

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND ELDER AFFAIRS
Senator Storms, Chair
Senator Rich, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, January 25, 2012
TIME: 3:30 —5:30 p.m.
PLACE: James E. "Jim" King, Jr. Committee Room, 401 Senate Office Building

MEMBERS: Senator Storms, Chair; Senator Rich, Vice Chair; Senators Detert, Dockery, Gibson, and Latvala

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	CS/SB 554 Education Pre-K - 12 / Ring (Similar H 589)	Disability Awareness; Requiring each district school board to provide disability history and awareness instruction in all K-12 public schools; requiring the Department of Education to assist in creating the curriculum for the instruction; providing for individual presenters who have disabilities to provide the instruction; requiring the Department of Education to establish a disability history and awareness advisory council; requiring the department to act as the fiscal agent for all financial transactions required by the council; providing responsibilities of the council, etc. ED 01/09/2012 Fav/CS CF 01/25/2012 Temporarily Postponed BC	Temporarily Postponed
2	SB 1808 Storms (Similar H 1405)	Provision of Psychotropic Medication to Children in Out-of-home Placements; Requiring that children placed in out-of-home care receive a comprehensive behavioral health assessment; specifying eligibility; prescribing duties for the Department of Children and Family Services; requiring that a guardian ad litem be appointed by the court to represent a child in the custody of the Department of Children and Family Services who is prescribed a psychotropic medication; requiring that a court authorize the administration of psychotropic medication to a child who is in shelter care or in foster care and for whom informed consent from the parents or a legal guardian has not been obtained; specifying circumstances under which the department may provide psychotropic medication to a child before court authorization is obtained; requiring that the department inform the court of a child's medical and behavioral status at each judicial hearing, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Favorable HR BC	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0

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3	SB 370 Wise (Similar H 557)	Supervised Visitation and Exchange Monitoring; Adopting state standards for supervised visitation programs; providing for modification; requiring the standards to be published on the website of the Clearinghouse on Supervised Visitation; requiring each program to annually affirm compliance with the standards to the court; providing that after a specified date only those programs that adhere to the state standards may receive state funding; requiring supervised visitation programs to conduct security background checks of employees and volunteers; requiring that all applicants hired or certified by a program after a specified date undergo a level 2 background screening; authorizing a supervised visitation program to participate in the Volunteer and Employee Criminal History System in order to obtain criminal history information, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Fav/CS JU BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
4	SB 1658 Storms (Similar H 1401)	Public Assistance; Restricting the use of an electronic benefit transfer card to prohibit accessing cash from outside the state and purchasing certain products; expanding the list of items that may not be purchased with the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program funds; prohibiting the use of benefits in restaurants; directing the Department of Children and Family Services to promote the benefits of healthy and nutritious eating habits; requiring the department to seek federal authorization or waiver when necessary; revising the method of payment of temporary cash assistance to include an electronic benefit transfer card; prohibiting a cash assistance recipient from accessing cash benefits through an electronic benefit transfer card from an automatic teller machine located in certain locations, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 4 Nays 2

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5	SB 1516 Negrón (Compare H 991, S 460)	Agency for Persons with Disabilities; Clarifying provisions relating to eligibility requirements based on citizenship and state residency; requiring the agency to promote partnerships and collaborative efforts to enhance the availability of nonwaiver services; revising provisions relating to eligibility under the Medicaid waiver redesign; providing criteria for calculating a client's initial iBudget; providing that facilities that are accredited by certain organizations must be inspected and reviewed by the agency every 2 years; providing limitations on the amount of cost sharing which may be required of parents for home and community-based services provided to their minor children, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Fav/CS HR BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
6	SB 2052 Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (Compare H 1097)	Sexually Violent Predators; Requiring that the Department of Children and Family Services give priority to the assessment of persons who will be released from total confinement at the earliest date under certain circumstances; revising the period within which the department's multidisciplinary team is required to provide an assessment to the state attorney; prohibiting the introduction or attempted introduction of certain items into any facility for the detention of sexually violent predators; creating the Statewide Task Force on the Conditional Release of Sexually Violent Predators, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Fav/CS CJ BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
7	SB 2046 Children, Families, and Elder Affairs	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services; Requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to negotiate a reasonable and appropriate administrative cost rate for the system of behavioral health services with community-based managing entities; requiring that mental health or substance abuse providers currently under contract with the department be offered a contract by the managing entity for 1 year; revising the core functions to be performed by the managing entity; revising the governance structure of the managing entity; revising the requirements relating to the qualification and operational criteria used by the department when selecting a managing entity, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0

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8	SB 2044 Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (Similar CS/H 803, Compare S 384)	Child Protection; Revising the definitions of the term “abandoned” or “abandonment,” “institutional child abuse or neglect,” and “abandons the child within the context of harm”; revising provisions relating to criminal history records check on persons being considered for placement of a child; requiring that a protective investigation must include an interview with the child’s parent or legal guardian; requiring a home study report if a child has been removed from the home and will be remaining with a parent, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Favorable JU BC	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0
9	SB 2054 Children, Families, and Elder Affairs	Domestic Violence; Defining the term “coalition” as it relates to domestic violence; revising provisions relating to certification of domestic violence centers; providing specified additional duties for and authority of the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence; providing the duties of the coalition as it manages the delivery of services to the state’s domestic violence program; requiring the coalition, rather than the department, to make a specified annual report; requiring the coalition, rather than the department, to perform certain duties relating to certification of domestic violence centers; revising provisions relating to expiration of a center’s annual certificate; repealing provisions relating to the certification and monitoring of batterers’ intervention programs, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Fav/CS JU BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
10	SB 2048 Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (Similar H 1229)	Department of Children and Family Services; Changing the name of the department to the “Department of Children and Families”; requiring that the department be geographically organized into circuits and regions; revising provisions relating to the establishment of the department; revising the services provided by the department and abolishing the program offices; deleting provisions providing an exemption from competitive bids for certain health services; amending provisions relating to the service areas of the Department of Health; amending provisions relating to the State Office on Homelessness within the Department of Children and Families, etc. CF 01/25/2012 Favorable GO BC	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0

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11	SB 2050 Children, Families, and Elder Affairs	Assisted Living Facilities; Requiring that the case manager assigned to a mental health resident of an assisted living facility that holds a limited mental health license keep a record of the date and time of face-to-face interactions with the mental health resident and make the record available to the Department of Children and Family Services for inspection; requiring that an assisted living facility comply with notice of relocation or termination of residency from the facility when a decision is made to relocate or terminate the residency of a resident; requiring that a newly hired employee or administrator of an assisted living facility attend a preservice orientation provided by the assisted living facility, etc.	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
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12	Other Related Meeting Documents		
