising minimum standards for the care of residents in assisted living facilities; amending s. 429.52, F.S.; revising requirements for the core competency test for administrators of assisted living facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Simon—

SB 892—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida State University Election Law Center; creating s. 1004.421, F.S.; creating the center within the Florida State University College of Law; defining the term “election law”; providing the goals of the center; authorizing the center to hire staff and develop courses; authorizing the center to hold events and conduct, aid, and sponsor specified research; authorizing the center to provide training and continuing education; authorizing the center to provide assistance to the Legislature and other governmental entities; authorizing the center to provide scholarships and assistantships and to partner with specified entities; authorizing specified entities to cooperate with the center and share specified information; providing mechanisms for the funding of the center; requiring the dean of the college of law to appoint a faculty director; providing the duties of the faculty and executive directors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Postsecondary; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 894—A bill to be entitled An act relating to faith-based content in batterers’ intervention programs; amending s. 741.325, F.S.; specifying that batterers’ intervention programs may include faith-based content; directing the Department of Children and Families to amend a specified rule to conform; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 896—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lotteries; amending s. 20.317, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring the compensation of the Secretary of the Department of the Lottery to be set annually by the Governor; amending s. 24.103, F.S.; defining terms; revising the definition of the term “major procurement”; amending s. 24.105, F.S.; revising and providing rules that the department must adopt governing the establishment and operation of the state lottery; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 24.108, F.S.; revising re-

quirements for studies and evaluations of security in the operation of the department; amending s. 24.111, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 24.112, F.S.; increasing the amount of a lottery retailer bond; authorizing a lottery retailer to remit funds to the department for deposit in a specified bank account in lieu of such bond; authorizing the use of a debit card in a vending machine to purchase a lottery ticket; authorizing the department to act as a courier service and contract with a third party to provide such service; requiring all courier services to have a written agreement with retailers which conforms to certain requirements and rules; authorizing courier services to store lottery tickets for customers in lieu of delivery if certain requirements are met; requiring such courier services to maintain a secure database of all stored lottery tickets and provide specified notice of a winning ticket within a certain timeframe; authorizing such courier services to redeem winning tickets valued at less than a certain amount; prohibiting a portion or percentage of such winning tickets from being charged, accepted, given, or paid to such courier services; providing construction; repealing s. 24.113, F.S., relating to minority participation; amending s. 24.116, F.S.; providing an exception to the prohibition on officers or employees of the department purchasing a lottery ticket; creating s. 24.1173, F.S.; prohibiting a courier service from operating without a written agreement with a retailer which conforms to certain requirements and rules; providing a criminal penalty; amending s. 24.118, F.S.; revising provisions relating to other prohibited acts; prohibiting certain false claims and theft of lottery tickets by lottery retailers, courier services, or employees; providing criminal penalties; amending ss. 24.119, 24.120, 24.1215, and 24.124, F.S.; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 898—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of veterinary medicine; amending s. 474.201, F.S.; revising legislative purpose and intent; amending s. 474.202, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “responsible supervision”; defining terms; creating s. 474.208, F.S.; requiring the Board of Veterinary Medicine to adopt rules to regulate the profession and practice of veterinary technology; requiring any person desiring licensure as a veterinary technician or technologist to apply to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to take a licensure examination; requiring the department to license each applicant for whom the board has verified completion of specified requirements; authorizing certain veterinary technicians and veterinary technologists to apply for licensure, beginning on a certain date; requiring the department to license each applicant for whom the board has verified completion of specified requirements; authorizing a licensed veterinary technician or licensed veterinary technologist to perform specified veterinary technology services under the responsible supervision of a licensed veterinarian; authorizing a licensed veterinarian to delegate certain professional responsibilities to a licensed veterinary technician, licensed veterinary technologist, or veterinary assistant under specified circumstances; authorizing only a licensed veterinarian to perform specified actions; amending s. 474.213, F.S.; prohibiting a person from misleading the public that she or he is licensed as a veterinary technician, or veterinary technologist without holding such license; amending s. 828.30, F.S.; authorizing a licensed veterinary technician or licensed veterinary technologist, under responsible supervision, to perform a rabies vaccination; reenacting s. 474.203(11), F.S., relating to exemptions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 474.202, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 900—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 474.208, F.S.; requiring any person desiring to be licensed as a veterinary technician or veterinary technologist to remit an examination fee set by the board; requiring veterinary technicians or veterinary technologists who have certain good standing and credentials desiring to be

licensed as such to remit a fee set by the board; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Martin—

SB 902—A bill to be entitled An act relating to panelized construction; reordering and amending s. 553.36, F.S.; defining the term “panelized construction”; amending s. 553.37, F.S.; providing that panelized construction is exempt from state approval but must comply with all local requirements of the governmental agency having jurisdiction at the installation site; amending ss. 316.515, 553.415, and 627.702, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 904—A bill to be entitled An act relating to subsidy payments for the home care for the elderly program; amending s. 430.605, F.S.; requiring that subsidy payments made by the Department of Elder Affairs for the home care for the elderly program cease for certain persons upon such persons’ enrollment in the Medicaid long-term care managed care program; providing construction and applicability; amending s. 430.606, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 906—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “pharmacy” to include remote-site pharmacies; revising construction of the term “not present and on duty”; amending s. 465.014, F.S.; authorizing registered pharmacy technicians to handle the sales transactions and delivery of dispensed drugs under certain circumstances; providing an exception to certain supervision limitations; amending s. 465.015, F.S.; providing applicability; exempting certain registered pharmacy technicians from specified prohibitions; creating s. 465.0198, F.S.; defining terms; providing for the permitting of remote-site pharmacies; requiring that a licensed or consultant pharmacist serve as the prescription department manager of a remote-site pharmacy; requiring remote-site pharmacies to notify the Department of Health of a change in the pharmacy’s prescription department manager within a specified timeframe; providing requirements for remote-site pharmacies; authorizing remote-site pharmacies to store, hold, and dispense medicinal drugs; prohibiting the dispensing of Schedule II medications at remote-site pharmacies unless a pharmacist is present; requiring prescription department managers to visit remote-site pharmacies, based on a certain schedule, to perform specified tasks; prohibiting remote-site pharmacies from being open when the supervising pharmacy is closed unless a certain pharmacist is present or providing remote supervision at the remote-site pharmacy; authorizing the Board of Pharmacy to adopt specified rules; amending s. 465.022, F.S.; exempting registered pharmacists serving as prescription department managers for remote-site pharmacies from certain practice limitations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 908—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cyberintimidation by publication; amending s. 836.115, F.S.; providing increased criminal penalties for persons who electronically publish another person’s personal identification information with the intent to, or with the intent that a third party will use the information to, incite violence or commit a

crime against the person or threaten or harass the person; authorizing a person whose personal identification information is electronically published in violation of certain provisions to initiate a civil action against the perpetrator to obtain all appropriate relief; providing a standard of evidence for an aggrieved person to prevail in a civil action; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 910—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterans’ benefits assistance; creating s. 501.9741, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a person from receiving compensation for referring an individual to another person for advising, assisting, or consulting on veterans’ benefits matters; authorizing compensation for services rendered during a specified period only under certain circumstances; requiring that, before such services are rendered, a written agreement, which must include specified information, be signed by both parties; requiring that persons who advise, assist, or consult on veterans’ benefits matters for compensation provide a specified written disclosure before entering into a business relationship with a client; prohibiting persons who advise, assist, or consult on veterans’ benefits matters from charging certain fees; prohibiting the charging of interest on payment plans; providing requirements in the event of the death of a veteran claimant; prohibiting certain guarantees; providing security requirements for the handling of a veteran’s personal and account information; providing that a violation is a deceptive and unfair trade practice which may be subject to specified penalties; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 912—A bill to be entitled An act relating to threats from foreign nations; creating s. 16.81, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining terms; prohibiting a person from acting as a certain agent unless such person files a specified statement with the Attorney General; requiring that such person file such statement and any supplements thereto with the Attorney General within a specified timeframe; providing filing requirements; providing requirements for the registration statement; requiring an agent who has registered to periodically file supplements with the Attorney General; providing requirements for such supplements; requiring a registrant to give a certain notice within a specified timeframe; authorizing the Attorney General to require supplements to be filed at more frequent intervals; requiring that such statements and supplements be executed under oath; specifying that certain filings may be deemed not in compliance; providing that filing specified statements and supplements does not preclude prosecution under specified circumstances; authorizing the Attorney General to allow incorporation of information or documents by reference; exempting certain agents from the requirement to register with the Attorney General; requiring agents to file a specified number of copies of certain materials with the Attorney General within a certain timeframe; prohibiting an agent in this state from transmitting, through specified means, certain information unless such information contains a certain statement; providing that certain materials are subject to public inspection; prohibiting an agent from transmitting or conveying information to specified entities unless the agent includes a certain statement; requiring an agent to furnish the agent’s registration statement to specified entities under specified conditions for inclusion in the entities’ records; providing that such statements are included in the entities’ records as part of the agent’s testimony; requiring an agent to keep and maintain specified books of account and other records for a specified timeframe; requiring agents to maintain such books of account and other records in accordance with certain practices; providing that such books of account and other records are subject to inspection by certain officials; prohibiting agents from taking certain actions regarding such books of account and records; providing criminal and civil penalties; requiring the Attorney General to retain a specified number of copies of all registration statements in a specified manner; requiring the Attorney General to transmit registration statements and supplements to the United States Secretary of State upon receipt; providing that the failure of the Attorney

General to transmit such registration statements and supplements is not a bar to prosecution; authorizing the Attorney General to furnish specified information to certain entities; requiring the Attorney General to periodically submit a certain report to the Legislature, beginning on a specified date; requiring the Attorney General to report monthly on the Office of the Attorney General's publicly available website certain information; requiring certain officers and directors to comply with specified requirements; providing that dissolution of certain organizations does not relieve their officers and directors of specified requirements; providing criminal penalties for willful violations of specified provisions; providing that agents who willfully violate specified provisions must be expelled from and prohibited from entering any campus of this state; requiring the State University System and the Florida College System to adopt specified rules; providing that proof of the specific identity of a specified foreign principal is permissible but not necessary in certain proceedings; requiring that certain aliens be referred to the Department of Justice for removal proceedings; providing that a failure to file specified statements is a continuing offense as long as the failure persists; authorizing the Attorney General to apply to the courts to enjoin the actions of specified persons; providing that the state court has jurisdiction and authority to issue certain orders; requiring the Attorney General to notify a registrant in writing after making a certain determination; prohibiting a person from acting as a certain agent within a specified timeframe after receiving such notice unless certain conditions exist; prohibiting an agent from entering into a contract that is contingent upon the success of any political activity; requiring state employees to annually submit a certain affidavit; providing that specified students or employees who willfully violate specified provisions must be expelled from and prohibited from entering any institution of higher education; requiring the State University System and the Florida College System to adopt a specified policy; requiring institutions of higher education to develop a specified reporting mechanism; requiring certain active businesses and nonprofits to file a specified form; requiring the Secretary of State to provide such form; requiring the Attorney General to provide specified information on the Office of the Attorney General's publicly available website; authorizing the Attorney General to exchange certain information with specified entities; providing for retroactive application; requiring specified persons to file registration statements for a specified timeframe; authorizing the Attorney General to adopt rules; creating s. 287.1381, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose; defining terms; prohibiting certain companies and entities from entering into agreements relating to critical infrastructure with foreign principals; prohibiting governmental entities from entering into contracts or other agreements relating to critical infrastructure with certain companies; providing exceptions; requiring companies to register with the Department of Management Services to access critical infrastructure; requiring companies to perform specified actions to remain registered with the department; requiring the department to provide certificates to such companies; authorizing the revocation of such certificates under specified circumstances; requiring companies to notify the department under specified conditions; authorizing the department to conduct a certain investigation within a specified timeframe; requiring the Attorney General on behalf of the department to file a request for an injunction with the Supreme Court under certain conditions; requiring that the Supreme Court issue a certain order; requiring the department to notify critical infrastructure entities of known or suspected cyberthreats, vulnerabilities, and adversarial activities in a specified manner; prohibiting the state from using specified software; providing that if any such software is being used, it must be removed and replaced with compliant software; providing that companies that remove and replace such software are not required to obtain additional permits to do so; prohibiting governmental entities and critical infrastructure providers from entering into or renewing certain contracts beginning on a specified date; requiring the department to create certain public listings; creating s. 287.1382, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose; defining terms; requiring critical communications infrastructure to have all prohibited equipment removed and replaced; providing that companies engaging in such replacement and removal do not need additional permits; requiring communications providers to file a certain attestation annually with the department; providing civil penalties for late filing of such attestations; requiring such companies to provide the department with information related to a person with managerial responsibilities in this state; requiring communications providers to engage in specified actions; providing administrative penalties for communications providers that violate specified provisions; providing administrative fines for communications providers that sub-

mit false attestations or certifications; prohibiting specified communications providers from receiving certain funds; requiring the department to develop and publish quarterly a certain map; specifying requirements for such map; creating s. 943.0315, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative intent and policy; defining terms; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to annually produce and publish a certain risk assessment; requiring that the risk assessment include specified information; creating the Council on Pacific Conflict; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to provide administrative support; providing for the composition, membership, and appointments of the council; providing that members of the council are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement; requiring that members be appointed by a specified date; requiring that the first meeting be held by a specified date and at least quarterly thereafter; authorizing the chair of the council to call for a meeting at any time; authorizing the council to retain external advisors for certain purposes; providing that such advisors may not be compensated, but may be reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses; requiring the council to prepare a specified annual report; authorizing the council to perform specified actions; requiring the council to engage with the Division of Emergency Management to apply for a certain grant; requiring the Secretary of Management Services to conduct a supply chain audit and submit a report of such audit to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; specifying requirements for the supply chain audit report; requiring the Governor to provide a summary report to the Legislature and the public; prohibiting the inclusion of specified information in the report; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to lead a specified study, coordinate the research, and develop a report of the study; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to identify certain critical infrastructure and assets; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to apply consistent, objective criteria when making such identifications; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to produce a certain report by a specified date; requiring that the report include specified information; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to coordinate with specified entities to produce the report; requiring state agencies to provide the Chief of Domestic Security with specified information; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to develop a process for stakeholders to submit certain information; authorizing the Chief of Domestic Security to coordinate with specified entities; requiring the Chief of Domestic Security to notify certain owners and operators of a certain identification; requiring that such notice include specified information; amending ss. 943.03 and 943.0311, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 914—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; amending s. 943.0315, F.S.; providing an exemption from public record requirements for a certain report on adversarial threats produced by the Chief of Domestic Security; providing an exemption from public record requirements for notifications provided to owners and operators of critical infrastructure and other assets; providing an exemption from public meeting requirements for meetings of the Council on Pacific Conflict in which such reports or notifications are provided or discussed; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 916—A bill to be entitled An act relating to indemnification of commuter rail transportation providers; creating part III of ch. 343, F.S., entitled "Coastal Link Commuter Rail Service Act"; creating s. 343.711, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 343.712, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing an agency to assume the obligation to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless certain entities from and against certain liabilities, costs, and expenses in certain circumstances; prohibiting such assumption of liability from exceeding certain parameters of allocation of risk; requiring that a contractual duty to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless certain entities with respect to claims by

rail passengers include a specific limitation on the amount of such duty; requiring the adjustment of such amount in certain circumstances; providing that an employee of an operator is not a coastal link corridor invitee of such operator in certain circumstances; specifying the circumstances under which certain passengers are coastal link corridor invitees of certain operators; requiring that the allocation of liability between certain agencies be allocated as agreed and limited by certain provisions; authorizing an agency to purchase liability insurance up to a specified amount; requiring the adjustment of such amount in certain circumstances; authorizing an agency to establish a self-insurance retention fund for a specified purpose; providing construction; providing requirements for such fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 918—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the employment of minors; amending s. 450.081, F.S.; deleting certain restrictions on minors 16 and 17 years of age being employed, permitted, or suffered to work; revising the exceptions to such restrictions for certain minors; deleting a provision authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to grant a waiver of such restrictions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Collins, Ingoglia, and Gruters—

SB 920—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearm purchase or transfer; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; reducing the minimum age at which a person may purchase a firearm; reducing the minimum age of purchasers to whom specified licensees are prohibited from selling or transferring a firearm; repealing an exception; amending s. 790.0655, F.S.; revising an exception to the mandatory waiting period for the purchase of rifles or shotguns; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 922—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment agreements; creating part I of ch. 542, F.S., entitled “The Florida Antitrust Act of 1980”; creating part II of ch. 542, F.S., entitled “The Florida Trade Secret Protection Act”; creating s. 542.41, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 542.42, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating s. 542.43, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 542.44, F.S.; providing applicability; providing that certain covered garden leave agreements are not a restraint of trade or an attempt to monopolize trade or commerce; providing notice requirements for covered garden leave agreements; providing that a covered employer may waive any portion of such notice requirements by providing a specified amount of advance written notice to the covered employee; providing that covered garden leave agreements do not affect other agreements; requiring a court to enter a preliminary injunction to stop covered employees, businesses, entities, or individuals if a breach of a covered garden leave agreement is alleged; authorizing the court to modify such an injunction if a covered employee, business, entity, or individual establishes certain information by clear and convincing evidence; requiring that certain information be provided to the court under seal; providing that a prevailing covered employer is entitled to recover all available monetary damages for all available claims; providing that a prevailing party is entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs; authorizing a covered employer to reduce the salary or benefits of a covered employee if he or she engages in gross misconduct; providing that such a reduction is not a breach of the covered garden leave agreement; creating s. 542.45, F.S.; providing applicability; providing that certain covered noncompete agreements are not a restraint of trade or an attempt to monopolize trade or commerce; providing notice requirements for covered noncompete agreements; providing that covered noncompete agreements do not affect other agreements; requiring a court to enter a preliminary injunction to

stop covered employees, businesses, entities, or individuals if a breach of a covered noncompete agreement is alleged; authorizing the court to modify such an injunction if a covered employee, business, entity, or individual establishes certain information by clear and convincing evidence; requiring that certain information be provided to the court under seal; providing that a prevailing covered employer is entitled to recover all available monetary damages for all available claims; providing that a prevailing party is entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs; authorizing a covered employer to reduce the salary or benefits of a covered employee if he or she engages in gross misconduct; providing that such a reduction is not a breach of the covered noncompete agreement; providing construction regarding a restrictive covenant that does not meet the definition of a covered garden leave agreement or a covered noncompete agreement; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 924—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coverage for fertility preservation services; amending s. 110.12303, F.S.; requiring the Department of Management Services to provide coverage of certain fertility preservation services for state group health insurance plan policies issued on or after a specified date; specifying requirements and limitations regarding such coverage; prohibiting a state group health insurance plan from requiring preauthorization for certain covered services; authorizing health benefit plans to contain certain provisions under specified conditions; defining terms; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 926—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public service announcements by state agencies; providing a short title; creating s. 112.3262, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining terms; prohibiting state agencies from producing, disseminating, or funding certain public service announcements; prohibiting state agencies from using funds, resources, or personnel to influence, directly or indirectly, the outcome of statewide ballot initiatives; providing exceptions; providing that individuals who violate specified provisions may be subject to suspension, removal, or disciplinary action; authorizing the Legislature to reduce future appropriations to state agencies under specified conditions; providing that the Commission on Ethics has the authority to investigate specified complaints; authorizing certain individuals and entities to file a complaint with the commission or seek injunctive relief in a court of competent jurisdiction; requiring state agencies to maintain records for a specified timeframe and make such records available for public inspection; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 928—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonapproved disposable nicotine dispensing devices; providing a short title; amending s. 569.31, F.S.; defining the term “nonapproved disposable device”; amending s. 569.33, F.S.; revising which permit holders that the premises covered by the permit are subject to inspection and search by the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco; revising the provision that, upon being granted a permit, such permit holder also consents to inspections by the Department of Law Enforcement for specified violations; requiring the division to inspect the licensed premises of dealers who sell nonapproved disposable devices; amending s. 569.35, F.S.; revising penalties for violations involving the unlawful sale of nonapproved disposable devices; requiring that administrative fines for certain violations be used by the division and the department for specified purposes; amending s. 569.37, F.S.; prohibiting a dealer who sells nonapproved disposable devices from advertising, promoting, or displaying for sale such devices in certain locations; revising applicability; amending s. 569.39, F.S.; revising the division’s rulemaking authority; amending s. 569.44, F.S.; revising the information that must be

included in the division's annual report to the Legislature and the Governor; reenacting ss. 569.381(3) and (5) and 569.43(3), F.S., relating to responsible retail nicotine products dealers, qualifications, mitigation of disciplinary penalties, diligent management and supervision, presumption; and posting of a sign stating that the sale of nicotine products or nicotine dispensing devices to persons under 21 years of age is unlawful, enforcement, and penalties, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 569.35, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 930—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; providing a short title; repealing s. 1000.05(4), F.S., relating to prohibited training or instruction in specified concepts which constitutes discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex; repealing s. 1000.071, F.S., relating to personal titles and pronouns; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; prohibiting school districts from adopting a procedure that compels or authorizes school personnel to share certain information with a parent under certain circumstances; deleting a provision authorizing school districts to adopt procedures that permit school personnel to withhold certain information from a parent under certain circumstances; deleting a prohibition against classroom instruction on sexual orientation and gender identity in specified grades; deleting an exception; deleting a provision requiring student support services to adhere to specified guidelines; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; deleting a requirement for the Board of Governors to include in its review of state university missions a directive to each university regarding its programs for curricula that violate certain provisions; repealing s. 1001.92(5), F.S., relating to an educational institution losing its eligibility for performance funding if a certain violation is substantiated; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; requiring instruction in LGBTQ history in public schools; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; deleting requirements for teacher preparation program courses; amending s. 1004.06, F.S.; authorizing and encouraging Florida College System institutions, state universities, and direct-support organizations to develop programs based on diversity, equity, and inclusion principles; authorizing the expenditure of state or federal funds to promote such programs; deleting a prohibition against Florida College System institutions, state universities, and direct-support organizations expending funds on programs or activities that advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion or that promote or engage in political or social activism; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 1004.85, F.S.; deleting a purpose provided for the creation of an educator preparation institute; amending s. 1006.28, F.S.; providing that certain provisions relating to district school board duties and materials made available in schools do not apply to classroom libraries; revising requirements for resolving objections to instructional materials; deleting a requirement that any instructional material that is subject to an objection be removed within 5 school days; deleting a requirement that a school board discontinue use of an instructional material if certain conditions are met; providing that school libraries may provide materials and information presenting all points of view; providing that materials may not be proscribed or removed due to partisan or doctrinal disapproval; amending s. 1007.25, F.S.; deleting certain prohibitions for general education courses; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; deleting requirements for professional learning certification program courses; amending s. 1012.562, F.S.; deleting prohibitions for school leader preparation programs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Jones—

SB 932—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Health Care Freedom Act; providing a short title; repealing ss. 286.31, 286.311, and 381.00321, F.S., relating to the prohibited use of state funds for travel to another state for purpose of abortion services, the prohibited use of state funds for sex-reassignment prescriptions or procedures, and the right of medical conscience of health care providers and health care payors, respectively; creating s. 381.027, F.S.; providing a short title;

defining terms; requiring a covered entity to, by a specified date, adopt a policy relating to providing written notice of a complete list of its refused services to patients; providing requirements for such notice; requiring a covered entity to submit a complete list of its refused services to the Department of Health by a specified date; requiring a covered entity to notify the department within a specified timeframe after a change is made to such list; requiring a covered entity to submit the list, along with its application, if applying for certain state grants or contracts; providing a civil penalty; requiring the department to adopt rules; requiring the department to publish and maintain on its website a current list of covered entities and their refused services by a specified date; requiring the department to develop and administer a certain public education and awareness program; providing construction; providing for severability; amending s. 381.96, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “eligible client” and redefining the term “pregnancy and parenting support services” as “pregnancy support services,”; revising department duties and contract requirements to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 390.011, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term “fatal fetal abnormality”; amending s. 390.0111, F.S.; revising the timeframe in which a physician may perform a termination of pregnancy; revising exceptions; deleting the prohibition against the use of telehealth to perform abortions, the requirement that medications intended for use in a medical abortion be dispensed in person by a physician, and the prohibition against dispensing such medication through the United States Postal Service or any other courier or shipping service; amending s. 390.012, F.S.; revising rules the Agency for Health Care Administration may develop and enforce to regulate abortion clinics; repealing s. 395.3027, F.S., relating to patient immigration status data collection in hospitals; amending s. 409.905, F.S.; defining the terms “gender identity” and “transgender individual”; requiring the agency to provide Medicaid reimbursement for medically necessary treatment for or related to gender dysphoria or a comparable or equivalent diagnosis; prohibiting the agency from discriminating in its reimbursement on the basis of a recipient's gender identity or that the recipient is a transgender individual; amending s. 456.001, F.S.; deleting the definition of the terms “sex” and “sex-reassignment prescriptions or procedures”; amending s. 456.47, F.S.; deleting the prohibition against the use of telehealth to perform abortions, including medical abortions; repealing ss. 456.52 and 766.318, F.S., relating to sex-reassignment prescriptions and procedures and civil liability for provision of sex-reassignment prescriptions or procedures to minors, respectively; amending ss. 61.517, 61.534, 409.908, 409.913, 456.074, and 636.0145, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Smith—

SB 934—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pregnancy support and wellness services; amending s. 381.96, F.S.; revising contract requirements for the Florida Pregnancy Care Network, Inc.; requiring the Department of Health to conduct annual visits to each organization within the network; providing requirements for the visits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 936—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a statewide study on automation and workforce impact; defining the term “artificial intelligence”; requiring the Bureau of Workforce Statistics and Economic Research of the Department of Commerce to study the economic impact of automation, artificial intelligence, and robotics on employment in the state; specifying contents of the study; authorizing the bureau to consult with specified entities to complete the study; requiring the bureau to submit to the Governor and Legislature a report by a specified date; requiring the bureau to conduct the study at specified intervals of time; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator McClain—

SB 938—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student absences; amending s. 1003.26, F.S.; requiring a student's primary teacher to report to the principal, or his or her designee, if a student is chronically absent; requiring the State Board of Education to create guidelines relating to student absences; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 940—A bill to be entitled An act relating to third-party restaurant reservation platforms; creating s. 509.104, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a third-party restaurant reservation platform from listing, advertising, promoting, or selling a reservation for a food service establishment if no relationship or contract exists to offer or arrange such services; authorizing the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to impose a specified civil penalty; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burton—

SB 942—A bill to be entitled An act relating to invalid restrictive covenants in health care; amending s. 542.336, F.S.; specifying that certain restrictive covenants in employment agreements relating to certain licensed physicians are not supported by a legitimate business interest; declaring that such restrictive covenants are void and unenforceable; providing applicability; defining the term “compensation”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Davis—

SB 944—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance overpayment claims submitted to psychologists; amending s. 627.6131, F.S.; revising a definition; requiring that insurance overpayment claims submitted to psychologists be submitted within a specified timeframe; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 946—A bill to be entitled An act relating to waste facilities; amending s. 373.4592, F.S.; conforming cross references; prohibiting a local governmental entity from applying for a permit for or approving the permitting of certain waste facilities within a specified distance of the Everglades Protection Area, the Everglades Construction Project, or any water storage or conveyance structure constructed pursuant to specified provisions; providing for preemption; amending ss. 316.5501, 339.2818, and 373.036, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 948—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real property and condominium flood disclosures; creating s. 83.512, F.S.; requiring a landlord of residential real property to provide specified information to a prospective tenant at or before the time the rental agreement is executed; specifying how such information must be disclosed; defining the term “flooding”; providing that if a landlord fails to disclose flood information truthfully and a tenant suffers substantial loss or damage, the tenant may terminate the rental agreement by giving a written notice of termination to the landlord within a specified timeframe; defining the term “substantial loss”; requiring a landlord to refund the tenant all amounts paid in advance for any period after the effective date of the termination of the rental agreement; providing that a tenant is still liable for any sum owed to the landlord before the termination of the rental agreement; amending s. 689.302, F.S.; revising the flood information that must be disclosed to prospective purchasers of residential real property; amending s. 718.503, F.S.; requiring a developer of a residential condominium unit to provide specified information to a prospective purchaser at or before the time the sales contract is executed; specifying how such information must be disclosed; defining the term “flooding”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

SB 950—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prosecuting children as adults; amending s. 985.265, F.S.; prohibiting a jail or other facility intended or used for the detention of adults from holding a child who has been transferred to adult court for criminal prosecution before a specified hearing to determine whether the child should be prosecuted as an adult, unless the child waives his or her right to such hearing; amending s. 985.556, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring a state attorney to request a court to transfer and certify a child for prosecution as an adult or to provide written reasons to the court for not making such request, or to proceed under a specified provision; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; deleting references to the state attorney's discretion to direct file an information on a child; revising discretionary direct file criteria; requiring a court to advise a child and his or her parent or legal guardian of the child's right to a due process evidentiary hearing before a judge upon the filing by a state attorney of an information transferring the child to adult court; requiring that the child or the child's parent or legal guardian be afforded such hearing; requiring the judge to conduct the hearing within a certain timeframe; requiring the judge to consider specified information and factors during the hearing; authorizing the judge to consider, and certain parties to the action to examine, certain reports; providing for continued jurisdiction of the adult court with regard to the child unless the court makes a specified finding by a preponderance of the evidence; requiring the adult court to render an order that includes certain findings of fact; authorizing immediate review of the order; providing that the order is reviewable on appeal under specified rules; amending ss. 985.15 and 985.565, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 985.03, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Ingolia—

SB 952—A bill to be entitled An act relating to restrictions on firearms and ammunition during emergencies; repealing s. 870.044, F.S., relating to specified automatic restrictions on firearms and ammunition during certain declared emergencies; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 954—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recovery residences; amending s. 397.403, F.S.; revising requirements for applicants for

certified recovery residence licenses; amending s. 397.407, F.S.; providing that interim licenses may be issued by the Department of Children and Families to a new owner of a recovery residence; revising the definition of the term “transfer”; requiring the department to issue an interim license within a specified timeframe; providing that the department has a specified timeframe after receiving an application to review it for completeness; prohibiting the department from issuing an interim license when doing so would place the health, safety, or welfare of individuals at risk; prohibiting the expiration of an interim license; requiring that an interim license be converted to a regular license with a specified timeframe; authorizing the department to issue a probationary license to an existing licensed service provider if the department makes specified findings; providing applicability; providing that a probationary license, rather than an interim license, expires 90 days after it is issued; amending s. 397.415, F.S.; revising conditions under which the department may deny, suspend, or revoke the license of a service provider or the operation of any service component or location identified on the license; amending s. 397.487, F.S.; requiring that Level IV certified recovery residence providers undergo a recertification audit at a certain interval, subject to annual dues payments being made; providing that only the department may suspend or revoke a Level IV certified recovery residence provider's license; deleting a requirement that a certified recovery residence must immediately remove a person who is arrested for or convicted of a certain criminal offense; providing that a recovery residence is deemed a nontransient residential use of land for a specified purpose; prohibiting a local law, ordinance, or regulation from prohibiting or regulating a recovery residence in a multifamily structure; requiring a county or a municipality to allow certain certified recovery residences in specific zoned districts, without the need to obtain changes in certain zoning or land use; providing that certified recovery residences in multifamily structures are administratively approved and no further action by the governing body of the municipality or county is required under certain circumstances; authorizing a municipality or a county to deny the establishment of a certified Level IV recovery residence if the proposed use is adjacent to, or on two or more sides of, a parcel zoned for a specified use and within a certain single-family residential development; defining the term “adjacent to”; requiring that a municipality or a county reduce any local parking requirements for a proposed certified recovery residence by a specified percentage under certain circumstances; providing applicability; providing that certified recovery residences that provide housing to patients must maintain such patients' confidential records; amending s. 397.4871, F.S.; providing that the personnel-to-resident ratio for a certified recovery residence must be met only when the residents are at the residence; providing that a certified recovery residence administrator for Level IV certified recovery residences which maintains a specified personnel-to-patient ratio has no limitation on the number of residents it may manage; amending s. 397.501, F.S.; prohibiting an agency or a division from transmitting certain records to any other agency, division, or third party; providing an exception; revising liability for licensed service providers; amending s. 509.032, F.S.; providing construction; creating the Substance Abuse and Recovery Residence Efficiency Committee within the Department of Children and Families; requiring the department to provide the committee with administrative and staff support services; providing the purpose of the committee; providing the membership of the committee; requiring that appointments to the committee be made by a specified date; providing that each member serves at the pleasure of the person or body that appointed the member; requiring the committee to select a chair; requiring the committee to convene by a specified date and to meet monthly or upon the call of the chair; providing the duties of the committee; requiring the committee to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for future legislative review and repeal; reenacting s. 397.4104(2), F.S., relating to record of recovery residences used by service providers, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 397.415, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 397.4873(1) and (7), F.S., relating to referrals to or from recovery residences, prohibitions, and penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 397.415, 397.487, and 397.4871, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 397.47891(12)(c), 394.47892(8)(c), 395.3025(3), 397.334(10)(c), 397.752, and 400.494(1), F.S., relating to veterans treatment court programs; mental health court programs; patient and personnel records, copies, examination; treatment-based drug court programs; scope of part; and information about patients confidential, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 397.501, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Bernard—

SB 956—A bill to be entitled An act relating to candidate qualifying; amending s. 99.061, F.S.; authorizing a candidate to pay the filing fee by a debit card linked to the candidate's campaign account; revising the timeframe during which a candidate may pay a filing fee if the initial payment is rejected by a bank; amending s. 106.11, F.S.; revising conditions under which debit cards are considered bank checks for purposes of certain campaign expenditures; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bernard—

SB 958—A bill to be entitled An act relating to type 1 diabetes early detection; creating s. 385.2045, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health, in coordination with local school districts, to develop informational materials on type 1 diabetes for the parents and guardians of students; requiring that such materials be made available to school districts and charter schools through the department's website; specifying requirements for the informational materials; requiring the department to develop the informational materials and a certain methodology by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bernard—

SB 960—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elevator accessibility requirements; amending s. 399.035, F.S.; requiring elevator car interiors to have at least one support rail that meets certain specifications; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Davis—

SB 962—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Municipal Solid Waste-to-Energy Program; reenacting and amending s. 377.814, F.S.; revising which state agency is responsible for administering the Municipal Solid Waste-to-Energy Program; revising the requirements necessary for municipal solid waste-to-energy facilities to be eligible to receive financial assistance and incentive grant funding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Regulated Industries; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bernard—

SB 964—A bill to be entitled An act relating to objective parole guidelines; amending s. 947.165, F.S.; revising requirements for objective parole guidelines; requiring the Commission on Offender Review to submit a specified statistical analysis to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 966—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a rapid rail transit compact; creating s. 351.41, F.S.; authorizing the Governor to execute a

rapid rail transit compact with specified states, to join the Southern Rail Commission; providing the form of the compact; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid presumptive eligibility for pregnant women; creating s. 409.9026, F.S.; creating a pilot program to provide temporary Medicaid coverage to pregnant women who are presumptively eligible for Medicaid; defining terms; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to approve certain entities to serve as qualified presumptive eligibility locations under the pilot program; providing application requirements; requiring the agency to prioritize the approval of qualified entities located in underserved areas of this state; specifying duties of qualified entities; requiring qualified entities to provide written notice of their determinations to applicants within a specified timeframe; providing requirements for the notice; specifying performance standards qualified entities are required to meet each year to continue participating in the pilot program; specifying the timeframe of the presumptive eligibility period for temporary Medicaid coverage under the pilot program; requiring the agency to implement certain procedures that allow for the seamless transition from temporary Medicaid coverage under the pilot program to enrollment for full Medicaid benefits; requiring the agency, in collaboration with the Department of Health, to implement an outreach program for specified purposes; requiring the agency, by a specified date, to seek federal approval to implement the pilot program; requiring the agency to implement the pilot program within a specified timeframe after receiving such federal approval; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 970—A bill to be entitled An act relating to organ and tissue donation; amending s. 765.514, F.S.; authorizing a minor under 18 years of age to be an organ and tissue donor with informed parental consent; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide certain education on organ and tissue donation to a donor at a specified time; amending s. 765.5155, F.S.; revising criteria for the web-based donor registry and anatomical gift education program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 972—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Celia Cruz Day; creating s. 683.27, F.S.; designating October 21 of each year as “Celia Cruz Day” in Florida; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bernard—

SB 974—A bill to be entitled An act relating to access to testing of tabulating equipment; amending s. 101.5612, F.S.; requiring that designated experts be allowed to observe certain tests being conducted and votes being counted; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bernard—

SB 976—A bill to be entitled An act relating to court-appointed social investigators; amending s. 61.20, F.S.; requiring a court-appointed social investigator to submit a written report to the judge; providing requirements for reports; amending s. 61.122, F.S.; requiring that a specified investigation be undertaken before a specified claim may be made against a court-appointed psychologist preparing a parenting plan; requiring that a certificate be filed with the claim; providing for sanctions if such certificate was not made in good faith; providing for an automatic stay of limitations period for such investigation; providing for access to records for the investigation; providing for immunity from liability for compliance with certain disclosure in conjunction with the investigation; creating s. 61.123, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to develop and publish criteria for use by court-appointed social investigators; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Berman—

SB 978—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advanced wastewater treatment; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection, in consultation with the water management districts and sewage disposal facilities, to submit to the Governor and Legislature specified reports on certain sewage disposal facilities in the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bernard—

SB 980—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Hunger-Free Campus Pilot Program; providing a short title; establishing the pilot program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for a specified period; providing the purpose of the pilot program; defining the terms “commissioner” and “department”; requiring the Commissioner of Agriculture to identify the three state universities or Florida College System institutions with the highest percentage of Pell Grant-eligible students for participation in the pilot program; requiring the commissioner to develop a specified survey instrument; providing requirements for participating universities and institutions; requiring participating universities and institutions to submit a report to the department; requiring the commissioner to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; specifying requirements for the report; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a study to evaluate food insecurity on the campuses of state universities and Florida College System institutions; providing requirements for the office and the study; requiring the office to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bernard—

SB 982—A bill to be entitled An act relating to candidate qualifying; amending s. 99.061, F.S.; authorizing a candidate to pay the filing fee by a debit card linked to the candidate’s campaign account; revising the timeframe during which a candidate may pay a filing fee if the initial payment is rejected by a bank; providing for standing for challenges to a candidate’s qualification for nomination or election to office; providing procedures and requirements regarding such challenges; providing for immediate hearings in such challenges, subject to limitations; prohibiting a person from appearing on the ballot under certain circumstances; amending s. 106.11, F.S.; revising conditions under which debit cards are considered bank checks for purposes of certain campaign expenditures; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 984—A bill to be entitled An act relating to aggravating factors; amending s. 921.141, F.S.; providing an additional aggravating factor for capital felonies; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 986—A bill to be entitled An act relating to special districts; abolishing certain soil and water conservation districts in this state; transferring the assets and liabilities of such districts to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 50.0311, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “governmental agency” and “publicly accessible website”; providing that governmental agencies may use their official website to publish specified information; deleting provisions requiring certain special districts to publish advertisements and public notices on a publicly available website in each county such district spans; amending s. 171.093, F.S.; prohibiting municipalities from assuming certain services in annexed areas; providing that a fire control district remains the provider of specified services in the annexed area; requiring that the district’s geographical boundaries continue to include the annexed area; authorizing the district to continue certain levies and assessments; amending s. 189.03, F.S.; revising the legislative purpose and intent for independent special districts; creating s. 189.0331, F.S.; defining the terms “district lands or water areas” and “outdoor recreational purposes”; providing that an independent special district that grants the public access to district lands or water areas for outdoor recreational purposes owes no duty of care to perform specified actions; providing that an independent special district is not responsible for injury to persons or property caused by an act or omission of such person upon such lands or water areas; providing applicability; providing that specified protections, immunities, and limitations of liability apply regardless of whether a person or claimant was engaged in an outdoor recreational purpose at the time of an accident or occurrence; providing certain protection to the owner of private land if an independent special district secures an easement or other access right through such private land to district lands or water areas that the independent special district makes available to the public for outdoor recreational purposes; providing that independent special districts are not relieved of certain liability; amending s. 189.053, F.S.; providing that a special district may purchase commodities and contractual services from the purchasing agreements of other specified entities under certain circumstances; amending s. 189.0695, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct performance reviews of independent fire control districts on a specified schedule; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a performance review of certain independent special districts by a specified date; deleting provisions requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to submit the final report of performance reviews for certain districts according to a specified schedule; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 189.0699, F.S.; providing that an independent special district may require, by resolution, criminal history screening for certain persons; providing requirements for such resolution; providing construction; amending s. 582.15, F.S.; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to monitor the soil and water conservation districts; requiring the department to collaborate with supervisors and district councils of independent special districts to ensure efficiencies in the services provided by such districts; amending s. 582.19, F.S.; revising the qualifications of a supervisor of a soil and water conservation district; amending s. 582.20, F.S.; deleting provisions subjecting certain powers of a soil and water conservation district to another district’s approval; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to monitor specified soil and water conservation districts and ensure that each district is winding up administrative and fiscal matters in a timely manner and using certain practices; reenacting ss. 11.02, 45.031(2), 50.011(2), 50.021, 50.031, 90.902(12), 98.075(7), 98.077(3), 100.021, 100.141(3), 100.342, 101.5612(2), 101.71(2), 101.733(2), 102.141(2)(b),

120.81(1)(d), 121.055(1)(b) and (h), 162.12(2)(a), 190.005(1)(d), 200.065(2)(f), 849.38(5), 1001.372(2)(c), and 1011.03(1), F.S., relating to notice of special or local legislation or certain relief acts; judicial sales procedure; publication of legal notices; publication when there is no newspaper in a county; newspapers in which legal notices and process may be published; self-authentication; registration records maintenance activities and ineligibility determinations; update of voter signature; notice of general election; notice of special election to fill any vacancy in office; notice of special election or referendum; testing of tabulating equipment; polling place; election emergency and contingency plan; county canvassing board and duties; exceptions and special requirements and general areas; Senior Management Service Class; notices; establishment of district; method of fixing millage; proceedings for forfeiture and notice of seizure and order to show cause; district school board meetings; and public hearings and budget to be submitted to the Department of Education, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 50.0311, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 189.074(11), F.S., relating to voluntary merger of independent special districts, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 171.093, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 988—A bill to be entitled An act relating to securities; amending s. 517.021, F.S.; providing and revising definitions; amending s. 517.061, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which securities transactions are exempt from registration requirements; conforming cross-references; amending s. 517.0612, F.S.; revising the filing requirements for securities issuers under the Florida Invest Local Exemption law; amending s. 517.0614, F.S.; revising circumstances under which securities offers and sales are not subject to integration with other offerings; amending s. 517.0616, F.S.; revising the registration exemptions that are available to specified issuers under certain circumstances; providing applicability of certain disqualification provisions under a specified Securities and Exchange Commission rule; amending s. 517.075, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 517.081, F.S.; revising the requirements for securities registration applications; amending s. 517.12, F.S.; revising the list of persons who must submit fingerprints for live-scan processing for registration applications; providing fees for fingerprint processing; providing and revising definitions; revising the written assurances requirements that merger and acquisition brokers must receive from certain control persons under specified circumstances; revising the circumstances under which merger and acquisition brokers are not exempt from specified securities registration; conforming cross-references; amending s. 517.131, F.S.; defining the term “restitution order”; revising the circumstances under which a person is eligible for payment from the Securities Guaranty Fund; revising the requirements for applications for payment from the fund; conforming cross-references; amending s. 517.301, F.S.; specifying a prohibition against certain misrepresentations in issuing and selling securities; amending ss. 517.211 and 517.315, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 990—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sales tax exemption for disabled veterans; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; creating an exemption from specified taxes on sales made to certain veterans; requiring a person seeking an exemption to apply to the Department of Revenue using a certain form and submit supporting documentation as required by the department; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 992—A bill to be entitled An act relating to products liability actions under the Florida Pesticide Law; creating s. 487.082, F.S.; prohibiting a products liability action from being brought or maintained under the Florida Pesticide Law unless certain conditions are met; prohibiting a products liability action based on failure to warn theory from being brought against certain pesticide manufacturers under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 994—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver license education requirements; amending s. 322.095, F.S.; specifying the age at which an applicant for a driver license must complete a traffic law and substance abuse education course; amending s. 322.1615, F.S.; requiring an applicant for a learner's driver license to complete a certain driver education course approved by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 996—A bill to be entitled An act relating to revenues from ad valorem taxes; amending s. 200.065, F.S.; revising the method of computing the rolled-back rate; revising the maximum millage rate that may be levied in a fiscal year; prohibiting a higher rate from being levied; requiring that revenues collected in excess of a certain amount be disposed of in a specified manner; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 998—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physician assistant and advanced practice registered nurse services; amending s. 382.008, F.S.; revising who may file a certificate of death or fetal death; revising who may note corrected information on a permanent certificate of death or fetal death; amending s. 400.601, F.S.; revising the definition of “hospice care team”; defining the term “primary or attending practitioner”; amending s. 400.6095, F.S.; revising the roles and responsibilities of the plan of care team in hospice programs; amending s. 401.45, F.S.; revising who may sign a patient's order not to resuscitate; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 1000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to court-ordered sealing of criminal history records; amending s. 943.059, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for the court-ordered sealing of certain criminal history records; authorizing courts to seal additional adjudications of guilt in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 1002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to utility service restrictions; amending s. 366.032, F.S.; including boards, agencies, commissions, and authorities of counties, municipal corporations, or other

political subdivisions of the state with the entities preempted from taking certain actions that restrict, prohibit, or have the effect of restricting or prohibiting the types or fuel sources of energy produced, used, delivered, converted, or supplied by certain entities to serve customers; voiding existing specified documents and policies from governmental entities that are preempted by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to affordable housing and supportive services for persons with developmental disabilities; providing a short title; creating s. 420.629, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; providing an exemption from ad valorem taxation for certain property; providing a vested right to such exemption for a specified period of time; providing that certain building materials are exempt from certain taxes under certain circumstances; providing application requirements for a tax refund; requiring that an application be submitted within a certain timeframe; providing limitations on the amount of a tax refund; requiring the Department of Revenue to issue a refund within a certain timeframe; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; providing applicability; requiring counties, municipalities, and special districts to waive certain impact fees; authorizing eligible businesses to apply to the Department of Commerce for a specified tax credit; providing requirements for and the amount of such tax credit; providing eligibility requirements; requiring eligible businesses to file a specified statement with the Department of Commerce; requiring the Department of Commerce to review and approve applications; requiring that applications be considered in the order in which they are received; limiting the total dollar amount of tax credits which an eligible business may receive in any given year; authorizing an eligible business to reapply for a credit within a certain timeframe after being denied; authorizing excess tax credit amounts to be taken in a specified manner; providing criminal penalties; providing that a corporation may take a tax credit against only one tax; authorizing and providing a cap for a specified tax refund on the amount of electricity paid by certain businesses; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; authorizing certain businesses to apply for specified grants; providing requirements to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; requiring the Department of Children and Families to establish a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program to provide rent subsidies to certain persons up to a specified percentage of the fair market rent; requiring the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to administer funding for certain services; requiring the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to establish Regional Housing and Employment Support Centers to provide specified services; requiring the Department of Education to expand vocational training programs for certain persons; requiring the Department of Transportation to establish a program to provide transportation vouchers to certain persons; requiring the Department of Transportation to prioritize certain state funding; requiring the Department of Commerce to conduct an annual compliance audit for a specified purpose; providing penalties for noncompliance; requiring the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, in coordination with other entities, to submit a specified report to the Governor and Legislature annually; authorizing the use of funds from certain sources; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1006—A bill to be entitled An act relating to video cameras in public school classrooms; amending s. 1003.574, F.S.; deleting references to the Video Cameras in Public School Classrooms Pilot Program; deleting an obsolete definition; requiring a district school board to vote to establish a policy to provide video cameras in self-contained classrooms upon the request of a parent; prohibiting a school or school district from concealing the identity of an employee in a video recording; providing that a video recording made available after a request must include accompanying audio; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Avila—

SB 1008—A bill to be entitled An act relating to waste incineration; amending ss. 403.706 and 403.707, F.S.; prohibiting a local government or the Department of Environmental Protection, respectively, from issuing a construction permit for a certain new solid waste disposal facility or a waste-to-energy facility in specified areas; amending ss. 403.703, 403.7049, and 403.705, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1010—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact; creating s. 468.226, F.S.; creating the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact; providing a purpose and objectives of the compact; defining terms; specifying requirements for state participation in the compact; authorizing member states to obtain biometric-based information from and conduct criminal background checks on licensees applying for a compact privilege; requiring member states to grant the compact privilege to licensees if they meet specified criteria; specifying criteria licensees must meet to exercise the compact privilege under the compact; providing for the expiration of the compact privilege; requiring licensees practicing in a remote state under the compact privilege to comply with the laws and rules of that state; subjecting licensees to the regulatory authority of remote states where they practice under the compact privilege; providing for disciplinary action; specifying circumstances under which licensees are ineligible for a compact privilege; specifying conditions that a licensee must meet to regain his or her compact privilege after an adverse action; specifying locations active duty military personnel and their spouses may use to designate their home state for purposes of the compact; providing that only a home state may impose adverse action against a license issued by that state; authorizing home states to take adverse action based on investigative information of a remote state, subject to certain requirements; directing member states that use alternative programs in lieu of discipline to require the licensee to agree not to practice in other member states while participating in the program, unless authorized by the member state; authorizing member states to investigate violations by licensees in other member states; authorizing member states to take adverse action against compact privileges issued in their respective states; authorizing remote states to issue subpoenas for hearings and investigations; requiring the issuing remote state to pay related fees and expenses; authorizing remote states to recover costs under certain circumstances; providing for joint investigations of licensees under the compact; establishing the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission; providing for the venue and jurisdiction for court proceedings by or against the commission; providing construction; providing for commission membership, voting, and meetings; authorizing the commission to convene closed, nonpublic meetings under certain circumstances; specifying duties and powers of the commission; providing for membership and duties of the executive board of the commission; providing for financing of the commission; providing for qualified immunity, defense, and indemnification of the commission; requiring the commission to develop and maintain a coordinated database and reporting system for certain information about licensees under the compact; requiring member states to submit specified information to the system; requiring that information contained in the system be available only to member states; requiring the commission to notify all member states promptly of reported adverse action taken against licensees or applicants for licensure; authorizing member states to designate reported information as exempt from public disclosure; providing for the removal of submitted information from the system under certain circumstances; providing for commission rulemaking; specifying public notice and hearing requirements for rulemaking; providing for emergency rulemaking; providing for state enforcement of the compact; providing for the default and termination of compact membership; providing for appeals and costs; providing procedures for the resolution of certain disputes; providing for enforcement against a defaulting state; providing construction; providing for implementation and administration of the compact and associated rules; providing that compact states that join after in-

ital adoption of the commission's rules are subject to such rules; specifying procedures for compact states to withdraw from the compact; providing construction; providing for amendment of the compact; providing construction and severability; amending s. 456.073, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to report certain investigative information to the data system under the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact; amending s. 456.076, F.S.; requiring monitoring contracts for certain impaired practitioners participating in treatment programs to contain specified terms; amending s. 468.205, F.S.; requiring the Board of Occupational Therapy Practice to appoint an individual to serve as the state's delegate on the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission; amending ss. 468.207 and 468.209, F.S.; exempting occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants from licensure requirements if they are practicing in this state pursuant to a compact privilege under the compact; amending s. 468.1755, F.S.; authorizing the board to take adverse action against the compact privilege of occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants for specified prohibited acts; amending s. 768.28, F.S.; designating the state delegate and other members or employees of the commission as state agents for the purpose of applying sovereign immunity and waivers of sovereign immunity; requiring the commission to pay certain claims or judgments; authorizing the commission to maintain insurance coverage to pay such claims or judgments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1012—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; creating s. 468.2265, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain information held by the Department of Health or the Board of Occupational Therapy pursuant to the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact; authorizing disclosure of the information under certain circumstances; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for certain meetings, or portions of meetings, of the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission; providing an exemption from public records requirements for recordings, minutes, and records generated during the exempt meetings or exempt portions of meetings; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rouson—

SB 1014—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Youth Conflict Resolution and Peer Mediation Pilot Program; amending s. 1003.64, F.S.; creating the Youth Conflict Resolution and Peer Mediation Pilot Program within the Community School Grant Program for a specified period; providing the purpose of the pilot program; requiring the Center for Community Schools at the University of Central Florida to implement the pilot program and a specified curriculum; requiring the center to implement a certain curriculum for the pilot program; requiring the center to work with the Department of Education to identify and implement the curriculum; requiring the center to identify certain schools to participate in the program; providing participating school responsibilities; requiring the center to provide a report to the department; providing requirements for the report; providing for the future expiration of the pilot program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Ingoglia—

SJR 1016—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 6 of Article VII and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to increase the homestead exemption from \$25,000 to

\$75,000, for all levies, with annual adjustments for inflation, deleting the exemption for school district levies, and to provide an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 1018—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead exemptions; amending s. 196.031, F.S.; increasing the homestead tax exemption amount for all levies, except for assessments for special benefits; deleting homestead tax exemptions for all levies other than school district levies; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1020—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coverage by Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; revising eligibility for coverage of residential structures in certain counties by Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; requiring the corporation to implement certain rate increases annually in such counties for single policies issued by the corporation; providing additional policies issued by the corporation which do not require policyholders to purchase flood insurance as a condition for maintaining the policies; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

SB 1022—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public nuisances; amending s. 893.138, F.S.; deleting a cap on the total amount of fines that may be imposed under specified provisions relating to places or premises declared to be public nuisances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 1024—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a United States Naval Academy license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 1026—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expunction of qualifying marijuana offenses; creating s. 943.0579, F.S.; defining the term “qualifying marijuana offense”; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to issue certificates of eligibility for expunction of qualifying marijuana offenses; providing requirements for the department; specifying requirements for a petition for expunction; providing criminal penalties for providing false information on a certain sworn statement; specifying the process for a petition to expunge qualifying marijuana offenses; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 1028—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.0579, F.S.; providing for the effect of criminal history records ordered expunged; providing an exemption from public records requirements for criminal history records ordered expunged which are retained by the department; providing criminal penalties for the disclosure of information relating to expunged criminal history records; 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 Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 1030—A bill to be entitled An act relating to food and hemp products; amending s. 581.217, F.S.; revising legislative findings; revising definitions; defining the term “total delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration”; providing conditions for the manufacture, delivery, hold, offer for sale, distribution, or sale of hemp extract; prohibiting the unpermitted, street, or festival sale of hemp extract; prohibiting businesses and food establishments from possessing hemp or hemp extract products that are attractive to children; prohibiting businesses and food establishments permitted to sell hemp or hemp extract from being located in specified areas; prohibiting such businesses and food establishments from advertising in a specified manner; requiring such businesses and food establishments to keep certain records pertaining to lab results of hemp extract products and the suppliers of such products for a specified amount of time; requiring such businesses and food establishments to establish procedures for the recall of unsafe hemp extract; requiring such businesses and food establishments to store hemp products in a specified manner; providing that such businesses and food establishments are subject to random and unannounced inspections by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; prohibiting the sale of hemp and hemp extract in a form for smoking; authorizing the department to revoke a business's or food establishment's license to sell hemp products under specified circumstances; prohibiting the department from granting permission to remove or use certain hemp extract products until it determines that such hemp extract products comply with state law; prohibiting event organizers from promoting, advertising, or facilitating certain events; providing for administrative fines; requiring the department to adopt specified rules; reenacting ss. 500.03(1)(n), 893.02(3), 916.1085(1)(a), 944.47(1)(a), 951.22(1)(h), and 985.711(1)(a), F.S., relating to definitions, construction, and applicability; definitions; the unlawful introduction or removal of certain articles; the introduction, removal, or possession of contraband; county detention facilities and contraband articles; and the unlawful introduction, removal, or possession of certain articles, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 581.217, F.S., in references thereto; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 1032—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licenses for marijuana for personal use; creating s. 381.9881, F.S.; defining terms; beginning on a specified date, requiring the Department of Health to authorize medical marijuana treatment centers (MMTCs) to operate as marijuana cultivators, processors, distributors, and retailers; exempting MMTCs from specified requirements and limitations for such operations; requiring the department to issue a specified number of marijuana cultivator, processor, distributor, and retailer licenses on specified dates; specifying application requirements for such licensure; limiting the size of the area used for cultivation of marijuana by licensed cultivators to a specified square footage; limiting licensed retailers to a specified number of retail locations; providing that a person or entity may hold only one type of such license at any given time; requiring marijuana licensees to comply with specified provisions and department rules at all times; requiring marijuana licensees to request department

approval for any material modification to their operation or ownership; providing requirements for such approval process; providing applicability; specifying requirements for change of ownership for marijuana licenses; requiring the department to conduct inspections of marijuana licensees; specifying requirements for such inspections; requiring the department to enter into an interagency agreement with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for a specified purpose; authorizing the department to enter into additional interagency agreements with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring the department to publish a list of all approved marijuana licensees on its website; providing for administrative penalties; authorizing the department to adopt rules; preempting regulation of cultivation, processing, dispensing, and delivery of marijuana by marijuana licensees to the state, with an exception; providing applicability; providing criminal penalties for specified violations; defining the term “counterfeit”; providing exceptions to specified criminal violations, subject to the requirements of specified provisions regulating the personal use of marijuana; defining terms; exempting marijuana licensees and their owners, managers, and employees from specified licensure requirements and regulations; providing construction; providing applicability; requiring that specified fines and fees be deposited in the department’s Grants and Donations Trust Fund; providing that certain rules adopted before a specified date are not subject to specified provisions; providing for future expiration of a specified provision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 1034—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Employee Health Choices Program; amending s. 408.910, F.S.; renaming the Florida Health Choices Program as the “Florida Employee Health Choices Program”; revising legislative intent; revising definitions; revising the purpose and components of the program; revising eligibility and participation requirements for vendors under the program; revising the types of health insurance products that are available for purchase through the program; deleting certain pricing transparency requirements to conform to changes made by the act; revising the structure of the insurance marketplace process under the program; deleting the option for risk pooling under the program; deleting exemptions from certain requirements of the Florida Insurance Code under the program; renaming the corporation administering the program as the “Florida Employee Health Choices, Inc.”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 409.821, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1036—A bill to be entitled An act relating to conversion of hotels into residential housing; creating s. 220.1851, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing a tax credit for certain projects; providing the maximum value of such credit; authorizing the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to allocate the tax credit among certain projects; authorizing the tax credit to be transferred by the recipient; requiring the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; creating s. 420.50931, F.S.; creating the Hotel-to-home Tax Credit Program for a certain purpose; requiring the corporation to determine which projects are eligible for the tax credit; requiring the corporation to establish and adopt certain procedures and to prepare a specified annual plan; requiring such plan to be approved by the Governor; authorizing the corporation to exercise certain powers; requiring the board of directors of the corporation to administer certain procedures and determine allocations on behalf of the corporation; providing requirements for certain procedures; requiring taxpayers to submit an application with certain information to the corporation; authorizing the corporation to request additional information; providing requirements for the approval of an application for a project; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 1038—A bill to be entitled An act relating to proration of or not requiring continuing education; amending s. 455.2124, F.S.; providing that a certain exemption from continuing education requirements does not apply to veterinarians; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 1040—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homelessness; providing a short title; amending s. 420.621, F.S.; defining the term “housing status”; creating s. 420.6215, F.S.; providing legislative findings; prohibiting the denial or abridgment of a person’s ability to access public services solely because he or she is homeless; providing that a person experiencing homelessness has specified rights; authorizing a court to award certain relief, damages, and attorney fees and costs to a prevailing plaintiff in certain civil actions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 1042—A bill to be entitled An act relating to interfering with an officer’s means of protection or communication; amending s. 843.025, F.S.; prohibiting a person from depriving certain officers of digital recording devices or restraint devices; prohibiting a person from rendering useless certain officer’s weapons or radios, digital recording devices, or restraint devices; providing criminal penalties; amending ss. 397.417, 420.6241, 435.04, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Davis—

SB 1044—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 624.3153, F.S.; creating the Emergency Residential Property Insurance Assistance Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services; providing the purpose of the trust fund; providing for funding and administration of the trust fund; providing for eligibility for financial assistance from the trust fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1046—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Relative Caregiver Program payments; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; providing that relatives and nonrelatives who have a child placed with them in out-of-home care under the Relative Caregiver Program may start receiving a monthly payment at the time the child is placed in such out-of-home care, instead of starting when the child is found to be dependent; providing that certain relatives and nonrelatives who have a child placed with them may start receiving monthly payments after a specified time period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 1048—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid coverage for dental services; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; revising optional adult dental services covered by the state Medicaid program; beginning on a specified date, requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to reimburse providers of Medicaid-covered adult dental services at a specified rate; requiring the agency to implement any state plan amendments and seek any federal waivers necessary to implement these changes; amending s. 409.973, F.S.; revising dental services benefits covered under Medicaid managed care plans; requiring the agency to implement a statewide Medicaid prepaid dental health program for children and adults; specifying minimum benefits required under the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Bradley—

SB 1050—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Agency for Persons with Disabilities; renaming ch. 393, F.S., as “Persons with Disabilities”; providing for a type two transfer of primary powers and duties relating to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, the Division of Blind Services, and the Federal Rehabilitation Trust Fund from the Department of Education to the Agency for Persons with Disabilities; specifying that certain binding contracts and interagency agreements remain binding; providing that the Department of Education shall continue operations of certain direct-support organizations for a specified timeframe; providing for the transition of such operations; requiring the transfer of specified funds; transferring duties related to submission of specified amendments, supplemental information, or waivers to the Federal Government; providing for a type two transfer of certain programs of the department to the agency; providing legislative intent; directing applicable units of state government to contribute to implementation of the act; specifying a transition period; requiring the secretary of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and the Commissioner of Education to each designate a transition coordinator to implement the transition; providing for the establishment of a transition advisory working group; specifying duties of the working group; requiring that any adjustments to the operating budgets be made in consultation with the appropriate committees of the Legislature; amending s. 20.15, F.S.; removing specified divisions from the Department of Education; amending s. 20.197, F.S.; designating the Agency for Persons with Disabilities as a separate department rather than as being housed within the Department of Children and Families; providing the purposes of the agency; providing that the head of the agency is the secretary of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, rather than the director; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 20.1971, F.S.; requiring the agency to administer the Federal Rehabilitation Trust Fund; providing requirements for the use of specified funds; providing that any unexpended balance at a specified time to remain in such trust fund for certain purpose; making technical changes; amending s. 393.062, F.S.; providing and revising legislative findings and intent; providing the mission of the agency; creating s. 393.0621, F.S.; providing agency duties and responsibilities; amending s. 393.063, F.S.; providing and revising definitions; amending s. 393.065, F.S.; requiring the agency to participate in certain transition planning activities for certain eligible individuals; creating s. 393.0664, F.S.; requiring the agency to implement a specified Medicaid waiver program to address the needs of certain clients; providing the purpose of the program; authorizing the agency, in partnership with the Agency for Health Care Administration, to seek federal approval through a state plan amendment or Medicaid waiver to implement the program by a specified date; providing voluntary enrollment, eligibility, and disenrollment requirements; requiring the agency to approve a needs assessment methodology; providing that only persons trained by the agency may administer the methodology; requiring the agency to offer such training; requiring the agency to authorize certain covered services specified in the Medicaid waiver; providing requirements for such services; requiring the agency to begin enrollment in the program upon federal approval; providing construction; requiring the agency, in consultation with the Agency for Health Care Administration, to submit progress reports to the Governor and the Legislature upon federal approval and throughout implementation of the program; requiring the agency to submit, by a specified date, a progress report on the admin-

istration of the program; specifying requirements for the report; amending s. 393.502, F.S.; creating the statewide family care council for specified purposes; specifying duties of the statewide council; creating local family care councils for specified purposes; requiring the statewide council to submit annual reports to the agency by a specified date; providing requirements for the reports; requiring local councils to submit annual reports to the statewide council; providing requirements for the reports; specifying duties of the local councils; providing for funding and financial reviews of the councils; revising membership requirements and meeting requirements for the councils; creating s. 413.001, F.S.; providing legislative intent for and purpose of the agency; amending s. 413.271, F.S.; revising membership of a specified council; amending ss. 90.6063, 110.112, 215.311, 257.04, 318.21, 320.0848, 393.13, 394.75, 402.56, 409.9855, 410.604, 413.011, 413.0111, 413.033, 413.035, 413.036, 413.037, 413.051, 413.091, 413.092, 413.20, 413.201, 413.203, 413.402, 413.405, 413.407, 413.445, 413.615, 413.80, 413.801, 427.012, 943.0585, 943.059, 1002.394, 1003.575, 1004.6495, and 1012.582, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 1052—A bill to be entitled An act relating to admission to practice law by an unauthorized alien; amending ch. 2023-40, Laws of Florida; providing that certain licenses to practice law be revoked on a specified date under certain circumstances; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1054—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tampering with an electronic monitoring device; amending s. 843.23, F.S.; reclassifying the offense of tampering with an electronic monitoring device to provide graduated penalties; requiring termination of pretrial release of a person who tampers with such a device while on pretrial release; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1056—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rental assistance for veterans; creating s. 420.5098, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating the Veterans’ Rental Assistance Grant Program; authorizing the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to provide certain grants to eligible applicants for a specified purpose; providing eligibility requirements for the program; authorizing rulemaking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 1058—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Gulf of America; requiring state agencies to update geographic materials to reflect the new federal designation of the “Gulf of Mexico” as the “Gulf of America”; requiring district school boards and charter school governing boards to, beginning on a specified date, adopt and acquire specified materials and collections that reflect the new federal designation of the “Gulf of Mexico” as the “Gulf of America”; providing an 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 Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Brodeur—

SB 1060—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid oversight; creating s. 11.405, F.S.; establishing the Joint Legislative Committee on Medicaid Oversight within the Office of the Auditor General for specified purposes; providing for membership, subcommittees, and meetings of the committee; specifying duties of the committee; requiring the Auditor General and the Agency for Health Care Administration to enter into a data sharing agreement by a specified date; requiring the Auditor General to assist the committee; providing that the committee must be given access to certain records, papers, and documents; authorizing the committee to compel testimony and evidence according to specified provisions; providing for additional powers of the committee; providing that certain joint rules of the Legislature apply to the proceedings of the committee; requiring the agency to notify the committee of certain changes and provide a report of specified information to the committee; requiring the agency to submit a copy of certain reports to the committee; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1062—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult day care centers; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; excepting certain adult day care services from certain established or negotiated Medicaid reimbursement rates; providing for reimbursement of adult day care services pursuant to a tiered payment system; defining the term “tiered payment system”; specifying requirements and rates of reimbursement for tier I and tier II adult day care centers; providing for annual adjustments of the reimbursement rates; providing for reimbursement of direct transportation services; creating s. 429.916, F.S.; providing a purpose; requiring adult day care center operators to annually complete an 8-hour continuing education course approved by the Department of Elderly Affairs; authorizing the department to approve additional providers for such course; specifying requirements for the course; providing that the course may be offered in person or online; requiring operators who complete the course online to obtain a minimum passing score on a department-approved online exam; providing an exemption from the exam requirement if the course is completed in person; providing that classroom hours spent teaching an approved course or lecturing at an approved seminar may be counted toward fulfilling an operator’s continuing education requirements; requiring providers of the continuing education courses to furnish specified information to the department within a specified timeframe; requiring operator compliance with continuing education requirements as a condition precedent to the licensure of an adult day care center; authorizing the department to grant an extension for completion of continuing education requirements for good cause shown; requiring the department to grant a waiver of the continuing education requirements for operators in active duty military service upon submission of certain documentation; prohibiting the department from renewing an adult day care center’s license until the center’s operator has completed the continuing education requirements, with exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 1064—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid pharmacy discounted drug prices; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to conduct or contract for a detailed fiscal impact study on implementing specified provisions relating to discounted drug prices under the 340B Drug Pricing Program; requiring that the study be completed and its results submitted to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 1066—A bill to be entitled An act relating to labor negotiations; creating s. 112.3165, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting certain persons from knowingly and intentionally disclosing certain information or work products unless authorized to disclose such information by the chief executive officer or legislative body of the public employer; requiring persons who receive such information or work products to refer the person who provided the information to the Commission on Ethics; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1068—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deferred compensation plans for public employees; providing a short title; amending s. 112.215, F.S.; authorizing the inclusion of an automatic enrollment arrangement in a government employee’s deferred compensation plan; requiring that the automatic enrollment arrangement be established with a default contribution rate; authorizing the periodic reenrollment of specified government employees; authorizing the periodic resetting of contribution rates for specified government employees; requiring that the automatic enrollment arrangement provide employees the ability to make certain elections regarding contributions; requiring that the plan provide for a default investment into which contributions must be placed under a specified circumstance; authorizing counties, municipalities, political subdivisions, and constitutional county officers to adopt automatic enrollment arrangements for specified deferred compensation programs; providing that the deferred compensation plan of the state may adopt an automatic enrollment arrangement only upon the approval of the Legislature; amending ss. 110.114 and 112.171, F.S.; requiring that a certain deduction of the wages or salary of employees be treated in a specified manner; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Simon—

SB 1070—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electrocardiograms for student athletes; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1006.20, F.S.; requiring certain students to receive an electrocardiogram to participate in athletics; providing an exemption from such requirement; providing parental requirements for receiving the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1072—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an expedited DNA testing grant program; creating s. 943.328, F.S.; defining the term “private lab”; creating the Expedited DNA Testing Grant Program within the Department of Law Enforcement; specifying potential grant recipients; providing purposes for the grants under the program; specifying eligible uses for such grant funds; requiring each grant recipient to provide a report to the executive director of the department within a certain timeframe; specifying the required contents of the report; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator McClain—

SB 1074—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation concurrency; amending s. 163.3180, F.S.; revising which facilities must be identified in the capital improvements element of a comprehensive plan that imposes transportation concurrency; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1076—A bill to be entitled An act relating to roof contracting; amending s. 489.105, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “roofing contractor”; amending s. 489.147, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which residential property owners are authorized to cancel a roof repair or replacement contract without penalty or obligation following a declared state of emergency; providing applicability; revising what constitutes an official start date; revising the notice that contractors must provide to residential property owners when executing such a contract; reenacting ss. 489.107(4)(b), 489.113(2), 489.117(1)(a), (2)(a) and (b), and (4)(a), 489.118(1), 489.126(1), 489.131(10) and (11), and 877.02(2), F.S., relating to the Construction Industry Licensing Board, qualifications for practice and restrictions, registration and specialty contractors, certification of registered contractors and grandfathering provisions, moneys received by contractors, applicability, and solicitation of legal services or retainers therefor and penalty, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 489.105, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1078—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire prevention; amending s. 553.7932, F.S.; defining the term “alteration”; revising the definition of the term “fire alarm system project”; requiring a local enforcement agency to issue a permit for a fire alarm system project or fire sprinkler system project within a specified time period; authorizing work to commence immediately; requiring an inspection required by the local enforcement agency of a fire alarm system project or fire sprinkler system project within a specified time period; requiring that certain plans and specifications be available for an onsite plans review during an inspection; requiring a contractor to provide additional documentation, if necessary, within a specified timeframe; prohibiting a local enforcement agency from requiring additional plans reviews or documentation outside the scope of the permitted work; requiring permit fees to be reduced by a certain percentage if a local government fails to meet certain deadlines; providing exceptions; requiring local enforcement agencies to establish a simplified permitting process by a specified date; amending s. 633.202, F.S.; specifying a condition under which a local amendment to the Florida Fire Prevention Code is immediately rescinded; providing disciplinary action under certain circumstances; amending s. 633.312, F.S.; requiring that a uniform summary inspection report include the total number of deficiencies found during the inspection of a fire protection system or hydrant; deleting the requirement for a brief summary of such deficiencies; deleting an exception from submitting certain information within a detailed inspection report; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1080—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government land regulation; amending s. 125.022, F.S.; requiring counties to meet specified requirements regarding the minimum information necessary for certain applications; revising timeframes for processing applications for approval of development permits or development orders; prohibiting counties from limiting the number of quasi-judicial or public hearings held each month in certain circumstances; defining the term “substantive change”; providing refund parameters in situations where the

county fails to meet certain timeframes; providing exceptions; amending s. 163.3184, F.S.; revising the expedited state review process for adoption of comprehensive plan amendments; amending s. 166.033, F.S.; requiring municipalities to meet specified requirements regarding the minimum information necessary for certain applications; revising timeframes for processing applications for approval of development permits or development orders; prohibiting municipalities from limiting the number of quasi-judicial or public hearings held each month in certain circumstances; defining the term “substantive change”; providing refund parameters in situations where the municipality fails to meet certain timeframes; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 1082—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building inspections; amending s. 553.908, F.S.; revising the Florida Building Code edition for energy conservation for a building's or a dwelling unit's maximum tested air leakage measure; revising an exception; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 1084—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual cyberharassment; amending s. 784.049, F.S.; revising legislative findings; defining the terms “digitally forged intimate image” and “intimate image”; revising the definition of the term “sexually cyberharass”; providing criminal penalties for persons who recklessly, rather than willfully and maliciously, sexually cyberharass other persons; providing criminal penalties for persons who commit the offense of sexual cyberharassment with a specified intent or purpose; providing enhanced criminal penalties for second or subsequent violations; providing time limitations for which the prosecution of specified offenses must be commenced; authorizing an aggrieved person to initiate a civil action to recover punitive damages; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Simon—

SB 1086—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Elderly Affairs; repealing s. 400.0067, F.S., relating to the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Council; amending s. 409.979, F.S.; deleting obsolete language; requiring aging and disability resource center personnel to place individuals requesting enrollment for home and community-based services on all appropriate preenrollment lists; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 430.03, F.S.; revising purposes of the department; amending s. 430.04, F.S.; clarifying that the department is responsible for designating area agencies on aging; creating s. 430.09, F.S.; specifying requirements for the procurement of commodities and contractual services by area agencies on aging and their subcontractors; specifying limitations on salaries paid to administrative employees of area agencies on aging; providing construction; amending s. 430.203, F.S.; revising definitions; defining the term “elderly person”; amending s. 430.204, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the department fund more than one community care service system within specified counties; deleting the requirement that certain contracted entities provide a specified percentage of funding necessary to support certain operation costs; amending s. 430.205, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the department fund more than one community care service system within specified counties; deleting construction; revising training program requirements for community-care-for-the-elderly service providers and staff; redesignating the term “primary consideration” as “priority consideration”; amending s. 430.2053, F.S.; redesignating “aging resource centers” as “aging and disability resource centers”; expanding the purpose of such centers to include providing services and resources to adults with disabilities in addition to the el-

derly; revising duties of such centers; making technical and conforming changes; creating s. 430.401, F.S.; providing a purpose for specified provisions; providing legislative intent; defining the terms “center” and “department”; creating the Florida Alzheimer’s Center of Excellence within the department; specifying duties of the center; requiring the center to work with specified entities; authorizing the center to either provide direct services or contract for the provision of such services to fulfill its duties; specifying eligibility criteria for receiving services from the center; authorizing the center to provide assistance to caregiving families of individuals eligible for services, subject to the availability of funds and resources; amending s. 430.503, F.S.; deleting the requirement that provider agencies assess and collect fees for services under the Alzheimer’s Disease Initiative; amending s. 430.602, F.S.; defining the term “functionally impaired elderly person”; amending s. 430.605, F.S.; revising criteria for special supplement subsidy payments for certain persons; amending s. 430.901, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 744.2001, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the executive director of the Office of Public and Professional Guardians report to the Secretary of Elderly Affairs; amending s. 744.2003, F.S.; increasing the bond amount required to be maintained by professional guardians; requiring the court to enter a written order including specified findings if the judge decides to waive a certain bond requirement for a guardian; amending s. 744.2004, F.S.; revising administrative penalties the office may impose in disciplinary proceedings against professional guardians; amending s. 744.20041, F.S.; revising grounds for disciplinary action against professional guardians; revising administrative penalties the office may impose in disciplinary proceedings; creating s. 744.20061, F.S.; specifying requirements for offices of public guardian; specifying requirements for the board of directors of such offices; defining terms; requiring board members to disclose conflicts of interest related to certain activities presented to the board for consideration; specifying procedures for handling such disclosed conflicts of interest; requiring the department’s contracts with all offices of public guardian to contain specified penalties related to failure to disclose conflicts of interest; providing applicability; requiring the department to repurchase contracts where a conflict of interest was not disclosed; requiring the department to recoup certain costs related to such contract from the applicable office of public guardian; amending s. 744.2103, F.S.; increasing the frequency with which offices of public guardian are audited; revising requirements for such audits; amending s. 744.2104, F.S.; authorizing the Office of Public and Professional Guardians to issue subpoenas in certain investigations; providing for enforcement of such subpoenas; amending s. 744.351, F.S.; requiring the court to enter a written order including specified findings if it waives a certain bond requirement for a guardian; amending s. 744.361, F.S.; revising a guardian’s authority to dictate a ward’s right to visitation or contact with his or her family and friends; amending s. 744.3701, F.S.; authorizing the clerks of court to disclose certain confidential information to the department; amending s. 744.441, F.S.; requiring that a guardian’s petition for the sale, mortgage, or lease of a ward’s property include specified information; creating s. 744.448, F.S.; requiring that a written, certified appraisal of a ward’s real property be completed before a guardian may file a petition for authorization to act on the real property; specifying requirements for the appraisal; requiring guardians to make specified efforts to market the ward’s property effectively to obtain the highest sale price; specifying requirements for the petition for authorization to act on the real property; specifying notice requirements for the petition; requiring guardians to maintain certain records related to the sale of the property for a specified timeframe; providing that such records must be made available for inspection and review upon request by the Office of Public and Professional Guardians and the court; specifying requirements for an annual accounting following the sale; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 1088—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state department customer service standards; amending s. 23.30, F.S.; requiring state departments to employ a callback queue system for customers who contact the departments by telephone; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, En-

vironment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Collins—

SB 1090—A bill to be entitled An act relating to online sellers from foreign countries of concern; creating s. 501.174, F.S.; defining terms; requiring an online marketplace to record certain information from an online seller to verify the online seller’s location; requiring an online marketplace to disclose to consumers an online seller’s or online marketplace’s location if the online seller or online marketplace is in, conducts business from, or fulfills orders from a foreign country of concern; requiring an online marketplace to hold in a United States-based account the sales proceeds from transactions between Florida-based consumers and online sellers located in, conducting business from, or fulfilling orders from a foreign country of concern; requiring an online marketplace to hold such sales proceeds for a certain timeframe; authorizing such sales proceeds to be transferred to the online seller after a certain timeframe; providing that a violation of this section is a violation of the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 1092—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assessment of homestead property; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; revising the method of homestead property assessments; requiring that assessments be at the most recent purchase price or, in the case of new construction, the cost of construction; requiring that reassessment be the prior assessed value or a specified calculation; requiring that changes, additions, and improvements be assessed in a certain manner; amending s. 194.011, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing the Department of Revenue to create a grant program for a certain purpose; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 1094—A bill to be entitled An act relating to career planning opportunities for students; amending s. 446.0915, F.S.; requiring work-based learning opportunities to be scheduled at times and locations to maximize student access and participation; amending s. 1001.43, F.S.; providing that a high school’s annual career fair must provide certain students the opportunity to meet and interview with certain employers; amending s. 1003.4156, F.S.; requiring a student’s personalized academic and career plan to be reviewed annually for a certain period of time and signed by certain persons; requiring such plan to be revised as necessary; creating s. 1004.0982, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education to adopt regulations and rules, respectively, to enable certain students to earn postsecondary credit and career education clock hours for certain training and education acquired while an apprentice or a preapprentice; providing requirements for such regulations and rules; requiring the Articulation Coordinating Committee to convene a workshop by a date certain to develop a certain process; requiring a specified office to provide administrative support to the workgroup; providing for workgroup membership; requiring the workgroup to provide certain recommendations to the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education by a date certain; requiring such committee to review apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs and, annually, approve a prioritized list of postsecondary course equivalencies and the minimum postsecondary credit or career education clock hours that must be awarded for certain programs; requiring certain information to be included in the statewide articulation agreement; requiring state universities, Florida College System institutions, and career centers to award postsecondary credit or career education clock hours for certain programs under certain circumstances; providing that postsecondary credit and career education clock hours are guaranteed to transfer to other state universities,

Florida College System institutions, and career centers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Polsky—

SB 1096—A bill to be entitled An act relating to weapons and firearms; providing a short title; creating s. 790.0653, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring a background check on every sale or other transfer of a firearm; requiring background checks on all persons involved in firearm sales or other transfers; providing an exemption; requiring that firearm sales or other transfers be conducted through, and processed by, a licensed dealer; authorizing a fee; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; requiring the investigating law enforcement agency to report certain violations to the Attorney General; providing applicability; amending s. 790.174, F.S.; revising requirements for the safe storage of firearms; providing and revising definitions; revising criminal penalties for violations; providing exceptions; amending s. 790.175, F.S.; requiring firearms sold by licensed dealers be provided with trigger locks or gun cases; revising the written warnings to be furnished to purchasers and posted in gun dealerships; requiring that certain materials be given to gun purchasers; providing exceptions; requiring a licensed dealer and a purchaser to sign a specified statement; providing record retention requirements for dealers; providing construction; providing criminal penalties; defining the term “licensed dealer”; creating s. 790.223, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting the manufacture, assembly, importing, purchasing, selling, or transferring of any firearm not imprinted with a valid serial number; prohibiting specified acts involving unfinished firearm frames or receivers; prohibiting certain actions leading to the assembly of a firearm; prohibiting certain activities involving a three-dimensional printer or computer numerical control milling machine that has the primary or intended function of manufacturing or assembling firearms or related items; providing criminal penalties; providing applicability; providing exceptions; providing construction; creating the Veteran’s Firearm Suicide Reduction Task Force; providing requirements for the task force; providing membership; providing for staff support; providing requirements for meetings; specifying duties and powers of the task force; authorizing the task force to seek assistance from state agencies; requiring the task force to submit a report; providing for repeal of the task force; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 1098—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 99.061, F.S.; revising the list of required items that must be received by a specified officer for nomination and election qualification; declaring that failure to file a certain written statement as required disqualifies a candidate; providing a method to challenge the contents of certain forms and statements; providing requirements for certain candidates to qualify for office; requiring the Department of State to adopt rules for certain procedures and a required form; requiring the withdrawal of certain candidates in specified circumstances; providing the exclusive method of withdrawal; prohibiting a qualifying officer from accepting certain items after a specified deadline; declaring that any papers or items accepted after the deadline are not valid and that the candidate must be disqualified; providing a method for challenging the qualification for certain candidates; specifying procedures for bringing an action in circuit court, the filing of responses, scheduling of proceedings, and requirements for the supervisor of elections; amending s. 101.69, F.S.; revising where secure ballot intake stations may be placed and when they may be accessed; amending s. 103.081, F.S.; revising who is required to give approval and permission to use names, abbreviations, and symbols of political parties; authorizing a political party to adopt certain rules; revising requirements for an exception; amending s. 103.121, F.S.; revising powers and duties of executive committees; providing for retroactive application; amending s. 106.1436, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “voter guide”; revising who may represent that a voter guide is the official publication of a political party;

revising required disclaimers on voter guides; prohibiting voter guides from advocating for a candidate unless certain conditions are met; providing that certain voter guides are an in-kind contribution and should be valued in a certain manner; providing an exception; increasing the maximum fine amount for a certain violation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Martin—

SB 1100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protective services for certain victims and witnesses; amending s. 914.25, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “serious felony offense”; reenacting ss. 914.27(1), (2), and (5) and 943.031(8)(c), F.S., relating to the confidentiality of victim and witness information and the Victim and Witness Protection Review Committee, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 914.25, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the school readiness program; amending s. 1002.87, F.S.; revising the criteria for a child to receive priority for participation in the school readiness program; amending s. 1002.89, F.S.; providing requirements for a school readiness program provider to be eligible for specified funding beginning on a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government code enforcement; amending s. 162.01, F.S.; revising a short title; amending s. 162.02, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 162.03, F.S.; authorizing a county or municipality to designate a special magistrate; authorizing a local governmental entity to assess administrative fees through the adoption of an alternate code enforcement system; reordering and amending s. 162.04, F.S.; defining the term “special magistrate”; making technical changes; amending s. 162.05, F.S.; revising the circumstances in which an enforcement board must declare an enforcement board member’s office vacant; amending s. 162.06, F.S.; revising the code violation notice, correction period, and hearing process; amending s. 162.07, F.S.; authorizing an enforcement board to record an original order issued by the board in the public records of the county; amending s. 162.08, F.S.; authorizing a person designated by the local governing body to serve certain subpoenas in a specified manner; amending s. 162.09, F.S.; clarifying certain penalty provisions; authorizing an enforcement board to record an original order in the public records of the county; amending s. 162.10, F.S.; conforming a provision to a change made by the act; amending s. 162.12, F.S.; revising the method by which certain notices may be provided to an alleged code violator; requiring an affidavit of delivery in certain circumstances; creating s. 162.41, F.S.; defining terms; requiring a governmental entity that permits its code inspectors to wear body cameras to establish certain policies and procedures; requiring such governmental entity to ensure that certain training occurs, retain certain data in accordance with public records laws, and perform a periodic review of actual body camera practices; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; defining the term “code enforcement officer”; requiring the reclassification of certain offenses committed against code enforcement officers while engaged in the performance of their duties; amending s. 784.083, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; increasing criminal penalties for certain crimes committed against a code inspector in certain circumstances; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.0713, F.S.; defining terms; providing an exemption from public records requirements for body camera recordings recorded by a code inspector under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; requiring a local government to retain body camera recordings for a specified period; providing for retroactive application; 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 Committee on Community Affairs; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator McClain—

SB 1108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire detection and alarm documents; amending s. 471.003, F.S.; providing that certain fire alarm contractors are not required to be licensed as engineers; amending s. 553.7921, F.S.; requiring that fire detection and alarm system documents be prepared by specified persons for specified new buildings or additions to existing buildings that provide certain fire suppression systems; providing exceptions; directing the Division of State Fire Marshal within the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 1110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to large-scale county destination marketing organizations; creating s. 288.12267, F.S.; defining the term “large-scale county destination marketing organization”; requiring a large-scale county destination marketing organization to register with the Department of State; requiring the department to maintain a list of large-scale county destination marketing organizations on its website; requiring a one-to-one match of private to public contributions to fund large-scale county destination marketing organizations; providing sources and exclusions of public and private contribution funding; requiring a large-scale county destination marketing organization to revert all unmatched public contributions to the corresponding counties or municipalities with which the large-scale county destination marketing organization is contracted by a certain date each year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mathematics instruction; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; revising rules for teacher preparation programs to include a minimum of 85 instructional hours in specified content in mathematics; amending s. 1004.85, F.S.; revising requirements for certificate programs from educator preparation institutes to include specified content in mathematics; amending s. 1006.31, F.S.; revising the criteria that instructional materials reviewers use to evaluate mathematics instructional materials; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; revising requirements for a professional learning certification program to include specified content in mathematics; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 1114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; limiting the total amount of tourist development tax revenues that must be spent annually to promote and advertise tourism in order for any tourist development tax revenues to be used for a specified purpose; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 1116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; authorizing proceeds of the tourist development tax to be used to fund public safety improvements, affordable housing, and workforce housing; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to land use and development regulations; amending s. 163.3162, F.S.; revising a statement of legislative purpose; deleting language authorizing the owner of an agricultural enclave to apply for a comprehensive plan amendment; authorizing such owner to instead apply for administrative approval of a development regardless of future land use designations or comprehensive plan conflicts under certain circumstances; deleting a certain presumption of urban sprawl; requiring that an authorized development be treated as a conforming use; prohibiting a local government from enacting or enforcing certain regulations or laws; requiring administrative approval of such development if it complies with certain requirements; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 163.3164, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms “agricultural enclave” and “compatibility”; defining the terms “infill residential development” and “contiguous”; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; prohibiting a comprehensive plan from making a certain mandate; prohibiting optional elements of a local comprehensive plan from containing certain policies; requiring the use of certain consistent data, where relevant, unless an applicant can make a certain justification; amending s. 163.31801, F.S.; defining the term “extraordinary circumstance”; amending s. 163.3184, F.S.; requiring a supermajority vote for the adoption of certain comprehensive plans and plan amendments; authorizing owners of property subject to a comprehensive plan amendment and persons applying for comprehensive plan amendments to file civil actions for relief in certain circumstances; providing requirements for such actions; authorizing such owners and applicants to use certain dispute resolution procedures; amending s. 163.3202, F.S.; requiring that local land development regulations establish by a specified date minimum lot sizes within certain zoning districts to accommodate the authorized maximum density; requiring the approval of infill residential development applications in certain circumstances; requiring the treatment of certain developments as a conforming use; amending s. 720.301, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 720.302, F.S.; revising applicability of the Homeowners’ Association Act; amending s. 720.3086, F.S.; revising the persons to whom and the method by which a certain financial report must be made available; creating s. 720.319, F.S.; specifying that certain parcels may be subject to a recreational covenant and that certain recreational facilities and amenities are not a part of a common area; prohibiting the imposition or collection of amenity dues except as provided in a recreational covenant; providing requirements for certain recreational covenants recorded on or after a certain date; requiring that a recreational covenant recorded before a certain date comply with specified requirements to remain valid and effective; limiting the annual increases in amenity fees and amenity expenses in certain circumstances; providing construction; prohibiting a recreational covenant from requiring an association to collect amenity dues; requiring a specified disclosure summary for contracts for the sale of certain parcels; providing construction and retroactive application; amending ss. 212.055, 336.125, 479.01, 558.002, 617.0725, 718.116, and 720.3085, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

SB 1120—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Burton—

SB 1122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Virtual School; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring the Florida Virtual School to give priority to certain students; requiring the Florida Virtual School to ensure that parents, in addition to students, are informed of specified information; providing that officers and employees are granted sovereign immunity in addition to the board of trustees; providing that the Florida Virtual School president and chief executive officer may call a meeting of the board of trustees; providing that the board of trustees may fund the education delivery system through supplemental funding in addition to the Florida Education Finance Program; requiring that certain funds be used to support the school's mission; authorizing the Florida Virtual School to accrue supplemental revenue from direct-support organizations; providing that certain expenditures are contingent upon review and approval by the Florida Virtual School president and chief executive officer or authorized designees, rather than the executive director; removing the executive director's authorization to override certain proposed expenditures; requiring, rather than authorizing, specified employees to be state employees for the purpose of being eligible to participate in the Florida Retirement System and to receive benefits; deleting a requirement for the board of trustees to establish priorities for the admission of students; authorizing the board of trustees to enter into contracts with other educational institutions and government agencies; deleting requirements for the board of trustees to establish performance and accountability measures and report performance of school district franchises to the Commissioner of Education; providing that the safe schools allocation is included in the calculation to determine state funds; deleting certain requirements relating to an audit report submitted annually by the board of trustees to specified entities; authorizing the Florida Virtual School to provide instruction to students in the Florida Early Learning-20 education system, rather than kindergarten through grade 12; requiring that international assessments offered by the school district be made available to all Florida Virtual School students; requiring that students have access to a test administrator; making technical changes; amending s. 1002.51, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "public school prekindergarten provider" to include the Florida Virtual School; amending s. 1002.53, F.S.; providing that programs provided by the Florida Virtual School are eligible for the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 1124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacist selection and reimbursement; creating ss. 110.12305, 409.91193, 409.9773, 627.64743, 627.65723, and 641.3143, F.S.; authorizing health plan members and covered individuals under the state group insurance program plans and health maintenance organizations, Medicaid recipients under the Medicaid managed care plans and Medicaid providers, Medicaid managed care enrollees under eligible plans contracted with the Agency for Health Care Administration for the Medicaid program, insureds and covered individuals under individual health insurance policies, insureds and covered individuals under group, blanket, and franchise health insurance policies, and subscribers and covered individuals under health maintenance contracts, respectively, to select in-network pharmacists for services under certain circumstances; prohibiting reimbursement to in-network pharmacists from being denied under specified circumstances; providing that licensed pharmacists may count toward network adequacy standards for access to services within the scope of practice of pharmacists; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cost-of-living adjustment of retirement benefits; amending s. 121.101, F.S.; revising the amount of the Florida Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustment; revising how the cost-of-living adjustment of benefits for certain retirees and beneficiaries is calculated; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 1128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building permits for a single-family dwelling; amending ss. 125.56 and 553.79, F.S.; prohibiting the expiration of certain building permits issued by a county or a local government, respectively, before a specified event; amending s. 553.792, F.S.; specifying that certain permit applications are deemed approved by a local government; requiring the local government to issue such permit within a certain timeframe; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Avila—

SB 1130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to portable benefits accounts for independent contractors and sole proprietors; creating part III of ch. 448, F.S., entitled "Voluntary Portable Benefits Act"; creating s. 448.31, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 448.32, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 448.33, F.S.; authorizing certain parties to make voluntary contributions to portable benefits accounts for independent contractors and sole proprietors; prohibiting contributions to a portable benefits account from being used as a criterion for determining a worker's employment classification; providing requirements for such contributions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 1132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to digital right to repair; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; creating s. 559.971, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 559.972, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 559.973, F.S.; requiring portable wireless device manufacturers to make certain items available to device owners and independent repair providers; prohibiting certain manufacturers from requiring authorized repair providers to continue purchasing certain information in a proprietary format; providing an exception; creating s. 559.974, F.S.; providing for enforcement; creating s. 559.975, F.S.; providing construction; creating s. 559.976, F.S.; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative plans review and inspections; amending s. 553.791, F.S.; revising and defining terms; requiring that a notice of private inspection services specify whether any scheduled inspection by a private provider will be conducted virtually or in person; authorizing a private provider to use an automated or software-based plans review system designed to make specific determinations; revising the requirements needed for an affidavit from a private provider regarding his or her plans review; requiring the local building official to issue the requested permit or provide written notice of noncompliance within a specified timeframe for permits related to single-trade plans reviews for single-family or two-family dwellings; reenacting ss. 177.073(4)(a), 468.621(1)(i) and (j), 471.033(1)(l), 481.225(1)(l), 553.79(11), and 553.80(7)(a), F.S., relating to expedited approval of residential building permits before a final plat

is recorded; disciplinary proceedings; disciplinary proceedings; disciplinary proceedings against registered architects; permits, applications, issuance, and inspections; and enforcement, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 553.791, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Collins—

SB 1136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to age as an element of a criminal offense; creating s. 787.001, F.S.; providing that ignorance of a victim's age, misrepresentation of a victim's age, and a bona fide belief concerning a victim's age are not defenses to certain offenses in which the victim's age is an element of the offense; providing an exception; amending s. 787.025, F.S.; revising the classification of specified offenses involving luring or enticing a child; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; ranking offenses on the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to central service technician services; creating s. 395.1075, F.S.; providing legislative purpose and intent; defining the terms “central service technician” and “health care practitioner”; authorizing licensed hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers to employ or otherwise retain the services of a central service technician only if he or she meets specified criteria; requiring central service technicians who do not meet specified criteria to obtain a certain certification within a specified timeframe as a condition of continued employment; requiring central service technicians to complete a specified number of continuing education hours annually as a condition of continued employment; providing a requirement for such continuing education; requiring hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers, upon the written request of a central service technician, to verify in writing the technician's dates of employment or contract period with the facility; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

SB 1140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a criminal offender substance abuse pilot program; creating s. 948.22, F.S.; creating a substance abuse accountability pilot program in a specified county; providing for eligibility for the program; providing for design and implementation of the program in the county; providing requirements for the program; specifying personnel requirements; authorizing subgrants for personnel needs; specifying that program participation does not supersede ignition interlock requirements; requiring program evaluation by a specified date; requiring a report to certain officials by a specified date; providing for repeal of provisions; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the release of conservation easements; amending s. 704.06, F.S.; requiring certain water management districts, upon application by the fee simple owner of a parcel subject to a conservation easement, to release the conservation easement if specified conditions are met; providing for the valuation of the property upon such release; specifying that land released from the conservation easement may be used for development consistent with certain zoning; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 1144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Hope Florida program; creating s. 14.37, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining terms; establishing the Office of Hope Florida within the Executive Office of the Governor; providing the purpose of the office; providing for appointment of a director of the office; specifying duties of the office; specifying the functions of hope navigators under the Hope Florida program; specifying eligibility requirements for participation in the program; specifying how individuals may request assistance under the program; providing for participation in the program by specified state agencies, subject to certain requirements; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to designate agencies to perform certain functions under the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 1146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 14.37, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for the personal identifying information of a participant in the Hope Florida program contained in records held by the Office of Hope Florida or any other state agency designated to participate in administering the program; authorizing disclosure of confidential and exempt information, subject to certain requirements and limitations; providing criminal penalties for the unlawful disclosure of confidential and exempt information; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to carbon sequestration; creating s. 403.945, F.S.; defining terms; providing legislative findings; creating the Carbon Sequestration Task Force adjunct to the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for task force membership, meetings, and duties; requiring the task force to submit specified reports to the Secretary of Environmental Protection and to the Governor and the Legislature by specified dates; providing for expiration of the task force; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school social workers; amending s. 1012.55, F.S.; providing that persons employed as school social workers are exempt from teacher certification requirements; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Arrington—

SB 1152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; increasing the annual use fee for the Florida Wildflower license plate and providing a discount for owners purchasing the plate for more than a specified number of vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 1154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coverage of prescription drugs for pain; creating ss. 409.9064 and 409.9746, F.S.; defining the term “nonopioid pain drug”; requiring the Medicaid program and Medicaid managed care plans, respectively, to provide coverage such that nonopioid pain drugs are not disadvantaged or otherwise discouraged relative to any opioid or narcotic drug for pain management or treatment; specifying prohibited practices in relation to such coverage; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 1156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the home health aide for medically fragile children program; amending s. 400.4765, F.S.; revising the training requirements for family caregivers participating in the program; specifying that services provided by a home health aide for a medically fragile child may not exceed a specified percentage of the total annual hours authorized for private duty nursing services for that child; revising requirements for the Medicaid fee schedule for home health aides for medically fragile children; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, within a specified timeframe, to seek federal approval to implement specified practices under the program; amending s. 400.54, F.S.; requiring Medicaid managed care plans to provide certain data to the agency as part of an annual assessment of the home health aide for medically fragile children program; revising requirements for such assessment; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Jones—

SB 1158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Working Floridians Tax Rebate Program; creating s. 220.55, F.S.; creating the program; specifying the purpose of the program; specifying eligibility requirements for receiving a rebate under the program in a specified tax year; requiring the Department of Revenue to issue rebate payments not exceeding a certain amount by a specified time; requiring the department to allocate the rebates in a specified manner; requiring the department to prepare and submit a specified report; prohibiting a person’s or household’s receipt of a rebate from being used in determining eligibility for specified programs; requiring the department to adopt rules; specifying that the annual taxes generated from a specified tax shall be allocated to the program; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 1160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to benefits for certain officers injured in the line of duty; amending s. 112.19, F.S.; revising eligibility criteria for health insurance coverage provided to law enforcement, correctional, and correctional probation officers injured in the line of duty and to their spouses and dependent children; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 1162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water access facilities; amending s. 253.0346, F.S.; providing sovereignty submerged land leases for Clean Marine Manufacturer facilities; amending s. 327.47, F.S.; providing competitive grant programs for the construction and maintenance of publicly owned parking for boat-hauling vehicles and trailers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Leek—

SB 1164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the delivery of notices from landlords to tenants; creating s. 83.505, F.S.; authorizing a landlord to deliver any required notice to a tenant by e-mail if the tenant signs an addendum to his or her rental agreement which specifically agrees to such delivery; requiring a tenant who agrees to such addendum to provide the landlord with his or her valid e-mail address; providing that such delivery is deemed delivered when sent; providing an exception; requiring a landlord to maintain copies of any notice sent by e-mail, with evidence of transmission; providing that this section does not preclude delivery in any other way authorized by law; amending ss. 83.20, 83.49, 83.50, and 83.56, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

SB 1166—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Leek—

SB 1168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the installation or use of tracking devices or applications; amending s. 934.425, F.S.; providing enhanced penalties for a person who, in furtherance of a dangerous crime, knowingly installs or places a tracking device or tracking application on another person’s property without consent or uses such a device or application to determine a person’s or their property’s location or movement without consent; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 1170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to conduct in polling places; amending s. 102.031, F.S.; authorizing members of the public to take photographs before the polls open and after the polls close; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Jones—

SB 1172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to business development incentives for veterans and military spouses; providing a short title; amending s. 295.187, F.S.; defining the term “veteran-owned or military spouse-owned business”; providing for contracting preferences for such businesses; creating s. 295.189, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Department of State to waive specified fees for certain businesses; providing eligibility requirements for the fee waivers; providing applicability; providing specified tax exemptions for certain businesses; requiring the Department of Revenue to develop procedures for such exemptions; providing that such exemptions apply for a specified period for certain businesses relocating to this state; establishing the Veteran and Military Spouse Entrepreneurship Program in consultation with the Department of Commerce; providing requirements for the program; requiring that certain businesses receive expedited

processing for certain certifications; providing for rulemaking and interagency cooperation; providing reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Jones—

SB 1174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure of family foster homes; amending s. 409.175, F.S.; authorizing the transfer of certain licenses; requiring the Department of Children and Families to adopt rules for such transfer; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Leek—

SB 1176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assessment of property used for residential purposes; creating s. 193.6245, F.S.; defining the term “changes or improvements made to improve the property’s resistance to wind damage”; prohibiting consideration of the increase in just value of a property attributable to changes or improvements made to improve the property’s resistance to wind damage in determinations of the assessed value of certain property; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a homestead assessment limitation; creating s. 193.6245, F.S.; defining the terms “income” and “senior citizen homesteader”; prohibiting the assessed value of real property used as a homestead by a person who has attained a certain age from exceeding a certain amount if certain conditions are met; requiring such persons to apply for the homestead assessment limitation in a specified manner; requiring a property appraiser who makes a certain determination to serve upon certain persons a notice of intent to record a tax lien against the property; requiring property that no longer meets certain eligibility requirements to be reassessed in a specified manner; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 1180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual images; amending s. 827.071, F.S.; revising definitions; prohibiting lewd imagery or depictions involving a child; prohibiting the creation of such depictions; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 836.13, F.S.; defining the term “generate”; prohibiting the generation of nude photos involving identifiable persons; providing criminal penalties; authorizing civil actions for violations of such prohibition; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; ranking an offense created by the act on the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 1182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid coverage of continuous glucose monitors; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to, within a specified timeframe, seek federal approval as needed to provide coverage of continuous glucose monitors and related supplies as a durable medical equipment benefit under the Med-

icaid program; providing for the reimbursement of such equipment; providing construction; requiring the agency to implement these changes upon receiving any necessary federal approval; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residual market insurers; amending s. 626.913, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 626.914, F.S.; removing the definition of the term “diligent effort”; amending s. 626.916, F.S.; removing the diligent effort and other requirements for insurance coverage to be eligible for export; providing a presumption that an insured is presumed to have been informed of the availability of other coverage under certain circumstances; amending ss. 627.4085, 627.701, 627.70131, 627.70132, 627.70152, and 627.952, F.S.; removing applicability and nonapplicability to surplus lines insurance of provisions relating to applications for insurance policies and annuity contracts; liability of insureds, co-insurance, and deductibles; insurers’ duty to acknowledge communications regarding claims and investigations; notice of property insurance claim; suits arising under a property insurance policy; and risk retention and purchasing group agents, respectively; creating ss. 626.9261, 626.9262, 626.9263, and 626.9264, F.S.; transferring to surplus lines insurance those provisions relating to liability of insureds and deductibles; insurers’ duty to acknowledge communications regarding residential property insurance claims and investigations; notice of property insurance claim; suits arising under a property insurance policy; creating s. 626.9265, F.S.; prohibiting policyholders from assigning post-loss insurance benefits under property insurance policies; creating s. 626.9266, F.S.; requiring settlements or verdicts against insureds as a condition precedent to the accrual or maintenance of causes of actions against liability insurers by persons who are not insureds; providing that insurers are parties for the purpose of recovering taxable costs and attorney fees under certain circumstances; authorizing insurers to insert specified contractual provisions in liability insurance policies; authorizing liability insurers to be joined as party defendants under certain circumstances; prohibiting insurers’ presence from being disclosed under certain circumstances; amending s. 626.931, F.S.; removing the requirement that certain surplus lines agents file a specified affidavit; amending s. 626.932, F.S.; conforming cross-references; revising the timeline of the surplus lines tax remittance by surplus lines agents to the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; revising the requirements for licensed agents appointed by Citizens Property Insurance Corporation to write and renew certain insurance coverage; amending ss. 626.918, 626.9325, and 626.9541, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending ss. 626.935 and 627.715, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Polsky—

SB 1186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to applicants for president of a state university or Florida College System institution; amending s. 1004.098, F.S.; defining the term “final group of applicants”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local governing authorities; amending s. 163.3180, F.S.; providing that certain construction projects are exempt from concurrency; authorizing a local government to grant a construction project at a charter school an exemption from concurrency; amending s. 163.31801, F.S.; providing a method for a developer to provide a certain contribution in lieu of paying an education impact fee; providing requirements for the contribution;

amending s. 316.008, F.S.; prohibiting local governing authorities from imposing or enforcing certain vehicular stacking ordinances against a public school or private school during certain hours; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; restricting building requirements that may be imposed by a local governing authority against a startup charter school; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SJR 1190—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 authorize the Legislature, by general law, to prohibit the consideration of any change or improvement made to homestead property to mitigate flood damage in determining the assessed value of such property for ad valorem taxation purposes, to limit the transfer of such value to new homestead property, and to provide an effective date.

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

By Senator Ingoglia—

SB 1192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assessment of homestead property; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; defining the terms “elevated homestead property” and “elevation certificate”; prohibiting the assessed value of elevated homestead property from exceeding a specified amount for a specified timeframe under certain circumstances; requiring a property owner who uses a specified limitation to maintain active homeowner’s and flood insurances for a specified timeframe; providing that failure to maintain such coverage may result in the re-assessment of the property’s value without a specified benefit; requiring that the assessed value of an elevated homestead property be recalculated at a specified time and in accordance with specified provisions; specifying that certain elevated homestead property is eligible for a specified assessment methodology; providing an exception; specifying how such assessment must be calculated under certain circumstances; authorizing property appraisers to require certain evidence; providing applicability; requiring that the assessed value of an elevated homestead property be recalculated at a specified time; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1194—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mail theft; creating s. 812.136, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a person from taking certain actions regarding unlawfully obtained mail and the unauthorized reproduction of a mail depository key or lock; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Truenow—

SB 1196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local business taxes; amending s. 11.40, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; requiring the Auditor General to contact certain local governments; requiring such local governments to provide specified evidence within a certain time period; requiring notification to the Legislative Auditing Committee in specified circumstances; amending s. 205.0315, F.S.; authorizing specified entities to continue to levy a certain tax; prohibiting the increase or modification of certain ordinances beginning a date certain; providing an exception; amending ss. 205.033 and 205.043, F.S.; revising the conditions imposed on taxing authorities governing the levy of a specified tax; amending s. 205.0535, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting certain municipalities from re-classifying businesses, professions, or occupations or establishing new

rate structures; prohibiting the revenue generated from a certain tax from exceeding a specified value; requiring specified actions be taken in event of a violation of such prohibition; providing that specified refunds be treated as unclaimed property under certain circumstances; revising the circumstances under which a county or municipality may adopt specified ordinances; providing applicability; amending s. 205.0536, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 205.046, F.S.; requiring that a specified document be filed with a certain audit; providing requirements for such document; amending ss. 215.97, 218.32, and 489.537, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fraudulent use of gift cards; creating s. 817.091, F.S.; defining terms; providing criminal penalties for persons who, with the intent to defraud, acquire or retain possession of certain gift cards or gift card redemption information or from altering or tampering with gift cards; providing criminal penalties for persons who, with the intent to defraud, use for certain purposes gift cards or gift card redemption information; providing enhanced criminal penalties if the value of such violation exceeds a specified amount; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to special alcoholic beverage licenses issued to residential condominiums; amending s. 561.20, F.S.; excluding certain residential condominiums that sell alcoholic beverages from the limitation on the number of specified licenses issued; requiring that licenses be issued only to the person or corporation that manages the food and beverage operations; prohibiting a licensee from selling certain alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption; prohibiting a licensee from selling alcoholic beverages after the time for serving or consumption of food has elapsed; amending ss. 316.1936 and 565.045, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator McClain—

SB 1202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to benefits for firefighters injured during training exercises; amending s. 112.191, F.S.; providing that a firefighter and his or her spouse and dependent children are eligible for certain insurance coverage if the firefighter is totally and permanently disabled during an official training exercise; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to career-themed courses; amending s. 1003.493, F.S.; revising the number of career-themed courses that must be offered by a school district; requiring at least two career-themed courses to meet certain requirements; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; revising the number of clock hours required for a certain component used to determine a school’s grade; providing additional components used to determine a school’s grade; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation network company driver insurance; amending s. 627.748, F.S.; revising automobile insurance requirements for transportation network company drivers; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Truenow—

SB 1208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service lateral assessment and rehabilitation; creating s. 403.4156, F.S.; providing a purpose; defining terms; requiring all utility systems to establish and maintain a comprehensive condition assessment program for service laterals under their jurisdiction; providing applicability; authorizing utility systems to contract the assessments to certain entities; providing requirements for such entities; providing requirements for such assessments; requiring each service lateral to be inspected on a certain cycle; providing requirements for such inspections; requiring each service lateral to be assigned a unique pipe identification or asset identification number; providing construction; requiring each inspected lateral to receive a certain score; requiring certain inspection data to be recorded and maintained in a secure cloud-based platform; requiring data to be maintained for a certain timeframe; providing requirements for how condition assessment data must be maintained; requiring certain lateral pipes to be flagged for immediate consideration under a certain program; requiring each utility system to maintain a lateral monolithic repair program; providing applicability; requiring the utility system to execute the rehabilitation or replacement of flagged service laterals using certain methods; providing for a complete seal at certain points; requiring such rehabilitation take place in a certain timeframe; providing construction; providing for enforcement and compliance; requiring utility systems to annually submit specified reports to the Department of Environmental Protection; providing penalties; authorizing the state to establish incentive programs, grants, or to match funds to support utility systems in developing or enhancing their condition assessment programs; providing for funding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Regulated Industries; and Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 1210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic infractions resulting in a crash with another vehicle; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; requiring the imposition of specified civil penalties and periods of driver license suspension on a person found at a mandatory hearing to have committed certain traffic infractions that resulted in a crash with another vehicle, in addition to any other penalties; amending s. 318.19, F.S.; requiring persons cited for specified infractions that result in a crash with another vehicle to appear at a certain mandatory hearing; amending s. 324.023, F.S.; requiring certain owners and operators of motor vehicles to establish and maintain the ability to respond in damages for liability on account of certain accidents; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighter health and safety; amending s. 633.506, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 633.508, F.S.; requiring the Division of State Fire Marshal within the Department of Financial Services to adopt certain rules; requiring the division to assist in decreasing the frequency and severity of occupational illnesses and fatalities; amending s. 633.520, F.S.; requiring the division to adopt rules relating to mental health best practices;

amending ss. 633.522 and 633.526, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Martin—

SB 1214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automatic sealing of criminal history records; amending s. 943.0595, F.S.; eliminating certain circumstances in which criminal history records are automatically sealed; providing that specified provisions do not limit a prosecutor from accessing automatically sealed criminal history records for certain purposes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cybersecurity of mortgage brokers and lenders and money services businesses; creating ss. 494.00170 and 560.1215, F.S.; defining terms; requiring licensees to develop and maintain a specified information security program; requiring that such program meet certain criteria; requiring licensees to establish a specified incident response plan; providing requirements for such plan; providing applicability; specifying that a licensee has a specified timeframe to comply with certain provisions; requiring the licensee to maintain a copy of the information security program for a specified period of time; requiring such program to be available upon request or examination; requiring licensees to make a prompt investigation of a cybersecurity event that has occurred or may occur; specifying requirements for such investigation; requiring licensees to complete an investigation or confirm and document that a third-party service provider has completed an investigation under certain circumstances; requiring the licensee to maintain specified records and documentation for a specified period of time; requiring the licensee to produce such records and documentation to be available upon request; requiring licensees to provide a specified notice to the Office of Financial Regulation; requiring the licensee to provide a quarterly update of the investigation under certain circumstances; providing construction; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; amending ss. 494.00255 and 560.114, F.S.; revising the actions that constitute grounds for disciplinary actions for mortgage brokers and lenders and grounds for the issuance of a cease and desist order or removal order or the denial, suspension, or revocation of a license of a money service business, respectively; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county administrators; amending s. 100.041, F.S.; requiring that a county administrator be elected at certain general elections for a specified term of office in certain counties; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; requiring the inclusion of a specified office title on the ballot; amending ss. 125.73 and 125.84, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 125.96, F.S.; requiring that a county administrator be an elected official under certain circumstances; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to certify the population of each county to specified persons in certain years; requiring the election or appointment of a county administrator based upon the certified county population; requiring that a vacancy in the office of county administrator be filled in a certain manner; requiring candidates for county administrator to qualify for office and conduct their campaigns in a certain manner; superseding certain county charter provisions; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to provide initial certifications of county population by a specified date; requiring that the first election of a county administrator occur in certain counties at a specified election, for a specified term of office; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to air-conditioning systems; amending s. 489.105, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “class A air-conditioning contractor”; amending s. 713.135, F.S.; revising applicability regarding notices of commencement; reenacting ss. 489.107(4)(b), 489.113(2), 489.117(4)(d) and (e), 489.141(2), and 553.998, F.S., relating to the Construction Industry Licensing Board, qualifications and restrictions for practice, registration and specialty contractors, conditions for recovery and eligibility, and compliance, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 489.105, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Sharief—

SB 1222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rate standards for property insurers; amending s. 627.0613, F.S.; revising the powers of the consumer advocate; specifying that failure to obey certain court orders may be punished as contempt; authorizing the court to order a person to pay certain expenses; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; prohibiting the Office of Insurance Regulation from approving certain rate filings; authorizing the consumer advocate to request a specified administrative hearing and an expedited appellate review; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Harrell—

SB 1224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administration of controlled substances; amending s. 893.05, F.S.; authorizing a practitioner to cause a controlled substance to be administered by a certified paramedic; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator DiCeglie—

SB 1226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pet insurance and wellness programs; amending s. 624.604, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “property insurance” to include a pet insurance option; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; providing that certain practices relating to pet wellness programs are unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices; creating s. 627.71545, F.S.; providing a short title; providing a purpose; providing applicability; providing construction; defining terms; requiring pet insurers that use such terms in their pet insurance policies to use and include the statutory definitions in such policies; requiring pet insurers to also make such definitions available on their websites or their program administrators’ websites; requiring pet insurers to make certain disclosures to pet insurance applicants and policyholders; requiring pet insurers to provide a summary of their bases or formulas for determination of claim payments under a pet insurance policy on their websites or their program administrators’ websites; requiring pet insurers to disclose certain requirements for required medical examinations of a pet by a veterinarian; requiring pet insurers to create a document with a summary of certain disclosures, to post such document on their websites or their program administrators’ websites, and, upon issuance or delivery of a policy to a policyholder, to provide such document to the policyholder; requiring that pet insurers make certain additional written disclosures; providing that certain required disclosures are in addition to disclosures required by the Florida Insurance Code or the Financial Services Commission rules; authorizing pet insurance applicants and policyholders to examine and return insurance policies and riders under certain circumstances; requiring that premiums be refunded under

certain circumstances; requiring that pet insurance policies and riders have a specified notice printed on or attached to the first page; authorizing pet insurers to issue policies that exclude coverage on the basis of preexisting conditions with appropriate written disclosure to the applicant or policyholder; providing that pet insurers have a specified burden of proof with regard to such exclusions; authorizing pet insurers to issue new policies that impose a waiting period of up to a specified period of time for specified illnesses, diseases, or conditions; prohibiting pet insurers from issuing policies imposing a waiting period for accidents; requiring pet insurers that issue a policy that imposes a waiting period to include a provision allowing for waiver of the waiting period upon completion of a medical examination of the covered pet by a veterinarian; authorizing pet insurers to require that an examination be conducted by a veterinarian after the purchase of the policy; providing requirements and authorizations relating to such examination; prohibiting a pet insurer from requiring a medical examination of the covered pet to renew a policy; requiring that certain benefits comply with certain provisions of the Florida Insurance Code; prohibiting insurance applicants’ eligibility from being based on participation or lack of participation in wellness programs; requiring pet insurers to ensure that their agents are trained on specified topics; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator McClain—

SB 1228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to spring restoration; amending s. 403.064, F.S.; authorizing certain domestic wastewater treatment facilities to request the incorporation of reclaimed water projects identified in Outstanding Florida Springs recovery or prevention strategies; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to approve such requests within a certain period of time if certain conditions are met; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 1230—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 Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Davis—

SB 1232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to notification of anti-harassment policies and supportive measures; creating s. 1000.09, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring schools to establish anti-harassment policies and supportive measures; providing requirements for the policies and measures; requiring schools to notify specified persons of the policies and measures; providing requirements for the notifications; requiring the policies and measures to be published in specified places and on certain websites; providing requirements for the notification of students under the age of 18; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bump-fire stocks; repealing s. 790.222, F.S., relating to a prohibition on bump-fire stocks; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simon—

SB 1236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to centralized Medicaid provider credentialing; creating s. 409.9073, F.S.; defining terms; requiring Medicaid managed care organizations operating in this state on or after a specified date to require their providers to comply with specified accreditation requirements; specifying procedures for provider enrollment; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to enroll providers within a specified timeframe after receiving a clean application; providing for tolling of such timeframe under certain circumstances; requiring credentialing verification organizations to implement a single credentialing application through a web-based portal; specifying requirements and procedures for provider credentialing; specifying provisions that apply if the agency designates a single credentialing verification organization for provider credentialing; requiring Medicaid managed care organizations to make a determination within a specified timeframe after receiving verified credentialing information; requiring Medicaid managed care organizations to ensure that internal processing systems of the organization are updated within a specified timeframe after a contract with a provider is executed; providing construction; providing that once approved for enrollment, a provider's claims become eligible for payment on the date on which the provider's credentialing application was approved; prohibiting Medicaid managed care organizations from requiring providers to appeal or re-submit clean claims submitted during a specified period; providing applicability; encouraging relevant provider licensing boards to forward and provide certain information electronically to the agency and credentialing verification organizations; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Policy; the Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fraud in the re-employment assistance program; providing a short title; creating s. 443.112, F.S.; requiring the Department of Commerce to verify the identity of claimants who apply for reemployment assistance benefits before paying any benefits to them; requiring the department, weekly, to cross-check information with specified sources to verify such claims; prohibiting the payment of reemployment assistance benefits to any claimant who has not been verified; requiring the department to investigate claims associated with other claims that have the same specific identifiers; requiring the department to scrutinize claims filed from foreign Internet protocol addresses before paying benefits on such claims; requiring that any suspected fraudulent claim be referred to the Department of Legal Affairs or the state attorney of the judicial circuit in which the suspected fraudulent claim originated from for further investigation and prosecution; requiring the Department of Commerce to report to the Legislature annually with specific information; requiring such report to be available on the department's website; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1240—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse and mental health care; amending s. 394.4573, F.S.; expanding mental health crisis services to include the 988 suicide and crisis lifeline call center; amending s. 394.67, F.S.; revising the definition of "crisis services" to include a 988 suicide and crisis lifeline call center and defining the term "988 suicide and crisis lifeline call center"; creating s. 394.9088, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to authorize and provide oversight of the 988 suicide and crisis lifeline call centers and adopt specified rules; amending s. 397.427, F.S.; removing requirements relating to providers of medication-assisted treatment services for opiate addiction; amending s. 916.111, F.S.; revising

training requirements for mental health professionals; amending s. 916.115, F.S.; requiring court appointed experts to have completed specified training and continued education; amending s. 916.12, F.S.; providing requirements for an expert to determine acceptable treatments available in a community; amending ss. 394.674 and 394.74, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator McClain—

SB 1242—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community redevelopment agencies; amending s. 163.3755, F.S.; providing for the termination of community redevelopment agencies on a specified date; removing an exception; prohibiting community redevelopment agencies from performing certain actions on or after a specified date; revising provisions relating to any outstanding bonds of a community redevelopment agency; prohibiting the creation of community redevelopment agencies on or after a specified date; authorizing existing agencies to continue to operate; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the research and development tax credit; amending s. 220.196, F.S.; increasing the total amount of tax credits that may be provided to business enterprises under the research and development tax credit; deleting an obsolete provision; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

SB 1246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Save Coastal Wildlife license plate; specifying design elements for the plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plates; authorizing the Auditor General to examine certain records; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Collins—

SB 1248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to carrying concealed weapons and firearms into athletic events; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; revising the list of places into which a person may not carry a handgun or a concealed weapon or concealed firearm to allow actively sworn law enforcement officers to carry concealed weapons and concealed firearms into certain athletic events when attending as a private citizen; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Martin—

SB 1250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to political activities on school grounds; creating s. 104.315, F.S.; defining terms; providing that certain activities are allowed on school grounds; authorizing that candidates may be invited to speak as candidates on school grounds if certain conditions are met; prohibiting certain political activities on school grounds; prohibiting certain employees from using e-mail, offices or time during work hours for political advocacy; providing criminal

penalties for persons who violate specified provisions; providing that each such violation is a separate offense; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 1252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the statewide pawn data database; creating s. 539.004, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to create a statewide database of transaction data electronically reported by specified businesses; providing requirements for the database; prohibiting certain data transfers by third-party vendors; providing restrictions on use; providing requirements for data storage; providing penalties for violations; authorizing rulemaking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 1254—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student data; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; requiring a district school board to ensure that all contracts between the school district and a third-party entity contain a specified provision; providing additional duties to a district school board to contract with third-party entities; requiring a district school board to publish on its website any portion of a new or existing agreement made with a third-party entity relating to student data collection or dissemination; requiring a third-party entity that violates a specified provision to have its contract terminated within a specified timeframe; prohibiting a third-party entity that commits a violation from contracting with any school district in this state; requiring a school district to report violations to the Department of Education; requiring the department to publish a violation on its website for a specified time period; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Grall and Rouson—

SB 1256—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. 316.2122, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; 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; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; revising construction; amending s. 320.0609, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; defining the term “garage liability insurance”; revising garage liability insurance requirements for motor vehicle dealer license applicants; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 320.771, F.S.; revising garage liability insurance requirements for recreational vehicle dealer license applicants; 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 purpose and intent; amending s. 324.021, F.S.; revising definitions; revising minimum coverage requirements for proof of financial responsibility for specified motor vehicles; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; defining the term “for-hire passenger transportation vehicle”; amending s. 324.022, F.S.; revising minimum liability coverage requirements for motor vehicle owners or operators; revising authorized methods for meeting such requirements; deleting a provision relating to an insurer’s duty to defend certain claims; revising the vehicles that are excluded from the definition of the term “motor vehicle”; providing security requirements for certain excluded vehicles; conforming provisions to

changes made by the act; amending s. 324.0221, F.S.; revising coverages that subject a policy to certain insurer reporting and notice requirements; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 324.0222, F.S.; providing that driver license or motor vehicle registration suspensions for failure to maintain required security which are in effect before a specified date remain in full force and effect; authorizing drivers to reinstate suspended licenses or registrations as provided in a specified section; amending s. 324.023, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 324.031, F.S.; specifying a method of proving financial responsibility by owners or operators of motor vehicles other than for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; revising the required and maximum amounts of a certificate of deposit required to elect a certain method of proof of financial responsibility; revising liability coverage requirements for a person electing to use such method; amending s. 324.032, F.S.; revising financial responsibility requirements for owners or lessees of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; amending s. 324.051, F.S.; making technical changes; specifying that motorcycles are included in the definition of the term “motor vehicles” for purposes of the section; amending ss. 324.071 and 324.091, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 324.151, F.S.; revising requirements for motor vehicle liability policies relating to coverage, and exclusion from coverage, for certain drivers and vehicles; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; 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 proving financial responsibility; amending s. 324.171, F.S.; revising the minimum net worth requirements to qualify certain persons as self-insurers; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.242, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.251, F.S.; revising a short title and an effective date; amending s. 400.9905, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “clinic”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 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”; amending s. 456.057, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; revising specified grounds for discipline for certain health professions; defining the term “upcode”; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; revising certain prohibited acts related to specified insurance coverage payment requirements; 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. 627.0651, F.S.; specifying requirements for rate filings for motor vehicle liability policies that implement requirements in effect on a specified date; requiring that such filings be approved through a certain process; amending s. 627.0652, F.S.; revising coverages that must provide for a reduction in premium charges under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.0653, F.S.; revising coverages that are subject to premium discounts for specified motor vehicle equipment; amending s. 627.4132, F.S.; revising coverages that are subject to a stacking prohibition; amending s. 627.4137, F.S.; requiring insurers to disclose certain information at the request of a claimant’s attorney; authorizing a claimant to file an action under certain circumstances; providing for the award of reasonable attorney fees and costs under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.7263, F.S.; revising coverages that are deemed primary, except under certain circumstances, for the lessor of a motor vehicle for lease or rent; revising a notice that is required if the lessee’s coverage is to be primary; amending s. 627.727, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; revising the legal liability of an uninsured motorist coverage insurer; amending s. 627.7275, F.S.; revising required coverages for a motor vehicle insurance policy; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 627.7278, F.S.; defining the term “minimum security requirements”; providing a prohibition, requirements, applicability, and construction relating to motor vehicle insurance policies as of a certain date; requiring insurers to allow certain insureds to make certain coverage changes, subject to certain conditions; requiring an insurer to provide, by a specified date, a specified notice to policyholders relating to requirements under 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; conforming provisions to changes made by the act;

amending s. 627.7415, F.S.; revising additional liability insurance requirements for commercial motor vehicles; amending s. 627.747, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.748, F.S.; revising insurance requirements for transportation network company drivers; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending ss. 627.7483 and 627.749, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.8405, F.S.; revising the products and the policy for which a premium finance company may not finance costs when sold in combination with an accidental death and dismemberment policy; revising rule-making authority of the Financial Services 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 provisions to changes made by the act; deleting provisions relating to prohibited changes in certain mental or physical reports; providing an appropriation; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 1258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to forms of identification; amending s. 97.0535, F.S.; expanding the list of acceptable forms of identification for certain voter registration applicants to include United States passport cards, identification cards issued by a federally recognized tribal nation or Indian tribe, and United States Merchant Mariner Credentials; amending s. 322.14, F.S.; requiring that driver licenses issued to drivers denote certain individuals as noncitizens; reenacting ss. 101.6921(1) and 101.6923(1), F.S., relating to certain voters who are required to submit certain identification before voting, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 97.0535, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 322.01(6), F.S., relating to the definition of the term “color photographic driver license,” to incorporate the amendment made to s. 322.14, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Yarborough—

SB 1260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county constitutional officer budget processes; amending s. 129.201, F.S.; authorizing a supervisor of elections to file a budget appeal to the Administration Commission in a specified manner; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to conduct a budget hearing in a specified manner and make findings and recommendations to the Administration Commission; requiring the commission to take specified actions relating to the budget; amending s. 218.35, F.S.; authorizing specified commissions to take certain actions relating to the proposed budget of the clerk of the circuit court; requiring such commissions to provide a certain notice; authorizing a clerk of the circuit court to file a budget appeal in a specified manner; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to conduct a budget hearing in a specified manner and make findings and recommendations to the Administration Commission; requiring the commission to take specified actions relating to the budget; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Burgess—

SB 1262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction contracting; amending s. 489.111, F.S.; revising requirements for contractor licensure by examination; amending s. 489.115, F.S.; requiring that a portion of the 14 classroom hours required for the contractor certificateholder's or registrant's continuing education relate to financial literacy and basic consumer protection principles; creating s. 489.1205, F.S.; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to create, adopt, and publish a notice of proposed rule for a

standardized disciplinary form for a local construction regulation board to report an infraction of a registered contractor; requiring the department to create the standardized disciplinary form by a specified date; requiring each local construction regulation board to use such form to submit any disciplinary action to the department; requiring the department to record such submittals in the automated information system; requiring the local construction regulation board to search the automated information system for a specified purpose; requiring the local construction regulation board to post certain notice on its website; requiring a local construction board to annually report its operational status to the department by a specified date; amending s. 489.126, F.S.; requiring a contractor who has received money for the repair, restoration, addition, improvement, or construction of residential real property in excess of the value of the work to work without unreasonable delay to complete the project after a specified timeframe and to provide a schedule for completion of the project within a specified timeframe upon request; providing that a contractor may collect additional compensation under certain circumstances; requiring a contractor to return a consumer's deposit within a specified timeframe under certain circumstances; authorizing the contractor to retain a portion of such deposit under certain circumstances; providing for disciplinary action against a contractor under certain circumstances; amending s. 498.127, F.S.; providing penalties; amending s. 489.129, F.S.; requiring the local construction regulation board to submit a standardized disciplinary form under certain circumstances; amending ss. 489.119 and 489.131, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting s. 489.1131(1)(b), relating to credit for relevant military training and education, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 489.111, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 489.517(4)(a) and 553.79(18), F.S., relating to continuing education for renewal of certificate or registration and permits, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 489.115, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries; the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Collins—

SB 1264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rural and urban business enterprises; repealing ss. 24.113, 186.501, 186.502, 186.503, 186.504, 186.505, 186.506, 186.507, 186.508, 186.509, 186.511, 186.512, 186.513, 186.515, 288.706, 288.7094, 288.7102, 288.71025, 288.7103, and 288.714, F.S., relating to minority participation; a short title; legislative findings and public purpose; definitions relating to the Florida Regional Planning Council Act; regional planning councils, creation, and membership; regional planning councils, powers and duties; the Executive Office of the Governor, powers and duties; strategic regional policy plans; strategic regional policy plan adoption, consistency with state comprehensive plan; dispute resolution process; evaluation of strategic regional policy plan, changes in plan; designation of regional planning councils; reports; creation of regional planning councils under ch. 163, F.S.; the Florida Minority Business Loan Mobilization Program; black business investment corporations; the Black Business Loan Program; prohibited acts and penalties; eligibility for a loan, loan guarantee, or investment; and quarterly and annual reports, respectively; amending s. 20.60, F.S.; revising the purpose of the Department of Commerce; revising the responsibilities of the Division of Economic Development within the department; assigning responsibility to the division for the Office of Secure Florida within the department; specifying the responsibilities of the office; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; deleting a prohibition that the Department of Revenue may not issue temporary tax exemption certificates after a specified date; amending s. 215.559, F.S.; requiring the Division of Emergency Management to give funding priority to projects for the Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program in regional planning council regions as such regions existed on a specified date; amending s. 252.385, F.S.; requiring that the statewide emergency shelter plan identify the general location and square footage of special needs shelters by regional planning council regions, as such regions existed on a specified date, during the next 5 years; requiring that state funds be maximized and targeted to regional planning council regions as such regions existed on a specified date; amending s. 253.025, F.S.; providing an exemption for Federal Government agencies regarding land being reverted to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund if land conveyances are at less than the appraised value; amending s. 287.012, F.S.; revising the definition of the term

“minority business enterprise”; defining the term “related immediate family group”; amending s. 287.042, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 287.0931, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “minority person”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 287.09451, F.S.; revising legislative findings; renaming the Office of Supplier Diversity as the Office of Supplier Development; specifying that the purpose and duties of the office are to assist rural or urban business enterprises, rather than minority business enterprises; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; making technical changes; amending s. 287.0947, F.S.; renaming the Florida Advisory Council on Small and Minority Business Development as the Florida Advisory Council on Small, Rural, and Urban Business Development; revising the composition of the council’s membership; revising the council’s powers and duties; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 288.001, F.S.; revising the criteria for membership of the statewide advisory board of the Florida Small Business Development Center Network; amending s. 288.0065, F.S.; revising what information must be included in the department’s annual incentives report; amending s. 288.0656, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “rural community”; deleting the Florida Regional Planning Council Association as an agency that may sit on the Rural Economic Development Initiative; creating s. 288.06562, F.S.; creating the Rural Accelerator Program within the Department of Commerce; providing a purpose for the program; requiring the department to accept grant applications from certain communities; requiring the department to collaborate with the Florida Regional Economic Development Association to review grant applications; requiring that funds be distributed by the department for specified purposes; authorizing the department to reimburse recipients for specified costs through direct payment methods; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 288.1167, F.S.; revising the sports franchise contract provisions for food and beverage concession and contract awards; amending s. 288.12266, F.S.; revising the purpose of the Targeted Marketing Assistance Program to include businesses in rural or urban areas; amending s. 288.1229, F.S.; revising the representational criteria for the board of directors of the Florida Sports Foundation; amending s. 288.124, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation give preference to specified governments and groups seeking to attract minority conventions in this state; amending s. 288.7015, F.S.; revising the duties of the state’s rules ombudsman; amending s. 288.702, F.S.; renaming the Florida Small and Minority Business Assistance Act as the Florida Small Business Act; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 288.703, F.S.; defining, deleting, and revising terms; amending s. 288.705, F.S.; requiring that the Small Business Development Center, in coordination with Minority Business Development Centers, compile and distribute certain information to small businesses and businesses located in rural or urban areas, rather than to minority businesses; revising the information to be provided by the Small Business Development Center in its annual report to the Department of Commerce; amending s. 288.776, F.S.; deleting a membership requirement of the board of directors of the Florida Export Finance Corporation; creating s. 288.9628, F.S.; providing legislative findings; establishing the Research, Innovation, Science, and Engineering (RISE) Investment Tax Credit Program within the Department of Commerce; providing the purpose for the program; requiring the department to coordinate with the Florida Opportunity Fund and the State Board of Administration for a specified purpose; defining terms; requiring an applicant to apply to the department for authorization to claim tax credits; requiring the department to review and act upon such application within a specified timeframe; requiring the applicant to provide certain information required by the department; specifying the information that must be included in the application; requiring an applicant to update its application if there has been a material change; prohibiting tax credits from exceeding a specified amount in a fiscal year; prohibiting the department from issuing a tax credit to a qualifying private fund until the private fund demonstrates it has received its total capital commitment; prohibiting the department from authorizing more than a specified amount of tax credits to a qualifying private fund in a fiscal year; requiring a qualifying private fund to provide documentation to show that the qualifying investment meets the department’s requirements to issue a tax credit; providing that follow-on or add-on capital commitments may only be considered after the follow-on or add-on investment has been deployed; requiring a qualifying private fund to make a specified number of qualified investments in a specified number of qualifying portfolio projects to be eligible for a tax credit; specifying the information that must be included in the submission by a qualifying private fund; authorizing a qualifying private fund to receive tax credits

equivalent to a certain percentage of a qualifying investment in a qualifying portfolio company; requiring the department to authorize the Department of Revenue to issue tax credits to a qualifying private fund if certain requirements are met; prohibiting the Department of Revenue from issuing more than a specified fraction of the tax credits authorized for a qualifying investment in a qualifying portfolio company in a fiscal year; authorizing credits received to be applied against the qualifying private fund’s corporate income tax liability; authorizing a qualifying private fund to transfer or sell any portion of its tax credit; requiring such transfer or sale to take place within a specified timeframe, after which the credit expires; prohibiting such transfer or sale if the department authorizes the credit but the Department of Revenue has not yet issued such credit; authorizing the department to revoke or modify its previous decisions if it is discovered that the qualifying private fund submitted any false statement, representation, or certification in its application or if information in a previous application materially changes; requiring the department to notify the Department of Revenue of any such revocation or modification affecting previously granted tax credits; requiring the department of any change in its tax credit claimed; requiring that a qualifying private fund must annually report to the department for each investment within a specified timeframe in order to remain eligible to receive tax credits; providing that failure to do so will result in the qualifying private fund’s tax credit being revoked; requiring a qualifying private fund to submit specified information to the department in order to receive a tax credit; providing construction; requiring the department to include specified information in its annual incentives report beginning on a specified date and annually thereafter; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 290.0056, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 290.0057, F.S.; revising enterprise zone development plan requirements to include business investment corporations in rural or urban areas; amending s. 331.302, F.S.; providing that Space Florida is not an agency for purposes of its ability to bid and contract for certain professional and construction services under certain circumstances, and is therefore exempt from certain requirements; providing that monies received by the person under contract with Space Florida to provide certain goods and services are not state or local government funds; amending s. 331.351, F.S.; revising legislative intent that rural or urban business enterprises, rather than women, minorities, and socially and economically disadvantaged business enterprises, be encouraged to participate fully in specified development; amending s. 445.004, F.S.; deleting minority and gender representation as criteria for the Governor to consider when choosing the members of the state board of CareerSource Florida, Inc.; amending s. 445.007, F.S.; deleting minority and gender representation as a consideration when making appointments to the local workforce development boards or to any committees established by the local workforce development board; amending s. 445.08, F.S.; revising the minimum eligibility requirements for the Florida Law Enforcement Recruitment Bonus Payment Program for newly employed law enforcement officers; deleting an expiration date; amending s. 447.203, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “managerial employees”; authorizing local governments to enter into agreements to create regional planning entities; amending ss. 17.11, 68.082, 120.52, 120.525, 120.65, 163.3164, 163.3177, 163.3178, 163.3184, 163.3245, 163.568, 164.1031, 186.003, 186.006, 186.007, 186.008, 186.803, 187.201, 218.32, 255.101, 255.102, 258.501, 260.0142, 287.042, 287.055, 287.057, 287.0943, 288.7031, 288.975, 290.004, 320.08058, 320.63, 335.188, 339.155, 339.175, 339.285, 339.63, 339.64, 341.041, 343.54, 366.93, 369.303, 369.307, 373.309, 373.415, 377.703, 378.411, 380.031, 380.045, 380.05, 380.055, 380.06, 380.061, 380.07, 380.23, 380.507, 381.986, 403.031, 403.0752, 403.503, 403.50663, 403.507, 403.509, 403.5115, 403.5175, 403.518, 403.522, 403.5251, 403.526, 403.5271, 403.5272, 403.5363, 403.5365, 403.537, 403.704, 403.7225, 403.7226, 403.723, 403.9403, 403.941, 403.9422, 403.973, 408.033, 409.901, 420.609, 440.45, 473.3065, 501.171, 625.3255, 627.3511, 641.217, 657.042, 658.67, 947.02, 947.021, 1004.435, and 1013.30, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; revising and conforming cross-references; making technical changes; reenacting ss. 215.971(1)(h), 257.193(2), 288.0655(2)(b), and 627.6699(14)(d), relating to agreements funded with federal or state assistance, the Community Libraries in Caring Program, the Rural Infrastructure Fund, and the Employee Health Care Access Act, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 288.0656, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 288.0001(2)(b), F.S., relating to the Economic Development Programs Evaluation, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 288.1167 and 288.124, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 110.205(2)(w), F.S., relating to career service exemptions, to incorporate the amendment

made to s. 447.203, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 163.3162(2)(d) and 373.129(8), F.S., relating to agricultural lands and practices and maintenance of actions, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 164.1031, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 339.2819(1) and (3), F.S., relating to the Transportation Regional Incentive Program, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 339.155, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 380.0552(5) and (6), F.S., relating to the Florida Keys Area, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 380.045 and 380.05, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 403.5064(1)(a), F.S., relating to application schedules, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 403.507, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 403.5251(1)(a) and 403.5271(1)(d) and (f), F.S., relating to application schedules and alternate corridors, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 403.526, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 403.9421(5)(c), F.S., relating to fees and disposition, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 403.941, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Finance and Tax; the Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Gruters—

SB 1266—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; revising a public records exemption for documents that reveal certain information about the victim of a crime to include only public records that reveal such information; providing an exemption from public records requirements for any other personal identifying or location information that could be used to locate or harass a victim or the victim's family; deleting an exemption for information that reveals certain information about a victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery, or domestic violence upon written request of the victim; requiring that confidential information be released as needed in furtherance of any judicial proceeding; prohibiting such access from being denied to criminal defendants; prohibiting certain persons from revealing such confidential information to any outside party except under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; providing construction; 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.

Senate Bills 1268-1292—Not introduced.

SCR 1294—Previously introduced and adopted.

Senate Bills 1296-1468—Not introduced.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 1470—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school safety; amending s. 30.15, F.S.; requiring a sheriff to establish a school guardian program if a school board contracts for the use of security guards; providing that the security agency is responsible for training and screening costs; requiring a sheriff who conducts training for security guards or who waives certain training requirements for a person and makes a certain determination to issue a school security guard certificate; requiring the sheriff to maintain specified documentation; deleting an obsolete requirement for a sheriff to report information relating to school guardians to the Department of Law Enforcement; deleting an obsolete requirement for a school district, charter school, or private school to report information relating to a school guardian to the Department of Law Enforcement; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1001.212, F.S.; requiring the Office of Safe Schools to create and maintain a list of exceptions to school safety requirements under certain circumstances; deleting a requirement for the office to evaluate the methodology for the safe school allocation; requiring the office to partner with the Florida Association of School Safety Specialists to recommend a structure to provide training and

certification for school safety specialists; requiring the office to make specified recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; revising school safety requirements that must be followed by a school district or charter school governing board; defining the term “school supervision hours”; providing certain exceptions; amending s. 1006.12, F.S.; requiring that a person who serves as a school security guard be approved by the sheriff; providing that the sheriff's approval authorizes the school security guard to work at any school in the county; requiring the Office of Safe Schools to provide to the Department of Law Enforcement certain information relating to a school security guard; amending s. 1006.121, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “firearm detection canine”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By Senator Burgess—

SB 1472—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 30.15, F.S.; providing that certain information relating to school security guards held by the Department of Law Enforcement, a law enforcement agency, a school district, or a charter school is exempt from public records requirements; 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 Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

Senate Bills 1474-1616—Not introduced.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prekindergarten through grade 12 education; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; removing the Florida School for Competitive Academics from audit requirements; amending s. 216.251, F.S.; removing the Florida School for Competitive Academics from specified classification and pay plans; amending s. 447.203, F.S.; removing the Florida School for Competitive Academics from the definition of a public employer; amending s. 1000.04, F.S.; removing the Florida School for Competitive Academics from the components of Florida's Early Learning-20 education system; amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; removing the Florida School for Competitive Academics from the duties of the Office of Inspector General within the Department of Education; creating s. 1001.325, F.S.; prohibiting the expenditure of funds by public schools, charter schools, school districts, charter school administrators, or direct-support organizations to purchase membership in, or goods or services from, any organization that discriminates on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or religion; prohibiting the expenditure of funds by public schools, charter schools, school districts, charter school administrators, or direct-support organizations to promote, support, or maintain certain programs or activities; authorizing the use of student fees and school or district facilities by student-led organizations under certain circumstances; providing construction; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules; amending s. 1001.452, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring the Commissioner of Education to determine whether school districts have maximized efforts to include minority persons and persons of lower socioeconomic status on their school advisory councils; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; authorizing public schools to purchase or enter into arrangements for certain emergency opioid antagonists, rather than only for naloxone; requiring that district school board policies authorizing corporal punishment include a requirement that parental consent be provided before the administration of corporal punishment; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring a charter school to comply with statute relating to corporal punishment; repealing s. 1002.351, F.S., relating to the Florida School for Competitive Academics; amending s. 1002.394, F.S.; removing the Florida School for Competitive Academics from Family Empowerment Scholarship prohibitions; amending s. 1002.395, F.S.; removing the Florida School for Competitive Academics from Florida Tax Credit Scholarship prohibitions; amending s. 1002.68, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring the department to confer with the

Council for Early Grade Success before receiving a certain approval; amending s. 1002.71, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a student may withdraw from a prekindergarten program and reenroll in another program; amending s. 1002.945, F.S.; revising the criteria required for a child care facility, large family child care home, or family day care home to obtain and maintain a designation as a Gold Seal Quality Care provider; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; requiring that certain standards documents contain only academic standards and benchmarks; requiring the Commissioner of Education to revise currently approved standards documents and submit them to the state board by a specified date; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising required instruction on the principles of agriculture; requiring the department to collaborate with specified entities to develop associated standards and a curriculum; authorizing the department to contract with certain agricultural education organizations; amending s. 1003.4201, F.S.; authorizing the inclusion of intensive reading interventions in a school district comprehensive reading instruction plan; requiring that intensive reading interventions be delivered by instructional personnel who possess a micro-credential or are certified or endorsed in reading; requiring that such interventions incorporate certain strategies; requiring that instructional personnel with a micro-credential be supervised by an individual certified or endorsed in reading; defining the term “supervised”; authorizing the inclusion in the reading instruction plans of a description of how school districts prioritize the assignment of highly effective teachers; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; adding components to required instruction on financial literacy; amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; requiring the state board to identify national consortia to develop certain courses; authorizing the department to join or establish a national consortium as an additional alternative method to develop and implement advanced placement courses; repealing s. 1008.2125, F.S., relating to the Council for Early Grade Success; amending s. 1008.36, F.S.; specifying the recipients of school recognition bonus funds; amending s. 1008.365, F.S.; revising the types of tutoring hours that may be counted toward meeting the community service requirements for the Bright Futures Scholarship Program; repealing s. 1011.58, F.S., relating to legislative budget requests of the Florida School for Competitive Academics; repealing s. 1011.59, F.S., relating to funds for the Florida School for Competitive Academics; amending s. 1012.315, F.S.; revising educator certification and certain employment screening standards; making technical changes; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; authorizing individuals to demonstrate mastery of general knowledge, subject area knowledge, or professional preparation and education competence by providing a school district with documentation of a valid certificate issued by the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence; amending s. 1012.77, F.S.; conforming a provision to a change made by the act; specifying entities eligible to submit nominees for the Teacher of the Year and Ambassador for Education awards; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

Senate Bills 1620-1622—Not introduced.

By Senator Calatayud—

SB 1624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to higher education; amending s. 11.51, F.S.; authorizing the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to develop contracts or agreements with institutions in the State University System for a specified purpose; amending s. 251.001, F.S.; providing tuition assistance to active members of the Florida State Guard; amending s. 288.036, F.S.; revising the duties of the Office of Ocean Economy; amending s. 381.853, F.S.; specifying that the President of the University of Florida appoints the members of the scientific advisory council within the Florida Center for Brain Tumor Research; amending s. 413.407, F.S.; revising the qualifications for members of the Assistive Technology Advisory Council; increasing the maximum term length for such members; amending s. 446.032, F.S.; revising the date by which the Department of Education is required to publish an annual report on apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs; amending s. 446.041, F.S.; requiring the department to take into account underrepresented groups in administering the apprenticeship training program, rather than minority and gender diversity; amending s. 1000.05, F.S.; re-

naming the Florida Educational Equity Act as the “Florida Educational Equality Act”; changing the term “gender” to “sex”; requiring public schools and Florida College System institutions to develop and implement methods and strategies to increase participation of underrepresented students, rather than students with certain characteristics, in certain programs and courses; requiring the Commissioner of Education and the State Board of Education to utilize their authority to enforce compliance; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; renaming Hillsborough Community College as “Hillsborough State College”; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; deleting a requirement that state universities provide student access to certain information; amending s. 1001.7065, F.S.; revising academic standards for the preeminent state research university program to include a specified average Classic Learning Test score; amending s. 1004.0971, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “emergency opioid antagonist”; amending s. 1004.933, F.S.; authorizing an institution to enter into an agreement with an online provider for the adult education or career instruction portion of the Graduation Alternative to Traditional Education (GATE) Program; removing the age limit for enrollment in the program; clarifying that students are not required to enroll in adult secondary and career education coursework simultaneously; amending s. 1006.73, F.S.; revising reporting requirements relating to the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network; amending s. 1007.34, F.S.; expanding the scope of the college reach-out program to all low-income educationally disadvantaged and underrepresented students regardless of minority status; amending s. 1007.35, F.S.; revising legislative findings; renaming the Florida Partnership for Minority and Underrepresented Student Achievement as the “Florida Partnership for Underrepresented Student Achievement”; revising the purposes and duties of the partnership to focus on all underrepresented students regardless of minority status; revising duties of the partnership; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; defining the term “non-resident online student” for purposes of determining resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.23, F.S.; authorizing the Florida College System to allocate a portion of financial aid fees to assist underrepresented students, rather than students who are members of a targeted gender or ethnic minority population; amending s. 1009.24, F.S.; requiring that the out-of-state fee for nonresident online students at state universities be based on market rates and exceed the university’s current out-of-state fee; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; repealing a specified fee waiver; amending s. 1009.536, F.S.; clarifying the required minimum cumulative weighted grade point average for the Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award; authorizing students to apply for a Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award within a specified timeframe before or after completing the GATE Program; amending s. 1009.897, F.S.; requiring institutions receiving funds through the Prepping Institutions, Programs, Employers, and Learners through Incentives for Nursing Education Fund to allocate funding to health care-related programs; amending s. 1011.804, F.S.; authorizing certain institutions to apply for and use grant funds under the GATE Startup Grant Program for specified purposes; amending s. 1013.46, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to set asides for construction contracts with minority business enterprises; amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education Postsecondary; the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and the Committee on Fiscal Policy.

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources—

SB 7000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 379.1026, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for site-specific location information for endangered and threatened species; 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 Environment and Natural Resources—

SB 7002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water management districts; amending s. 112.3261, F.S.; defining the term “expenditure”; requiring the Commission on Ethics to investigate a lobbyist or principal who has made a prohibited expenditure and to provide the Gov-

error with a report of its findings and recommendations regarding such investigation; prohibiting certain persons from making or accepting expenditures; amending s. 373.079, F.S.; requiring a quorum for the conduct of official business by the governing board of a water management district; providing requirements for a quorum; requiring an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the governing board before any action may be taken by the board; amending s. 373.470, F.S.; requiring the South Florida Water Management District, in cooperation with the Department of Environmental Protection, to provide a detailed report that includes the total estimated remaining cost of implementation of the Everglades restoration comprehensive plan and the status of all performance indicators; requiring the subdivision of the project components into specified categories based on the project's status; requiring the integrated delivery schedule to be developed using estimates of actual state funding levels and other constraints; prohibiting certain recommendations; amending s. 373.501, F.S.; prohibiting a water management district from using state funds for a specified purpose; amending s. 373.503, F.S.; authorizing the districts to levy ad valorem taxes on property by resolution adopted by a majority vote of the governing board; authorizing the districts to levy certain ad valorem taxes on specified property; defining the term "capital improvement projects"; requiring a governing board levying ad valorem taxes for certain projects to adopt a resolution approved by a majority vote of the voting electors in the district or basin; providing requirements for such resolution; prohibiting a governing board from levying millage beyond a certain date; providing requirements for such millage; requiring that such resolution take effect on a specified date; providing construction for such referenda; providing requirements for the maximum total millage rate for all purposes; providing that the apportionment in the South Florida Water Management District excludes certain millage; reenacting and amending s. 373.535, F.S.; requiring that the preliminary budget for each water management district include a section that contains the district's capital improvement plan for the current fiscal year and the next fiscal year; requiring that the section contain specified information; requiring the South Florida Water Management District to include a section in its preliminary budget for all projects within the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan; requiring that the section contain specified information; providing that the South Florida Water Management District may only incorporate state revenues up to a specified amount when estimating expenditures for the next fiscal year; providing an exception; amending s. 373.536, F.S.; authorizing the Legislative Budget Commission to reject certain district budget proposals; providing an exception; requiring the South Florida Water Management District to include in its budget document certain sections that incorporate the actual amount of state revenues appropriated for the fiscal year; requiring a water management district's tentative budget for its proposed operations and funding requirements to include the district's capital improvement plan for the current year and the next fiscal year; amending s. 373.6075, F.S.; requiring a water management district to give preference to certain bids, proposals, or replies for the design, engineering, or construction of capital improvement projects in excess of a specified amount; providing the purpose for the 10-year construction bond or comparable financial assurance mechanism; providing requirements for the competitive selection process; amending s. 380.093, F.S.; requiring that certain projects submitted by water management districts to the department for the Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan be ranked on a separate list; providing applicability; requiring that each project included in such plan have a certain percent cost share unless the project was submitted by a water management district; specifying the composition of the total amount of funding for such plan; requiring specified financing for projects submitted by a water management district for such plan; restricting funding available to water management districts; authorizing the department to issue certain loans by specified means to finance projects submitted by a water management district; authorizing the district to borrow certain funds and pledge certain revenues to repay such funds; providing for the repayment of such loan; providing a penalty; prohibiting the department from issuing additional loans or grants to a water management district that defaults under the terms of its loan until the default is remedied; requiring the department to adopt rules necessary to administer the revolving loan program to finance projects submitted by water management districts; amending s. 380.0935, F.S.; requiring the department to create and maintain a separate account in the Resilient Florida Trust Fund for certain funds received to administer the revolving loan program for certain projects submitted by water management districts within the Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan; requiring that all repayments

be returned to the revolving loan program and made available for the eligible projects in the plan; providing that funds appropriated for the loan program are not subject to reversion; amending s. 380.095, F.S.; requiring that a specified amount of funds deposited into the Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund be distributed to the Resilient Florida Trust Fund for the revolving loan program for specified uses; providing appropriations; reenacting s. 373.0697, F.S., relating to basin taxes, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 373.503, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting s. 373.026(8)(d), F.S., relating to general powers and duties of the Department of Environmental Protection, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 373.536, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Appropriations.

By the Committee on Community Affairs—

SB 7004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 119.071, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for property photographs and personal identifying information of applicants for or participants in certain federal, state, or local housing assistance programs; deleting 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 Regulated Industries—

SB 7006—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; expanding an exemption from public records requirements for certain components of 911, E911, and public safety radio communication systems to include NG911 systems; extending the date for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; amending s. 286.0113, F.S.; expanding an exemption from public meetings requirements for certain portions of meetings that would reveal certain components of 911, E911, and public safety radio communication systems to include NG911 systems; extending the date 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.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Garcia—

CS for SB 48—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative judicial procedures; amending s. 45.031, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, that specified sales procedures be followed for certain sales of real or personal property unless a court orders the use of other sales procedures; revising the timeframe during which the court directs the clerk to sell property at a public sale; specifying that if objections are not filed within a specified timeframe after a certain report is filed, disbursements stand as reported; requiring that a hearing be held if specified objections are timely filed; creating s. 45.0311, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose; requiring parties that want to use an alternative sales procedure to file a motion with the court where the action is pending; providing requirements for such motion; requiring that alternative sales procedures meet specified minimum requirements; requiring that certain funds be placed in an escrow or trust account if not held by the clerk of the court; specifying that such funds, if held by the clerk, are subject to a certain service charge and may not be waived by a court; requiring that the person who conducts the sale promptly file a certain certificate of sale and serve a copy of such certificate on all parties involved; requiring that objections to the sale be filed within a specified timeframe; requiring a court to hold a hearing on such objections; requiring the filing of a additional certificates within certain timeframes in specified circumstances; providing

the procedures for selecting a backup bidder if the original winning bidder fails to make the final payment before the sale closing date; requiring the person conducting the sale to file a certain notice; requiring the clerk to file such certificate of title and serve copies to all parties involved; providing that when certificates of title are filed, the sale stands confirmed and title passes to the purchaser without additional proceedings or instruments; requiring the clerk to record the certificate of title; providing that certain persons are authorized to disburse sale proceeds as authorized by a court order, but surplus funds must be deposited with the clerk together with court fees; providing applicability; creating s. 45.0312, F.S.; authorizing persons to serve as auctioneers or in other roles, under specified conditions; providing qualifications for such persons; authorizing persons to serve as escrow agents under specified conditions; providing qualifications for such person; defining the term “relative”; specifying what constitutes independence; authorizing civil actions under specified conditions; providing criminal penalties for persons who intentionally violate specified provisions or certain court orders; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and Senators Garcia and Leek—

CS for SB 56—A bill to be entitled An act relating to geoengineering and weather modification activities; repealing ss. 403.281, 403.291, 403.301, 403.311, 403.321, 403.331, 403.341, 403.351, 403.361, 403.371, 403.381, 403.391, and 403.401, F.S., relating to the definitions, purpose, licensing requirements, applications, proof of financial responsibility requirements, license issuance and discipline provisions, publication of notice of intention to operate requirements, required contents of the notice of intention, publication of the notice of intention requirements, proof of publication requirements, record and reports of operations requirements, provision of emergency licenses, and suspension or revocation of licenses, respectively, of the weather modification law; amending s. 403.411, F.S.; prohibiting certain acts intended to affect the temperature, the weather, or the intensity of sunlight within the atmosphere of this state; increasing civil penalties for violations of the geoengineering and weather modification law; requiring that specified moneys be deposited in the Air Pollution Control Trust Fund and used only for specified purposes; authorizing a person who observes a geoengineering or weather modification activity to report such activity; providing construction; authorizing the department to refer reports of such observations to the Department of Health or the Division of Emergency Management; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending ss. 253.002, 373.026, 373.1501, 373.4598, and 373.470, F.S.; conforming cross-references and provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and Senator Rodriguez—

CS for SB 62—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resilient buildings; creating s. 220.197, F.S.; defining the term “resilient building”; specifying that owners of resilient buildings are eligible to receive a specified tax credit; specifying that a resilient building may qualify for such tax credit only once; requiring building owners to file a specified application with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation by a specified date in order to claim such tax credit; authorizing the department to accept such applications electronically; specifying requirements for such applications; authorizing the department to disclose certain data that meets specified requirements; authorizing the department to publish certain data; requiring the department to take certain actions; requiring a building owner to attach a specified letter to certain tax returns; providing that a building owner may file only one application with the department; providing exceptions; specifying the amounts of the tax credit; authorizing a building owner to carry forward the unused amount of a tax credit to a subsequent tax year; authorizing the transfer of all or part of the tax credits under certain conditions; requiring the department to rescind eligibility for the tax credit under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Revenue and the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt rules; creating s. 553.972, F.S.; creating the Florida Resilient Building Advisory Council adjunct to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing the purpose of the advisory council; requiring the department to post certain policies on its website; providing for the duties, membership, and meetings of the advisory council; requiring the

department to provide the advisory council with staffing and administrative assistance; providing for expiration of the advisory council; amending ss. 213.053, 220.02, and 220.13, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and Senators Harrell, Bradley, Smith, Gaetz, and Davis—

CS for SB 80—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state land management; providing a short title; amending s. 253.034, F.S.; requiring public hearings for all updated conservation and nonconservation land management plans; requiring the Division of State Lands of the Department of Environmental Protection to make available to the public, within a specified timeframe, electronic copies of land management plans for parcels of a certain size and for parcels located in state parks; making technical changes; amending s. 258.004, F.S.; revising the duties of the Division of Recreation and Parks of the Department of Environmental Protection; specifying requirements for the management of parks and recreational areas held by the state; defining the term “conservation-based public outdoor recreational uses”; making technical changes; amending s. 258.007, F.S.; requiring the division to comply with specified provisions when granting certain privileges, leases, concessions, and permits; authorizing the division to acquire, install, or permit the installation or operation at state parks of camping cabins that meet certain requirements; prohibiting the division from authorizing certain uses or construction activities within a state park; prohibiting the division from installing or permitting the installation of any lodging establishment at a state park; amending s. 259.032, F.S.; requiring that individual management plans for parcels located within state parks be developed and updated with input from an advisory group; requiring that the advisory group’s required public hearings be noticed to the public within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; specifying requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Wright—

CS for SB 88—A bill to be entitled An act relating to utility terrain vehicles; creating s. 316.21275, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a utility terrain vehicle (UTV) to be operated during all hours; authorizing the operation of UTVs on certain roadways; authorizing the operation of UTVs on certain parts of the State Highway System; authorizing the Department of Transportation to prohibit the use of UTVs under certain circumstances; authorizing persons possessing certain licenses to operate a UTV; requiring owners or operators of a UTV to comply with certain requirements and regulations; authorizing a county or municipality to restrict the operation of UTVs under certain circumstances; providing civil penalties; amending s. 320.0847, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue a license plate to the owner or lessee of a vehicle registered as a UTV upon payment of certain taxes and fees; requiring that license plates for UTVs comply with specified provisions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; and Senator Gaetz—

CS for SB 102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exceptional student education; creating s. 1003.5717, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to develop and implement, by a specified date, a workforce credential program for students with an autism spectrum disorder or students on a modified curriculum; providing the purpose of the program; providing requirements for the program; requiring the department to produce an annual report during a specified timeframe; providing requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; and Senator Harrell—

CS for SB 112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children with developmental disabilities; amending s. 381.9855, F.S.; revising the scope of the Dr. and Mrs. Alfonse and Kathleen Cinotti Health Care Screening and Services Grant Program to allow grant funds to be used for screenings, referrals for treatment, and related services for autism; amending s. 391.302, F.S.; revising applicability of definitions to conform to changes made by the act; defining the term “department”; amending s. 391.308, F.S.; revising requirements for the annual grant

application submitted by the Department of Health for the Early Steps Program to conform to changes made by the act; creating s. 391.3081, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing a purpose for the Early Steps Extended Option; defining the term “child”; requiring the department to seek federal approval for the Early Steps Extended Option; requiring the department, jointly with the Department of Education, to develop or amend any rule, policy, procedure, written agreement, or contract necessary to implement the Early Steps Extended Option; requiring the department to seek additional federal grant funds for implementation of the Early Steps Extended Option; authorizing the department to implement the Early Steps Extended Option regardless of certain federal funding; requiring local program offices of the Early Steps Program to include certain steps for transition in the individualized family support plan for each child served by the Early Steps Extended Option; specifying eligibility criteria for a child’s enrollment in the Early Steps Extended Option; providing that a child becomes ineligible to reenter the Early Steps Extended Option upon exiting; requiring local school districts, in conjunction with local program offices, to notify a child’s parent or legal guardian of his or her rights under certain circumstances; requiring local program offices to take specified steps for transitioning children out of the Early Steps Extended Option within a specified timeframe before they age out; requiring local program offices, in conjunction with local school districts, to modify or develop, as applicable, individual education plans with specified elements for such children; requiring local program offices and local school districts to provide specified written information to a child’s parent or legal guardian if the child is determined ineligible for school district program services; requiring the department to include a performance assessment of the Early Steps Extended Option in a specified annual report; specifying requirements for such assessment; creating s. 1003.5711, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; requiring the University of Florida Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment to oversee certain grants; requiring the center to develop guidelines for grant administration; providing eligibility requirements for grant applicants; providing that grants may be used for specified purposes; authorizing the center to prioritize grant allocations for specified purposes; requiring grant recipients to submit a specified report; creating s. 1003.5712, F.S.; providing legislative findings and purpose; requiring the University of Florida Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment to fund specialized summer programs for children with autism spectrum disorder; requiring the center to publish guidelines for grant applications; requiring the center to provide technical assistance to grant applicants and recipients; providing eligibility requirements for the specialized summer programs; authorizing the center to set maximum grant amounts; requiring grant recipients to submit a report to the center within a specified timeframe; creating s. 1004.551, F.S.; creating the University of Florida Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment; providing duties of the center; requiring the center to develop an autism micro-credential; providing requirements for the micro-credential; providing a stipend as determined in the General Appropriations Act; requiring the center to administer stipends; requiring the center to publish on its website an annual report; prohibiting the host state university from charging certain fees to the center; amending s. 1012.582, F.S.; requiring the Commissioner of Education to review specified curricula by a specified date; requiring the commissioner to report findings and recommendations to the Legislature; amending s. 1012.585, F.S.; revising the process for the renewal of professional certificates to include training in the knowledge and skills required to support students with autism; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Wright—

CS for SB 138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving and boating offenses; providing a short title; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; prohibiting a person from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of any intoxicating substance; providing enhanced criminal penalties for violation of driving under the influence if the person has a prior conviction for a violation of specified provisions; amending s. 316.1932, F.S.; requiring that a person be told that his or her failure to submit to a lawful test of breath or urine is a second degree misdemeanor or a first degree misdemeanor under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.1939, F.S.; classifying a person’s refusal to submit to a chemical or physical test of breath or urine as a second degree misdemeanor or a first degree misdemeanor under certain circumstances; creating s. 316.19395, F.S.; authorizing judicial circuits to create driving under the influence diversion programs; pro-

viding requirements for such diversion programs; providing that a person who successfully completes a diversion program is ineligible for participation in such a program in the future; amending s. 316.656, F.S.; prohibiting a court from suspending, deferring, or withholding adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence for a specified violation; amending s. 322.34, F.S.; providing penalties for specified violations of driving while a license or driving privilege is canceled, suspended, or revoked or under suspension or revocation equivalent status; amending s. 327.35, F.S.; prohibiting a person from operating a vessel while under the influence of any intoxicating substance; amending s. 933.02, F.S.; permitting the issuance of a search warrant when a sample of blood of a person constitutes evidence relevant to proving specified crimes; amending s. 782.071, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for a violation of vehicular homicide if the person has a prior conviction for a violation of specified provisions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Gaetz and Arington—

CS for SB 150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abandoning restrained animals during natural disasters; providing a short title; amending s. 828.13, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the abandonment of an animal that is restrained outside during a natural disaster; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senators Gruters and Boyd—

CS for SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public accountancy; amending s. 473.301, F.S.; making a technical change regarding the purpose of ch. 473, F.S.; amending s. 473.302, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term “Uniform Accountancy Act”; amending s. 473.3035, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Accountancy to contract with certain corporations not for profit for the performance of certain duties assigned to the Division of Certified Public Accounting of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 473.306, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; making a technical change; amending s. 473.308, F.S.; revising the education and work experience requirements for a certified public accountant license; directing the board to prescribe specified coursework for licensure; revising requirements for licensure by endorsement; revising requirements for licensure of international applicants; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 473.312, F.S.; revising requirements for the approval of providers who administer continuing education on ethics for certified public accountants; requiring the board to give preference to certain providers; amending s. 473.3141, F.S.; revising requirements for certified public accountants licensed in another state or a territory of the United States to practice in this state without obtaining a license; reenacting s. 473.311(1)(b), F.S., relating to renewal of license, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 473.312, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and Senator Rodriguez—

CS for SB 164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel accountability; amending s. 327.02, F.S.; deleting the term “owner”; defining the term “vessel owner”; reenacting and amending s. 327.4107, F.S.; providing a penalty for a person anchoring, mooring, or allowing certain vessels to occupy the waters of this state if an officer of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or a law enforcement agency finds that specified conditions exist; revising the manner and timeframe for vessel owners or operators to demonstrate a vessel’s effective means of propulsion for safe navigation; deleting provisions providing a penalty for a person who anchors or moors certain vessels on the waters of this state; creating s. 327.4111, F.S.; defining the term “long-term anchoring”; requiring the commission to issue, at no cost, a permit for the long-term anchoring of a vessel which includes specified information; providing construction; providing a penalty for long-term anchoring without a permit; providing applicability; providing that a permit is not required under certain circumstances; requiring the commission to use

an electronic application and permitting system; clarifying that certain provisions do not supersede any other anchoring limitations established pursuant to law; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; amending s. 327.70, F.S.; authorizing the enforcement of certain noncriminal violations by citation mailed or issued to the owner of certain vessels; amending s. 327.73, F.S.; requiring that a vessel subject to a specified number of violations within a 24-month period which result in certain dispositions be declared a public nuisance; providing that failure to appear at a hearing or failure to pay civil penalties constitutes a certain disposition; providing penalties related to long-term anchoring; requiring that a vessel subject to a specified number of violations relating to long-term anchoring within a 24-month period which result in certain dispositions be declared a public nuisance; providing that failure to appear at a hearing or failure to pay a certain civil penalty constitutes a disposition other than acquittal or dismissal; providing an exception; authorizing certain persons to relocate, remove, or cause to be relocated or removed certain vessels; requiring that certain persons be held harmless for all damages to a vessel resulting from such relocation or removal; providing exceptions; amending s. 705.103, F.S.; revising the notice placed upon a derelict vessel declared a public nuisance which is present upon the waters of this state; deleting a provision specifying that a party responsible for a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance has the right to a certain hearing; deleting provisions assigning liability to a party deemed legally responsible for a derelict vessel or vessel declared a public nuisance; deleting provisions allowing a law enforcement officer or a representative of a law enforcement agency or other governmental entity to notify a party deemed legally responsible for a derelict vessel or a vessel declared a public nuisance of the final disposition of the derelict vessel; reenacting and amending s. 823.11, F.S.; prohibiting a vessel owner from leaving a derelict vessel upon the waters of this state; deleting provisions related to a party responsible for a derelict vessel; providing prima facie evidence of ownership or control of a derelict vessel left upon the waters of this state; providing a means of exonerating an owner of a vessel or derelict vessel of responsibility if such owner attempts to transfer ownership or control of such vessel; providing that the owner of a derelict vessel is exclusively responsible for all costs associated with the relocation, removal, storage, destruction, or disposal of the derelict vessel; authorizing the commission to use grant funds allocated for the removal, storage, destruction, and disposal of derelict vessels from the waters of this state for the derelict vessel prevention program; providing penalties; prohibiting a person from dwelling or residing on a derelict vessel; providing penalties; authorizing law enforcement officers to enforce such provisions; authorizing a person to reside on a vessel if the vessel is in a state or condition that is no longer derelict; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; reenacting ss. 327.04 and 327.4108(6)(d), F.S., relating to rules and the anchoring of vessels in anchoring limitation areas, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 832.11, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 327.54(3)(d), F.S., relating to liveries, safety regulations, and penalties, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 327.4107 and 823.11, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 705.101(1), F.S., relating to definitions, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 327.73, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 705.104(1) and 713.585(8), F.S., relating to the title to lost or abandoned property and the enforcement of a lien by sale of motor vehicle, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 705.103, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Gaetz—

CS for SB 184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to affordable housing; amending s. 163.31771, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, a local government to adopt an ordinance to allow accessory dwelling units in certain areas; prohibiting such an ordinance from increasing parking requirements; prohibiting such an ordinance from including a specified requirement; providing applicability of such an ordinance; prohibiting the denial of a homestead exemption for certain portions of property on a specified basis; requiring that a rented accessory dwelling unit be assessed separately from the homestead property; amending s. 420.615, F.S.; authorizing a local government to provide a density bonus incentive to landowners who make certain real property donations to assist in the provision of affordable housing for

military families; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to evaluate the efficacy of using mezzanine finance and the potential of tiny homes for specified purposes; requiring the office to consult with certain entities; requiring the office to submit a certain report to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Arrington—

CS for SB 218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax exemption for disabled ex-servicemembers; amending s. 196.24, F.S.; increasing the value of a tax exemption for certain disabled servicemembers; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Berman—

CS for SB 262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trusts; amending s. 736.04117, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “authorized trustee”; revising how an authorized trustee may exercise the power to invade principal as an authorized trustee administering a trust; providing that notice of such exercise by an authorized trustee is not a trust disclosure document; providing that a trust disclosure document may not commence a limitations period unless such trust disclosure document is provided after the effective date of the exercise of the power to invade principal by an authorized trustee; providing applicability; amending s. 736.08125, F.S.; providing an exception with regard to protection of successor trustees; creating s. 736.10085, F.S.; barring certain actions initiated by specified parties against prior trustees; creating s. 736.1110, F.S.; providing that property devised to or from a revocable trust which is devised, given, or distributed to a donee by a settlor during the settlor’s lifetime is treated as a satisfaction of devise to that donee if certain criteria are met; providing that property distributed or given to a devisee during a settlor’s lifetime is to be valued at the time the devisee came into possession or enjoyment of the property, or at the time of the death of the settlor, whichever occurs first; providing applicability; amending s. 736.1502, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms “community property” and “community property trust”; amending s. 736.151, F.S.; providing that homestead property transferred by one or both settlor spouses to a community property trust will not be treated as a change of ownership for the purposes of reassessing the property; providing that such transfer qualifies as a change or transfer of legal or equitable title between spouses; providing construction and retroactive application; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Senators Jones and Brodeur—

CS for SB 268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; defining terms; providing exemptions from public records requirements for the partial home addresses and telephone numbers of current public officers, their spouses, and their adult children and the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, and dates of birth of, and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by, the minor children of such officers; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing methods for maintenance of an exemption; providing for retroactive application of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education Postsecondary; and Senator Burgess—

CS for SB 270—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for a student who earns a high school diploma from a non-Florida school under certain circumstances; amending s. 1009.534, F.S.; revising student eligibility requirements for the Florida Academic Scholars award to include earning an Advanced Placement Capstone designation from the College Board; providing requirements for the designation; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Ethics and Elections; and Senators Arrington and Collins—

CS for SB 280—A bill to be entitled An act relating to candidate qualification; creating s. 99.013, F.S.; providing eligibility requirements for persons seeking to qualify for nomination as candidates of a political party or as candidates with no party affiliation; providing that certain entities may bring an action for declaratory and injunctive relief based on a certain claim; prohibiting a person from qualifying as a candidate for election and prohibiting his or her name from appearing on the ballot under certain circumstances; amending s. 99.021, F.S.; specifying that a person seeking to qualify for office as a candidate must be a registered member of a political party, or registered without any party affiliation, for 365 consecutive days preceding the beginning of qualifying for an election; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Rodriguez—

CS for SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property rights; amending s. 82.036, F.S.; specifying a requirement for a complaint to remove an unauthorized person from residential property; correcting a cross-reference in the complaint; creating s. 82.037, F.S.; authorizing a property owner or his or her authorized agent to request the sheriff in the county in which the owner's commercial real property is located to immediately remove persons unlawfully occupying the owner's commercial real property if specified conditions are met; requiring such owners or agents to submit a specified completed and verified complaint; specifying requirements for the complaint; specifying requirements for the sheriff upon receipt of the complaint; authorizing the sheriff to arrest an unauthorized person for legal cause; providing that sheriffs are entitled to a specified fee for service of the notice to vacate immediately; authorizing the owner or agent to request that the sheriff stand by while the owner or agent takes possession of the commercial real property; authorizing the sheriff to charge a reasonable hourly rate; providing that the sheriff is not liable to any party for loss, destruction, or damage to certain personal property; providing that the property owner or agent is not liable to any party for the loss or destruction of, or damage to, personal property unless it was wrongfully removed; providing civil remedies; providing construction; amending s. 806.13, F.S.; prohibiting unlawfully detaining or occupying or trespassing upon commercial real property and intentionally causing a specified amount of damage; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 817.0311, F.S.; prohibiting listing or advertising for sale, or renting or leasing, real property under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 775.0837(1)(c) and 895.02(8)(a), F.S., relating to habitual misdemeanor offenders and definitions, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 806.13 and 817.0311, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Rodriguez—

CS for SB 344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991; amending s. 427.702, F.S.; revising the legislative findings, purpose, and intent of the Telecommunications Access System Act of 1991; amending s. 427.703, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 427.704, F.S.; revising the powers and duties of the Florida Public Service Commission in overseeing the administration of the telecommunications access system; amending s. 427.705, F.S.; revising the duties of the system's administrator; revising the procedures required for the distribution of specialized telecommunications devices; requiring the administrator to assume responsibility for the distribution of specialized communications technologies; amending s. 427.706, F.S.; revising the composition of the advisory committee appointed to assist the commission with implementing the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Ethics and Elections; and Senators Gaetz and Collins—

CS for SB 348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; creating s. 112.3131, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting candidates, elected public officers, appointed public officers, and public employees from knowingly misrepresenting their Armed Forces of the United States service records, awards, or qualifications or wearing any uniform, medal, or insignia that they are not authorized to wear; providing applicability;

providing civil penalties; providing construction; amending s. 112.317, F.S.; specifying when certain penalties imposed by the Commission on Ethics are considered delinquent; requiring the Attorney General to attempt to determine whether an individual owing certain penalties is a current public officer or public employee; requiring the Attorney General to notify the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body of a county, municipality, school district, or special district of the total amount of any such penalty owed by a current public officer or public employee; requiring the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to begin withholding portions of any salary-related payment that would otherwise be paid to the officer or employee; requiring that the withheld payments be remitted to the commission until the penalty is satisfied; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer or the governing body to retain a portion of each retained payment for administrative costs; authorizing the Attorney General to refer certain unpaid fines to a collection agency; authorizing the collection agency to use any lawful collection method; authorizing the Attorney General to collect an unpaid fine within a specified period after issuance of the civil penalty or restitution penalty; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Burton—

CS for SB 384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to annexing state-owned lands; amending s. 171.0413, F.S.; requiring a municipality proposing to annex state-owned lands to notify each member of the legislative delegation of the county at a certain time; reenacting ss. 101.6102(5) and 171.042, F.S., relating to mail ballot elections and limitations and prerequisites to annexation, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 171.0413, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

REFERENCE CHANGES PURSUANT TO RULE 4.7(2)

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Garcia—

CS for SB 48—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative judicial procedures; amending s. 45.031, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, that specified sales procedures be followed for certain sales of real or personal property unless a court orders the use of other sales procedures; revising the timeframe during which the court directs the clerk to sell property at a public sale; specifying that if objections are not filed within a specified timeframe after a certain report is filed, disbursements stand as reported; requiring that a hearing be held if specified objections are timely filed; creating s. 45.0311, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose; requiring parties that want to use an alternative sales procedure to file a motion with the court where the action is pending; providing requirements for such motion; requiring that alternative sales procedures meet specified minimum requirements; requiring that certain funds be placed in an escrow or trust account if not held by the clerk of the court; specifying that such funds, if held by the clerk, are subject to a certain service charge and may not be waived by a court; requiring that the person who conducts the sale promptly file a certain certificate of sale and serve a copy of such certificate on all parties involved; requiring that objections to the sale be filed within a specified timeframe; requiring a court to hold a hearing on such objections; requiring the filing of a additional certificates within certain timeframes in specified circumstances; providing the procedures for selecting a backup bidder if the original winning bidder fails to make the final payment before the sale closing date; requiring the person conducting the sale to file a certain notice; requiring the clerk to file such certificate of title and serve copies to all parties involved; providing that when certificates of title are filed, the sale stands confirmed and title passes to the purchaser without additional proceedings or instruments; requiring the clerk to record the certificate of title; providing that certain persons are authorized to disburse sale proceeds as authorized by a court order, but surplus funds must be deposited with the clerk together with court fees; providing applicability; creating s. 45.0312, F.S.; authorizing persons to serve as auctioneers or in other roles, under specified conditions; providing qualifications for such persons; authorizing persons to serve as escrow agents under specified conditions; providing qualifications for such person; defining the term "relative"; specifying what constitutes independence; authorizing civil actions under specified conditions; providing criminal penalties for persons who intentionally violate specified provisions or certain court orders; providing an effective date.

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

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and Senators Garcia and Leek—

CS for SB 56—A bill to be entitled An act relating to geoengineering and weather modification activities; repealing ss. 403.281, 403.291, 403.301, 403.311, 403.321, 403.331, 403.341, 403.351, 403.361, 403.371, 403.381, 403.391, and 403.401, F.S., relating to the definitions, purpose, licensing requirements, applications, proof of financial responsibility requirements, license issuance and discipline provisions, publication of notice of intention to operate requirements, required contents of the notice of intention, publication of the notice of intention requirements, proof of publication requirements, record and reports of operations requirements, provision of emergency licenses, and suspension or revocation of licenses, respectively, of the weather modification law; amending s. 403.411, F.S.; prohibiting certain acts intended to affect the temperature, the weather, or the intensity of sunlight within the atmosphere of this state; increasing civil penalties for violations of the geoengineering and weather modification law; requiring that specified moneys be deposited in the Air Pollution Control Trust Fund and used only for specified purposes; authorizing a person who observes a geoengineering or weather modification activity to report such activity; providing construction; authorizing the department to refer reports of such observations to the Department of Health or the Division of Emergency Management; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending ss. 253.002, 373.026, 373.1501, 373.4598, and 373.470, F.S.; conforming cross-references and provisions to changes made by the act; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and the Committee on Rules.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Rodriguez—

CS for SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property rights; amending s. 82.036, F.S.; specifying a requirement for a complaint to remove an unauthorized person from residential property; correcting a cross-reference in the complaint; creating s. 82.037, F.S.; authorizing a property owner or his or her authorized agent to request the sheriff in the county in which the owner's commercial real property is located to immediately remove persons unlawfully occupying the owner's commercial real property if specified conditions are met; requiring such owners or agents to submit a specified completed and verified complaint; specifying requirements for the complaint; specifying requirements for the sheriff upon receipt of the complaint; authorizing the sheriff to arrest an unauthorized person for legal cause; providing that sheriffs are entitled to a specified fee for service of the notice to vacate immediately; authorizing the owner or agent to request that the sheriff stand by while the owner or agent takes possession of the commercial real property; authorizing the sheriff to charge a reasonable hourly rate; providing that the sheriff is not liable to any party for loss, destruction, or damage to certain personal property; providing that the property owner or agent is not liable to any party for the loss or destruction of, or damage to, personal property unless it was wrongfully removed; providing civil remedies; providing construction; amending s. 806.13, F.S.; prohibiting unlawfully detaining or occupying or trespassing upon commercial real property and intentionally causing a specified amount of damage; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 817.0311, F.S.; prohibiting listing or advertising for sale, or renting or leasing, real property under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 775.0837(1)(c) and 895.02(8)(a), F.S., relating to habitual misdemeanor offenders and definitions, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 806.13 and 817.0311, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

VETOED BILLS 2024 REGULAR SESSION

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
R.A. Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

June 25, 2024

Dear Secretary Byrd:

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 Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 62 (CS/SB 62), enacted during the 126th Session of the Legislature of Florida during the Regular Session 2024 and entitled:

An act relating to Resident Status for Tuition Purposes

Florida's higher education system has ranked #1 in the country for nearly a decade, in part due to the state's investment in our institutions over that same period. We should not reward criminal activity by providing inmates with the same benefits as law-abiding citizens.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of CS/SB 62 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399

June 27, 2024

Dear Secretary Byrd:

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 Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 280 (CS/SB 280), enacted during the 126th Session of the Legislature of Florida during the Regular Session 2024 and entitled:

An act relating to Vacation Rentals

Beyond creating new bureaucratic red tape that locals must comply with, CS/SB 280 prevents local governments from enforcing existing ordinances or passing any new local measure which would exclusively apply to vacation rentals. Under the bill, any such measure must apply to all residential properties. The effect of this provision will prevent virtually all local regulation of vacation rentals even though the vacation rental markets are far from uniform across the various regions of the state.

Going forward, I encourage the Florida Legislature and all key stakeholders to work together, with the understanding that vacation rentals should not be approached as a one-size-fits-all issue.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of CS/SB 280 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
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June 21, 2024

Dear Secretary Byrd:

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 Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 494 (CS/CS/SB 494), enacted during the 126th Session of the Legislature of Florida during the Regular Session 2024 and entitled:

An act relating to Graduate Program Admissions

Standardized tests are a necessary component of a rigorous, merit-based admissions process. While the motivation behind this legislation is laudable, it is not clear that waiving these tests will be beneficial to our institutions or even, in many cases, to the students themselves.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of CS/CS/SB 494 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399

June 26, 2024

Dear Secretary Byrd:

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 1078 (SB 1078), enacted during the 126th Session of the Legislature of Florida during the Regular Session 2024 and entitled:

An act relating to Public Records

SB 1078 exempts the cellular telephone number of all insurance agents; agencies; adjusters, including public adjusters; service representatives; amongst other licensees that are submitted to the Department of Financial Services as part of the licensure process. Florida's insurance market is becoming increasingly competitive and hurricane season is upon us; it is not clear how this special exemption would serve the public interest.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of SB 1078 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
R.A. Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
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June 28, 2024

Dear Secretary Byrd:

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 Senate Bill 1082 (CS/SB 1082), enacted during the 126th Session of the Legislature of Florida during the Regular Session of 2024 and entitled:

An act relating to Housing for Legally Verified Agricultural Workers

CS/SB 1082 prohibits local governments from inhibiting the construction and installation of housing on farms for agriculture workers. The bill's terms apply to legal migrant farm workers, but the bill does not include the means to enforce this limitation and could pave the way for housing of illegal alien workers. Additionally, local governments currently have the ability to establish uniform guidelines and standards through their zoning ordinances which best suit each agricultural community.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of CS/SB 1082 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
R.A. Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

June 7, 2024

Dear Secretary Byrd:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8 of the Florida Constitution, I do hereby veto and transmit my objection to Senate Bill 1698, enacted during the 126th Session of the Legislature of Florida during the Regular Session 2024 and entitled:

An act relating to Food and Hemp Products

As hemp production and use continue to increase, we must ensure that such products are safe and that adequate measures exist to protect children. Last year, I signed Senate Bill 1676, which instituted a series of consumer protections related to the sale of hemp products. Florida Law now prohibits the sale of hemp products to anyone under 21, prohibits the sale or distribution of products found to be mislabeled or attractive to children, requires all hemp processing facilities to meet food safety and sanitation standards, and provides a potency cap on all products containing hemp extract.

Small businesses are the cornerstone of Florida's economy. While Senate Bill 1698's goals are commendable, the bill would, in fact, impose debilitating regulatory burdens on small businesses and almost certainly fail to achieve its purposes. Senate Bill 1698 would introduce dramatic disruption and harm to many small retail and manufacturing businesses in Florida - businesses that have emerged due to recent legislation paving the way for the commercial use of hemp.

I encourage the Florida Legislature to reconsider this topic during the next Legislative Session and engage with all relevant stakeholders to create a comprehensive regulatory framework for the manufacture and

sale of hemp and hemp-derived products. Sensible, non-arbitrary regulation will provide businesses and consumers alike with much-needed stability- safeguarding public health and safety, allowing legitimate industry to flourish, and removing bad actors from the market.

When it resumes its work on this topic, I encourage the Legislature to consider the following: *Quality control*. The Legislature should set standards for cultivation, processing, and handling of hemp products to ensure the purity, potency, and safety of hemp and hemp derived products. This would include random, unannounced inspections, standardized and repeated testing, and dosing, packaging, and unit purchase caps that better correspond to the character of the products and their intoxicating capabilities. Upon review, Senate Bill 1698's effort to address those limitations misses the mark. Additionally, the Legislature should establish record-keeping requirements for sellers and suppliers of hemp products.

Labeling, Marketing, and Packaging. The Legislature should develop guidelines for accurate labeling, including cannabinoid content, sourcing information, health claims, and dosing instructions. Packaging should- by default- be child-resistant, and any and all advertising that makes these products attractive to minors should be prohibited.

Retail Sales. The Legislature should ensure that hemp-derived cannabinoids are sold behind the counter and that hemp retail shops operate outside sufficient proximities from schools, religious institutions, and other areas where children and families regularly gather. These shops should not present themselves as medical offices, and the Legislature should consider measures to prevent the ubiquity and concentration of these retail locations in communities across the State.

In the meantime, I encourage the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to continue using its full, existing authority to root out products that violate Florida law.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of SB 1698 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

VETOED BILLS 2025 SPECIAL SESSION B

Secretary Cord Byrd
Secretary of State
R.A. Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

February 20, 2025

Dear Secretary Byrd:

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 Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 2-B (CS/SB 2-B), enacted by the 29th Legislature convened under the Constitution of Florida of 1968 during Special Session B of 2025 and entitled:

An act related to Immigration

President Trump has promised the largest mass deportation effort in American history, and with his reelection, we have an unprecedented opportunity to help the President make good on that promise. This effort will require all hands on deck, and the State of Florida must lead in making resources and personnel across the state available to support the Trump Administration's deportation mission.

I have vetoed CS/SB 2-B because stronger, more aggressive bills have been produced that will further establish Florida as the nation's leader in immigration policy. As I originally called for, SB 2-C and SB 4-C make it a state crime to enter or re-enter Florida as an illegal alien,

expand the Unauthorized Alien Transport Program, end reckless catch-and-release policies, enhance penalties for illegal aliens who commit crimes in the state, enhance penalties for transnational crime organizations, create crimes for illegal aliens voting in elections, and put state and local officials on notice that failure to enforce immigrations laws could result in suspension from office. SB 2-C and SB 4-C address the deficiencies of CS/SB 2-B to ensure that these initiatives are both constitutional and demonstrate that we are fully supporting the federal government in its enforcement of immigration law.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of CS/SB 2-B and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis
Governor

The bill, together with the Governor's objections thereto, was referred to the Committee on Rules.

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

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>Office and Appointment</i>		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointee: Ralston, Kellie Rebello, Tallahassee		03/01/2028
Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District		
Appointees: Bournique, Douglas C., Vero Beach		03/01/2028
Bradley, Rob, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.		03/01/2028
Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District		
Appointees: Butler, Benjamin L., Lorida		03/01/2028
Martinez, Carlos "Charlie" E., Miami		03/01/2028
Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointees: Gamblin, Josh B., Arcadia		03/01/2028
Mitten, John Richard, Brooksville		03/01/2028
Williamson, Michelle D., Dover		03/01/2028
Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District		
Appointees: Smith, Harry, Lake City		03/01/2028
Thompson, Larry K., Bell		03/01/2028
Wheeler, George A., Jr., Madison		03/01/2027

Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and Ethics and Elections.

<i>Office and Appointment</i>		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Board of Trustees of Broward College		
Appointees: Caschette, Michael, Hollywood		05/31/2027
LaMarca, Eileen M., Lighthouse Point		05/31/2027
Board of Trustees of State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota		
Appointees: DiDomenico, Jaime Vince, Nokomis		05/31/2026
Riner, Brittany, Sarasota		05/31/2028

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Board of Trustees of Palm Beach State College		Board of Trustees, University of West Florida	
Appointees: Epstein, Daniel, Boca Raton	05/31/2025	Appointees: Garcia, R. Gates, Tampa	01/06/2026
Harrison, Jon, Boynton Beach	05/31/2027	Kissel, Adam, Charleston	01/06/2030
		Matthews, Rebecca, Tallahassee	01/06/2030
Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College		Moya, Rachel K., Ponte Vedra	01/06/2028
Appointees: Allocco, John, Jr., Weeki Wachee	05/31/2027	Ross, Ashley, Tallahassee	01/06/2030
Brady, Ryan, Dade City	05/31/2025		
Collura, Gino, Dade City	05/31/2025	Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; and Ethics and Elections.	
Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College			
Appointees: Primrose, Nicholas, St. Augustine	05/31/2025		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Zomorodian, Cyrus P., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	05/31/2027	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Board of Trustees of South Florida State College		Florida Development Finance Corporation	
Appointees: Atchley, Terry, Wauchula	05/31/2026	Appointee: Popack, Moshe, Miami Beach	05/02/2028
Donaldson, Devon P., Avon Park	05/31/2026		
Eason, John M., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	05/31/2027	Referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Ethics and Elections.	
Grimsley, Denise, Zolfo Springs	05/31/2025		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Hancock, Alison F., Sebring	05/31/2025	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Board of Trustees of Tallahassee State College		Florida Commission on Offender Review	
Appointees: Kilpatrick, Jonathan A., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	05/31/2025	Appointee: Whitworth, Susan Michelle, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	06/30/2030
Stevens, Monte, Tallahassee	05/31/2027		
Board of Trustees of Valencia College		Referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Ethics and Elections.	
Appointees: Bradley, Blair, Orlando	05/31/2026		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Hindle, Shawn, Kissimmee	05/31/2027	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Kirkegard, Belinda O., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	05/31/2028	Board of Governors of the State University System	
Board of Trustees, Florida A & M University		Appointee: Good, M. Carson, Winter Park	01/06/2031
Appointees: Ellison, Earnie, Jr., Huntsville	01/06/2030		
Gainey, Emery A., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	01/06/2030	Referred to the Committees on Education Postsecondary; and Ethics and Elections.	
Perry, Belvin, Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	01/06/2026		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University		<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Appointees: Satter, Jonathan R., North Palm Beach	01/06/2030	Board of Directors, Florida High School Athletic Association	
Vidal-Duart, Tina, Tallahassee	01/06/2030	Appointee: Chambers, Marcus D., Niceville	08/21/2026
Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida		Education Practices Commission	
Appointees: Christy, William, Daytona Beach	01/06/2030	Appointees: Stanley, Joseph, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	09/30/2025
Filburn, Mark C., Winter Park	01/06/2026	Thaxton, Jennifer, Crawfordville	09/30/2027
Massey, Anthony L., Orlando	01/06/2030	Wintz, Charlotte, Jacksonville	09/30/2026
McNamara, Thomas, Chuluota	01/06/2030		
Board of Trustees, Florida State University		Commission for Independent Education	
Appointee: Collins, Peter H., Tampa	01/06/2030	Appointees: Battista, Joseph, Lake Mary	06/30/2025
Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University		Cross, Jeff, Orlando	06/30/2027
Appointee: Applegarth, Paul V., Naples	01/06/2028	Referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Ethics and Elections.	
Board of Trustees, Florida International University			<i>For Term Ending</i>
Appointees: Duart, Carlos, Tallahassee	01/06/2030	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Heisel, George Thomas, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	01/06/2030	Environmental Regulation Commission	
Lebena, Jesus, Miami	01/06/2030	Appointees: Buermann, Eric, Key Largo	07/01/2027
Peraza, Alexander Manuel, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	01/06/2030	Frazer, Thomas Kerry, Gainesville	07/01/2027
Tano, Alberto R., Coral Gables	01/06/2028	McCarthy, James W., Ponte Vedra	07/01/2025
Board of Trustees, New College of Florida		Roth, Cari L., Tallahassee	07/01/2027
Appointee: Christaldi, Ronald A., Tampa	01/06/2030	Truitt, John J., Tallahassee	07/01/2025
Board of Trustees, University of Florida		Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission	
Appointee: Cole, Richard P., Coral Gables	01/06/2030	Appointee: Barreto, Rodney L., Coral Gables	01/05/2029
Board of Trustees, University of North Florida		Florida Inland Navigation District	
Appointees: Boyle, John H., Jacksonville	01/06/2028	Appointees: Burkett, Austin, Jupiter	01/09/2027
Demetree, Jack C., Jr., Jacksonville	01/06/2028	Callaway, Patrick S., Jacksonville	01/09/2027
		Crowley, T. Spencer, Miami	01/09/2027

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Stapleford, James R., Palm Coast	01/09/2027	Echarri, Rafael, Miami	10/31/2025
Trabulsy, Paul, Fort Pierce	01/09/2027	Gonzalez, Gilbert Timothy, Tampa	10/31/2026
Referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Ethics and Elections.		Lombardo, Robert D., Bonita Springs	10/31/2026
<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	McElroy, Kevin D., II, Orlando	10/31/2026
Florida Commission on Community Service		Smith, Donald L., Jr., St. Johns	10/31/2027
Appointees: Chavez, Ivan, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	09/14/2026	Tibbs, Clarence Kelley, Leesburg	10/31/2027
Goff, Kristen Rhea, Santa Rosa Beach	09/14/2025	Board of Professional Engineers	
Turnbull, Heather L., Tallahassee	09/14/2028	Appointees: Gonzalez, James, Jacksonville	10/31/2027
Wheelock, Sherry, Windermere	09/14/2026	Pistorino, John Charles, Pinecrest	10/31/2027
Chair, Public Employees Relations Commission		Ramsey, Denise Marie, Jacksonville	10/31/2027
Appointee: Carpenter, Kerey, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	01/01/2028	Shah, Pankaj, Clearwater	10/31/2028
State Retirement Commission		Shrader, Brock, Orlando	10/31/2025
Appointee: Taub, Diana Lynn, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	12/31/2027	Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services	
Referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Ethics and Elections.		Appointees: Chapman, David H., Destin	09/30/2027
<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	Clark, Andrew D., Ocala	09/30/2027
Board of Medicine		Clay, Sanjena V., West Palm Beach	09/30/2027
Appointees: Ackerman, Scot N., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/31/2026	Jensen, Christian E., Jr., Pensacola Beach	09/30/2027
Christie, Steven, Key Biscayne	10/31/2027	Quinn, William, Jupiter	09/30/2025
Knight, James Matthew, Winter Park	10/31/2027	Florida Public Service Commission	
Vila, Hector, Jr., Tampa	10/31/2026	Appointee: La Rosa, Michael, Tallahassee	01/01/2029
Board of Optometry		Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board	
Appointees: Burns-LeGros, Denise, Indialantic	10/31/2027	Appointees: Griffin, Franklin, Tampa	10/31/2027
Stam, Bryan, Ponte Vedra Beach	10/31/2027	Jones, Nicole R., Panama City Beach	10/31/2027
Board of Physical Therapy Practice		Patel, Prakash, Port Orange	10/31/2028
Appointee: Cirolia, Jason, Ormond Beach	10/31/2026	Referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Ethics and Elections.	
Referred to the Committees on Health Policy; and Ethics and Elections.		<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	Commission on Ethics	
Board of Architecture and Interior Design		Appointee: Figgers, Freddie, Coral Springs	06/30/2025
Appointees: Arango, Ivette, Miami-Dade	10/31/2026	Referred to the Committees on Rules; and Ethics and Elections.	
Clary, Charles W., III, Baker	10/31/2025	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Frank, Beverly L., St. Petersburg	10/31/2027	Greater Orlando Aviation Authority	
Jones, Peter W., Port St. Lucie	10/31/2027	Appointees: Giordano, Dan, Orlando	04/16/2026
Barbers' Board		Nunziata, Sal A. "Joe," Winter Park	04/16/2028
Appointees: Carroll, John, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	10/31/2025	Central Florida Expressway Authority	
Lewandowski, Stephanie, Punta Gorda	10/31/2026	Appointee: Pullum, Frederick G., Orlando	05/31/2026
Florida Building Commission		Jacksonville Port Authority	
Appointees: Batts, James T., III, Jacksonville Beach	11/05/2028	Appointees: Bean, Daniel K., St. Augustine	09/30/2027
Brown, Donald D., DeFuniak Springs	11/21/2027	Kilbane, Patrick J., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	09/30/2027
Garra, John Norman, Sunrise	11/21/2027	Referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Ethics and Elections.	
Construction Industry Licensing Board		SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA	
Appointees: Kobie, Fred, LaBelle	10/31/2028	The following certificate was received:	
Zettle, Brian, Tallahassee	10/31/2027	<u>No. SC2024-1721</u>	
Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board		IN RE: CERTIFICATION OF NEED FOR ADDITIONAL JUDGES.	
Appointees: Bassett, Douglas Pope, Fort Myers	10/31/2027	December 12, 2024	
		PER CURIAM.	
		Consistent with the process set out in article V, section 9 of the Florida Constitution, this opinion addresses the need to increase or	

decrease the number of judges in fiscal year 2025-26 and certifies our “findings and recommendations concerning such need” to the Florida Legislature.¹ We certify the need for 23 additional circuit court judgeships and 25 additional county court judgeships, as identified in the appendix, as well as the need for two additional district court judgeships on the Sixth District Court of Appeal. We certify there is no need to decrease the number of circuit court judgeships, county court judgeships, or district court judgeships. However, we acknowledge excess judicial capacity in the Second District Court of Appeal and recommend that the Legislature address this excess capacity over time by reducing the number of statutorily authorized judgeships based on attrition, without requiring a judge to vacate his or her position involuntarily.

I. TRIAL COURT JUDICIAL WORKLOAD ASSESSMENT

Under Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.240, this Court assesses trial court judicial need “based primarily on the application of case weights to circuit and county court caseload statistics.” The rule requires the Commission on Trial Court Performance and Accountability to “review the trial court workload trends and case weights and consider adjustments no less than every five years.” As noted in our certification opinion last year, this cyclical review was delayed due to the impacts of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 pandemic and jurisdictional threshold changes on the court data the Commission relies on to determine case weight adjustments.² After those impacts subsided, the Court determined it was appropriate to conduct a trial court workload assessment to ensure the case weights—which had last been updated in 2016—accurately reflect the current judicial workload.

To advance this effort, the Court directed the Commission to “[m]anage and oversee all efforts needed to review, update, and extend Florida’s trial court judicial workload model (case weights) to address recent developments in statutory and case law and other practices that impact judicial workload.”^{3,4}

The Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA) contracted with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) to assist the Commission with the assessment. The NCSC has conducted judicial workload assessments in more than 30 states,⁵ including two previous Florida assessments that resulted in final reports issued in 2000 and 2016.⁶

A. Judicial Workload Assessment Methodology

The Florida courts system implemented a multi-phase methodology to assess the judicial workload of trial courts. The methodology was both quantitative and qualitative in nature and structured to allow for maximum circuit and county court judge participation.⁷ A detailed discussion of the judicial workload assessment methodology follows.

In October 2022, OSCA contracted with the NCSC to conduct the trial court workload assessment. An administrative order constituted a Judicial Needs Assessment Committee (JNAC) comprised of 23 judges representing every judicial circuit to oversee and guide the assessment.⁸ To help define the scope of the project and ensure its completion, the JNAC reviewed and approved all the methodological steps of the assessment. Specific project elements the JNAC reviewed and approved included the determinations of a standard judge day and a standard judge year, identification of case- and non-case-related activities, delineation of case-type categories, administration of the time study process, administration of the quality adjustment process, assignment of final proposed case weights, and selection of a qualifying judicial threshold methodology.

B. Time Study and Quality Adjustment Process

The workload assessment was performed in two stages: first, a time study, and second, a quality adjustment process.⁹ The formal assessment process began with a one-month time study in which circuit and county court judges recorded their time spent on case- and non-case-related activities in a web-based application in five-minute increments.¹⁰ Statewide, 586 circuit court judges and 321 county court judges participated in the time study, a participation rate of 99 percent.

The time study provided an empirically grounded basis for analyzing judicial workload in each of Florida’s trial courts, as it captured the actual amount of time judges spent on case- and non-case-related ac-

tivity each day, including time spent handling cases on and off the bench and any after-hours or weekend work. Separately, OSCA provided counts of filings by case-type category and court location. The NCSC used the time study and filings data to calculate preliminary case weights based on the number of minutes circuit and county court judges spent resolving cases within each case-type category.

The quality adjustment process, like those used in previous assessments, was designed to ensure that the final case weights for circuit and county court judges incorporate adequate time for case processing. This process included a statewide sufficiency of time survey and a structured quality review of the preliminary case weights by a set of experienced judges from across the state. The quality adjustment process served an important role in the workload assessment because the preliminary case weights derived from the time study reflected data collected during a one-month period only. This one-month period may not have captured the variability that can occur throughout the year in certain case-type categories or other factors affecting the time dedicated to handling case-related activities during that period. Additionally, the preliminary case weights did not account for whether sufficient time was available to deliver quality performance. The quality adjustment process, therefore, provided an opportunity to refine the weights so they accurately allocate sufficient time for effective case processing.

All circuit and county court judges were asked to complete a sufficiency of time survey in October 2023. The survey asked judges about the amount of time currently available to perform various case-related and non-case-related tasks. Specifically, within certain case-type categories, judges were asked to identify tasks, if any, where additional time would improve the “quality of justice.” The survey enabled judges to freely comment on their workload. Seventy-one percent of circuit court judges and seventy-three percent of county court judges completed the survey.

The second component of the quality adjustment process was a series of Delphi¹¹ quality adjustment group sessions with circuit and county court judges in April 2024. A Delphi process has been used by each of Florida’s three previous workload assessments.¹² During the current assessment, six Delphi groups, facilitated by NCSC staff and comprised of six to eight judges representing different circuit sizes, met to review and assess the preliminary case weights. Each group focused on one of the following divisions of court: circuit criminal, circuit civil/probate, family, juvenile, county criminal, or county civil. Thirty-seven judges participated, with each judge experienced in the division of court that was the focus of the group. Considering the preliminary case weights and the results of the sufficiency of time survey, the groups identified any case-type categories and activities where additional time may be needed to enhance performance and recommended corresponding adjustments to the preliminary case weights. The groups ultimately recommended case weight changes for 25 percent of the case-type categories.

Throughout the quality adjustment process, judges reported that many case-type categories are more complex now than during the previous assessment, thus requiring additional time. Examples of the areas where judges believed more time would improve the overall quality of justice included the review and hearing of non-dispositive pretrial motions in circuit and county criminal cases; the review and hearing of dispositive pretrial motions in circuit civil cases; the preparation of findings and orders related to trials and final hearings in circuit family cases; and the hearing of cases involving pro se litigants and interpreters. Judges also indicated, among other things, that more time is needed for case management, particularly in civil cases.¹³

The JNAC and the Commission, in April and May 2024, respectively, approved the proposed case weights and the recommendations advanced by the NCSC in its final report. This Court adopted the proposed case weights in June 2024 and directed OSCA staff to use the revised case weights starting with the certification analysis for fiscal year 2025-26.

II. TRIAL COURT CERTIFICATION OF JUDICIAL NEED

As described above, the Court continues to use a verified objective weighted caseload methodology as a primary basis for assessing judicial need for the trial courts. Total annual workload is calculated by multiplying a three-year average of forecasted filings for each case-type category by the corresponding case weight, then summing the workload

across all case-type categories. Each court's workload is then divided by a judge year value to determine the total number of full-time equivalent judges needed to handle the workload.

Judgeship needs applications submitted by the chief judges of the judicial circuits supplement the objective data. Those applications provide the chief judges with an opportunity to describe how secondary factors¹⁴ are affecting the courts within their judicial circuits. The secondary factors identified by each chief judge reflect local differences in support of their requests for more judgeships or in support of their requests for this Court to not certify the need to decrease judgeships in situations in which the objective weighted caseload methodology alone would indicate excess judicial capacity.

We have examined case filing data, reviewed the secondary factors supplied by the chief judges as part of their judgeship needs applications, and used the final case weights from the workload assessment to evaluate judicial need. Applying this methodology and using an objective threshold for evaluating when judicial workload indicates a need for more or fewer judges, this Court certifies the need for 48 additional trial court judgeships statewide—23 in circuit court and 25 in county court. Our specific certifications for circuit and county court judges are set out in the appendix accompanying this opinion. We recommend no decrease in circuit court judgeships and no decrease in county court judgeships.

To arrive at our certifications, the Court accounted for the relative needs of each circuit and county court as reflected in the weighted caseload methodology, but we have not certified the need for the full complement of judges indicated by that methodology. Instead, based on several considerations, the Court has chosen to adopt an approach that is more incremental but still reasonable and fair.

The Court recognizes that funding new judgeships is a significant investment, and we are mindful of the Legislature's challenge in addressing myriad state budget priorities with limited resources. Further, the court system's capacity to absorb additional judges at one time is limited by factors such as courthouse space, with expansion of courtrooms and chambers subject to the availability of county funding. The Court also recognizes that establishment of new judgeships results in operational and potential fiscal impacts for justice-partner entities such as the clerks of the circuit courts, state attorneys, and public defenders. Finally, the court system requires some time to establish workload trends using the newly adopted case weights. It is for this same reason that the Court is necessarily cautious about certifying the need to decrease judgeships, as we are not yet able to determine trends that would indicate a sustained surplus in judicial capacity.

The Court is committed to ensuring that the allocation of any additional resources to the judicial branch budget results in operational outcomes that benefit users of the court system. Although there is not an increase in forecasted filings, the revised case weights resulting from the comprehensive trial court workload assessment demonstrate that many cases have become more complex and require additional judicial engagement and time to resolve—warranting additional judges. If the Legislature elects to fund the judgeships certified in this opinion as an initial step in addressing the increased workload of circuit and county courts, this Court will use the new case weights to monitor the impact of the new resources and evaluate outstanding need in subsequent certification opinions under article V, section 9 of the Florida Constitution.

III. DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL CERTIFICATION OF JUDICIAL NEED

In furtherance of our constitutional obligation to determine the State's need for additional judges in fiscal year 2025-26,¹⁵ this opinion certifies the need for two additional district court judgeships on the Sixth District Court of Appeal. In accordance with Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.240(b)(2), the Court continues to rely on a verified, objective weighted caseload methodology—primarily based on the number of cases disposed—as the main criterion for evaluating judicial need in the district courts. This methodology also considers factors related to workload, efficiency, effectiveness, and professionalism as outlined in the rule.

A. Sixth District Court of Appeal Judicial Need

The Sixth District requested two additional judgeships. In its request, the chief judge noted that the district court began its work on January 1, 2023,¹⁶ with nearly 1,700 transferred cases from two other district courts, and that filings in the district court continue to grow. According to the chief judge, the current judge complement is insufficient to keep pace with this growing workload. Additionally, the district court is currently supported by a temporarily assigned appellate judge from a neighboring district court, an assignment that is not a long-term solution to the district court's workload challenges.

The chief judge of the Sixth District also noted that despite high caseloads, the judges and staff have made every effort to properly execute their responsibilities. But they do so knowing that trying to absorb this increased workload limits the time available for the consideration of each case and the writing of opinions. This Court shares the concerns of the chief judge about the potential for negative effects resulting from continued high workload and strained judicial resources. We find the workload for the Sixth District and other secondary factors cited in the request from the chief judge persuasive.

B. District Court of Appeal Excess Judicial Capacity

As addressed in previous certifications of need for additional judges,¹⁷ the Court recognizes excess judicial capacity in the Second District Court of Appeal based on the addition of a sixth district, corresponding jurisdictional boundary changes in three existing districts, and the policy decision not to require judges to relocate. However, the Court continues to recommend that this excess capacity be addressed over time through attrition; therefore, we do not certify the need to decrease any district court judgeships.

To address the estimated excess judicial capacity in the Second District, this Court recommends that during the 2025 Regular Session the Legislature consider enacting legislation that provides for a reduction in the number of statutorily authorized district court judgeships based on attrition and without requiring a judge to vacate his or her position involuntarily. Such legislation could specify that, upon each occurrence of an event that otherwise would have resulted in a vacancy in the office of judge of the Second District, the number of authorized judges shall be reduced by one. We recommend that eventually, after attrition, there be 13 judges authorized for the Second District.¹⁸

The goal of the Court's recommended approach, consistent with previous opinions, is to address excess district court judicial capacity without prematurely ending an existing judge's judicial career. This approach reflects the policy embodied in the 2022 law establishing the Sixth District and realigning the jurisdictional boundaries of the first, second, and fifth appellate districts.¹⁹

In recent years, the Court had noted excess judicial capacity within the First District Court of Appeal, based on the same factors articulated above for the Second District.²⁰ However, the Court has since determined it would be prudent to continue to monitor the workload in the First District and recommend no additional changes to judgeships on that court at this time. The weighted workload per judge is higher in the First District than in the Second District and is more closely aligned with the other four district courts.

IV. CONCLUSION

Having conducted both a quantitative and qualitative assessment of trial court judicial workload, we certify the need for 48 additional trial court judges, consisting of 23 in circuit court and 25 in county court, as set forth in the appendix to this opinion. We also recommend no decrease in circuit court and county court judgeships.

The recently completed judicial workload assessment was an extensive effort involving the participation of more than 900 trial court judges representing all 20 judicial circuits. The Court extends its sincere thanks and appreciation to all who participated in that assessment.

We certify the need for two additional judgeships in the Sixth District. Finally, we recommend legislation to reduce the number of statutorily authorized judgeships in the Second District based on attrition and

without requiring a judge to vacate his or her position involuntarily, as noted in this certification.

It is so ordered.

MUÑIZ, C.J., and CANADY, LABARGA, COURIEL, GROSSHANS, FRANCIS, and SASSO, JJ., concur.

Original Proceeding – Certification of Need for Additional Judges

APPENDIX Trial Court Need

Circuit	Number of Circuit Court Judges Certified	County	Number of County Court Judges Certified
1	1	Walton	1
2	0	N/A	0
3	0	N/A	0
4	1	Clay	1
		Duval	2
		Nassau	1
5	3	Hernando	1
		Lake	1
		Marion	1
		Sumter	1
6	0	N/A	0
7	2	N/A	0
8	0	N/A	0
9	1	Orange	1
		Osceola	1
10	2	Polk	1
11	0	Miami-Dade	7
12	1	Manatee	1
13	0	Hillsborough	1
14	1	Bay	1
15	2	Palm Beach	2
16	0	N/A	0
17	0	N/A	0
18	1	N/A	0
19	1	N/A	0
20	7	Lee	1
Circuit Total	23	County Total	25

¹ Article V, section 9 of the Florida Constitution provides in pertinent parts:

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*In re Certif. of Need for Add'l Judges*, 375 So. 3d 204, 205 (Fla. 2023).

³*In re Commission on Trial Court Performance and Accountability*, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC22-36 (July 28, 2022).

⁴This assessment builds upon our three previous efforts to evaluate trial court judicial workload. See *Florida Delphi-based Weighted Case-load Project Final Report* (Jan. 2000), <https://www.flcourts.gov/content/download/217995/file/DelphiFullReport.pdf>; Commission on Trial Court Performance & Accountability, *Judicial Resource Study Final Report* (2007), https://supremecourt.flcourts.gov/content/download/242776/file/JRSReport_Introduction.pdf; *Florida Judicial Workload Assessment Final Report* (May 16, 2016), <https://www.flcourts.gov/content/download/778447/file/Florida%20Judicial%20Workload%20Assessment%20Final%20Report%202016.pdf>.

⁵See Workload Assessment, National Center for State Courts, <https://www.ncsc.org/consulting-and-research/areas-of-expertise/court-management-and-performance/workload-assessment> (last visited Nov. 4, 2024).

⁶See *supra* note 4.

⁷Senior judges and quasi-judicial officers, including magistrates, child support enforcement hearing officers, and civil traffic infraction hearing officers, also participated in the assessment. Capturing this workload helps document their important contribution to the resolution of cases and will inform the standards used to allocate quasi-judicial officers based on workload.

⁸*In re Trial Court Judicial Needs Assessment Committee*, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC22-77 (Oct. 20, 2022).

⁹See *Florida Judicial Workload Assessment Final Report* (June 2024), https://www.flcourts.gov/content/download/2438568/file/Judicial_Workload_Report_Final.pdf.

¹⁰The time study occurred from September 18 through October 15, 2023.

¹¹The Delphi method is a structured iterative process for decision-making by a panel of experts; in this instance, judges. See *Delphi Method*, RAND Corporation, <http://www.rand.org/topics/delphi-method.html> (last visited Nov. 4, 2024).

¹²See *supra* note 4.

¹³In 2021, this Court implemented differentiated case management requirements to promote the timely resolution of civil cases. See *In re Comprehensive COVID-19 Emergency Measures for Florida Trial Courts*, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC20-23, Amend. 10 (Mar. 9, 2021); see also *In re Amends. to Fla. Rules of Civ. Proc.*, 386 So. 3d 497, 500 (Fla. 2024); *In re Amends. to Fla. Rules of Civ. Proc.*, 49 Fla. L. Weekly S289 (Dec. 5, 2024).

¹⁴Other factors that may be used in the determination of trial court judicial need are prescribed in Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.240(b)(1)(B) and (c).

¹⁵See *supra* note 1.

¹⁶See §§ 35.01, .044, Fla. Stat. (2023).

¹⁷See *In re Redefinition of App. Dists. & Certif. of Need for Add'l App. Judges*, 345 So. 3d 703, 706 (Fla. 2021); *In re Certif. of Need for Add'l Judges*, 353 So. 3d 565, 568 (Fla. 2022); *In re Certif. of Need for Add'l Judges*, 375 So. 3d at 205, 207-08.

¹⁸The Court previously recommended that, after attrition, there be 12 judges authorized for the Second District. See Fla. SB 490 (2024) (died in Judiciary Committee) (proposed amendment to § 35.06, Fla. Stat.); Fla. HB 457 (died in Civil Justice Subcommittee) (same). After further analysis, the Court now finds that the appropriate target is 13 judges.

¹⁹See *supra* note 17.

²⁰See *supra* note 17.

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COMMUNICATION

MEMORANDUM

To: Tracy C. Cantella, Secretary
From: Ben Albritton, President
Subject: Committee Assignments
Date: March 3, 2025

To ensure representation of the Democratic Caucus on Senate committees following the passing of Senator Thompson and pursuant to the provisions of Senate Rule 1.5, I am making the following committee assignments effective immediately:

- Add Leader Pizzo as Vice Chair to the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K – 12 Education;
- Add Senator Berman to the Committee on Judiciary;
- Add Senator Jones to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security;
- Add Senator Davis to the Committee on Rules;
- Add Senator Osgood to the Committee on Education Pre-K – 12;
- Add Leader Pizzo to the Committee on Community Affairs; and
- Remove Senator Osgood from the Committee on Community Affairs.

**MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES**

The Honorable Ben Albritton, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives is convened and ready to proceed with the business of the 2025 Regular Session.

Jeff Takacs, Clerk

RETURNING MESSAGES — FINAL ACTION

The Honorable Ben Albritton, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted SCR 1294.

Jeff Takacs, Clerk

The bill contained in the foregoing message was ordered enrolled.

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

The Journals of February 13 and February 14, Special Session C, were corrected and approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to the motion by Senator Passidomo previously adopted, upon dissolution of the joint session at 11:56 a.m., the Senate adjourned for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business to reconvene at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 12 or upon call of the President.

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