HB 6049 — Medical Marijuana Growers

by Reps. Jones, Newton, and others (CS/CS/CS/SB 1134 by Rules Committee; Appropriations Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senators Rouson, Bradley, and Young)

Under s. 381.986, F.S., preexisting law requires one medical marijuana treatment center license to be awarded to an applicant that is:

- A recognized class member of Pigford v. Glickman, 185 F.R.D. 82 (D.D.C. 1999) or In Re Black Farmers Litig., 856 F. Supp. 2d 1 (D.D.C. 2011) and;
- A member of the Black Farmers and Agriculturalists Association, Florida Chapter.

HB 6049 repeals the requirement that the applicant be a member of the Black Farmers and Agriculturalists Association, Florida Chapter. The bill also requires that such an applicant be a registered Florida business for five consecutive years prior to applying and repeals an obsolete date.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect upon becoming law. *Vote: Senate 34-1; House 113-1*