

WHEREAS, in 1988, Polk State College opened its Lakeland campus off U.S. Highway 98 South, between Lakeland and Bartow, and, in the years that followed, added the Airside Center in South Lakeland, the J.D. Alexander Center in downtown Lake Wales, and the Polk State Lake Wales Arts Center off Highway 60 in Lake Wales, and

WHEREAS, Polk State College also operates three charter high schools that serve the students of Polk County, and

WHEREAS, enrollment at Polk State College has increased from just under 1,200 students in 1964 to approximately 25,000 students today, and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Polk State College offered its first bachelor's degree program and now offers a number of 4-year degrees, including a bachelor of applied science degree in supervision and management and bachelor of science degrees in nursing and criminal justice, in addition to associate in arts and associate in science degrees and a variety of certificate and workforce training programs, and

WHEREAS, in 2011, Polk State College rebranded itself, adopting the eagle as its mascot and changing the school's colors to red and black, and

WHEREAS, in January 2014, the Polk State Clear Springs Advanced Technology Center opened off Highway 60 East in Bartow, a 450,000 square foot facility that houses high-tech degree programs and the Polk State Corporate College, which provides workforce training throughout the region, and

WHEREAS, Polk State College promotes excellence and student success through innovation, value, and engagement while manifesting its core values of service, integrity, knowledge, diversity, and leadership, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That we recognize Polk State College on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

—was introduced out of order and read by title. On motion by Senator Stargel, **SR 1228** was read the second time by title and adopted.

On motion by Senator Altman—

By Senator Altman—

SR 1650—A resolution honoring the men and women of the Florida National Guard and recognizing March 11, 2014, as “Florida National Guard Day.”

WHEREAS, the Florida National Guard, the military arm of the Governor and the people of the State of Florida, stands ready to immediately respond to a call from the Governor in times of crisis or emergency, and

WHEREAS, tracing the roots of its citizen-soldier tradition to the first militia units formed in 1565 to protect St. Augustine, the Florida National Guard today boasts approximately 12,000 highly trained and skilled men and women who serve as soldiers and airmen, and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the Florida National Guard and their families willingly make sacrifices during times of hurricanes, fires, floods, and other natural disasters, serving domestically and around the world in contingency operations, and

WHEREAS, more than 17,200 men and women of the Florida National Guard, without reservation, answered the call to federal active duty following the attack on our nation on September 11, 2001, and served with distinction and honor during Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and other contingencies, and

WHEREAS, the honorable service of the men and women of the Florida National Guard is truly an affirmation of the propriety of the recognition they so richly deserve for their faithful and successful service and for the well-placed trust of the residents of this state, and

WHEREAS, the employers of the members of the Florida National Guard and their family members have made significant sacrifices in conducting their business during the absence of key personnel and providing jobs for returning members, and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the Florida National Guard participate in hundreds of community service projects across the state each day while preparing for their federal duty, protecting the residents of this state during emergencies, and contributing to local programs that add value to this nation and this state, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That in honor of the significant contributions and consistent readiness of the Florida National Guard and to gratefully acknowledge the faithful service of its dedicated soldiers and airmen, March 11, 2014, is recognized as “Florida National Guard Day.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Major General Emmett R. Titshaw, Jr., Adjutant General of Florida, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

—was introduced out of order and read by title. On motion by Senator Altman, **SR 1650** was read the second time in full and adopted.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Senator Evers introduced United States Congressman Jeff Miller who was present in the chamber. Congressman Miller serves as chairman of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, the House Armed Services Committee, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

Senator Montford introduced United States Congressman Steve Southerland who serves on the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, and was also present in the chamber.

The President recognized special guests Major General James D. Tyre, Assistant Adjutant General of the Florida National Guard, and Major General Emmett R. Titshaw, Jr., Adjutant General of the Florida National Guard who were present in the chamber.

Senator Altman recognized all those with military service who were present in the chamber and gallery.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

At the request of Senator Altman, the Senate observed a moment of silence honoring the Gold Star parents and the children they lost in combat.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Senator Altman was recognized for comments and a slide show presentation on Florida's military bases.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The President recognized the following Senators for their military service: Senator Dean who served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves; Senator Thrasher who served in the U.S. Army; Senator Hays who served in the U.S. Coast Guard; Senator Richter who served in the U.S. Army and the U.S. Air Force Reserves; Senator Brandes who served in the U.S. Army Reserves; and Senator Abruzzo who served in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RELATING TO EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The Honorable Don Gaetz
President, The Florida Senate

March 11, 2014

Dear President Gaetz:

The following executive appointments were referred to the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections for action pursuant to Rule 12.7 of the Rules of the Florida Senate:

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Board of Athletic Training		Martini, Anthony J.	10/31/2014
Appointees: Hudson, James Brian	10/31/2014	Perdomo, Robert L., III	10/31/2016
McDougal, Billy J.	10/31/2014		
Pappas, Nicholas A.	10/31/2015	Education Practices Commission	
Watson, James T.	10/31/2015	Appointees: Howard, Tequila E.	09/30/2016
Florida State Boxing Commission		Marcadis, Annette	07/14/2017
Appointee: Lopez, Marco A.	09/30/2016	Walker, Cindi	01/13/2017
Florida Building Commission		Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board	
Appointees: Batts, James T., III	11/05/2016	Appointees: Cannava, John E.	10/31/2014
Brown, Donald D.	11/21/2015	Hoffmann, Kenneth	10/31/2015
Hamberger, Robert F.	01/09/2017	McHaffie, Thomas N.	10/31/2015
Langille, Brian	06/30/2017	Board of Employee Leasing Companies	
Phillips, Darrell D.	11/21/2015	Appointees: Finkelstein, Abram	10/31/2015
Schilling, Frederick C., Jr.	01/31/2015	Jones, John L.	10/31/2016
Smith, Drew M.	11/05/2016	Reeves, Keith W.	10/31/2015
Tolbert, John T.	01/15/2015	Board of Professional Engineers	
Board of Chiropractic Medicine		Appointees: Bauer, Christian S., Jr.	10/31/2016
Appointees: Fox, Christopher J.	10/31/2014	Boza, Vivian	10/31/2015
Hunt, Julie Mayer	10/31/2016	Burke, John C.	10/31/2014
Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling		Pepper, John	10/31/2016
Appointees: Barlow, Sandra M.	10/31/2014	Board of Professional Geologists	
Buller, Jamie	10/31/2016	Appointees: Alfieri, Michael C.	10/31/2015
Cecil-Van Den Heuvel, Denise J.	10/31/2014	Cain, Matthew L.	10/31/2014
Douglas, Helen	10/31/2014	DeNeve, Michael Joseph	10/31/2016
Regulatory Council of Community Association Managers		Poppell, Robert R.	10/31/2016
Appointees: Cunningham, Sharon F.	10/31/2014	Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority	
Phillips, Angela M.	10/31/2015	Appointees: Czerniec, Timothy H.	01/17/2016
Florida Communities Trust		Rieck, David W.	01/17/2017
Appointee: Stanbridge, Ruth	01/31/2015	Citrus County Hospital Board	
Board of Trustees of Chipola College		Appointee: Fallows, Christopher Mark	07/08/2014
Appointees: Baker, Nolan V.	05/31/2015	Commission for Independent Education	
Causseaux, Hannah Sumner	05/31/2014	Appointees: Bradley, Nancy M.	06/30/2015
Clark, Gary F.	05/31/2015	Crocitto, Peter F., Jr.	06/30/2016
Lassmann, Thomas S.	05/31/2015	Mulherin, Lynn	06/30/2015
Padgett, John W.	05/31/2014	Florida Inland Navigation District	
Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando Community College		Appointees: Blow, John Carl	01/09/2017
Appointees: Blommel, Edward C.	05/31/2015	Chappell, Tyler	01/09/2017
Parker, Judy R.	05/31/2014	Cuozzo, Donald J.	01/09/2017
Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College		Dritenbas, Paul U.	01/09/2017
Appointees: Bello, Bridgette	05/31/2015	Isiminger, Charles C.	01/09/2015
Westine, Lauralee G.	05/31/2017	McCabe, Susanne D.	01/09/2017
Construction Industry Licensing Board		Netts, Jonathan S.	01/09/2015
Appointees: Allocco, Andrew	10/31/2014	Williams, Lynn	01/09/2017
Evetts, James C.	10/31/2015	Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County	
Lenois, Roy	10/31/2015	Appointee: Mikurak, Michael G.	07/18/2016
Sheehan, William S.	10/31/2014	Board of Landscape Architecture	
State of Florida Correctional Medical Authority		Appointees: Conant, Richard R.	10/31/2017
Appointees: Beaty, Ryan D.	07/01/2016	Delate, Joseph F.	10/31/2015
Chaykin, Lee B.	07/01/2016	Kroll, Michael D.	10/31/2016
Cuddy, Leigh-Ann	07/01/2016	Smith, Phillip J.	10/31/2017
Debelius-Enemark, Peter C.	07/01/2016	Governor's Mansion Commission	
Novack, Harvey R.	07/01/2016	Appointees: Glover, Marla G.	09/30/2016
Phelps, J. Annette	07/01/2016	Mullican, Susan H.	09/30/2015
Board of Cosmetology		Board of Nursing Home Administrators	
Appointee: Harvey, Adrienne L.	10/31/2016	Appointees: Feeney, Patricia A.	10/31/2015
Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind		Helmer, Michael K.	10/31/2017
Appointees: McCaul, Owen B.	12/10/2016	Schroepfel, Thomas O.	10/31/2017
Wagner, Christopher D.	11/19/2016	Board of Occupational Therapy Practice	
Board of Dentistry		Appointees: McKenzie, Tammy R.	10/31/2016
Appointees: Britten, Leonard L.	10/31/2015	Roeck-Simmons, Heidi	10/31/2015
		Spafford, James F.	10/31/2014
		Watson, Carol Marie	10/31/2015

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Board of Opticianry	
Appointees: Mone', Christopher B.	10/31/2015
Shannon, Byron Dale	10/31/2015
Stavros, Irene J.	10/31/2014
Board of Pharmacy	
Appointees: Mikhael, Mark W.	10/31/2016
Philip, Jeenu	10/31/2017
Weizer, Michele	10/31/2016
Board of Physical Therapy Practice	
Appointee: Pettie, Christina L.	10/31/2016
Board of Pilot Commissioners	
Appointee: Walters, Cliff	10/31/2016
Board of Podiatric Medicine	
Appointees: Block, Mark S.	10/31/2014
Pearce, James W.	10/31/2015
Price, Melvin B.	10/31/2014
Strickland, Joseph H.	10/31/2015
Tampa Port Authority	
Appointee: Grandoff, John B., III	11/15/2015
Florida Prepaid College Board	
Appointees: Champion, Robert C.	06/30/2014
Hogan, Patrick T.	06/30/2015
Board of Psychology	
Appointees: Miller, Jonathan Drake	10/31/2017
Reiff, Harry J.	10/31/2015
Rubin, Andrew S.	10/31/2016
Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board	
Appointee: Simmons, Matthew S.	10/31/2015
Florida Real Estate Commission	
Appointee: Furst, Darla Ann	10/31/2016
Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 4	
Appointee: Palencia, Jeovanny	10/01/2015
East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 6	
Appointees: Chase, Melanie F.	10/01/2015
Rose, Jill	10/01/2014
Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 9	
Appointee: McCormick, Francis Donald	10/01/2016
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region 10	
Appointee: Weaver, Steven M.	10/01/2015
Board of Respiratory Care	
Appointees: Fields, Delbert "Dick" R.	10/31/2014
Grassi, Michele A.	10/31/2015
Hendriksen, Peter J.	10/31/2014
Nunez, Morfia Joy	10/31/2015
Sherrod, Bayyinah M.	10/31/2015
State Retirement Commission	
Appointee: Davis, Warren	12/31/2015
Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers	
Appointee: Hyde, Steven J.	10/31/2017
Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission	
Appointee: Finnegan, Joseph D.	06/30/2015
Chair, Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission	
Appointee: Brown, Frank E.	06/30/2017
Board of Veterinary Medicine	
Appointee: Inzina, Suzanne	10/31/2016

For Term Ending

The following executive appointments were referred to the Senate Committee on Transportation and the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections for action pursuant to Rule 12.7 of the Rules of the Florida Senate:

<i>Office and Appointment</i>		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority		
Appointee: Smith, Rebecca J.		07/01/2015
Florida Transportation Commission		
Appointees: Browning, John P., Jr.		09/30/2015
Sebesta, James A.		09/30/2015

As required by Rule 12.7, the committees caused to be conducted an inquiry into the qualifications, experience, and general suitability of the above-named appointees for appointment to the office indicated. In aid of such inquiry, the committees held a public hearing at which members of the public were invited to attend and offer evidence concerning the qualifications, experience, and general suitability of the appointees. After due consideration of the findings of such inquiry and the evidence adduced at the public hearings, the Committee on Ethics and Elections and other referenced committee respectfully advise and recommend that in accordance with s. 114.05(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

- (1) the executive appointments of the above-named appointees, to the office and for the term indicated, be confirmed by the Senate;
- (2) Senate action on said appointments be taken prior to the adjournment of the 2014 Regular Session; and
- (3) there is no necessity known to the committees for the deliberations on said appointments to be held in executive session.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Latvala, Chair

On motion by Senator Latvala, the report was adopted and the Senate confirmed the appointments identified in the foregoing report of the committee to the offices and for the terms indicated in accordance with the recommendation of the committee.

The vote was:

Yeas—36

Mr. President	Evers	Legg
Abruzzo	Flores	Montford
Altman	Galvano	Negron
Bean	Garcia	Richter
Benacquisto	Gardiner	Ring
Bradley	Gibson	Sachs
Brandes	Grimsley	Simmons
Braynon	Hays	Simpson
Bullard	Hukill	Soto
Clemens	Joyner	Stargel
Dean	Latvala	Thompson
Diaz de la Portilla	Lee	Thrasher

Nays—None

Vote after roll call:

Yea—Detert

SPECIAL ORDER CALENDAR

CS for SB 860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military and veteran support; amending s. 250.10, F.S.; revising participation requirements and authorizing certain courses for the Educational Dollars for Duty program; directing the Adjutant General to adopt certain rules; providing appropriations; amending s. 250.35, F.S.; updating references with respect to courts-martial; creating s. 265.0031, F.S.; establishing the Florida Veterans' Walk of Honor and the Florida Veterans' Memorial Garden; directing the Department of Management Services, in consultation with the direct-support organization of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to make space available for such purpose; amending s.