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**Beginning the Fifty-first Regular Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Florida Constitution as revised in 1968, and subsequently amended, and the 121st Regular Session since Statehood in 1845, at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, Florida, on Tuesday, the 5th of March, A.D., 2019, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for convening the Legislature.**

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we turn and ask with all sincerity to help us, as we strive to lead our great State of Florida.

You have endowed us with tremendous abilities to lead and govern, but we turn to you as we stand at a new legislative session. Our discerning eyes look diligently to the work before us, but we also know your eyes see clearly what must be done in this vast State of Florida.

These collective elected public servants and members of this legislature stand before you and one another in the hopes that together, great things are possible. Their love for this great state shines through their dedication. We ask that you search their hearts and minds. Allow them to see the dignity of their office and inspire them to greatness. We are mindful of so many of them who leave family at this time to serve the needs of this state. Watch over their loved ones and care for them in their absence.

Give them eyes to see and ears to hear. Give them discerning minds and hearts while also the energy enough to do all that is asked of them. We also ask that you give each of them a voice: voices loud enough to be heard, voices with empathy enough for justice, and voices humble enough as they are convicted.

With all our asking, we also thank you. Thank you for the faithfulness of the many who dedicate their lives for a better tomorrow; faithful citizens that love beyond the boundaries of their respective counties.

As we begin this new legislative session with high hopes of doing great things for this great state of ours, may we also conclude it with knowing we were faithful and respectful of one another. We pray to you, who are Lord and God, forever and ever. Amen.

## CALL TO ORDER

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

Mr. President	Diaz	Perry
Albritton	Farmer	Pizzo
Baxley	Flores	Powell
Bean	Gainer	Rader
Benacquisto	Gibson	Rodriguez
Berman	Gruters	Rouson
Book	Harrell	Simmons
Bracy	Hooper	Simpson
Bradley	Hutson	Stargel
Brandes	Lee	Stewart
Braynon	Mayfield	Taddeo
Broxson	Montford	Thurston
Cruz	Passidomo	Wright

## COLOR GUARD

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

## PLEDGE

Sergeant at Arms Tim Hay was joined by several children present in the chamber 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 Garrett Evers, who sang *The Star Spangled Banner*. Garrett is a student at the Florida State University College of Music.

## SPECIAL GUESTS

The President introduced the following guests: Governor Ron DeSantis, Lieutenant Governor Jeanette Nuñez, Commissioner of Agri-

Excused: Senator Torres

## PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by the Very Reverend John B. Cayer, Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Tallahassee:

God of all good things, we come to you today with all respect and humility. You are the beginning and end of all things. It is to you that

culture Nikki Fried, Attorney General Ashley Moody, and Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis.

The President recognized the following Supreme Court Justices: Chief Justice Charles T. Canady, Justice Ricky Polston, Justice Jorge Labarga, Justice Alan Lawson, Justice Barbara Lagoa, Justice Robert J. Luck, and Justice Carlos G. Muñiz.

The President announced the Senate was honored by the presence of former Senate Presidents Mike Haridopolos and his wife, Stephanie, Jeff Atwater, Ken Pruitt, John McKay and his wife, Michelle, Jim Scott, and Tom Lee, currently serving in the Senate, and his wife, Secretary of State Laurel Lee.

The President introduced former Senators Joseph Abruzzo; Jim Horne; Arthenia Joyner; Alan Hays, Lake County Supervisor of Elections; Frank Artiles; Carey Baker, Lake County Property Appraiser; Steve Geller, Broward County Commissioner; John Thrasher, Florida State University President; Curt Kiser; Dave Aronberg, State Attorney for Palm Beach County; Ellyn Bogdanoff; and Ron Silver, who were present in the chamber.

The President introduced his wife, the First Lady of the Florida Senate, Julie Galvano; their children, Michael, William, and Jacqueline; and his mother-in-law, Mary Jean Forrester, and father-in-law, Reverend Sterling Forrester.

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

### DOCTOR OF THE DAY

The President recognized Dr. Charles J. Chase of Winter Park as the doctor of the day. Dr. Chase specializes in anesthesiology.

On motion by Senator Benacquisto, by unanimous consent—

**SCR 1018**—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 5, 2019, for the purpose of receiving a message from the Governor.

—was taken up and read the first time by title. On motion by Senator Benacquisto, **SCR 1018** was read the second time in full, adopted, and, by two-thirds vote, immediately certified to the House.

### ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT BILL GALVANO

Senators, before I go on, I'd like to just take a few moments and share some thoughts with you here today.

First of all, thank you. Thank you for all the hard work that you've put into the interim committee period. We've made tremendous progress and are really in a very good position to start this session moving forward. This is the first day of a 60-day session, and while it may only last for two months, the work that we do during that two months can affect millions of Floridians for many, many years. In many ways, when we gather in this hallowed chamber, we are convening the future.

You'll see on your desk an hourglass, and on that hourglass is a quote from my favorite president, Abraham Lincoln. The quote goes, "The best thing about the future is that it comes one day at a time." So I challenge you all, let's make every single day of this session meaningful, purposeful, and have it lead to accomplishment. Hemingway had a similar view when he wrote, and I always liked this, that "Today is only one day

in all the days that will ever be. But what will happen in all the other days that ever come can depend on what you do today."

So, as we move forward and work hard and focus day by day with these 60 days, let us do so recognizing each other's value—the value that each of us has in this chamber, one to another, and let us also recognize the value that we have as the Florida Senate. We are made up of diverse and talented Senators representing large and unique constituencies. Look around you. These are the people that you are serving with. Each of them has a tremendous story, and each of them brings true value to this process.

Let's also understand that we are the Florida Senate, and while we're part of the bigger state government, we have a very specific role in how the people of Florida are governed. Take pride in that. I take pride in that. We will work together as a Senate with the measure, deliberation, and decorum that is necessary to achieve the best policy. As we were reminded by our President Pro Tempore, let's be President George Washington's saucer—to cool and to vet and to understand. I reaffirm my pledge to you that I've made many times that I will not judge the success of this session by my personal agenda. I ask all of you, let's all focus on a Florida agenda and not a personal agenda. I will do my best to support you in every way, but I ask that we collaborate, that we truly vet and debate the issues and policies and ideas that come before us. And when an idea is not right, or a bill is not ready, let us have the courage to step back, regroup, and rethink. Most importantly, let us also have the discipline to know when to let go and walk away.

History is not going to judge the success of this session by the number of bills we pass. To the contrary, it will judge the success of this session by the quality of our actions. At the end of the day, we have only one requirement by our constitution and that's to pass the budget—a meaningful, responsible budget for the people of Florida. So, as we work together, let us do so boldly, proudly, and as the Florida Senate. It's an honor, again, to serve as your president, but that's what I want you to realize I am doing—I am serving you as your president. So let's make every day count this session. Thank you.

### COMMITTEE APPOINTED

On motion by President Pro Tempore Simmons that a committee be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the 2019 Session, the President appointed Senator Albritton, Chair; and Senators Gruters, Cruz, Harrell, and Pizzo. The committee was excused.

### COMMITTEE DISCHARGED

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

### COMMITTEE RECEIVED

A committee from the House of Representatives composed of Representative Stone, Chair; and Representatives Fischer, Roach, Webb, and Diamond was received and informed the Senate that the House of Representatives was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the session. The committee then withdrew from the chamber.

### MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Benacquisto, the Senate adjourned at 10:48 a.m. and, pursuant to **SCR 1018**, 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 1018**, 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 Jose Oliva, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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

The Speaker recognized Congressman Al Lawson, who was present in the gallery.

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

## THE PRESIDENT PRESIDING

The President declared a quorum of the joint session present.

Representative Mel Ponder delivered the prayer.

Senate President Pro Tempore David Simmons and House Speaker Pro Tempore MaryLynn Magar led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

On motion by Representative Paul Renner that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the joint session was assembled to receive his message, the President appointed Senator Baxley, Co-chair; and Senators Bracy, Mayfield, Perry, and Stewart. On behalf of the Speaker, the President appointed Representative Raschein, Co-chair; and Representatives Drake, DuBose, Geller, and Trumbull. The committee withdrew from the chamber.

## SPECIAL GUESTS

The President recognized the following guests: First Lady of the House of Representatives, Jeanne Oliva; and First Lady of the Senate, Julie Galvano.

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 First Lady, Casey DeSantis, who was present in the gallery.

The President presented the Governor to the joint assembly.

## ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, members of the House and Senate, Cabinet members, and Supreme Court Justices:

Mindful of the economic opportunities that lie before us, understanding the environmental challenges that require our attention, and conscious of our obligations to education and public safety, I consider myself blessed to stand before you, at this particular moment in our history, as Florida's 46th Governor. I'm grateful for your willingness to serve, I'm proud of the accomplishments of our state and its citizens, and I'm optimistic that this legislative session provides us with a unique opportunity to advance needed reforms in a variety of different areas that will strengthen our state and benefit the people now and in the future. Having spent three terms in a different legislature, a prison known as the U.S. House of Representatives, it is quite a privilege to be able to work with a legislative body that has demonstrated the ability to get things done and to lead. I've already seen it firsthand.

Two years ago, the Florida Legislature unanimously passed a resolution acknowledging and apologizing for the "gross injustices" perpetrated, in the middle of the last century, against four African American men—Charles Greenlee, Walter Irvin, Samuel Shepherd, and Ernest Thomas—known as the Groveland Four. The resolution requested that the Governor review their cases and issue pardons for

these men. Upon taking office in January, I took action. Joined by our cabinet members, I approved pardons for all four men a few days into my term. It's never too late to do the right thing. In the gallery today is Carol Greenlee, the daughter of Charles Greenlee. Her father passed away in 2012 but I hope he—as well as the rest of the Groveland Four—is looking down with some satisfaction that justice, however imperfect, eventually prevailed and that we here today are united in insisting that the constitutional protections central to a free society are honored for all of our citizens. Members of the House and Senate, thank you for leading the way.

I observed during my inaugural address that, in the words of Alexander Hamilton, "Energy in the executive is the leading character in the definition of good government." I believe it, and I've worked to exemplify it. In less than 60 days, my administration has taken bold action to address issues that Floridians care about: reorienting our environmental policy around the goal of cleaning up our water; announcing far-reaching education reforms designed to make Florida number one in skills-based education by 2030; securing hundreds of millions of dollars for storm-ravaged parts of Northwest Florida; bringing accountability to entities ranging from the Broward Sheriff's Office to the South Florida Water Management District; and appointing three spectacular justices to our Supreme Court. And this is just the beginning.

I'm proud to recognize the efforts of my wife Casey. She has been by my side as we have toured the state and has also blazed her own trail on issues like education, disaster relief, and freedom for the people of Venezuela. She has worked so hard, and one thing is clear: we have a great First Lady. I'm convinced that this whole Governor thing is just a way for the people of Florida to have Casey as their First Lady. Our kids Madison and Mason have taken over the Governor's mansion, but the baby-proofing has been successful—I can report that no artifacts of Florida history have yet to be destroyed. But stay tuned—Mason will be walking very soon.

Just last week, Casey traveled to Northwest Florida to survey the Hurricane Michael recovery efforts. We have both been to the region several times over the past few months. To the people of Northwest Florida: we pledged to stand with you as you work to rebuild your communities stronger than before, and we have followed through on that pledge. I've already traveled to Washington, D.C., and secured a historic commitment from the Trump administration to provide assistance to the communities that Michael battered. My administration has worked to cut through red tape to expedite relief efforts and, thanks to the leadership of your former colleague Jared Moskowitz, we are making great progress.

Here with us today is Mayor Al Cathey and Administrator Tanya Castro from Mexico Beach, which was ground zero for Hurricane Michael's wrath. They and many others affected by the storm have displayed remarkable resilience in the face of huge obstacles. They deserve our admiration and our support. These communities will not be rebuilt in days, weeks, or months, but they will be rebuilt. They will be rebuilt because we as Floridians will answer the call as we always do. God bless the good people of Northwest Florida.

Executive energy and leadership are necessary to meet fully the challenges that are before us, but they are not sufficient. In a constitutional system with separated powers, we, the political branches, must work together so we can build off the foundation that has been laid and set the stage for the future success of our state. How can we accomplish this task? I answer simply: be bold—be bold in championing economic opportunity, be bold in protecting Florida's environment, be bold in improving education, be bold in defending the safety of our communities, be bold because while perfection is not attainable, if we aim high, we can achieve excellence.

Florida is blessed with some of the nation's finest natural resources. We are the fishing and boating capital of the United States. Our beaches bring millions of tourists to our state each and every year. The state's unique natural environment is central to our economy, our quality of life, and our identity as Floridians. I'm proud to have taken swift and bold action to protect our natural resources and improve Florida's water quality. We are repositioning our water policy to meet the needs of our citizens by, among other things: expediting key projects like the EAA reservoir and raising the Tamiami Trail; establishing a blue-green algae task force to develop policies to fight algae blooms, fight red tide, and improve water quality; and appointing a Chief Science Officer to

better harness scientific data and research in service of Florida's most pressing environmental needs.

I've requested \$2.5 billion over the next four years for water resources projects and Everglades restoration. This represents a \$1 billion increase compared to the previous four years and will allow us to bring major projects to completion. Given the persistent water problems we have seen over the past several years, now is the time to be bold. We cannot leave for tomorrow that which we can do today.

Because the people of Florida should have confidence that their interests are being reflected in policy implementation, I asked and received the resignations of all members on the South Florida Water Management District. We needed a fresh start and I'm pleased to report that I've appointed a number of good people to this board. We have a bold vision, we have good folks in key positions, and with your support for these initiatives, we will restore and preserve the beauty of Florida for generations to come.

It is often said that states serve as laboratories of democracies, and we are in the midst of a great experiment among the states regarding taxation and government spending. The result has been a migration of wealth from states that tax heavily, spend profligately, and regulate excessively to states, like Florida, that tax lightly, spend conservatively, and regulate reasonably. In the face of these trends, some of the states that have hemorrhaged businesses and taxpayers have decided to double down by raising existing taxes and imposing new taxes. As George Harrison once observed: "If you get too cold, they tax the heat; if you take a walk, they tax your feet."

We are a mobile, highly connected society and as taxes become more onerous and as the business climate deteriorates in these states, people vote with their feet. Taxpayers and businesses leave. The tax base erodes and the fiscal situations of these states get more ominous, yielding massive budget shortfalls. It is a vicious cycle. We won't repeat those mistakes in Florida. We will always remain a low-tax state. And we will never have an income tax! I have proposed more than \$330 million in tax relief for Florida families, including a property tax cut. We must keep our economic momentum going!

To those doing business in states that have a bad business and political climate, my message is this: Come to Florida. We will maintain a healthy economic environment, we welcome your success, and we won't chase jobs away through economic ignorance and demagoguery. We are also committed to modernizing our infrastructure, and I know President Galvano is focused on making that happen. Thank you, Mr. President, for your efforts.

There are areas where Florida can do better. I hope the Legislature passes legislation to reform the issue of AOB, which has become a racket. And it's clear we need reform of our occupational licensing regime, which borders on the absurd and primarily serves to frustrate opportunities for Floridians. You can become a sniper in the Marine Corps by completing training for 79 days, which equates to 632 hours; becoming a licensed interior designer in Florida requires 1,760 hours. You can earn jump wings by completing Army Jump School in three weeks, or about 168 hours; Florida law requires 1,200 hours to become licensed as a barber. Our DBPR secretary and your former colleague Halsey Beshears has identified a number of these requirements that need to be streamlined, rolled back, or eliminated. This project merits your support.

Maintaining low taxes and a healthy economic climate are important, but the most important factor regarding Florida's economic potential is human capital. If we support our university system, our state colleges, and primary and secondary education, as well as the reforms needed to improve educational opportunities across the board, then we will be setting the stage for future economic success that will be the envy of the nation. As we sow so shall we reap.

I'm proud that Florida's university system is ranked number one in the nation—ahead of Texas, California, and New York. This wasn't always so; the climb atop the rankings has been remarkable. I'm not sure how many people outside Florida realize this, so I'm doing my part to spread the word. I was in New York last week meeting with business leaders and stressed this fact and pledged that we will do even more to build a world-class talent pool.

We are poised for growth in finance, technology, health care, aerospace, and more—let's support the continued ascent of our universities so that these industries can grow by employing our own graduates in good, high-paying jobs in our low-tax, business-friendly environment.

Attending a traditional four-year brick-and-ivy institution is one way to get the advanced knowledge and skills necessary for achieving economic success, but we must recognize that it is not the only way, and for many it is not the best way. Skills-based education offers a focused, and often more cost-effective means by which students can acquire the tools they need to be successful. Working with your former Speaker and our Commissioner of Education, Richard Corcoran, I have proposed a plan to take Florida from middle of the pack to number one in workforce education by 2030.

Earlier this year, I visited Tampa Bay Technical High School to observe a successful example of workforce education firsthand. I met Glenn Wester III, who is with us here today. Glenn is a junior in the welding program and, even though he is not quite old enough, has already received job offers—good paying job offers! He is also taking Advanced Placement courses and will have to choose between multiple pathways for success. Glenn, keep working hard. We wish you continued success, and I applaud the Hillsborough County School District for giving students like Glenn these opportunities. Our workforce education initiatives include grants to place students in apprenticeships, money to train teachers in computer science, and funds for workforce programs within our state college system. These reforms will make a difference and deserve your support.

Florida has made strides in primary and secondary education since I graduated from public school in Dunedin in 1997, but we have a lot more to do. For years, I've heard from parents and teachers about the problems with a system of standards, testing, and curriculum modeled after Common Core. Parents have been especially frustrated by not being able to help their kids with basic math problems. So I have instructed Commissioner Corcoran to spend the rest of this year engaged in consultation with parents, teachers, school administrators, and employers so that we can replace Common Core with high-quality curriculum, streamlined testing, and a new emphasis on American civics. We want a system that demands excellence and that also engenders public confidence.

We also need to do more to recruit, retain, and reward great teachers. To this end, I have proposed replacing Best and Brightest bonus program with a revised \$423 million program that will reward more than 40,000 teachers with bonuses approaching \$10K. I'm also requesting \$10 million for a tuition and loan forgiveness program for as many as 1,700 teachers who commit to teaching in Florida schools for five years. Attracting and keeping great teachers in our classrooms should be a high priority.

Education opportunity shouldn't be limited by parental income or zip code. One way Florida has expanded opportunity has been through the Tax Credit Scholarship program for students from low-income families. More than 100,000 students—nearly 70 percent of whom are African American or Hispanic, with an average family income of roughly \$26,000 per year—are utilizing the scholarship. The results have been positive: the Urban Institute recently released a study that found Tax Credit Scholarship students are 43 percent more likely to attend a four-year college and up to 20 percent more likely to obtain a bachelor's degree. Students who use the scholarship more than four years are up to 99 percent more likely to attend college and up to 45 percent more likely to earn a bachelor's degree. More low-income families would like the opportunity to obtain a scholarship for their kids. There are currently 14,000 students who qualify for the scholarship but are stuck on the waiting list.

Shareka Wright is a single mother of three who supports her family by driving a garbage truck for the city of Orlando. While one of her sons is doing well in an Orange County district school, her two younger boys needed a different environment, as one struggled academically and the other was bullied. But because her boys are on the waiting list for the Tax Credit Scholarship program, Shareka might not be able to afford to keep them in this more favorable environment. Shareka is doing her best to give her boys a better future. I'm not satisfied to see hard-working parents like Shareka mired on a waitlist, and so I'm proposing to eliminate the waitlist by creating a new Equal Opportunity Scholarship that is similar to the Tax Credit scholarship. We are a big,

diverse state, and one size doesn't fit all when it comes to education. Let's stand with working moms like Shareka and empower them to choose the best learning environment for their kids.

We also need to stand by students with special needs and their families. That means eliminating the waitlist of 1,900 students for Gardiner Scholarships. Donna and Michael Holt are here with their son Levi, who has Down syndrome. Levi is on the waiting list for a Gardiner Scholarship. Students like Levi have unique abilities that require a customized learning environment that the Gardiner ESA can provide. The Gardiner Scholarship is our way of saying that everyone counts and that these are lives worth living.

And while we are at it, I wholeheartedly reject the callous disregard for human life displayed by the Governors of Virginia and New York. We won't allow that to happen in Florida.

We need to enact policies to make health insurance, prescription drugs, and medical care more affordable for Floridians. As you are aware, health care is being hotly debated at the national level, so let me say: Any proposal that seeks to eliminate the private health insurance policies of millions of Floridians is unacceptable. Government has no right to take away the policies that Floridians earn through their jobs or purchase on the individual market.

I want Floridians to be able to purchase prescription drugs from Canada at lower prices. There is an avenue under existing federal law to accomplish this; the President is supportive of this effort and has asked me to plow ahead, which will require navigating an institutionally hostile bureaucracy. This could save money for individuals, reduce costs for businesses, and relieve pressure on our state budget. I'm also open to any ideas that the Legislature has to tackle this problem. One thing is clear: Floridians need relief from the rising costs of prescription drugs.

Bringing price transparency to health care can also help reduce costs, and I have instructed Secretary Mayhew from AHCA to expedite the price transparency database that the legislature required. To make the tool effective, we need legislation to provide for shared savings policies so that patients receive a financial benefit when they choose a more cost-effective option. I'm supportive of Speaker Oliva's call to foster innovation and competition in our health care system. We can't just continue doing the same thing over and over and expecting a different result.

Last year at this time, the state was still reeling from the massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. Out of that tragedy grew the MSD Commission, which earlier this year outlined a series of recommendations to improve security at Florida schools. I support the recommendations and ask that you enact them into law. These reforms are a testament to the tenacity, courage, and character of the families of the Parkland victims. The hard work of those like Ryan Petty and Hunter Pollack, who is with us here today, has already helped save lives and has made our state stronger. They should be commended for their efforts.

I have gotten to know a number of the families, and one thing that has stuck with me is something I've heard a number of them say: that this was the most preventable school shooting in history. When I took office, many of the Parkland families felt that there had not been any accountability—at the school district or at the sheriff's office—for the string of failures that culminated in the massacre. So, I acted by successfully petitioning for a statewide grand jury investigation into school security failures in Broward County and other jurisdictions.

I also suspended Scott Israel as the Sheriff of Broward and replaced him with Gregory Tony. That suspension will come before the Senate soon, and the failures of the former sheriff are well-documented. Why any senator would want to thumb his nose at the Parkland families and to eject Sheriff Tony, who is doing a great job and has made history as the first African American sheriff in Broward history, is beyond me. But I judge not, lest I be judged.

Florida will not be a sanctuary state—we won't allow someone here illegally to commit criminal misconduct and simply be returned to our communities. And we won't tolerate sanctuary cities that actively frustrate law enforcement by shielding criminal aliens from accountability at the expense of public safety.

Here with us today are two angel parents, Bobby and Kiyan Michael from Jacksonville. Their son Brandon was killed by a foreign national who was illegally in our country and who had been deported on two prior occasions. Brandon was a young man engaged to be married, but instead of planning a wedding, Bobby and Kiyan had to plan a funeral. Had our laws simply been enforced, Bobby and Kiyan might not have had to bury their son. Let's do right by the Michael family; let's prohibit sanctuary cities in Florida.

International events usually have a particular resonance in Florida. Earlier this year, I had a meeting in the Oval Office alongside Senators Rubio and Scott as well as Congressman Diaz-Balart about the dire situation in Venezuela. To the President's credit, he heeded our advice and recognized Juan Guaidó as the interim president and made clear that the dictator Nicolás Maduro has got to go.

The tragedy in Venezuela is a result of a failed socialist experiment—a system that is hostile to human liberty and contrary to human nature. The tyranny that has resulted is the natural outgrowth of trying to impose this failed ideology on the people of Venezuela. To the Venezuelan exile community here in Florida, we stand with you and with the people of Venezuela who are seeking freedom and a better future for Venezuela. The eyes of the free world have descended upon Venezuela, and it is imperative that freedom prevail.

We also know that the despair in Venezuela wouldn't be possible without the nefarious influence of the Cuban government. I applaud the President for allowing the application of Title III of the Libertad Act and support additional efforts to hold the Castro regime accountable. I would like to see the Castro regime go the way of Maduro and to see a free and democratic Cuba take its place.

I offer my thanks to the Legislature for defending the U.S.-Israel relationship by enacting anti-BDS legislation. I reject attempts to target Israel for disfavored treatment and will enforce the anti-BDS provisions vigorously. This whole enterprise of targeting Israel for economic harm is such a fraud and merely a cover for antisemitism. In Florida, rest assured that BDS is DOA. We will be taking a delegation to Israel in May, and I look forward to furthering the relationship between Florida and Israel.

People sometimes ask, how did you meet your wife? And the story was, we both happened to be at a driving range at a golf course hitting golf balls. I had to tune up to play at some charity thing, so I was out there whacking away. Casey was one or two hitting bays over and in between was a bucket of balls that was kind of half used, half filled. Now I was interested in talking to her, she was looking at the balls trying to see if she'd be able to hit the extra. We decided to split that, started talking, went out, and the rest is history.

The lesson I learned from this is that sometimes it pays to be at the right place, at the right time. I think we here in this chamber are the right leaders at the right time. After all, many are called to serve in elected office, but only a few are actually entrusted with authority by the voters. Fewer still are presented with the opportunities we see before us today. Let's fight the good fight, let's finish the race, let's keep the faith so that when Floridians look back on the fruits of this session, they will see it as one of our finest hours.

## 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, the Lieutenant Governor, and members of the Cabinet.

### SPEAKER OLIVA PRESIDING

On motion by Senator Benacquisto, the joint session was dissolved at 12:04 p.m., and the Senators were escorted from the House Chamber by the Senate Sergeant at Arms.

# SENATE RULES

## RULE ONE

### OFFICERS, SENATORS, EMPLOYEES, AND ETHICS

#### PART ONE—SENATE OFFICERS

##### 1.1—Election of the President, President Pro Tempore, President Designate, President Pro Tempore Designate, Minority Leader, and Minority Leader Pro Tempore; designation of Majority Leader

(1) A President and a President Pro Tempore shall be elected for a term of two (2) years at the organization session. They shall take an oath to support the *Constitution of the United States* and the *Constitution of the State of Florida*, and for the true and faithful discharge of the duties of office.

See Rule 5.6—Election by ballot.

See FLA. CONST. art. II, s. 5 Public officers.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 2 Members; officers.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 3(a) Sessions of the legislature.

(2) The Majority Party may, by caucus called by the President, elect a President Designate and a President Pro Tempore Designate whose names shall be certified to the Secretary. The President may designate a Majority Leader whose name shall be certified to the Secretary.

(3) The Minority Party may, by caucus, elect a Minority Leader and a Minority Leader Pro Tempore whose names shall be certified to the Secretary at the organization session.

(4) All elected officers shall hold office until their successors are chosen and qualified or until the expiration of their term, whichever shall occur first.

See Rule 1.7(3)—Resignation of the President.

##### 1.2—The President calls the Senate to order; informal recess

The President shall call the Senate to order at the hour provided by these Rules or at the hour established by the Senate at its last sitting. A quorum being present, the President shall direct the Senate to proceed with the Daily Order of Business. The President may informally recess the Senate for periods of time not to exceed **thirty (30) minutes**.

See Rule 6.2(1)(c)—Motion to recess.

##### 1.3—The President's control of Chamber, corridors, and rooms

The President shall preserve order and decorum and shall have general control of the Chamber, corridors, passages, and rooms of the Senate whether in the Capitol or elsewhere. If there is a disturbance, the President may order the area cleared.

##### 1.4—The President's authority and signature; questions of order; travel

(1) The President shall sign all acts, joint resolutions, resolutions, and memorials. No writ, warrant, subpoena, contract binding the Senate, authorization for payment, or other papers shall issue without the signature of the President. The President may delegate signing authority for the authorization of payments. The President shall approve vouchers.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

(2) The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal by any Senator.

See Rule 8.2—Presiding officer's power of recognition.

See Rule 8.9—Appeals.

See Rule 8.10—Appeals debatable.

See Rule 11.1—Interpretation of Rules.

(3) The President is authorized to incur and approve travel and per diem expenses for sessions of the Legislature. The President shall as-

sign duties and sign requisitions pertaining to legislative expenses incurred in transacting Senate business as authorized. The President shall have responsibility for Senate property and may delegate specific duties or authority pertaining thereto.

(4) The President may authorize or retain counsel to initiate, defend, intervene in, or otherwise participate in any suit on behalf of the Senate, a Senate committee, a Senator (whether in the legal capacity of Senator or taxpayer), a former Senator, or a Senate officer or employee when such suit is determined by the President to be of significant interest to the Senate and when it is determined by the President that the interests of the Senate would not otherwise be adequately represented. Expenses incurred for legal services in such proceedings may be paid upon approval of the President.

##### 1.5—The President's appointment of committees

(1) The President appoints members to all standing committees, standing subcommittees, ad hoc committees, and select committees. The President also appoints the Senate members of conference committees, joint committees, and joint select committees.

See Rule 2.1—Standing committees; standing subcommittees; select subcommittees.

See Rule 2.19—Conference committee in deliberation; reports.

See Rule 2.20—Appointment of chair and vice chair.

See Rule 2.26—Vice chair's duties.

(2) Any member removed from a committee without his or her consent shall have the right to appeal such removal to the Rules Committee. Findings or recommendations from the Rules Committee regarding an appeal may be reported to the President.

##### 1.6—The President's vote

The President or temporary presiding Senator shall not be required to vote in legislative proceedings, except on final passage of a measure. In all yeas and nays, the President's name shall be called last.

See Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

##### 1.7—The President's absence from the chair; duties of President Pro Tempore

(1) The President may name any Senator to perform the duties of the chair during a sitting.

(2) If for any reason the President is absent and fails to name a Senator, the President Pro Tempore shall assume the duties of the chair.

(3) If the President resigns, he or she may, prior to resignation, designate a member of his or her party to assume the duties of the chair until a permanent successor is elected.

See Rule 1.1(4)—Part One—Senate Officers.

(4) In the event the chair is vacated permanently, nothing herein shall preclude the Senate from electing a presiding officer. If the chair is vacated permanently during a session of the Legislature, a new presiding officer must be elected within seven (7) days of the vacancy. If the chair is vacated permanently while the Legislature is not in session, the President's designee shall, by proclamation, convene the Senate independently no later than thirty (30) days after the vacancy for the sole purpose of electing a new presiding officer. The election shall be the Senate's first order of business. In the event that a designation is not made pursuant to subsection (3) of this Rule, the President Pro Tempore shall assume the duties of the designee in convening the Senate to elect a new presiding officer.

##### 1.8—Election of the Senate Secretary

(1) The Senate shall elect a Secretary to serve at its pleasure. A staff of assistants shall be employed to regularly transact such business as required by law, by Senate Rules, or as assigned by the President. The Secretary shall take an oath to support the *Constitution of the United States* and the *Constitution of the State of Florida*, and for the true and faithful discharge of the duties of office.

See FLA. CONST. art. II, s. 5(b) Public officers.  
See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 2 Members; officers.

(2) The Secretary shall be under the supervision of the President, who may assign additional duties to the Secretary. In the event of a vacancy in the position of Secretary, the President may appoint someone to perform the duties of the office until the Senate, by its vote, fills the vacancy.

(3) The Secretary shall be the Senate enrolling and engrossing clerk and may designate staff to assist with the duties of the office.

#### **1.9—Duties of the Secretary at organization session**

If the President and the President Pro Tempore of the preceding session are absent or are no longer members, the Secretary shall, at the organization session of the Legislature, call the Senate to order. Pending the election of a President or a President Pro Tempore, the Secretary shall preserve order and decorum, and decide all questions of order subject to appeal by any Senator. The duties prescribed by this section may be delegated by the Secretary to any Senator or to the immediate past President or immediate past President Pro Tempore.

#### **1.10—Duties of the Secretary generally; keeps Journal**

(1) The Secretary shall keep a correct daily Journal of Senate proceedings. The Journal shall be numbered serially from the first (1st) day of each session of the Legislature and shall be made available by the Secretary for the information of the Legislature and the public.

(2) The Secretary shall superintend the engrossing, enrolling, and transmitting of bills, resolutions, and memorials.

(3) The Secretary shall keep under seal a separate Journal of the proceedings of the executive sessions of the Senate.

(4) The Secretary shall not permit any official records or papers belonging to the Senate to be removed from the custody of the Secretary other than in the regular course of business and with proper receipt.

#### **1.11—The Secretary prepares daily calendar**

- (1) The Secretary shall prepare a daily calendar that shall set forth:
- (a) The order of business;
  - (b) The committee report on each bill, i.e., whether favorable, favorable with committee amendments, or favorable with committee substitute;
  - (c) The status of each bill, i.e., whether on second (2nd) reading, third (3rd) reading, or unfinished business;
  - (d) Notices of committee meetings; and
  - (e) Notices of meetings required pursuant to Rule 1.45.
- (2) The Secretary shall publish the daily calendar for the information of the Legislature and the public.

See Rule 1.45—Written notice required for certain meetings.

#### **1.12—The Secretary reads papers; calls roll; records votes**

The Secretary shall have read to the Senate all papers ordered to be read; note responses of Senators when the roll is called to determine the presence of a quorum; call the roll verbally or by electronic roll call and record the votes when a question is taken by yeas and nays; and assist, under the direction of the President, in taking the count when any Senate vote is taken by a show of hands or otherwise.

See Rule 5.1—Taking the yeas and nays; objection to voting conflicts.

#### **1.13—The Secretary attests to warrants, subpoenas, and the passage of all measures**

The Secretary shall attest to all writs, warrants, and subpoenas issued by order of the Senate and shall attest to the passage of all bills, resolutions, and memorials.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

#### **1.14—The Secretary prepares forms**

The Secretary shall prepare all forms used by the Senate.

#### **1.15—The Secretary examines legal form of bills for introduction**

Before issuing a bill number, the Secretary shall examine measures on their tender for introduction and shall determine whether they meet the requirements of law and of these Rules. The Secretary shall direct the attention of the introducer to apparent defects, but the introducer shall be exclusively responsible for the constitutional and legal correctness of the bill.

See Rule 3.1—Form of bills.

See Rule 3.7—Bill filing deadline during regular session; bill filing between regular sessions; exceptions.

#### **1.16—The Secretary supervises information technology operations; indexes bills**

The Secretary shall supervise Senate information technology operations and maintain a numerical index of bills and a cumulative index by introducers.

#### **1.17—The Secretary transmits bills to the House of Representatives**

Unless otherwise directed by the President, the Secretary shall transmit all bills, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, and appropriate memorials to the House of Representatives without delay. Each measure shall be accompanied by a message stating the title to the measure being transmitted and requesting the concurrence of the House.

See Rule 6.8—Reconsideration; Secretary to hold for period.

#### **1.18—The Secretary receives and delivers for reading messages from the House of Representatives; summaries of House amendments to Senate bills**

(1) The Secretary shall receive all messages from the House of Representatives and shall be responsible for their security. The Secretary shall have them available for reading to the Senate during the appropriate order of business.

(2) All messages reflecting House amendments to Senate bills shall be reviewed by the appropriate committees for research and summary. Special notice of the summaries shall be made available to each Senator.

(3) The President shall be informed by the Chair of the Rules Committee when a House amendment to a Senate bill substantially changes or materially alters the bill as passed by the Senate. The President may refer such bill and House amendments to an appropriate committee or committees for hearing and further report to the Senate. Upon such reference by the President, committee or committees of reference shall meet on a date and at a time set by the President and shall make a report to the Senate recommending action on the relevant House amendments. The report may be received when the message is reached under Messages from the House of Representatives.

### **PART TWO—SENATORS**

#### **1.20—Attendance, voting, and disclosure of conflicts**

(1) Unless excused for just cause or necessarily prevented, every Senator shall be within the Senate Chamber during its sittings and in attendance at all assigned committee meetings.

(2) A Senator who is in the Chamber or in a committee meeting shall vote on each question, except as provided in Rule 1.6.

(3) However, a Senator shall abstain from voting if, in the Senator's judgment, a vote on a question would constitute a conflict of interest as defined in Rule 1.39. A Senator who abstains from voting shall file the disclosure required by Rule 1.39.

See Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

See Rule 2.27—Members' attendance, voting; proxy and poll votes prohibited.

See Rule 2.28—Taking the vote; post-meeting record of missed vote.

#### 1.21—Excused absence

The President may excuse a Senator from attending a sitting of the Senate or any meetings of Senate committees for any stated period. An excused absence from a sitting of the Senate shall be noted in the Journal.

#### 1.22—Senate papers left with Secretary

A Senator necessarily absent from a sitting of the Senate or meeting of its committees and having in his or her possession official papers relating to Senate business shall leave such papers with the Secretary before leaving the Capitol.

#### 1.23—Senators deemed present unless excused

A Senator who answers the quorum roll call at the opening of a sitting or who enters after such roll call and announces his or her presence to the Senate shall thereafter be considered present unless excused by the President.

See Rule 4.2—Quorum.

#### 1.24—Contested seat

If a Senate seat is contested, notice stating the grounds of such contest shall be delivered by the contestant to the Senate Secretary prior to the day of the organization session of the Legislature; and the contest shall be determined by **majority vote** as soon as reasonably possible. The President shall appoint a Credentials Committee to be composed of not more than ten (10) members who shall consider the question and report their recommendations to the President, who shall inform the Senate. If a Credentials Committee submits its final report and recommendations to the President when the Legislature is not in session, the President may convene the Senate independently for the sole purpose of deciding a seating contest.

See Rule 1.7—The President's absence from the chair; duties of President Pro Tempore.

#### 1.25—Facilities for Senators

Each Senator shall be entitled to facilities and expenses that are necessary and expedient to the fulfillment of the duties of the office, the location and sufficiency of which shall be determined by the President.

#### 1.26—Nonlegislative activities; approval of the President

No Senator shall accept appointments to nonlegislative committees, commissions, or task forces without prior approval of the President if travel and per diem expenses are to be taken from Senate funds.

### PART THREE—SENATE EMPLOYEES

#### 1.28—Dismissal of employees; employment of a spouse or immediate relative

(1) The President shall resolve disputes involving the competency or decorum of a Senate employee, and may terminate the services of an employee. At the President's discretion, the issue may be referred to the Rules Committee for its recommendation. The pay of an employee so terminated shall stop on the termination date.

(2) A Senator's spouse or immediate relatives may serve in any authorized position. However, they shall not receive compensation for services performed, except as a participant in the Florida Senate Page Program.

#### 1.29—Employees forbidden to lobby

No employee of the Senate shall directly or indirectly interest or concern himself or herself with the passage or consideration of any matter whatsoever. Violation of this Rule by an employee shall be

grounds for summary dismissal. This Rule shall not preclude the performance of duties that may be properly delegated to a Senator's legislative assistant.

#### 1.30—Duties and hours

Employees shall perform the duties assigned to them by the President and required of them by Rule and policy of the Senate. When the Senate is in session, employees shall remain on duty as required. When the Senate is not in session, permanent staff of the Senate shall observe the hours of employment set by the President. Part-time employees and Senators' district staff shall observe hours that are prescribed by their respective department head or Senator.

#### 1.31—Absence without permission

If employees are absent without prior permission, except for just cause, their employment shall be terminated or their compensation forfeited for the period of absence as determined by the President.

#### 1.32—Employee political activity

The political activity of Senate employees shall be regulated pursuant to Senate Administrative Policies and Procedures promulgated by the President.

### PART FOUR—LEGISLATIVE CONDUCT AND ETHICS

#### 1.35—Legislative conduct; the public trust

Every Senator shall conduct himself or herself in a manner that promotes respect for the law, upholds the honor, integrity, and independence of the Senate, and justifies the confidence placed in him or her by the people.

(1) By personal example and admonition to his or her colleagues, every Senator shall avoid unethical or illegal conduct.

(2) Every Senator shall maintain his or her offices and the Senate generally as safe professional environments that are free from unlawful employment discrimination, including but not limited to harassment or retaliation.

#### 1.36—Improper influence

A Senator shall not accept anything that will improperly influence his or her official act, decision, or vote.

#### 1.361—Solicitation or acceptance of contributions; registration and disclosure requirements

(1) During any regular legislative session, extended session, or special session, a Senator may not directly or indirectly solicit, cause to be solicited, or accept any contribution on behalf of either the Senator's own campaign, any organization described under section 527 or section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, any political committee, any political party, or the campaign of any candidate for the Senate; however, a Senator may contribute to his or her own campaign.

(2) Any fundraising activity otherwise prohibited during an extended or special session by subsection (1) shall not be considered a violation of this Rule and may take place provided that it can be shown that the event was already scheduled prior to the issuance of the proclamation, resolution, or other communiqué extending the session or convening a special session.

(3) Any Senator who directly or indirectly solicits, causes to be solicited, or accepts any contribution on behalf of any organization described under section 527 or section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, or any political committee must immediately disclose such activity to, and register with, the Rules Committee. However, no registration is required as a result of a Senator's solicitation or acceptance of contributions on behalf of his or her own campaign, a campaign for any other office, or a political party. A Senator shall promptly create a public website that contains a mission statement for such organization, the names of the Senators associated with that organization, and disclosure of contributions received by and expenditures made by the organization.

(4) Upon a determination that a Senator has violated this Rule, the President may refer the question of disciplinary action to the Rules Committee for a recommendation. Upon receipt of the Rules Committee recommendation, the President shall decide upon appropriate action.

### 1.37—Conflicting employment

A Senator shall not allow his or her personal employment to impair his or her independence of judgment in the exercise of his or her official duties.

### 1.38—Undue influence

A Senator shall not use his or her influence as a Senator in any issue that involves substantial conflict between his or her personal interest and his or her duties in the public interest.

### 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon

(1) Abstention on matters of special private gain or loss.—A Senator may not vote on any matter that the Senator knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of the Senator. The Senator must disclose the nature of the interest in the matter from which the Senator is required to abstain.

(2) Disclosure on matters of special private gain or loss to family or principals.—When voting on any matter that the Senator knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of:

- (a) 1. Any principal by whom the Senator or the Senator's spouse, parent, or child is retained or employed;
2. Any parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal by which the Senator is retained or employed; or
3. An immediate family member or business associate of the Senator,

the Senator must disclose the nature of the interest of such person in the outcome of the vote.

- (b) For the purpose of this Rule, the term:
  1. "Immediate family member" means any father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law.
  2. "Business associate" means any person or entity engaged in or carrying on a business enterprise with the Senator as a partner, joint venturer, corporate shareholder where the shares of such corporation are not listed on any national or regional stock exchange, or co-owner of property.

(3) Methods of disclosure.—If the vote is taken on the floor, disclosure under this Rule or under any related law shall be accomplished by filing with the Secretary a memorandum the substance of which shall be printed in the Journal. If the vote is taken in a committee or subcommittee, the memorandum shall be filed with the committee or subcommittee administrative assistant, who shall file such memorandum in the committee or subcommittee files and with the Secretary. A Senator shall make every reasonable effort to file a memorandum pursuant to this Rule prior to the vote. If it is not possible to file the memorandum prior to the vote, then the memorandum must be filed immediately but not more than fifteen (15) days after the vote. The Secretary shall also make all memoranda filed pursuant to this Rule available online.

(4) Exception.—Notwithstanding this Rule, a Senator may vote on the General Appropriations Act or related implementing legislation without providing any disclosure. However, a Senator must follow the provisions of this Rule when specific appropriations or amendments are considered for inclusion in the General Appropriations Act or related implementing legislation.

See Rule 1.20—Attendance, voting, and disclosure of conflicts.

### 1.40—Ethics training

Prior to the opening day of a regular session in odd-numbered years, all Senators shall complete a course of at least four (4) hours in length

which addresses the requirements of law under the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, open meetings, public records, and any other subject approved by the President. Prior to the opening day of every regular session, all Senators shall complete a course of at least one (1) hour in length which addresses workplace harassment, sexual harassment, sensitivity, and the proper handling of such issues in the workplace. Senators filling a vacant seat at a special election after opening day shall complete the course within fourteen (14) days of election.

### 1.41—Senate employees and conflicts

Senate employees shall conduct themselves consistent with the intent of these Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics.

### 1.42—Advisory opinions

Questions from Senators relating to the interpretation and enforcement of Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics shall be referred to the Senate General Counsel and shall emanate therefrom. A Senator may submit a factual situation to the Senate General Counsel with a request for an advisory opinion establishing the standard of public duty. The Senate General Counsel shall enter an opinion responding to each inquiry on which a Senator may reasonably rely. No opinion shall identify the requesting Senator without the Senator's consent.

### 1.43—Violations; investigations, penalties

(1) Any person may file a sworn complaint with the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, alleging a violation by a Senator of the Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics. The complainant shall also file a copy of the sworn complaint with the Senate General Counsel.

The complaint shall be based on personal knowledge, shall state detailed facts, shall specify the actions of the named Senator which form the basis for the complaint, shall attach all documentation on which the complaint is based, and shall identify the specific Rule alleged by the complainant to have been violated by the Senator.

See Rule 1.48(8)(b)—Legislative records.

- (a) Upon a determination by the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, that the complaint fails to state facts supporting a finding of a violation of the Senate Rules, the complaint shall be dismissed.
- (b) Upon a determination by the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, that the complaint states facts that, if true, would be a violation of the Senate Rules, the complaint shall be referred to a special master or select committee to determine probable cause. If a select committee is appointed, it shall be comprised of an odd number of members.
  1. The special master or select committee shall give reasonable notice to the Senator who is alleged to have violated the Rules, shall conduct an investigation, and shall grant the Senator an opportunity to be heard. A report and recommendation shall then be prepared.
  2. The report and recommendation is advisory only and shall be presented to the Rules Chair and the President as soon as practicable after the close of the investigation.
  3. If the report and recommendation conclude that the facts do not support a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be dismissed by the Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair.
  4. If the complaint is not dismissed, another select committee will be appointed and shall consider the report and recommendation, shall grant the Senator an opportunity to be heard, and shall develop its own recommendation.
  5. If the select committee votes to dismiss the complaint, the chair shall dismiss the complaint.
  6. Otherwise, the report and recommendation and the recommendation of the select committee shall be presented to the President.

7. The President shall present the committee's recommendation, along with the report and recommendation, to the Senate for final action.

- (c) The Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, shall act within thirty (30) days of receipt of a complaint, unless a concurrent jurisdiction is conducting an investigation, in which case a decision may be deferred until such investigation is complete.
- (d) Nothing in this Rule prohibits a Rules Chair, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, from allowing a Senator to correct or prevent an inadvertent, technical, or otherwise *de minimis* violation by informal means.
- (e) Nothing in this Rule prohibits the Rules Chair, a select committee appointed pursuant to this Rule, or the President when the complaint is against the Rules Chair, from recommending a consent decree if agreed to by the Senator. The decree shall state findings of fact and set forth an appropriate penalty. If the Senate accepts the consent decree, the complaint shall be deemed resolved.

(2) Separately from any prosecutions or penalties otherwise provided by law, a Senator determined to have violated the requirements of the Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics may be admonished, censured, reprimanded, or expelled. Such determination and disciplinary action shall be taken by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of the Senate.

(3) Since they may be asked to sit in judgment on an alleged violation of a Senate Rule, Senators should refrain from speaking publicly about the merits or substance of any such complaint.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(d) Quorum and procedure.

## PART FIVE—PUBLIC MEETINGS AND RECORDS

### 1.44—Open meetings

(1) All meetings at which legislative business is discussed between more than two (2) members of the Legislature shall be open to the public except:

- (a) At the sole discretion of the President:
  1. After consultation with appropriate law enforcement, public health, emergency management, or security authorities, those portions of meetings of a select committee, ad hoc committee, committee, or subcommittee concerning measures to address security, espionage, sabotage, attack, and other acts of terrorism, or
  2. For protection of a witness as required by law.
- (b) Discussions on the floor while the Senate is sitting and discussions among Senators in a committee room during committee meetings shall be deemed to comply with this Rule.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) All meetings shall be subject to appropriate order and decorum at the discretion of the person conducting the meeting.

(3) For purposes of this Rule, “legislative business” is defined as issues pending before, or upon which foreseeable action is reasonably expected to be taken by, the Senate, a Senate committee, or a Senate subcommittee.

### 1.45—Written notice required for certain meetings

(1) A written notice of the following meetings at which legislative business is to be discussed shall be filed with the Secretary. While the Legislature is not in regular or special session and during the first fifty (50) days of a regular session, the notice shall be filed at least four (4) hours before the scheduled time of the meeting. After the fiftieth (50th) day of a regular session and during a special session, the notice shall be filed at least two (2) hours before the scheduled time of the meeting:

- (a) Meetings of the President (or a Senator designated to represent the President) with the Governor or with the

Speaker (or a Representative designated to represent the Speaker);

- (b) Meetings of a **majority** of the Senators who constitute the membership of any Senate committee or subcommittee; and
- (c) Meetings called by the President or the President's designee of a **majority** of the chairs of the Senate's standing committees.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) Notices of meetings required by Rule 1.45(1) shall be filed by or at the direction of the person at whose call the meeting is convened; shall state the date, time, and place of the meeting; shall contain a brief description of the general subject matter scheduled to be discussed. In the case of a meeting required to be noticed pursuant to this Rule, if the meeting is to take place at or after 10:00 p.m., then the notice must be delivered to the Secretary by 5:00 p.m. Notices of such meetings shall appear in the daily calendar.

(3) In the event the times required for notice under Rule 1.45(1) are not sufficient to permit publication in a daily or interim calendar, the Secretary shall publish on the Senate website and post on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor Capitol rotunda. The Secretary shall make a diligent effort to give actual notice to members of the media of all noncalendared meeting notices.

(4) Political caucuses shall be open to the public in accordance with Rule 1.44 and noticed in accordance with this Rule when legislative business then pending before, or upon which foreseeable action is reasonably expected to be taken by, the Senate, a Senate committee, or a Senate subcommittee are discussed. Political caucuses held for the sole purpose of designating a President, a President Pro Tempore, a Minority Leader, or a Minority Leader Pro Tempore need not be open or noticed.

### 1.46—Constitutional requirements concerning open meetings

(1) All legislative committee and subcommittee meetings and joint conference committee meetings shall be open and noticed to the public.

(2) All prearranged gatherings between more than two (2) members of the Legislature, or between the Governor, the President, or the Speaker, the purpose of which is to agree upon formal legislative action that will be taken at a subsequent time, or at which formal legislative action is taken, regarding pending legislation or amendments shall be reasonably open to the public.

(3) In the event of conflict between this Rule and any other Senate Rule, the Rule providing greater notice or public access shall prevail.

See Rule 2.13—Open meetings.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

### 1.47—Reapportionment information

All Senators shall have equal access to the Senate electronic redistricting system, census data, and all other information promulgated by, maintained by, or available to any Senate standing committee or subcommittee appointed for the analysis of legislative and congressional redistricting plans.

### 1.48—Legislative records; maintenance, control, destruction, disposal, fee for copies, and disposition

(1) Public records, not exempted from public disclosure, may be inspected by any person desiring to do so at reasonable times, under reasonable conditions, and under supervision of the person who has custody of the records, or that person's designee.

See FLA. CONST. art. I, s. 24(a) Access to public records and meetings.

(2) The following standing committee, standing subcommittee, ad hoc committee, and select committee public records, not exempted from public disclosure, shall be retained electronically by each staff director until transferred by the Secretary to the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State via its Legislative Library Division: copies of bills, amendments, vote sheets, bill analyses, and fiscal notes; meeting files including agendas and appearance cards; files relating to assigned projects; final staff reports submitted to sub-

committees or committees; final reports submitted by subcommittees or committees; correspondence sent or received; and audio recordings of committee meetings. At the time of transfer, the actual correspondence to be sent to the Department of State shall consist only of correspondence which relates to other committee public records required by this Rule to be transferred. Records not transferred may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed.

(3) Except for records specifically required by law or Senate Rule to be filed or retained, district office records and constituents' records may be retained by the district office until those records become obsolete, at which point they may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed.

(4) Public records, not exempted from public disclosure, created or received by the President, President Pro Tempore, or Secretary shall be retained by that officer as specifically required by law or Senate Rule until transferred to the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State via its Legislative Library Division. Records not transferred may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed.

(5) The Secretary shall, with the approval of the President, establish a reasonable fee for copies of public legislative records not exempted from public disclosure. Such fees shall be based upon the actual cost of duplication of the record and shall include the material and supplies used to duplicate the record but not the labor cost or overhead cost associated with such duplication. If the nature or volume of records requested to be inspected or copied is such as to require extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance by employees of the Senate, a special service charge in addition to the actual cost of duplication may be imposed. Such special service charge shall be reasonable and based on the cost incurred for the extensive use of information technology resources or the labor cost of employees providing the service that is actually incurred by the Senate or attributable to the Senate for the clerical and supervisory assistance required.

(6) Once the retention period for a public record, not exempted from public disclosure, has expired, the public record may be otherwise disposed of or destroyed. A public record need not be retained if it is published or retained by another legislative office. Only one (1) copy of a public record need be retained; additional copies of that record may be destroyed at any time. In the case of mass mailings, only one (1) sample copy of the mailing, or an abstract, need be retained.

(7) For the purpose of this Rule, a Senator's district office shall include the offices each Senator retains for the transaction of official legislative business in his or her respective district and the assigned offices located in the Senate Building or the Capitol in Tallahassee.

(8) The following public records are exempt from inspection and copying:

- (a) Records, or information contained therein, held by the legislative branch of government which, if held by an agency as defined in section 119.011, *Florida Statutes*, or any other unit of government, would be confidential or exempt from the provisions of section 119.07(1), *Florida Statutes*, or otherwise exempt from public disclosure, and records or information of the same type held by the Legislature.
- (b) A formal complaint about a member or officer of the Legislature or about a lobbyist and the records relating to the complaint, until the complaint is dismissed, a determination as to probable cause has been made, a determination that there are sufficient grounds for review has been made and no probable cause panel is to be appointed, or the respondent has requested in writing that the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives make public the complaint or other records relating to the complaint, whichever occurs first.  
*See Rule 1.43—Violations; investigations, penalties.*
- (c) A legislatively produced draft, and a legislative request for a draft, of a bill, resolution, memorial, or legislative rule, and an amendment thereto, which is not provided to any person other than the member or members who requested the draft, an employee of the Legislature, a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature, or an officer of the Legislature.

- (d) A draft of a report, bill analysis, fiscal note, report prepared by a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature or the Senate and materials in support thereof until the draft is provided to a person other than an employee of the Legislature, a contract employee or consultant retained by the Legislature, or an officer of the Legislature.
- (e) A draft, and a request for a draft, of a reapportionment plan or redistricting plan and an amendment thereto. Any supporting documents associated with such plan or amendment until a bill implementing the plan, or the amendment, is filed.
- (f) Records prepared for or used in executive sessions of the Senate until ten (10) years after the date on which the executive session was held.
- (g) Portions of records of former legislative investigating committees whose records are sealed or confidential as of June 30, 1993, which may reveal the identity of any witness, any person who was a subject of the inquiry, or any person referred to in testimony, documents, or evidence retained in the committees' records; however, this exemption does not apply to a member of the committee, its staff, or any public official who was not a subject of the inquiry.
- (h) Requests by members for an advisory opinion concerning the application of the rules of either house pertaining to ethics, unless the member requesting the opinion authorizes in writing the release of such information. All advisory opinions shall be open to inspection except that the identity of the member shall not be disclosed in the opinion unless the member requesting the opinion authorizes in writing the release of such information.
- (i) Portions of correspondence held by the legislative branch which, if disclosed, would reveal: information otherwise exempt from disclosure by law; an individual's medical treatment, history, or condition; the identity or location of an individual if there is a substantial likelihood that releasing such information would jeopardize the health or safety of that individual; or information regarding physical abuse, child abuse, spouse abuse, or abuse of the elderly.

(9) Any Senate record created prior to July 1, 1993, which was so designated by the President on June 30, 1993, shall remain exempt from inspection and copying after July 1, 1993. Records held by joint committees, commissions or offices of the Legislature, that were jointly determined by the presiding officers of both houses to remain exempt from inspection and copying after July 1, 1993, remain exempt.

(10) For purposes of this Rule, "public record" means all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, or other material, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business by the legislative branch.

(11) All records, research, information, remarks, and staff work products, made or received during or in preparation for a closed meeting of a select committee, committee, or subcommittee, shall be confidential and exempt from inspection and copying for a period of thirty (30) days after the closed meeting, at which time they will automatically become legislative public records open to inspection and copying, unless the confidentiality and the prohibition against inspection and copying has, within the thirty-day (30) period, been extended by the President. Unless the above-listed confidential and exempt items have been earlier released by operation of this Rule, they shall automatically become available for public inspection and copying five (5) years after the date of the closed meeting, unless this confidentiality and exemption is further extended by the President for subsequent five-year (5) periods.

#### **1.49—Violations of Rules on open meetings and notice**

Violations of Rules 1.44 and 1.45 constitute violations of the Rules regulating legislative conduct and ethics and shall be subject to the procedures and penalties prescribed in Rule 1.43.

*See Rule 1.43—Violations; investigations, penalties.*

## RULE TWO

COMMITTEES, OFFICERS, MEMBERS,  
VOTING, MOTIONS, DECORUM, AND DEBATEPART ONE—COMMITTEES—ORGANIZATION, DUTIES, AND  
RESPONSIBILITIES2.1—Standing committees; standing subcommittees; select sub-  
committees

(1) The following standing committees with standing subcommittees are created:

- (a) Agriculture
- (b) Appropriations
  1. Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government
  2. Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice
  3. Appropriations Subcommittee on Education
  4. Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
  5. Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development
- (c) Banking and Insurance
- (d) Children, Families, and Elder Affairs
- (e) Commerce and Tourism
- (f) Community Affairs
- (g) Criminal Justice
- (h) Education
- (i) Environment and Natural Resources
- (j) Ethics and Elections
- (k) Finance and Tax
- (l) Governmental Oversight and Accountability
- (m) Health Policy
- (n) Infrastructure and Security
- (o) Innovation, Industry, and Technology
- (p) Judiciary
- (q) Military and Veterans Affairs and Space
- (r) Reapportionment
- (s) Rules

(2) Permanent standing committees and standing subcommittees, when created and designated by Senate Rule, shall exist and operate both during and between sessions. The President is authorized to create and designate permanent standing committees and standing subcommittees prior to the 2019 Regular Session. The President shall inform the Minority Leader of the creation and designation of said committees. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to include the names of such committees in the published Senate Rules.

See Rule 1.5—The President's appointment of committees.

(3) No standing committee shall consist of fewer than five (5) members.

(4) A select subcommittee may be appointed by a standing committee or the chair thereof, with prior approval of the President.

- (a) A select subcommittee may study or investigate a specific issue falling within the jurisdiction of the standing committee.
- (b) The President and the Secretary shall be promptly notified of the appointment of a select subcommittee, its assignment, and the time allowed for the assignment, and shall be notified on completion of the assignment.
- (c) Select subcommittees shall be governed by the Rules regulating standing subcommittees, except that a select subcommittee shall exist only for the time necessary to complete its assignment or thirty (30) days, whichever is less, unless extended by the President.
- (d) The advisory report by a select subcommittee whether favorable or unfavorable shall be reviewed by the standing committee and accepted, amended, or rejected by **majority vote** of those committee members present.

## 2.2—Powers and responsibilities of committees

(1) Permanent standing committees and standing subcommittees are authorized:

- (a) To maintain a continuous review of the work of the state agencies concerned with their subject areas and the performance of the functions of government within each subject area;
- (b) To invite public officials, employees, and private individuals to appear before the committees or subcommittees to submit information;
- (c) To request reports from departments performing functions reasonably related to the committees' jurisdictions; and
- (d) To complete the interim work assigned by the President.

(2) In order to carry out its duties, each standing committee or standing subcommittee has the reasonable right and authority to inspect and investigate the books, records, papers, documents, data, operation, and physical plant of any public agency in this state.

(3) In order to carry out the committee's duties, the chair of each standing committee, standing subcommittee, and select committee may request the President to issue subpoenas, subpoenas *duces tecum*, and other necessary process to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of any books, letters, or other documentary evidence required by such committee. The President may issue said process at the request of the committee chair. Any member of a standing committee, standing subcommittee, or select committee may administer all oaths and affirmations, in the manner prescribed by law, to witnesses who appear before such committees to testify in any matter requiring evidence.

## 2.4—Committee staffing

A committee shall be staffed with personnel, subject to guidelines and criteria authorized by the President. The staff shall also be subject to the pay and classification code of the Senate. The President may authorize joint utilization of personnel with the House of Representatives and may authorize the Senate to share in the cost.

2.6—Committee meeting notices; regular session and interim;  
day fifty (50) rule

(1) Senate committees shall submit a notice of meetings (including site visits and public hearings) as provided herein. Reference to committee meeting notices in these Rules shall include all standing committees, standing subcommittees, select committees, select subcommittees, and such other committees or subcommittees as may be created by the Senate.

(2) Committee meeting notices shall include the date, time, amendment deadline, and place of the meeting together with the name of the introducer, subject, and number of each bill to be taken up and other subjects to be considered.

(3) Notice of committee meetings shall be published in the daily calendar. No committee shall consider any bill during the first fifty (50) days of a regular session until proper notice has been published in three (3) weekday calendars, including the calendar published on the day of such committee meeting.

(4) If a weekend meeting is scheduled, notice of such meeting shall appear in three (3) daily calendars, including those published on the weekend days on which the meeting is held. However, a calendar published on a weekend shall not be included in the calculation of publication days for meetings taking place on Monday through Friday.

(5) Calendars published on the Friday and Monday immediately preceding the opening day of a regular session may be included in the calculation of the three-day (3) notice requirement for meetings held on the first (1st) and second (2nd) days of a regular session.

(6) After day fifty (50) of a regular session, meetings of standing committees, standing subcommittees, and select committees scheduled in accordance with Rule 2.10 may be held following an announcement by the chair of the committee or subcommittee or, in the chair's absence, the vice chair while the Senate is sitting. Notice shall be published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th)

floor Capitol rotunda four (4) hours in advance of the meeting. A committee meeting announced during a sitting may occur four (4) hours after notice of the meeting has been published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor Capitol rotunda. Such notices may be posted in advance of the oral announcement during the sitting.

(7) When the Legislature is not in session, committee meeting notices shall be filed with the Secretary at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. The Secretary shall make the notice available to the membership and the public.

See Rule 2.9—Committee meetings; committee meetings after fiftieth (50th) day.

### 2.7—Bills recommitted for failure to provide proper notice

(1) A bill reported by a standing committee without proper notice shall be recommitted to the committee reporting the same on the point of order being made within two (2) sittings after such report is printed in the Journal, or the President may recommit such bill at any time. Once recommitted, the bill is available for consideration by the committee as if it had never been reported.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) A bill reported by a standing subcommittee without proper notice shall be recommitted to the subcommittee reporting same on the point of order made during the standing committee meeting at which the bill was reported by the subcommittee. Once recommitted, the bill is available for consideration by the subcommittee as if it had never been reported.

### 2.8—Filing and publication of meeting notices

For publication in the daily calendar, notice of committee meetings shall be delivered to the Secretary's office in writing by 4:30 p.m. on the day preceding its intended publication. If such day is a Friday, delivery shall be by 2:30 p.m.

### 2.9—Committee meetings; committee meetings after fiftieth (50th) day

(1) Each standing committee, standing subcommittee, and select committee shall consider the public business assigned to it as expeditiously as possible and proper.

(2) Unless approved by the President, no committee shall meet after the fiftieth (50th) day of a regular session except the Rules Committee.

### 2.10—Committee meeting schedules; time limits on meetings

(1) The President shall provide a schedule of days, hours, and places for the meeting of committees for the regular session and during the interim, and deliver a copy of same to each Senator. However, no committee shall meet before 7:00 a.m. or meet or continue to meet after 6:00 p.m.

(2) Each committee or subcommittee, standing or select, shall meet in the place and within the time assigned for its use by the President. Notice of such assignment shall be published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor Capitol rotunda.

(3) No committee except the Rules Committee shall meet while the Senate is sitting without the consent of the **majority** of the Senate present.

### 2.11—Presentation of bills introduced by Senators before committees; staff presentation of committee bills

(1) The introducer of a bill shall attend the meeting of the committee or subcommittee before which such bill is noticed as provided in these Rules. The introducer or the first- or second-named co-introducer may present a bill; however, with prior written request of the introducer to the chair, a member of the committee or subcommittee may present a bill.

(2) Senate committee professional staff shall be limited to presenting committee bills at meetings of the committee introducing the bill.

### 2.12—Order of consideration of bills; exception

Bills shall be considered in the order appearing in the notice required by these Rules, except that the chair may, in the chair's sole discretion, consider a bill out of its order to accommodate the presence of a Senator or Representative who is the introducer thereof.

### 2.13—Open meetings

Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, all committee meetings shall be open to the public, subject always to the powers and authority of the chair to maintain order and decorum.

See Rule 1.44—Open meetings.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

### 2.15—Standing committee reports; committee substitutes

(1) If reporting a matter referred to it, a standing committee shall report the matter either:

- (a) Favorably,
- (b) Favorably with committee amendment,
- (c) Favorably with committee substitute as defined in these Rules, or
- (d) Unfavorably.

The vote of the members present of a standing committee or subcommittee on final passage of any measure shall be recorded. Upon the request of any two (2) members of a committee or subcommittee, the vote on any other matter or motion properly before the committee shall be recorded. After such report has been received by the Secretary, no matter so reported shall be recommitted to a committee except by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present at a sitting or except as provided in Rule 2.7, Rule 4.7(2), or Rule 4.8(4).

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(2) Such reports shall also reflect:

- (a) The date, time, and place of the meeting at which the action was taken, and
- (b) The vote of each member present of the committee on final passage of each bill.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

The Secretary shall enter in the Journal the recommended action of the committee on each bill reported, but shall not include that portion of the report relating to the date, time, and place of the meeting or the vote of each member on final passage of a measure. Reports of committees shall be preserved pursuant to law.

(3) In reporting a Senate measure, a standing committee may draft a new measure embracing the same or related subject matter to be returned to the Senate with the recommendation that the substitute be considered in lieu of the original measure. If one or more amendments are adopted, a measure shall, without motion, be reported as a committee substitute unless the committee by **majority vote** decides otherwise.

- (a) The substitute measure must be accompanied by the original measure referred to the committee and returned to the Secretary in the same manner as a favorable report.
- (b) No other standing committee of reference shall consider the original measure but shall direct its attention to the substitute measure.
- (c) A committee receiving a committee substitute from a prior committee of reference may also report a committee substitute and shall not be precluded from doing so with the substance of the bill as originally introduced.
- (d) When reported, the substitute shall be read a first (1st) time by title, the original proposition shall be automatically tabled, and the substitute considered in lieu thereof without motion. The substitute shall carry the identifying number of the original and shall be returned to the Secretary in the same number of copies required for first (1st) introduction of a similar measure.
- (e) The names of the introducer and each co-introducer of the original measure shall be shown by the committee admin-

istrative assistant on the committee substitute unless an introducer or co-introducer requests that it be omitted.

- (f) A Senate committee may not recommend a Senate committee substitute for a House bill.

(4) All standing committee reports shall be filed with the Secretary's office as soon as practicable, but not later than 4:30 p.m. on the next day that is not a weekend or state holiday, except a committee drafting and recommending a committee substitute shall file such committee report no later than 4:30 p.m. on the second (2nd) such weekday. These reports must be accompanied by the original bill. Each report by a committee must set forth the identifying number of the bill. If amendments are proposed by the committee, the words "with amendments" shall follow the identifying number. Committee amendments shall be identified by barcode in the report. All bills reported unfavorably shall be laid on the table.

### 2.16—Standing subcommittee reports

(1) If reporting a matter referred to it, a standing subcommittee must report the matter directly to the standing committee, which shall promptly certify a copy of the report to the Secretary. The standing subcommittee shall report a matter either:

- (a) Favorably,
- (b) Favorably with committee amendment,
- (c) Favorably with committee substitute as defined in these Rules, or
- (d) Unfavorably.

(2) Such reports shall also reflect:

- (a) The date, time, and place of the meeting at which the action was taken, and
- (b) The vote of each member of the subcommittee on final passage of each bill.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(3) In reporting a bill to the standing committee, a standing subcommittee may draft a new measure, embracing the same or related subject matter, to be returned to the standing committee with the recommendation that the substitute be considered in lieu of the original measure. The substitute measure must be accompanied by the original measure referred to the standing subcommittee and returned to the standing committee in the same manner as a favorable report.

(4) All standing subcommittee reports shall be promptly transmitted to the standing committee. Each report by a standing subcommittee must set forth the identifying number of the measure. If amendments are proposed by the standing subcommittee, the words "with amendments" shall follow the identifying number. Standing subcommittee amendments shall accompany the report.

(5) All bills reported unfavorably by a subcommittee shall be laid on the table by roll call vote when the standing committee considers the standing subcommittee's report unless, on motion by any member adopted by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those standing committee members present, the same report shall be rejected.

(6) When a subcommittee report is rejected by a standing committee, the bill shall receive a hearing *de novo* and witnesses shall be permitted to testify.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(7) When a bill with a favorable report by a standing subcommittee is considered by the standing committee, debate and further amendment by members of the standing committee shall be allowed prior to a vote on final passage.

### 2.17—Quorum requirement

(1) A standing committee, standing subcommittee, or select committee is assembled only when a quorum constituting a **majority** of the members of that committee is present in person.

(2) A committee member may question the presence of a quorum at any time.

(3) No committee business of any type shall be conducted in the absence of a quorum. Any matter reported in violation of this Rule shall be recommitted by the President when it is called to the President's attention by a Senator.

### 2.19—Conference committee in deliberation; reports

(1) All meetings of Senate conferees with House conferees at which the business of the conference committee is discussed shall be open to the public subject to proper order and decorum. A meeting of the Senate and House conferees is a meeting of the two (2) groups; therefore, the rules governing each respective house apply. Meetings between a **majority** of the members of a conference committee may be held following a notice being filed with the Secretary by or at the direction of the person calling the meeting, at least one (1) hour in advance of the meeting. The notice shall indicate the names of the conferees and scheduled participants, the date, the time, and the place of the meeting. Conference committees may meet at any time with proper notice.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(2) A conference committee, other than a conference committee on a general or special appropriations bill and its related legislation, shall consider and report only on the differences existing between the Senate and the House, and no substance foreign to the bills before the conferees shall be included in the report or considered by the Senate.

(3) A conference committee may only report by recommending the adoption of a series of amendments to the House or Senate bill that was the subject of the conference, or it may offer an amendment deleting everything after the enacting clause of any such bill referred to the committee. Such amendments shall accompany the conference committee report. In any event, the conference committee may recommend, as part of its report, the adoption or rejection of any or all of the amendments theretofore adopted by either house. Conference committee reports must be approved and signed by a **majority** of the conferees on the part of each house. All final actions taken in a conference committee shall be by motion.

(4) Each conference committee report shall contain a statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of the report on the measure to which it relates.

(5) When the President appoints a conference committee, a notice of the following meetings to discuss matters relating to the conference, stating the names of the conferees and scheduled participants, and the date, time, and place for the meeting, shall be filed with the Secretary by or at the direction of the person at whose call the meeting is convened, not less than one (1) hour preceding the time for the meeting:

- (a) Meetings between the President (or a Senator designated to represent the President), the Governor, and the Speaker (or a Representative designated to represent the Speaker);
- (b) Meetings between a **majority** of the members of any subcommittee of the conference committee;
- (c) Meetings between the President or any Senator designated to represent the President and a conferee from the House of Representatives, or any meeting between a conferee from the Senate with the Speaker or any Representative designated to represent the Speaker; and
- (d) Meetings of a **majority** of the Senate conferees; and when the bill that is the subject of the conference committee deals primarily with the general appropriations act or revenue matters, any meeting of three (3) or more conferees on the part of the Senate.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(e) Quorum and procedure.

(6) Notice of meetings, as scheduled, between the chair of the Senate's conferees with the chair of the House's conferees, or between respective Senate and House committee chairs with each other, shall be published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor Capitol rotunda. In the case of the appropriations conference, said notice shall also be posted outside the door of the offices of the appropriations committees.

(7) All meetings for which notice is required pursuant to this Rule shall be held in the Capitol Complex, but shall not be held in the Chamber of either house while it is sitting.

(8) When conferees on the part of the Senate report an inability to agree, any action of the Senate taken prior to such reference to a conference committee shall not preclude further action on the measure as the Senate may determine.

(9) After Senate conferees have been appointed for seven (7) calendar days and have failed to make a report, it is a motion of the highest privilege to move to discharge said conferees and to appoint new conferees, or to instruct said conferees. This motion shall have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn or recess and questions of privilege. Further, during the last six (6) calendar days allowed under the *State Constitution* for any regular session, it shall be a privileged motion to move to discharge, appoint, or instruct Senate conferees after the Senate conferees have been appointed thirty-six (36) hours without having made a report.

## PART TWO—COMMITTEES—OFFICERS

### 2.20—Appointment of chair and vice chair

A chair and a vice chair of each standing committee shall be appointed by the President and shall continue in office at the pleasure of the President. The President shall also appoint a chair for each standing subcommittee and select committee authorized by these Rules and may designate a vice chair, both of whom shall continue in office at the pleasure of the President.

### 2.21—Call to order

The chair or, in the chair's absence, the vice chair, shall call the committee to order at the hour provided by these Rules. A quorum being present, the committee shall proceed with consideration of its agenda.

### 2.22—Chair's control

The chair shall preserve order and decorum and shall have general control of the committee room. If there is a disturbance or disorderly conduct in the committee room, the chair may require participants in the disturbance to clear the room.

### 2.23—Chair's authority; appeals

(1) The chair shall approve all notices, subpoenas, or reports required or permitted by these Rules.

(2) The chair shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal by any Senator, and the appeal shall be certified by the chair to the Senate for a decision by the President during its next sitting following such certification. If not in session, the President may make a ruling by letter. Rulings shall be entered in the Journal, shall constitute binding precedent on all committees of the Senate, and shall be subject to appeal as any other question; however, rulings by letter are subject to appeal at the first or second sitting of the next regular session.

(3) The proper method of taking exception to a ruling of the chair is by appeal. An appeal of a decision of the chair must be made promptly before debate has concluded or other business has intervened. A point of order on any other question is not in order while an appeal is pending, but a point of order relating to the appeal may be raised; if the determination of the appeal is dependent on this point, it may be decided by the chair. This second (2nd) decision is also subject to appeal.

(4) An appeal of a decision of the chair on a point of order is debatable even though the question from which it arose was not debatable.

(5) The chair may, or on the vote of a **majority** of the committee members present shall, certify a question of parliamentary procedure to the President as contemplated by the Rule without a formal appeal. Such certified question shall be disposed of by the President as if it had been on appeal.

(6) Final action on an appeal or the certification of a procedural question pursuant to this Rule shall not constitute an automatic stay to further legislative action on the measure under consideration.

### 2.24—Chair, vice chair; vote

The chair and vice chair shall vote on all matters before such committee. The name of the chair shall be called last.

*See* Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

### 2.25—Temporary alternate to chair

The chair may name any member of the committee to perform the duties of the chair. This delegation shall not extend beyond adjournment of such meeting. If for any reason the chair is absent and fails to name a member, the vice chair shall assume the duties of the chair during the chair's absence.

### 2.26—Vice chair's duties

On the death, incapacitation, or resignation of the chair, the vice chair shall perform the duties of the office until the President appoints a successor. In the absence of the chair, the vice chair shall act as chair.

## PART THREE—COMMITTEES—MEMBERS

### 2.27—Members' attendance, voting; proxy and poll votes prohibited

(1) Unless excused or necessarily prevented, every member of a committee shall be in attendance during each of its meetings.

(2) The chair may excuse any member for just cause from attendance at meetings of his or her committee for any stated period. This excused absence shall be noted on the committee's records.

(3) Failure to attend two (2) consecutive regular meetings, unless excused from attendance in the Senate on those days as provided in these Rules or by the chair of the committee, shall be reported to the President who may take appropriate action.

(4) No member of any committee shall be allowed to vote by proxy nor shall a vote be conducted by poll.

(5) A **majority** of all the committee members present shall agree by their votes on the disposition of any matter considered by the committee.

*See* Rule 11.4—Majority action.

## PART FOUR—COMMITTEES—VOTING

### 2.28—Taking the vote; post-meeting record of missed vote

(1) The chair shall declare the result of all votes and shall cause same to be entered on the records of the committee, but if any member questions the declared result of a voice vote, then by a show of hands by two (2) members the chair shall count the yeas and nays. When the committee is equally divided, the question shall be lost.

*See* Rule 1.20—Attendance, voting, and disclosure of conflicts.  
*See* FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

(2) A member may request to:

- (a) Vote, or
- (b) Change his or her vote

before the results of a roll call are announced.

(3) After the result of a vote has been announced, a member with unanimous consent of those committee members present may record a vote or change his or her vote. If the vote alters the final action of the committee, no vote or change of vote shall be permitted unless the matter has been reconsidered by the committee. On request of a member prior to consideration of other business, the chair shall order a verification of a vote.

(4) After a committee meeting, an absent Senator may file with the committee an indication of how he or she would have voted if present. Such filing is for information only and shall have no effect upon the committee's meeting report.

### 2.29—Pair voting prohibited

No pair voting shall be permitted in a committee.

**2.30—Casting vote for another**

No Senator shall cast a vote for another Senator, nor shall any person not a Senator cast a vote for a Senator. In addition to such penalties as may be prescribed by law, any Senator who shall vote or attempt to vote for another Senator may be punished as the Senate may deem proper. Also, any person not a Senator who shall vote in the place of a Senator shall be excluded from the committee for the remainder of the session.

**2.31—Explanation of vote; deferring a vote prohibited**

No member shall be permitted to defer or explain his or her vote during a roll call, but may submit his or her explanation in writing and file it with the chair. This explanation shall be kept as part of the committee record and a copy filed with the Secretary.

**PART FIVE—COMMITTEES—MOTIONS AND PRECEDENCE****2.32—Motions; how made, withdrawn**

(1) Every procedural motion may be made orally. On request of the chair, a member shall submit his or her motion in writing.

(2) After a motion has been stated or read by the chair, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the committee without a second, and shall be disposed of by vote of the committee members present.

(3) The mover may withdraw a motion at any time before the same has been amended, or before a vote shall have commenced.

(4) The mover of a motion to reconsider may withdraw that motion only with the unanimous consent of those committee members present.

**2.33—Motions; precedence**

(1) When a question is under debate, the chair shall receive no motion except:

- (a) To adjourn
- (b) To take a recess
- (c) To reconsider instantan passage of a main question  
*See Rule 2.35—Reconsideration generally.*
- (d) To reconsider  
*See Rule 2.35—Reconsideration generally.*
- (e) To limit debate or vote at a time certain  
*See Rule 2.50—Limitation on debate; vote at a time certain.*
- (f) To temporarily postpone  
*See Rule 6.11—Temporarily postpone.*
- (g) To amend  
*See Rule 2.39—Amendments, proposed committee substitutes, and proposed committee bills; form, deadlines, notice, manner of consideration; germanity.*

which shall have precedence in the descending order given.

(2) The chair shall present all questions in the order in which they are moved unless the subsequent motion is of a higher precedence or a substitute of equal precedence.

(3) When a motion is under consideration, but prior to the commencement of the vote, a substitute motion shall be in order. Only one (1) substitute may be pending and the substitute shall be in the same order of precedence. If a substitute fails, another substitute of equal degree may be offered.

**2.34—Division of question**

A member may move for a division of a question when the sense will admit of it, which shall be decided by a **majority vote**. A motion to delete and insert shall be deemed indivisible; a motion to delete, being lost, shall neither preclude amendment nor a motion to delete and insert.

*See Rule 6.3—Division of question.*

**2.35—Reconsideration generally**

(1) When a question has been decided by a committee, any member voting with the prevailing side may move for reconsideration of the question.

(2) If a question has been decided by voice vote, any member may move for reconsideration, but such motion shall be out of order after the committee has moved on to other business.

*See Rule 2.38—Reconsideration; collateral matters.*

(3) A motion to reconsider final passage of a measure or the confirmation of an executive appointment may be made prior to or pending a motion to adjourn. It shall not be taken up or voted on when made but shall be a special and continuing order of business for the succeeding committee meeting. During such succeeding meeting, the mover of the original motion to reconsider may withdraw that motion by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of the members present. Unless taken up during such meeting, the motion to reconsider shall be considered abandoned.

(4) If the committee shall refuse to reconsider or, upon reconsideration, shall confirm its first decision, no further motion to reconsider shall be in order except upon unanimous consent of those committee members present.

*See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.*

(5) At the next succeeding meeting, the reconsideration of such motion may be made by any member prior to a motion to adjourn.

(6) During the last fourteen (14) days of a regular session, a motion to reconsider shall be made and taken up during the meeting at which the original vote was taken.

(7) A motion to reconsider instantan may be offered by a member voting on the prevailing side at the original meeting and shall be of a higher precedence than a motion to reconsider.

(a) If the motion to reconsider instantan is agreed to by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of the members present, it shall supersede a motion to reconsider and place the main question again before the committee for further consideration, amendment, and debate.

(b) If a motion to reconsider instantan is not agreed to, a motion to reconsider, if offered or pending as provided in subsection (3) of this Rule, shall be a special and continuing item on the committee agenda for the next meeting.

**2.36—Reconsideration; vote required**

The affirmative votes of a **majority** of the committee members present shall be required to adopt a motion to reconsider.

**2.37—Reconsideration; debate allowed**

Debate shall be allowed on a motion to reconsider only when the question proposed for reconsideration is debatable. When debate on a motion to reconsider is in order, no Senator shall speak thereon more than once nor longer than **five (5) minutes**.

**2.38—Reconsideration; collateral matters**

A motion to reconsider a collateral matter must be disposed of during the course of the consideration of the main subject to which it is related, and such motion shall be out of order after the committee has passed to other business.

**PART SIX—COMMITTEES—AMENDMENTS****2.39—Amendments, proposed committee substitutes, and proposed committee bills; form, deadlines, notice, manner of consideration; germanity**

(1) No amendment or proposed committee substitute to any measure, or no proposed committee bill on any committee agenda shall be considered by that committee unless the amendment, proposed committee substitute, or proposed committee bill was prepared in proper form as prescribed by the Secretary and filed with the committee administrative assistant at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the noticed meeting time. For the purpose of this Rule, office hours are the weekdays of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Copies of such amendment, proposed committee substitute, or proposed committee bill shall be made reasonably available by the committee administrative

assistant before the meeting to the members of the committee and to the public.

- (a) After distribution of all timely filed amendments, amendments to amendments or substitute amendments may be filed to any measure to which an amendment was timely filed. Such amendments must be filed with the committee administrative assistant at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
- (b) After distribution of all timely filed proposed committee substitutes and proposed committee bills, amendments, amendments to amendments, or substitute amendments to any proposed committee substitute or proposed committee bill must be filed with the committee administrative assistant at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
- (c) Amendments to late-filed amendments, proposed committee substitutes, or proposed committee bills shall be considered timely filed if filed at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
- (d) After day fifty (50) of a regular session, an amendment, proposed committee bill, or proposed committee substitute to any measure prepared prior to a committee meeting at which it is offered shall be filed with the committee administrative assistant at least two (2) hours prior to the noticed meeting time.
- (e) The consideration of any amendment, proposed committee bill, or proposed committee substitute not timely filed in accordance with this Rule, including any filed during a committee meeting in which it is to be offered, requires a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those committee members present, if any member requests that such a vote be taken. These time requirements do not apply to a committee's recommendation during a meeting to make a committee substitute which is merely a combination of the noticed bill and amendment.

(2) An amendment shall be considered only after its sponsor, who is a member of the committee or the introducer of the pending bill, gains recognition from the chair to move its adoption. The first- or second-named co-introducer may move and explain an amendment sponsored by the introducer.

(3) An amendment shall be deemed pending only after its sponsor has been recognized by the chair and has moved its adoption. Amendments that have been filed but have not been formally moved for adoption shall not be deemed to be pending.

(4) No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted in the form of an amendment.

#### **2.40—Sequence of amendments to amendments**

(1) An amendment to a pending amendment may be received, but until it is disposed of, no other motion to amend will be in order, except a substitute amendment or an amendment to the substitute. Such amendments are to be disposed of in the following order:

- (a) Amendments to the amendment are acted on before the substitute is taken up.
  - (b) Amendments to the substitute are next voted on.
  - (c) The substitute then is voted on.
- (2) If a substitute amendment is adopted, it supersedes the main amendment and shall be treated as an amendment to the bill itself.
  - (3) The following third (3rd) degree amendments are out of order:
    - (a) A substitute amendment for an amendment to the amendment.
    - (b) A substitute amendment for an amendment to the substitute.
    - (c) An amendment to an amendment to the amendment.
    - (d) An amendment to an amendment to the substitute amendment.

See Rule 7.3—Sequence of amendments to amendments.

#### **2.41—Deleting everything after enacting clause**

A proposal to delete everything after the enacting clause of a bill, or the resolving clause of a resolution, and insert new language of the same or related subject as stated in the original title shall be deemed proper and germane and shall be treated as an amendment.

#### **2.42—Amendment by section**

The adoption of an amendment to a section shall not preclude further amendment of that section. If a bill is being considered section by section or item by item, only amendments to the section or item under consideration shall be in order. The chair, in recognizing members for the purpose of moving the adoption of amendments, shall endeavor to cause all amendments to section 1 to be considered first, then all those in section 2, and so on. After all sections have been considered separately, the entire bill shall be open for amendment.

#### **2.43—Senate amendments to House bills**

A House bill may be amended in the same manner as a Senate bill except that it may not be reported as a committee substitute.

#### **2.44—Amendments by previous committees**

Amendments recommended by all committees of reference shall accompany a bill when filed with the Secretary. No committee shall remove an amendment by another committee but may recommend an amendment to an amendment, or a substitute for an amendment, by another committee. Any accompanying amendment shall be included in a subsequent committee substitute unless altered or negated by committee action. Amendments adopted by a committee to be incorporated in a committee substitute need not be filed with the Secretary as part of the reports required in Rules 2.15 and 2.16.

### **PART SEVEN—COMMITTEES—DECORUM AND DEBATE**

#### **2.45—Decorum and debate; proper forms of address**

When a member desires to speak or present a matter to the committee, the member shall address himself or herself to "Mr. or Madam Chair" and, on being recognized, may address the committee and shall confine any remarks to the question under debate, avoiding personality. A member shall not address or refer to another member by his or her first name. A member shall use the appellation of "Senator" or such appellation and the surname of the member referred to or addressed.

#### **2.46—Chair's power to recognize**

When two (2) or more members request to speak at once, the chair shall recognize the member who is to speak first.

#### **2.47—Interruptions; when allowed**

(1) No member shall be interrupted by another without the consent of the member who has the floor, except by:

- (a) Rising to a question of privilege;
- (b) Rising to a point of order requiring an immediate ruling;
- (c) Rising to appeal a decision of the chair concerning a point of order (provided the appeal is made immediately following the decision);
- (d) Rising to make a parliamentary inquiry requiring an immediate reply; or

(e) Rising to question the existence of a quorum.

(2) The chair shall strictly enforce this Rule.

#### 2.48—Speaking rights

(1) When a member is speaking and another member interrupts to request recognition, the chair may permit the person rising to state why he or she desires recognition. If the question the member desires to raise is entitled to precedence, the member originally speaking shall relinquish the floor until the question having precedence is disposed of. The member is then entitled to resume the floor.

(2) The member making a debatable motion or the introducer of a bill, whether or not a member of the committee, shall have **five (5) minutes** in order to close debate.

#### 2.49—Time allowed for debate

No Senator shall speak longer than **ten (10) minutes** without yielding the floor, except by consent of a **majority** of those committee members present.

#### 2.50—Limitation on debate; vote at a time certain

When a matter is under debate by the committee, a member may move to limit debate or vote at a time certain, and the motion shall be decided without debate. If time permits, the introducer of the pending matter on which debate would be limited shall have **five (5) minutes** to discuss the motion, and the introducer may divide such time with, or waive it in favor of, another member. If the question is decided in the affirmative by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those committee members present, the debate shall be limited accordingly. The time allotted by such limitation shall be apportioned by the chair. Once limited, debate may be extended beyond the original debate time limit by a **majority vote** of the committee members present.

See Rule 8.6—Limitation on debate.

#### 2.51—Priority of business; debate thereon

All questions relating to the priority of business shall be acted on and shall be decided without debate.

### RULE THREE

#### BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS

##### 3.1—Form of bills

(1) All bills shall contain a proper title, as required by Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*, and the enacting clause, “Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:.” The title of each bill shall be prefaced by the words, “A bill to be entitled An act.” Standard rules of capitalization shall apply.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 6 Laws.

(2) The original must be approved by the introducer and backed in a folder-jacket. On these jackets shall be inscribed the name and district number of the introducer and any co-introducers or the introducing committee and its chair, and enough of the title for identification.

See Rule 2.11—Presentation of bills introduced by Senators before committees; staff presentation of committee bills.

See Rule 11.6—General; definitions.

(3) Bills that propose to amend existing provisions of the *Florida Statutes* (as described in Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*) or the *Laws of Florida* shall contain the full text of the section, subsection, or paragraph to be amended. Joint resolutions that propose to amend the *State Constitution* shall contain the full text of the section to be amended.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 6 Laws.

(4) In general bills and joint resolutions that propose to create or amend existing provisions of the *Florida Statutes*, *Laws of Florida*, or the *State Constitution*, new words shall be inserted underlined, and

words to be deleted shall be lined through, except that the text of the General Appropriations Act shall not be underlined.

(5) When the change in language is so general that the use of these procedures would hinder, rather than assist, the understanding of the amendment, it shall not be necessary to use the coded indicators of words added or deleted but, in lieu thereof, a notation similar to the following shall be inserted immediately preceding the text of the provision being amended: “Substantial rewording of section. See s. [number], F.S., for present text.” When such notation is used, the notation as well as the substantially reworded text shall be underlined.

(6) The words to be deleted and the above-described indicators of such words and of new material are for information and guidance and shall not be considered to constitute a part of the bill under consideration.

(7) Section catchlines of existing text shall not be typed with underlining.

##### 3.2—Bills for introduction

A bill may not be introduced until properly filed with the Secretary.

See Rule 1.15—The Secretary examines legal form of bills for introduction.

See Rule 3.7—Bill filing deadline during regular session; bill filing between regular sessions; exceptions.

See Rule 13.4—Delivery for introduction.

##### 3.3—Form of local bills

As required by Article III, Section 10 of the *State Constitution*, all local bills must either embody provision for ratifying referenda (stated in the title as well as in the text of the bill) or be accompanied by an affidavit of proper advertisement. A form of affidavit may be found in section 11.03, *Florida Statutes*. All local bills that require publication shall, when introduced, have proof of publication securely attached to the original copy of the bill and the words “Proof of Publication Attached” clearly typed or stamped on the Senate side of the bill jacket or cover, or the same shall be rejected by the Secretary.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 10 Special laws.

##### 3.4—Form of joint resolutions

Joint resolutions shall contain a proper title, as required by Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*. Standard rules of capitalization shall apply. They shall contain the resolving clause, “Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:.” Each joint resolution shall be prefaced by the words: “A joint resolution.”

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 6 Laws.

##### 3.5—Form of memorials

Memorials shall contain a proper title, as required by Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*. Standard rules of capitalization shall apply. They shall contain the resolving clause, “Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:.”

##### 3.6—Form of resolutions; Senate and concurrent

(1) Senate resolutions and all concurrent resolutions shall contain a proper title, as required by Article III, Section 6 of the *State Constitution*. Standard rules of capitalization shall apply. Senate resolutions shall contain the resolving clause: “Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:.” Concurrent resolutions shall contain the resolving clause: “Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House of Representatives Concurring:.”

(2) Only the Secretary shall prepare copies of Senate resolutions that are to be furnished to any person after the resolution’s adoption.

### 3.7—Bill filing deadline during regular session; bill filing between regular sessions; exceptions

(1) All bills shall be filed for introduction with the Secretary no later than 12:00 noon of the first (1st) day of the regular session except:

- (a) general appropriations bills,
- (b) appropriations implementing bills,
- (c) appropriations conforming bills,
- (d) local bills,
- (e) Senate resolutions,
- (f) concurrent resolutions pertaining to a legislative joint session, a session extension, joint rules, procedure, organization, recalling a bill from the Governor, or setting an effective date for a bill passed over the Governor's veto,
- (g) committee bills,
- (h) trust fund bills, and
- (i) public record exemptions that are linked to timely filed general bills.

(2) Claim bills shall be filed in accordance with the requirements of Rule 4.81(2).

(3) A motion to waive this Rule shall be referred to the Rules Committee for a hearing and its advisory recommendation as to the existence of an emergency reasonably compelling consideration of a bill notwithstanding this Rule and a recommendation shall be reported back to the Senate. The Secretary shall number each bill to provide identity and control until a permanent number can be affixed.

See Rule 1.15—The Secretary examines legal form of bills for introduction.

(4) Between regular sessions of the Legislature, bills may be filed by delivery to the Secretary.

### 3.8—Filed bills; consideration between regular sessions

(1) A filed bill complying with these Rules shall, in anticipation of the next regular session, be serially numbered in accordance with the permanent system required by these Rules.

(2) The Secretary shall provide each such numbered bill to the President for reference to a committee or committees pursuant to these Rules. The Secretary shall promptly forward each referenced bill to the first (1st) or only committee of reference. The Secretary shall make all filed bills available to each Senator, including the referencing data for each bill, and a calendar of all committee hearings, including the bills noticed for hearing by each.

(3) Each bill considered by a committee and reported to the Secretary during the interim shall be introduced and read on the first (1st) day of the regular session, pursuant to the *State Constitution, Laws of Florida*, and these Rules. The Journal shall show the committee reference and the report of the committee.

(4) Prior to the introduction of a bill on the first (1st) day of the regular session, a Senator may give written notification to the Secretary to withdraw his or her bill from further consideration of the Senate.

### 3.9—Copies of bills

When filed, bills (including committee bills and committee substitute bills) shall be published by the Secretary for the information of the Senate and the public. The absence of a published copy shall not delay the progress of a measure at any stage of the legislative process. Sufficient copies of the general appropriations bill proposed to be introduced by the Appropriations Committee shall be made available to the members and, upon request, to the public, at the Office of the Secretary and at the committee's office, no less than two (2) hours prior to the time the Appropriations Committee meets to consider the proposed committee bill.

### 3.10—Identification of bills

Bills and other measures requiring legislative action shall be introduced in the order they are received by the Secretary. They shall be serially numbered with even numbers as introduced, without differentiation in number as to type. The Secretary shall mark the original

copy of each measure to ensure its identification, and each page thereof, as the item introduced in order to prevent unauthorized or improper substitutions. This identification may be made by any device to accomplish the purpose of this Rule. Such device shall be in the custody of the Secretary, and its use by any person not authorized by this Rule is prohibited.

### 3.11—Companion measures; defined; substitution of House bills for Senate bills

(1) A companion measure shall be substantially the same and identical as to specific intent and purpose as the measure for which it is being substituted.

(2) When a Senate bill is reached on the calendar of the Senate for consideration, either on second (2nd) or third (3rd) reading, and there is also pending on the calendar of the Senate a companion measure already passed by the House, it shall be in order to move that the House companion measure be substituted and considered in lieu of the Senate measure.

- (a) Before a vote is taken on a substitution motion, the mover shall explain the differences between the Senate bill and the House bill.
- (b) A substitution motion may be adopted by a **majority vote** of those Senators present if the House measure is on the same reading; otherwise, the motion shall be to waive the Rules by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present and read such House measure.

(3) A House bill residing in a Senate committee that is a companion of a bill under consideration in the Senate may be withdrawn from the committees of reference without motion, unless any Senator requests a vote on such withdrawal action. A withdrawal action shall require a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present for adoption.

(4) At the moment the Senate passes a House companion measure, the original Senate measure shall be regarded as automatically tabled. Recommitment of a Senate bill shall automatically carry with it any House companion measure then on the calendar.

### 3.12—Introducers of bills; co-introducers; introducers no longer Senators

(1) Bills shall be approved for introduction by a Senator whose name is affixed to the original, or by any committee with the name of the committee and the name of the chair of the committee affixed to the original.

(2) A bill may be co-introduced by any Senator whose name is affixed to the original.

(3) A Senator who is not seeking or is ineligible for reelection and, therefore, will not be a Senator at the next regular session of the Legislature may not file a bill for that session. Once a Senator is no longer in office, any bill filed by that Senator for a current or future session of the Legislature shall be deemed withdrawn from further consideration of the Senate unless the bill has a co-introducer who, within seven (7) days, agrees to become the introducer of the bill.

### 3.13—Fiscal notes

(1) Upon being favorably reported by a committee, all general bills or joint resolutions affecting revenues, expenditures, or fiscal liabilities of state or local governments shall be accompanied by a fiscal note. Fiscal notes shall reflect the estimated increase or decrease in revenues or expenditures. The estimated economic impact, which calculates the present and future fiscal effects of the bill or joint resolution, must be considered. The fiscal note shall not express opinion relative to the merits of the measure, but may identify technical defects.

(2) Fiscal notes on bills affecting any state retirement system shall be prepared after consultation with an actuary who is a member of the Society of Actuaries, and the cooperation of appropriate state agencies for necessary data shall be solicited.

(3) Fiscal notes shall be regarded as memoranda of factual information and shall be made available to Senators.

(4) If a bill or joint resolution is reported favorably by a committee without a fiscal note or economic impact statement, as defined in this Rule, a Senator may at any time prior to final passage raise a point of order, and the President shall order return of the bill or joint resolution to the committee. A fiscal note prepared for a Senate bill or joint resolution shall be presumed as prepared also for its House companion for the purposes of point of order.

#### RULE FOUR

##### ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CALENDAR

#### 4.1—Sittings of the Senate

The Senate shall convene pursuant to a schedule provided by the President or at the hour established by the Senate at its last sitting. This schedule shall set forth hours to convene and adjourn and may contain a schedule for the Special Order Calendars submitted by the Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader. The Senate shall not convene before 7:00 a.m. nor meet or continue to meet after 6:00 p.m. However, a sitting may be extended beyond these hours or the scheduled or previously agreed to time of adjournment by a **majority vote**.

See Rule 1.2—The President calls the Senate to order; informal recess.

#### 4.2—Quorum

A **majority** of the Senate shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day and compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as it may prescribe. A Senator at any time may question the existence of a quorum.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4 Quorum and procedure.

#### 4.3—Daily Order of Business

- (1) The Daily Order of Business shall be as follows:
  - (a) Roll Call
  - (b) Prayer
  - (c) Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
  - (d) Reports of Committees
  - (e) Motions Relating to Committee Reference
  - (f) Messages from the Governor and Other Executive Communications
  - (g) Messages from the House of Representatives
  - (h) Matters on Reconsideration
  - (i) Consideration of Bills on Third (3rd) Reading
  - (j) Special Order Calendars
  - (k) Consideration of Bills on Second (2nd) Reading
  - (l) Correction and Approval of Journal
  - (m) Unfinished Business

(2) The Secretary shall prepare and distribute, on each session weekday, a calendar corresponding to the Daily Order of Business; and within each order of business, matters shall be considered in the order in which they appear on such daily calendar. Local bills may be omitted from the formal calendar and may be distributed to Senators by the Secretary separately. Weekend calendars may be prepared when necessary to provide notice of meetings on Saturday or Sunday.

See Rule 4.16—Consideration out of regular order.

(3) Certain messages from the House of Representatives may be withheld from the Daily Order of Business pursuant to Rule 1.18 or on order of the President. Notwithstanding Rule 4.3(1), the Senate may, at the direction of the President, take up messages from the House at any time.

See Rule 1.18—The Secretary receives and delivers for reading messages from the House of Representatives; summaries of House amendments to Senate bills.

(4) Unless read during a sitting, first (1st) reading of a bill shall be accomplished by publication of the title thereof in the Journal pursuant to Article III, Section 7 of the *State Constitution*.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

#### 4.31—Unanimous consent required

Except by unanimous consent of those Senators present at a sitting, no bill shall be considered by the Senate if the bill or a companion measure has not been first reported favorably by at least one (1) Senate committee.

See Rule 4.6(6)—Reference generally; reference of local bills.

#### 4.5—Conference committee report

(1) The report of a conference committee shall be read to the Senate after which the vote shall be:

- (a) on adoption or rejection of the conference report and, if adopted, the vote shall then be
- (b) on final passage of the measure as amended by the conference report.

Copies of conference committee reports shall be available to the membership twelve (12) hours prior to the time such report is scheduled to be taken up on the Senate floor.

(2) The report must be acted on as a whole, being adopted or rejected.

(3) Each report shall include a statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of the report on the measure to which it relates.

(4) Except when the Senate is voting on a proposition, reports of conference committees shall always be in order.

#### 4.6—Reference generally; reference of local bills

(1) All bills, including those that are strictly local in nature, shall be referred by the President to appropriate committees and standing subcommittees. General appropriations bills, appropriations implementing bills, trust fund bills, and appropriations conforming bills introduced by the Appropriations Committee may be placed on the calendar without reference.

(2) Bills received by the President during a regular session and within three (3) weeks next preceding the convening of a regular session shall be referred within seven (7) days. Upon failure of the President to reference such bills within this limitation, they shall be referred to committees recommended by the introducer. In the event of extended absence of the President or the President's disability or incapacity, the President Pro Tempore shall assume the duty of referring bills.

(3) When the Legislature is not in session, the President may change or correct a bill reference by notice to the Secretary and the bill introducer.

(4) The review of a bill that appears to be local in nature shall be performed by the Secretary to determine whether such measure is local in nature for reference purposes and whether it responds to the legal requirements of a local bill.

(5) A bill is local in nature for referencing purposes if it does not substantially alter a law of general application throughout the state and it either affects no more than one (1) county or relates to a special district that is located wholly within no more than two (2) counties.

(6) When the Secretary, through staff review, has determined that the bill is not local in nature for referencing purposes, the Secretary shall report such determination to the President, who shall refer such bill to an appropriate standing committee for hearing. Such report shall be made within fifteen (15) days from date of receipt by the Secretary. When the Secretary, through staff review, has determined that a bill is local in nature for referencing purposes and that it responds to the legal requirements of a local bill, the bill shall be available for the calendar on local bills notwithstanding Rule 4.31.

**4.7—Reference to more than one committee; effect**

(1) When a bill receives more than one (1) reference, it shall be considered by each committee separately in the order in which the references are made. However, if any committee to which the bill is referred makes an unfavorable report on said bill, that report shall be filed with the Senate and no further consideration given by other committees except by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present while sitting.

(2) If a committee reports a bill favorably with committee substitute or with any amendment that substantially amends the bill, the President may change or correct the reference of the reported bill within seven (7) days after the filing of the report. Notice of a reference change shall be given to the Secretary and the introducer of the bill.

**4.8—Review and reference of bills affecting appropriations, revenue, retirement, or county or municipal spending**

(1) All bills authorizing or substantially affecting appropriations or tax revenue shall be referred to the appropriate revenue or appropriations committee.

(2) All bills substantially affecting a state-funded or state-administered retirement system shall be referred to the Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee.

(3) A bill containing a local mandate as described in Article VII, Section 18 of the *State Constitution* shall be referred to the Community Affairs Committee.

(4) A bill that is amended to substantially affect appropriations or tax revenue, a state retirement program, or expenditures or revenues as set forth in Article VII, Section 18 of the *State Constitution* may, before being placed before the Senate for final passage, be referred by the President along with all amendments to the appropriate revenue or appropriations committee.

**4.81—Claim bills**

(1) Claim bills are of two (2) types: excess judgment claims filed pursuant to section 768.28(5), *Florida Statutes*, and equitable claims filed without an underlying excess judgment.

(2) A claim bill filed by a current serving Senator must be filed by August 1 to be considered by the Senate during the next regular session. A claim bill filed by a newly elected Senator must be filed within thirty (30) days after election or before the first scheduled interim committee meeting, whichever is later. The deadline for newly elected Senators to file claim bills for the 2019 Regular Session shall be thirty (30) days from adoption of these Rules. Thereafter, claim bills must be filed as provided above. A claim bill that is filed after the deadline may not be considered by the Senate without approval of the Rules Committee. A motion to introduce a claim bill notwithstanding the claim bill filing deadline shall be referred to the Rules Committee for a hearing and a determination as to the existence of an emergency reasonably compelling consideration of a claim bill notwithstanding the claim bill filing deadline. A House claim bill that does not have a Senate companion claim bill timely filed under this Rule shall not be considered by the Senate. Any motion to consider a House claim bill that does not have a timely filed Senate companion bill shall be referred to the Rules Committee for a hearing and a determination as to the existence of an emergency reasonably compelling consideration of a claim bill notwithstanding the claim bill filing deadline. The determination by the Rules Committee shall be reported back to the Senate. Upon a determination by the committee that an emergency does exist, the motion may be considered by the Senate and must be adopted by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present.

(3) If the President determines that a hearing is necessary to determine liability, proximate cause, and damages, a special master shall conduct a *de novo* hearing pursuant to reasonable notice.

In order to carry out the special master's duties, a special master may request the President to issue subpoenas, subpoenas duces tecum, and other necessary process to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of any books, letters, or other documentary evidence which

the special master deems relevant to the evaluation of a claim. The President may issue said process at the request of the special master.

The special master shall administer an oath to all witnesses, accept relevant documentary and tangible evidence properly offered, record the proceedings, and prepare a final report containing findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations. The report shall be signed by the special master who shall be available, in person, to explain his or her report to the committees and to the Senate.

(4) All claim bills shall be referred by the President to one (1) or more committees for review. The Secretary shall deliver each claim bill and the special master's report and recommendations, if any, to the committees of reference when the bill is placed on an agenda.

(5) Stipulations entered into by the parties are not binding on the special master, the Senate, or its committees.

(6) The hearing and consideration of a claim bill shall be held in abeyance until all available administrative and judicial remedies have been exhausted; except that the hearing and consideration of a claim that is still within the judicial or administrative systems may proceed where the parties have executed a written settlement agreement. This subsection does not apply to a bill which relates to a claim of wrongful incarceration.

(7) All materials provided by litigants and others in connection with claim bills shall be submitted in a digital form prescribed by the Secretary.

See Rule 3.12—Introducers of bills; co-introducers; introducers no longer Senators.

**4.9—Reference of resolutions**

(1) Substantive resolutions shall be referred by the President to a standing committee.

(2) Resolutions that may be considered without reference to a committee include those addressing:

- (a) Senate organization,
- (b) condolence and commemoration that are of a statewide nonpolitical significance, and
- (c) concurrent resolutions pertaining to a legislative joint session, a session extension, joint rules, procedure, organization, recalling a bill from the Governor, or setting an effective date for a bill passed over the Governor's veto.

The resolutions listed in subsection (2) may be considered and read twice on the same day on motion and adopted at time of introduction without reference, except that resolutions of condolence or commemoration that are of a statewide nonpolitical significance may be shown as introduced, read, and adopted by publication in full in the Journal.

**4.10—Reference of a bill to different committee or removal from committee**

(1) After the President has referred a bill, the Rules Chair may move for reference to a different committee or for removal from any committee after the introducer of the bill has filed a request with the Rules Chair signed by the chair of the affected committee, the Rules Chair, and the President. This motion may be adopted by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present.

(2) Notwithstanding these Rules, a Senator may, during the day of introduction of filed bills, but no later than under the Order of Business of "Motions Relating to Committee Reference" on the second (2nd) day on which the Senate sits, move for reference to a different committee or for removal from a committee. This motion may be adopted by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present.

**4.11—Papers of miscellaneous nature; spreading remarks on the Journal**

(1) Papers of a miscellaneous nature addressed to the Senate may, at the discretion of the President, be read, noted in the Journal, or filed with an appropriate committee. When there is a demand to read a paper

other than one on which the Senate is called to give a final vote and the same is objected to by any Senator, it shall be determined by a **majority vote** of those Senators present.

(2) A **two-thirds (2/3) vote** shall be required to spread remarks upon the Journal.

#### 4.12—Reading of bills and joint resolutions

Each bill or joint resolution shall be read on three (3) separate days before a vote on final passage unless decided otherwise by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present as provided in Article III, Section 7 of the *State Constitution*.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

See FLA. CONST. art. XI, s. 1 Proposal by legislature.

#### 4.13—Reading of concurrent resolutions and memorials

(1) Each concurrent resolution or memorial shall be read by title on two (2) separate days before a voice vote on adoption, unless decided otherwise by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present.

(2) Concurrent resolutions pertaining to a joint legislative session, a session extension, joint rules, procedure, organization, recalling a bill from the Governor, or setting an effective date for a bill passed over the Governor's veto may be read a first (1st) and second (2nd) time, and adopted on the same day.

#### 4.14—Reading of Senate resolutions

Unless referred to a standing committee, on introduction, each Senate resolution shall be read two (2) times on the same day by title only before the question is put on adoption by voice vote.

#### 4.15—Referral or postponement on third (3rd) reading

After its third (3rd) reading, a bill or joint resolution shall not be referred or committed (except as provided under Rule 4.8) or amended (except a corrective or title amendment) except by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present, nor shall the vote on passage be postponed to a day certain without the consent of a **majority** of those Senators present.

See Rule 6.2—Motions; precedence.

#### 4.16—Consideration out of regular order

A bill shall be considered out of regular order on the calendar on unanimous consent of those Senators present obtained in the following manner: prior to the consideration of the motion, the Senator moving for unanimous consent of those Senators present shall orally give the membership not fewer than **fifteen (15) minutes** notice of his or her intention to move and shall specify the number of the bill and its position on the calendar. On entertainment of the motion, the moving Senator shall be allowed **one (1) minute** to explain his or her purpose, and unanimous consent of those Senators present shall be given or refused without further debate.

See Rule 4.3(2)—Daily Order of Business.

#### 4.17—Procedure to establish Special Order Calendars and Consent Calendars

(1) Commencing fifteen (15) days prior to a regular session and continuing through any extension thereof, the Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader shall together submit a Special Order Calendar determining the list of bills for consideration by the Senate. The President shall determine the order in which such bills appear on the published Special Order Calendar.

(2) A Special Order Calendar submitted for the first (1st) day, second (2nd) day, or last fourteen (14) days of a regular session shall be published in one (1) daily calendar and may be considered on the day of publication. A Special Order Calendar for any other day during a regular session shall be published in two (2) daily calendars and may be considered on the second (2nd) day of publication.

- (a) Bills that had been scheduled for a Special Order Calendar for a previous sitting may be included in the next Special Order Calendar.
- (b) A bill appearing on a Special Order Calendar may be stricken by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present.
- (c) A bill appearing on the calendar of bills on second (2nd) reading may be added to the end of the Special Order Calendar by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of Senators present.
- (d) All bills set as Special Orders for consideration at the same hour shall take precedence in the order in which they were given preference.
- (e) A Special Order Calendar may not be submitted by the Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader and considered by the Senate on the same day.

(3) A **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present shall be required to establish a Special Order except as provided in this Rule.

(4) Notice of date, time, and place for the establishment of the Special Order Calendars shall be published in at least one (1) Senate calendar or by announcement from the floor.

(5) With the approval of the President, the Rules Chair may submit a Consent Calendar to be presented in conjunction with the Special Order Calendars.

- (a) When such a day is designated, all bills appearing on the Consent Calendar shall be considered in their order of appearance.
- (b) Amendments shall be limited to accompanying committee amendments, noncontroversial and technical amendments, and amendments required to conform a House companion bill to the Senate bill.
- (c) When a Senator objects to consideration of a bill on a Consent Calendar, the bill shall be removed from the Consent Calendar but retain its order on the Second (2nd) Reading Calendar.
- (d) All Consent Calendar bills must have appeared in at least one (1) daily calendar.

#### 4.18—Local Bill Calendar

Local bills shall be disposed of according to the calendar of bills of a local nature and shall be considered only at such time as determined by the Rules Chair and approved by the President. Any Senator from the delegation for the local area affected by a bill on the Local Bill Calendar may object to consideration of the bill and the bill shall be removed from such calendar.

#### 4.19—Order after second (2nd) reading

(1) After a Senate bill has been read a second (2nd) time and amended and all questions relative to it have been disposed of, it shall be referred to the engrossing clerk to be immediately engrossed. It shall then be placed on the calendar of bills on third (3rd) reading to be considered during the next Senate sitting.

(2) Amendments filed with the Secretary, but not formally moved, shall not be construed as pending and shall not deter advancement of a bill to third (3rd) reading.

(3) A bill shall be available for its third (3rd) reading when it has been read a second (2nd) time on a previous day and no motion left pending.

(4) Bills calendared for second (2nd) or third (3rd) reading shall not be considered on such reading until reached in the proper order and read by title as directed by the President.

#### 4.20—Enrolling

The Secretary shall be responsible for the enrolling of Senate bills. After enrollment, all bills shall be signed by the President and the Secretary and the enrolling report shall be published in the Journal.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 7 Passage of bills.

**4.21—Veto messages**

Veto messages shall be referred to the Rules Committee.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 8 Executive approval and veto.

**RULE FIVE****VOTING****5.1—Taking the yeas and nays; objection to voting conflicts**

(1) The President shall declare all votes, but, if five (5) Senators immediately question the declared result of a voice vote by a show of hands, the President shall take the vote by yeas and nays or electronic roll call. When taking yeas and nays on any question, the electronic roll call system may be used and shall have the force and effect of a roll call taken as provided in these Rules. This system may also be used to determine the presence of a quorum. When the Senate is ready to vote on a question requiring roll call and the vote is by electronic roll call, the President shall state: "The Secretary will unlock the board and Senators prepare to vote." When sufficient time has elapsed for each Senator to vote, the President shall say: "Have all Senators voted?" And, after a short pause, shall state: "The Secretary will now lock the board and record the vote." When the vote is completely recorded, the President shall announce the result to the Senate; and the Secretary shall enter the result in the Journal. When the Senate is equally divided, the question shall be lost.

(2) A point of order questioning the decision of a Senator not to abstain from voting on account of a conflict of interest may be raised after the vote has been recorded and before the result is announced.

See Rule 1.20—Attendance, voting, and disclosure of conflicts.

See Rule 1.39—Disclosure of conflict of interest and prohibition on voting thereon.

See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 4(c) Quorum and procedure.

**5.2—Change of vote; votes after a roll call; vote verification**

(1) After the result of the vote has been announced by the President, a Senator with unanimous consent of those Senators present may change his or her vote or cast a late vote on the matter.

(2) Records of vote change and after the roll call requests shall be available at the Secretary's desk throughout the day's sitting.

(3) An original roll call shall not be altered, but, if no objection is raised before the close of business that day, timely filed changes of votes and votes after the roll call shall be accepted and recorded under the original roll call in the Journal.

(4) No such change of vote or vote after the roll call request shall be accepted if such vote would alter the result of the vote on final passage of the matter until the matter shall first have been returned to the desk and reconsidered.

(5) On request of a Senator before considering other business, the President shall order a verification of a vote.

**5.3—Casting vote for another**

(1) No Senator shall cast a vote for another Senator unless the Senator is present in the Chamber area and requests the casting of said vote, nor shall a person not a Senator cast a vote for a Senator.

(2) A Senator who shall, without such authorization, vote or attempt to vote for another Senator may be punished as the Senate may deem proper.

(3) A person not a Senator who votes in the place of a Senator shall be excluded from the Chamber for the remainder of the session.

**5.5—Explanation of vote**

No Senator shall be permitted to explain his or her vote during a roll call but may submit a brief explanation in writing to the Secretary, who shall enter it in the Journal.

See Rule 2.31—Explanation of vote; deferring a vote prohibited.

**5.6—Election by ballot**

In all cases of ballot, a **majority** of the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. If, however, no one is elected on the first three (3) ballots, the names after the top two (2) in number of votes received on the third (3rd) tally shall be dropped, and the Senate shall ballot on the two (2) names remaining.

**RULE SIX****MOTIONS AND PRECEDENCE****6.1—Motions; how made, withdrawn**

(1) Procedural motions may be made orally. On request of the President, a Senator shall submit his or her motion in writing. After a motion has been stated or read by the President, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Senate and, without a second, shall be disposed of by vote of the Senate.

(2) The mover may withdraw a motion, except a motion to reconsider, as hereinafter provided, at any time before the same has been amended or before the vote shall have commenced.

**6.2—Motions; precedence**

(1) When a question is under debate, the President shall receive no motion except:

- (a) To reconsider and leave pending a main question  
See Rule 6.4—Reconsideration generally.
- (b) To adjourn
  1. At a time certain
  2. Instantly  
See FLA. CONST. art. III, s. 3(e) Sessions of the legislature.
- (c) To recess  
See Rule 1.2—The President calls the Senate to order; informal recess.
- (d) Questions of privilege  
See Rule 8.11—Questions of privilege.
- (e) To proceed to the consideration of executive business
- (f) To reconsider  
See Rule 6.4—Reconsideration generally.
- (g) To limit debate  
See Rule 8.6—Limitation on debate.
- (h) To temporarily postpone  
See Rule 6.11—Temporarily postpone.
- (i) To postpone to a day certain
- (j) To commit to a standing committee  
See Rule 4.15—Referral or postponement on third (3rd) reading.
- (k) To commit to a select committee  
See Rule 4.15—Referral or postponement on third (3rd) reading.
- (l) To amend  
See Rule 7—Amendments.
- (m) To postpone indefinitely  
See Rule 6.9—Motion to indefinitely postpone.

which shall have precedence in the descending order given.

(2) The President shall present all questions in the order in which they are moved unless the subsequent motion is of a higher precedence.

(3) Motions for the previous question and to lay on the table shall not be entertained.

(4) When a motion is under consideration, but prior to the commencement of the vote, a substitute motion shall be in order. Only one (1) substitute shall be considered concurrently and the substitute shall be in the same order of precedence.

(5) A motion to discharge Senate conferees and to appoint or instruct said conferees as set forth in Rule 2.19 is a motion of the highest privilege and this motion shall have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn or recess and questions of privilege.

### 6.3—Division of question

(1) A Senator may move for a division of a question when the sense will admit of it, which shall be decided by a **majority vote**.

(2) A motion to delete and insert shall be deemed indivisible; a motion to delete, being lost, shall neither preclude amendment nor a motion to delete and insert.

### 6.4—Reconsideration generally

(1) When a main question (the vote on passage of a measure, including a vote on a veto message, confirmation of executive appointments, removal or suspension from office) has been decided by the Senate, a Senator voting with the prevailing side may move for reconsideration of the question on the day the matter was decided or on the next day on which the Senate sits.

- (a) If the question has been decided by voice vote, any Senator may move for reconsideration thereof.
- (b) When a **majority** of those Senators present vote in the affirmative on the question but the proposition is lost because it is one in which the concurrence of more than a **majority** of those Senators present is necessary for adoption or passage, any Senator may move for reconsideration.

(2) Such motion to reconsider may be made prior to or pending a motion to recess or adjourn.

(3) Consideration of a motion to reconsider shall be a special and continuing order of business for the Senate at its next sitting and, unless taken up under the proper order of business on that day by motion of any Senator, shall be deemed abandoned. If the Senate shall refuse to reconsider or, on reconsideration, shall confirm its first decision, no further motion to reconsider shall be in order except on unanimous consent of those Senators present.

(4) During the last fourteen (14) days of a regular session, a motion to reconsider shall be considered when made.

### 6.5—Reconsideration; vote required

The affirmative votes of a **majority** of those Senators present shall be required to adopt a motion to reconsider.

### 6.6—Reconsideration; debate; time limits

Debate shall be allowed on a motion to reconsider only when the question which it is proposed to reconsider is debatable. When the question is debatable, no Senator shall speak thereon more than once or longer than **five (5) minutes**.

### 6.7—Reconsideration; collateral matters and procedural motions

A motion to reconsider a collateral matter must be disposed of during the course of the consideration of the main subject to which it is related, and such motion shall be out of order after the Senate has passed to other business. Reconsideration of a procedural motion shall be considered on the same day and at the same time it is made.

### 6.8—Reconsideration; Secretary to hold for period

The Secretary shall hold all bills for the period after passage during which reconsideration may be moved. The adoption of a motion to waive the Rules by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present and immediately certify any bill to the House shall be construed as releasing the measure from the Secretary's possession for the period of reconsideration and shall, thereafter, preclude reconsideration. Unless otherwise directed by the President, during the last fourteen (14) days of a regular session and during any extension thereof, or during a special session, bills shall be immediately transmitted to the House. Messages relating to Senate action on House amendments or to conference committee reports shall be transmitted by the Secretary forthwith.

See Rule 1.17—The Secretary transmits bills to the House of Representatives.

See Rule 6.4—Reconsideration generally.

### 6.9—Motion to indefinitely postpone

A motion to indefinitely postpone is debatable and, if approved, shall dispose of a measure for the duration of the legislative session and all extensions thereof. A motion to postpone consideration to a time beyond the last day allowed under the *State Constitution* for the current legislative session shall be construed as a motion to indefinitely postpone. Motions to indefinitely postpone shall not be applicable to collateral matters.

### 6.10—Committee substitute; withdrawn

Once a bill has been reported as a committee substitute, it may be withdrawn from further consideration only by motion of the introducer and unanimous consent of the Senators present.

### 6.11—Temporarily postpone

(1) The motion to temporarily postpone shall be decided without debate and shall cause a measure to be set aside but retained on the desk.

(2) If a main question has been temporarily postponed after having been debated or after motions have been applied and is not brought back up during the same sitting, it shall be placed under the order of unfinished business on the Senate calendar. If a main question is temporarily postponed before debate has commenced or motions have been applied, its reading shall be considered a nullity and the bill shall retain its original position on the order of business during that sitting; otherwise, the bill reverts to the status of bills on second (2nd) or third (3rd) reading, as applicable.

(3) The motion to return to consideration of a temporarily postponed main question shall be made under the proper order of business when no other matter is pending.

(4) If applied to a collateral matter, the motion to temporarily postpone shall not cause the main question to be carried with it. After having been temporarily postponed, if a collateral matter is not brought back before the Senate in the course of consideration of the adhering or main question, it shall be deemed abandoned.

## RULE SEVEN

### AMENDMENTS

#### 7.1—General form; germanity requirement; notice; manner of consideration; filing deadlines

(1) No main amendment to a bill on any Senate calendar shall be considered by the Senate unless the amendment was prepared in proper form and filed with the Secretary no later than 2:00 p.m. the day before it is to be offered at a sitting.

(2) Substitutes for main amendments shall be filed by 4:00 p.m. and amendments to main amendments and amendments to substitute amendments by 5:00 p.m.

(3) No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted in the form of an amendment.

(4) Copies of such amendments shall be made reasonably available by the Secretary before the sitting, upon request, to the Senators and to the public.

(5) Consideration of all amendments not timely filed in accordance with this Rule requires a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present, if any Senator requests that such vote be taken.

(6) Amendments shall be filed with the Secretary on forms prescribed by the Secretary but shall be considered only after sponsors gain recognition from the President to move their adoption, except that the chair of the committee (or, in the chair's absence, the vice chair or any member thereof) reporting the measure under consideration shall have preference for the presentation of committee amendments.

(7) An amendment shall be deemed pending only after its sponsor has been recognized by the President and has moved its adoption.

Amendments that have been filed with the Secretary but have not been formally moved for adoption shall not be deemed to be pending.

(8) The following bills are out of order and shall not be admitted or considered in the form of an amendment to a bill on the calendar and under consideration by the Senate:

- (a) Bills that have received an unfavorable committee report.
- (b) Bills that have been withdrawn from further consideration by the introducer.
- (c) Bills the substance of which have not been reported favorably by all committees of reference.
- (d) Bills that have not been published in at least one (1) daily calendar under Bills on Second (2nd) Reading.

Amendments covered by this Rule shall be substantially the same and identical as to specific intent and purpose as the measures described in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), or (d).

(9) Reviser's bills may be amended only by making deletions.

### 7.2—Adoption

(1) On second (2nd) reading, amendments may be adopted by a **majority vote** of those Senators present.

(2) On third (3rd) reading, amendments and amendments to amendments, including substitute amendments and amendments to a substitute amendment, shall be adopted by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present.

(3) On third (3rd) reading, amendments to the title or corrective amendments may be decided, without debate, by a **majority vote** of those Senators present.

See Rule 4.15—Referral or postponement on third (3rd) reading.

### 7.3—Sequence of amendments to amendments

(1) An amendment to a pending amendment may be received, but until it is disposed of, no other motion to amend will be in order, except a substitute amendment or an amendment to the substitute. Such amendments are to be disposed of in the following order:

- (a) Amendments to the amendment are acted on before the substitute is taken up. Only one (1) amendment to the amendment may be pending.
- (b) Amendments to the substitute are next voted on.
- (c) The substitute then is voted on.

(2) If a substitute amendment is adopted in place of an original main amendment, it shall be treated as an amendment to the bill itself.

(3) The following third (3rd) degree amendments are out of order:

- (a) A substitute amendment for an amendment to the amendment.
- (b) A substitute amendment for an amendment to the substitute.
- (c) An amendment to an amendment to the amendment.
- (d) An amendment to an amendment to the substitute amendment.

### 7.4—Deleting everything after enacting clause

An amendment deleting everything after the enacting clause of a bill, or the resolving clause of a resolution, and inserting new language of the same or related subject as stated in the original title shall be deemed proper and germane.

### 7.5—Amendment by section

Adoption of an amendment to a section shall not preclude further amendment of that section. If a bill is being considered section by section or item by item, only amendments to the section or item under consideration shall be in order. The President, in recognizing Senators for the purpose of moving the adoption of amendments, shall endeavor to cause all amendments to section 1 to be considered first, then all those in section 2, and so on. After all sections have been considered separately, the entire bill shall be open for amendment.

### 7.6—Printing in Journal

All amendments taken up by the Senate unless withdrawn shall be printed in the Journal, except that an amendment to the general appropriations bill constituting an entirely new bill shall not be printed until the filing of the conference committee report. All item amendments to the general appropriations bill shall be printed.

### 7.7—Senate amendments to House bills

A House bill may be amended in the same manner as a Senate bill. If a House bill is amended, this action shall be noted by the Secretary on the jacket before it is transmitted to the House.

### 7.8—House amendments to Senate bills

(1) After the reading of a House amendment to a Senate bill, the Senate may consider the following motions in order of their precedence:

- (a) Amend the House amendment,
- (b) Concur in the House amendment,
- (c) Refuse to concur in the House amendment and ask the House to recede, or
- (d) Request a conference committee.

(2) The adoption of any of the foregoing motions shall be by **majority vote** of those Senators present.

### 7.9—House refusal to concur in Senate amendment

(1) If the House shall refuse to concur in a Senate amendment to a House bill, the Senate may consider the following motions in order of their precedence:

- (a) Recede,
- (b) Insist that the House concur and request a conference committee, or
- (c) Insist that the House concur.

(2) The adoption of any of the foregoing motions shall be by **majority vote** of those Senators present.

## RULE EIGHT

### DECORUM AND DEBATE

#### 8.1—Decorum and debate

(1) When a Senator desires to speak or present a matter to the Senate, the Senator shall rise at his or her seat and address himself or herself to "Mr. or Madam President" and, on being recognized, may address the Senate from his or her desk or from the well of the Senate and shall confine any remarks to the question under debate, avoiding personality.

(2) A Senator shall not address or refer to another Senator by his or her first name. A Senator shall use the appellation of "Senator" or such appellation and the district number of the Senator being addressed, or a Senator may also use such appellation and the surname of the Senator referred to or addressed.

### 8.2—Presiding officer’s power of recognition

When two (2) or more Senators rise at once, the presiding officer shall recognize the Senator who is to speak first.

### 8.3—Interruptions; when allowed

(1) No Senator shall be interrupted by another without the consent of the Senator who has the floor, except by:

- (a) Rising to a question of privilege;
- (b) Rising to a point of order requiring an immediate ruling;
- (c) Rising to appeal a decision of the presiding officer concerning a point of order (if the appeal is made immediately following the decision);
- (d) Rising to make a parliamentary inquiry requiring an immediate reply; or
- (e) Rising to question the existence of a quorum.

(2) The presiding officer shall strictly enforce this Rule.

### 8.4—Senator speaking, rights

(1) When a Senator is speaking and another Senator interrupts to request recognition, the presiding officer may ask the person rising to state why he or she desires the floor. If the question the Senator desires to raise is of higher precedence than the pending question, the Senator originally speaking shall relinquish the floor until the question having precedence is disposed of. The Senator then is entitled to resume the floor.

(2) The Senator making a debatable motion or the introducer of a bill shall have **five (5) minutes** in order to close debate.

### 8.5—Limit on speaking

No Senator shall speak longer than **thirty (30) minutes** without yielding the floor, except by consent of a **majority** of those Senators present.

### 8.6—Limitation on debate

When a matter is under debate by the Senate, a Senator may move to limit debate, and such motion shall be decided without debate, except the introducer of the matter on which debate would be limited shall have **five (5) minutes** to discuss said motion. If, by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present, the question is decided in the affirmative, debate shall be limited accordingly. Debate may be further extended by a **majority vote**.

### 8.7—Points of order, parliamentary inquiry, definitions

(1) A “point of order” is the parliamentary device used to require a deliberative body to observe its own rules and to follow established parliamentary practice.

(2) A “parliamentary inquiry” is a request for information from the presiding officer:

- (a) About business pending or soon to be pending before the Senate; or
- (b) A device for obtaining a predetermination of a rule or a clarification thereof which may be presented in hypothetical form.

### 8.9—Appeals

The ruling of a presiding officer may be appealed. The appeal of a decision of the presiding officer must be made promptly before debate has concluded or other business has intervened. A point of order on any other question is not in order while an appeal is pending, but a point of order relating to the appeal may be raised; and, if the determination of the appeal is dependent on this point, it may be decided by the presiding officer. This second (2nd) decision is also subject to appeal.

### 8.10—Appeals debatable

An appeal of a decision of the presiding officer on a point of order is debatable even though the question from which it arose was not debatable.

### 8.11—Questions of privilege

(1) Questions of privilege have two (2) forms:

- (a) Privilege of the Senate—Those affecting the rights of the Senate collectively, its safety, dignity, and the integrity of its proceedings; and
- (b) Privilege of a Senator—The rights, reputation, and conduct of Senators individually, in their representative capacity only.

(2) These shall have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn or recess. A question of privilege affecting the Senate takes precedence over a question of privilege affecting an individual Senator.

## RULE NINE

### LOBBYING

#### 9.1—Those required to register

All persons (except those specifically exempted) who seek to encourage the passage, defeat, or modification of legislation in the Senate or before its committees shall, before engaging in such activity, register as prescribed by law and the Joint Rules of the Florida Legislature.

#### 9.2—Obligations of lobbyist

(1) A lobbyist shall supply facts, information, and opinions of principals to legislators from the point of view from which he or she openly declares. A lobbyist shall not offer or propose anything to improperly influence the official act, decision, or vote of a legislator.

(2) A lobbyist, by personal example and admonition to colleagues, shall uphold the honor of the legislative process by the integrity of his or her relationship with legislators.

(3) A lobbyist shall not knowingly and willfully falsify a material fact or make any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation or make or use any writing or document knowing the same contains any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or entry.

(4) A lobbyist may not make any expenditure prohibited by section 11.045(4)(a), *Florida Statutes*, or by law.

#### 9.3—Lobbyists’ requirements

A lobbyist shall adhere to the statutory requirements for lobbyists provided by law and the Joint Rules.

#### 9.35—Contributions during sessions

During a regular legislative session, and during an extended or special session as further provided for in Rule 1.361(2), a lobbyist may not directly or indirectly contribute to a Senator’s own campaign, or to any organization that is registered, or should have been registered, with the Rules Committee pursuant to Rule 1.361(3).

#### 9.4—Advisory opinions

(1) A lobbyist, when in doubt about the applicability and interpretation of Rule Nine in a particular context, may submit in writing a statement of the facts involved to the Rules Committee and may appear in person before said committee.

(2) The Rules Committee may render advisory opinions to any lobbyist who seeks advice as to whether or not the facts in a particular case will constitute a violation of these Rules. All opinions shall delete names and be numbered, dated, and published in the Journal.

#### 9.5—Compilation of opinions

The Secretary shall compile all advisory opinions of the Rules Committee.

**9.6—Violations; investigations, penalties**

(1) Any person may file a sworn complaint with the Rules Chair alleging a violation of the Rules regulating the conduct and ethics of lobbyists. The complainant shall also file a copy of the sworn complaint with the Senate General Counsel.

The complaint shall be based on personal knowledge, shall state detailed facts, shall specify the actions of the named lobbyist which form the basis for the complaint, shall attach all documentation on which the complaint is based, and shall identify the specific Rule alleged by the complainant to have been violated by the lobbyist.

- (a) Upon a determination by the Rules Chair that the complaint fails to state facts supporting a finding of a violation of the Senate Rules, the complaint shall be dismissed.
- (b) Upon a determination by the Rules Chair that the complaint states facts that, if true, would be a violation of the Senate Rules, the complaint shall be referred to a special master or select committee to determine probable cause. If a select committee is appointed, it shall be comprised of an odd number of members.
  1. The special master or select committee shall give reasonable notice to the lobbyist who is alleged to have violated the Rules, shall conduct an investigation, and shall grant the lobbyist an opportunity to be heard. A report and recommendation shall then be prepared.
  2. The report and recommendation is advisory only and shall be presented to the Rules Chair and the President as soon as practicable after the close of the investigation.
  3. If the report and recommendation conclude that the facts do not support a finding of probable cause, the complaint shall be dismissed by the Rules Chair.
  4. If the complaint is not dismissed, another select committee will be appointed and shall consider the report and recommendation, shall grant the lobbyist an opportunity to be heard, and shall develop its own recommendation.
  5. If the select committee votes to dismiss the complaint, the chair shall dismiss the complaint.
  6. Otherwise, the report and recommendation and the recommendation of the select committee shall be presented to the President.
  7. The President shall present the committee's recommendation, along with the report and recommendation, to the Senate for final action.

(2) The Rules Chair shall act within thirty (30) days of receipt of a complaint, unless a concurrent jurisdiction is conducting an investigation, in which case a decision may be deferred until such investigation is complete.

(3) Nothing in this Rule prohibits a Rules Chair from allowing a lobbyist to correct or prevent an inadvertent, technical, or otherwise *de minimis* violation by informal means.

(4) Nothing in this Rule prohibits the Rules Chair or a select committee appointed pursuant to this Rule from recommending a consent decree if agreed to by the lobbyist. The decree shall state findings of fact and set forth an appropriate penalty. If the Senate accepts the consent decree, the complaint shall be deemed resolved.

(5) Separately from any prosecutions or penalties otherwise provided by law, any person determined to have violated the requirements of Rule Nine shall be admonished, censured, reprimanded, placed on probation, or prohibited from lobbying for the duration of the session and from appearing before any Senate committee. Such determination shall be made by a **majority vote** of the Senate.

**9.7—Committees to be diligent**

Committees shall be diligent to ascertain whether those who appear before them, in other than an obviously individual capacity, have conformed to the requirements of Rule Nine, the Joint Rules, and any other applicable law, and shall report violations. No committee member shall knowingly permit an unregistered lobbyist to be heard.

**9.8—Lobbyist expenditures and compensation**

See Senate Rules Appendix A for lobbyist expenditures and compensation requirements. The appendix is hereby incorporated by reference as a Rule.

**RULE TEN****CHAMBER OF THE SENATE****10.1—Persons entitled to admission**

(1) No person shall be admitted to the main floor of the Senate Chamber while the Senate is sitting except present members of the Senate, all officers and employees of the Senate in the performance of their duties, and persons charged with messages or papers to the Senate. Also entitled to admission are the Governor or one (1) representative designated by the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, Cabinet officers, former Governors, present and former United States Senators, present and former members of the House of Representatives of the United States and of this State, Justices of the Supreme Court, former State Senators of Florida, and persons by invitation of the President.

(2) A special section of the gallery shall be reserved for members of the families of Senators.

**10.2—Exception to Chamber admission Rule**

Except at the discretion of the President, no person entitled to admission shall be admitted if registered pursuant to Rule Nine. During a sitting, no person admitted under this Rule shall engage in any lobbying activity involving a measure pending before the Legislature during the legislative session.

**10.3—Admission of media by President**

Members of the media, in performance of their duties, shall be assigned to a section specifically set aside for them, and shall not be allowed on the Senate floor while the Senate is sitting, except with the approval of the President.

**10.4—Attire**

All persons on the main floor of the Senate Chamber and in the gallery (with the exception of visitors in that portion of the gallery set aside for the general public) shall wear appropriate business attire at all times while the Senate is sitting.

**10.5—Gallery**

No food or beverages shall be allowed in the gallery at any time.

**RULE ELEVEN****CONSTRUCTION AND WAIVER OF RULES****11.1—Interpretation of Rules**

It shall be the duty of the President, or the temporary presiding officer, to interpret all Rules.

**11.2—Waiver and suspension of Rules**

(1) These Rules shall not be waived or suspended except by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present. The motion, when made, shall be decided without debate.

(2) A motion to waive a Rule requiring unanimous consent of the Senate shall require unanimous consent of those Senators present for approval.

**11.3—Changes in Rules**

(1) All proposed revisions of the Senate Rules shall be first referred to the Rules Committee, which shall report as soon thereafter as practicable. Consideration of such a report shall always be in order.

(2) The Rules Committee may originate reports and resolutions dealing with the Senate Rules and the Order of Business which may be

approved by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote**, and such power shall be exclusive, provided, however, that any report made pursuant to this Rule may be amended by a **two-thirds (2/3) vote** of those Senators present.

#### 11.4—Majority action

Unless otherwise indicated by the Senate Rules or the *State Constitution*, all action by the Senate or any of its committees or subcommittees, including references to “members present” or “Senators present,” shall be by **majority vote** of those Senators present and voting.

See FLA. CONST. art. X, s. 12(e) Rules of construction.

#### 11.5—Uniform construction

When in the Senate Rules reference is made to a “two-thirds (2/3) vote,” it shall be construed to mean two-thirds (2/3) of those Senators present and voting except that two-thirds (2/3) of the entire membership of the Senate shall be required when so indicated.

#### 11.6—General; definitions

When used in the Senate Rules, the following words shall, unless the text otherwise indicates, have the following respective meaning:

- (1) The singular always includes the plural.
- (2) Except where specifically provided or where the context indicates otherwise, the use of the word “bill,” “measure,” “question,” or “matter” means a bill, joint resolution, concurrent resolution, resolution, or memorial.
- (3) In addition to the definition in subsection (2), “matter” also means an amendment, an appointment, or a suspension.
- (4) “Introducer” shall mean the first-named Senator on a bill. In the case of a bill originally introduced by a committee, the committee shall be the introducer.

#### 11.7—Sources of procedural authority

The latest edition of *Mason’s Manual of Legislative Procedure*, *Jefferson’s Manual*, or other manuals of comparable legislative application may be consulted, but shall not be binding, when a question of parliamentary procedure is not addressed by the *State Constitution*, these Rules, Joint Rules, or prior rulings of the presidents.

### RULE TWELVE

#### EXECUTIVE SESSIONS, APPOINTMENTS, SUSPENSIONS, AND REMOVALS

##### PART ONE—EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

#### 12.1—Executive session; authority

The business of the Senate shall be transacted openly and not in executive session except under conditions pursuant to Article III, Section 4(b) of the *State Constitution*.

#### 12.2—Executive session; purpose

Pursuant to Article III, Section 4(b) of the *State Constitution*, the Senate may resolve itself into executive session for the sole purpose of considering appointment, removal, or suspension. No one shall be in attendance except Senators, the Secretary, and staff as approved by the President, who shall be sworn not to disclose any executive business without consent of the Senate.

#### 12.3—Executive session; vote required

When the Senate agrees, by a **majority** of those Senators present, that specified appointments, removals, or suspensions shall be considered in executive session, such shall be calendared for formal consideration by the Senate.

#### 12.4—Executive session; work product confidentiality

All information and remarks including committee work product concerning the character and qualification, together with the vote on each appointment, removal, or suspension considered in executive session shall be kept confidential except information on which the bans of confidentiality were lifted by the Senate while in executive session.

#### 12.5—Executive session; separate Journal

A separate Journal shall be kept of executive proceedings of the Senate, and no information regarding same shall be made public except by order of the Senate or by order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### 12.6—Violation of Rule

Violation of the above Rules as to the confidentiality of the proceedings of executive sessions shall be considered by the Senate as sufficient grounds for unseating the offending Senator.

### PART TWO—APPOINTMENTS, SUSPENSIONS, AND REMOVALS

#### 12.7—Procedure; generally

Except as otherwise herein provided, on receipt by the Senate of appointments or suspensions on which action by the Senate is required, the President shall refer each to the Ethics and Elections Committee, other appropriate committee or committees, or a special master appointed by the President. Any such committee, subcommittee, or special master shall make inquiry or investigation and hold hearings, as appropriate, and advise the President and the Senate with a recommendation and the necessity for deliberating the subject in executive session. Reports and findings of the committee, subcommittee, or special master appointed pursuant hereto are advisory only and shall be made to the President. The report of the committee, subcommittee, or special master may be privileged and confidential. The President may order the report presented to the Senate in either open or executive session, or the President may refer it to the Rules Committee for its consideration and report. When the report is presented to the Senate during an open sitting or received by the Rules Committee, the report shall lose its privileged and confidential character.

#### 12.8—Procedure on executive appointments

(1) Upon receipt of a request from the Governor or other appointing official or authority for the return of the documentation of an appointment, which appointment has not been acted upon by the Senate, the Secretary, upon consultation with the President, shall return the appointment documentation and the return shall be noted in the Journal. The appointee whose appointment was returned continues in office until the end of the next ensuing regular session of the Legislature or until the Senate confirms a successor, whichever occurs first.

(2) If the appointment returned was made by the Governor, official or authority’s predecessor, the appointee shall not be subject to the provisions of section 114.05(1)(e) or (f), *Florida Statutes*, during the period of withdrawal.

(3) If the appointment returned was made by the Governor, official or authority requesting the return, for purposes of section 114.05(1)(e) and (f), *Florida Statutes*, the returned appointment shall be treated as if the Senate failed to consider the appointment.

#### 12.9—Procedure upon receipt of an executive suspension

(1) Unless suspension proceedings are held in abeyance, the committee, subcommittee, or special master shall institute action by transmitting a notice of hearing for a prehearing conference or a hearing on the merits within three (3) months after the Secretary of the Senate receives the suspension order. The Governor and the suspended official shall be given reasonable notice in writing of any hearing or prehearing conference before the committee, subcommittee, or special master. If the Governor files an amended suspension order, the attention of the Senate, committee, subcommittee, or special master shall be directed at the amended suspension order.

(2) An executive suspension of a public official who has pending against him or her criminal charges, or an executive suspension of a public official that is challenged in a court shall be referred to the Ethics and Elections Committee, other appropriate committee, or special master; however, all inquiry or investigation or hearings thereon shall be held in abeyance and the matter shall not be considered by the Senate, committee, subcommittee, or special master until the pending charges have been dismissed, or until final determination of the criminal charges at the trial court level, or until the final determination of a court challenge, if any, and the exhaustion of all appellate remedies for any of the above. The committee, subcommittee, or special master shall institute action within three (3) months after the conclusion of any pending proceedings. Notwithstanding an abeyance, the committee, subcommittee, or special master and the Senate may proceed if the written consent of counsel for the Governor and of the suspended official is obtained. Nothing in this Rule shall be interpreted as preventing the Senate from proceeding if the Senate President determines due process so requires.

(3) The committee, subcommittee, or special master may provide for a prehearing conference with counsel for the Governor and the suspended official to narrow the issues involved in the suspension. At such conference, both the Governor and the suspended official shall set forth the names and addresses of all the witnesses they intend to call, the nature of their testimony, photocopies of all documentary evidence, and a description of all physical evidence that will be relied on by the parties at the hearing. Each shall state briefly what each expects to prove by such testimony and evidence. The suspended official may file with the Secretary, no later than ten (10) days prior to the first (1st) prehearing conference, or no later than the date set by the committee, subcommittee, or special master if no prehearing conference is held, all written defenses or matters in avoidance of the charges contained in the suspension order.

(4) When it is advisable, the committee, subcommittee, or special master may request that the Governor file a bill of particulars containing a statement of further facts and circumstances supporting the suspension order. Within twenty (20) days after receipt of the Governor's bill of particulars, the suspended officer shall file a response with the committee, subcommittee, or special master. Such response shall specifically admit or deny the facts or circumstances set forth in the Governor's bill of particulars, and may further make such representation of fact and circumstances or assert such further defenses as are responsive to the bill of particulars or as may bear on the matter of the suspension.

(5) The Senate may act on the recommendations of the committee, subcommittee, or special master at any time it is sitting but shall do so no later than the end of the next regular session of the Legislature.

(6) Within sixty (60) days after the Senate has completed final action on the recommendation of the committee, subcommittee, or special master, any party to the suspension matter may request the return, at that party's expense, of any exhibit, document, or other evidence introduced by that party. After the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date the Senate has completed final action, the committee, subcommittee, or special master may dispose of such exhibits or other evidence.

See FLA. CONST. art. IV, s. 7(b) Suspensions; filling office during suspensions.

#### **12.10—Adjudication of guilt not required to remove suspended officer**

For the purposes of Article IV, Section 7(b) of the *State Constitution*, the Senate may find that the suspended official has committed a felony notwithstanding that a court may have withheld adjudication of guilt upon which the suspension order is based in whole or in part.

#### **12.11—Special master; appointment**

The President may appoint and contract for the services of a special master to perform such duties and make such reports in relation to suspensions and removals as he or she shall prescribe.

#### **12.12—Special master; floor privilege**

With consent of the President, the special master may have the privilege of the Senate floor to present and explain the report and answer questions as to the law and facts involved.

#### **12.13—Issuance of subpoenas and process**

The committee, subcommittee, and special master shall each have the authority to request the issuance of subpoenas, subpoenas *duces tecum*, and other necessary process under Rule 2.2. The committee chair, subcommittee chair, and special master may each administer all oaths and affirmations in the manner prescribed by law to witnesses who shall appear to testify on matters pending before the committee, subcommittee, or special master.

#### **12.14—Rule takes precedence**

In any situation where there is a direct conflict between the provisions of Rule Twelve and part V of chapter 112, *Florida Statutes*, Rule Twelve, derived from Article III, Section 4(a) of the *State Constitution*, shall take precedence.

### **RULE THIRTEEN**

#### **SPECIAL SESSION**

#### **13.1—Applicability of Senate Rules**

All Senate Rules shall apply and govern during special sessions except to the extent expressly modified or specified herein.

#### **13.2—Sittings of the Senate**

(1) The Senate shall convene pursuant to a schedule provided by the President or at the hour established by the Senate at its last sitting.

(2) A calendar may be published before a special session convenes.

#### **13.3—Committee meetings; schedule, notice, amendment deadline**

(1) Committee meetings shall be scheduled by the President.

(a) Meetings of committees may be held after notice is published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor Capitol rotunda for two (2) hours in advance of the meeting. If possible, such notice shall appear in the daily calendar.

(b) A committee may meet less than two (2) hours after the convening of a special session if a notice is filed with the Secretary at least two (2) hours before the scheduled meeting time.

(2) The notice shall include the date, time, and place of the meeting together with the name of the introducer, subject, number of each bill or proposed committee bill to be considered, and the amendment deadline for the meeting as provided herein. All other provisions for publication of notice of committee meetings are suspended.

(3) Main amendments shall be filed no later than one (1) hour before the scheduled convening of a committee meeting. Amendments adhering to main amendments shall be filed not later than **thirty (30) minutes** thereafter.

#### **13.4—Delivery for introduction**

Bills for introduction may be delivered to the Secretary at any time.

#### **13.5—Committee reports**

(1) Standing committee reports shall be filed with the Secretary's office as soon as practicable, but not later than 4:30 p.m. on the day after the meeting that is not a weekend or state holiday, except a committee drafting and recommending a committee substitute shall file such committee report no later than 4:30 p.m. on the second (2nd) such weekday. These reports must be accompanied by the original bill. Each report by a committee must set forth the identifying number of the bill. If amendments are proposed by the committee, the words "with

amendments” shall follow the identifying number. Committee amendments shall be identified by barcode in the report. All bills reported unfavorably shall be laid on the table.

(2) Bills referred to a standing subcommittee shall be reported to the standing committee.

### 13.6—Conference committee reports

(1) The report of a conference committee shall be read to the Senate. Upon completion of the reading and subsequent debate, the vote shall first be:

- (a) on adoption or rejection of the conference report and, if adopted, the vote shall then be
- (b) on final passage of the measure as amended by the conference report.

Copies of conference committee reports shall be available to the membership two (2) hours prior to the time such report is scheduled to be taken up on the Senate floor.

(2) The report must be acted on as a whole, being adopted or rejected.

(3) Each report shall include a statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of the report on the measure to which it relates.

(4) Conference committees, other than a conference committee on a general or special appropriations bill and its related legislation, shall consider and report only on the differences existing between the Senate and the House, and no substance foreign to the bills before the conferees shall be included in the report or considered by the Senate.

(5) A conference committee may only report by recommending the adoption of a series of amendments to the House or Senate bill that was the subject of the conference, or it may offer an amendment deleting everything after the enacting clause of any such bill referred to the committee. In any event, the conference committee may recommend, as part of its report, the adoption or rejection of any or all of the amendments theretofore adopted by either house. Conference committee reports must be approved and signed by a **majority** of the conferees on the part of each house. All final actions taken in a conference committee shall be by motion.

(6) When conferees on the part of the Senate report an inability to agree, any action of the Senate taken prior to such reference to a conference committee shall not preclude further action on said measure as the Senate may determine.

(7) After Senate conferees have been appointed for thirty-six (36) hours and have failed to make a report, it is a motion of the highest privilege to move to discharge said Senate conferees and to appoint new conferees, or to instruct said Senate conferees.

### 13.7—Reconsideration

A motion to reconsider shall be considered when made.

### 13.8—Procedure to establish Special Order Calendars

(1) The Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader shall meet and submit a Special Order Calendar determining the list of bills for consideration by the Senate. The President shall determine the order in which such bills appear on the published Special Order Calendar.

See Rule 4.16—Consideration out of regular order.

(2) Such Special Order Calendar shall be published in one (1) daily calendar and may be considered on the day published. The amendment deadline for bills on the Special Order Calendar shall be 5:00 p.m. or two (2) hours after the Special Order Calendar is announced, or as provided in the Special Order Calendar, whichever occurs later.

(3) Notice of the date, time, and place for the establishment of the Special Order Calendar shall be published on the Senate website and posted on the Senate side of the fourth (4th) floor Capitol rotunda two

(2) hours in advance of the meeting. If possible, such notice shall appear in the daily calendar.

## RULE FOURTEEN

### SEAL AND INSIGNIA

#### 14.1—Seal and insignia

(1) There shall be an official seal of the Senate. The seal shall be the size of a circle of two and one-half inches diameter having in the center thereof the current Florida state flag and the current United States flag above a disc containing the words: “In God We Trust” arched above a gavel, quill, and scroll. At the top of the field of flags shall be the word: “Seal.” At the bottom shall be the date: “1838.” The perimeter of the seal shall contain the words: “Senate” and “State of Florida.”

(2) There shall be an official coat of arms for the Senate. The coat of arms shall contain the current Florida state flag and the current United States flag above the Great Seal of Florida. At the base of the coat of arms shall be the words: “The Florida Senate.”

(3) All versions of the Senate Seal, the Senate Coat of Arms, official Senate stationery, calling cards, and facsimiles thereof may be used only in connection with official Senate business.

### Senate Rules Appendix A

This document may be consulted by persons seeking to comply with the lobbyist expenditure ban set forth in section 11.045(4)(a), *Florida Statutes*, in the legislative context by refining the law and providing Interim Lobbying Guidelines and answers to 25 Frequently Asked Questions.

Part One of the Guidelines refines and applies the prohibition, with ten clearly stated exceptions, so that Senators and Senate employees cannot directly or indirectly take any “expenditure” from a lobbyist or principal in either the public or private sector.

Part Two of the Guidelines refines and applies the underlying core requirement that “lobbying firms” must publicly disclose the compensation they receive for lobbying activities, and does so in a way that is narrowly tailored, furthers the state’s compelling governmental interest in regulating legislative lobbying at the state level, and employs the least intrusive means available to do so.

This document sets out general principles. Outcomes depend heavily on underlying fact patterns that can vary greatly from case to case. Full disclosure of the operative facts must be provided and considered before a proper and correct answer can be derived.

A Senator may request an informal advisory opinion from the Senate General Counsel regarding the application of the law and Rule to a specific situation, on which the legislator may reasonably rely.

The houses of the Legislature are responsible for the administration and enforcement of the legislative lobbying portions of the law. The legislative lobbying expenditure prohibitions are not part of the Florida Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees. Neither the Florida Commission on Ethics nor the Florida courts have jurisdiction to interpret these internal matters of the Legislature.

### Part One - Expenditures

#### (1) General Guidelines

##### a) The Expenditure Prohibition

The law contains a prohibition against lobbyists and principals making direct or *indirect* lobbying expenditures for legislators and legislative employees. It provides:

[N]o lobbyist or principal shall make, directly or indirectly, and no member or employee of the Legislature shall knowingly accept, directly or indirectly, any *expenditure*.... (emphasis added).

The expenditure prohibition applies only to expenditures made by lobbyists and principals. It applies whether or not the lobbyist, principal, legislator, or legislative employee is in Florida. Florida’s gift law,

section 112.3148, *Florida Statutes*, continues to apply to gifts to legislators and legislative employees from others.

**Example:** A legislator may accept a subscription to a newspaper or periodical that is neither published by, nor paid for, nor provided by a lobbyist or a principal.

**Example:** A legislator may not accept a free health screening or other personal service provided on behalf of an association that is a principal.

**Example:** A legislator may, as either a member or an invited guest, participate in meetings of, and partake of the food and beverage provided by a civic organization if the organization is not a principal.

The practical effect of this law is to prohibit expenditures for attempting to obtain the goodwill of a member or employee of the Legislature, and it is not designed to prohibit expenditures made in attempting to influence legislative action or non-action through oral or written communication.

#### b) Definitions

“*Expenditure*” is defined, essentially, as anything of value made by a lobbyist or principal *for the purpose of lobbying*.

“*Lobbying*,” in turn, means: (1) influencing or attempting to influence legislative action through oral or written communication (“active lobbying”); or, (2) attempting to obtain the *goodwill* of a member or employee of the Legislature (“goodwill”).

“*Goodwill expenditure*” is a gift, an entertainment, any food or beverage, lodging, travel, or any other item or service of personal benefit to a legislator or legislative employee.

Goodwill expenditures include contributions or donations from a lobbyist or a principal to a charitable organization that is, directly or indirectly, established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof.

A “*lobbyist*” is a person who is employed and receives payment, or who contracts for economic consideration, for the purpose of lobbying, or a person who is principally employed for governmental affairs by another person or governmental entity to lobby on behalf of that other person or governmental entity.

“*Personal benefit*” means a profit or gain pertaining to, directed toward, or affecting a person.

A “*principal*” means the person, firm, corporation, or other entity that has employed or retained a lobbyist. When an association has employed or retained a lobbyist, the association is the principal; *the individual members of the association are not principals merely because of their membership in the association*.

#### c) Honorarium-related Expenses

It is not permissible to accept from a lobbyist or principal, directly or indirectly, payment or reimbursement of expenses for travel, food, lodging, or beverage, related to speaking engagements or other honorarium-type events.

#### d) Indirect Expenditures

An indirect expenditure is an expenditure that is not made directly to a legislator or legislative employee, but is made to another with the purpose that the expenditure be used for the personal benefit of a legislator or legislative employee.

The expenditure prohibition *expressly* prohibits any lobbyist or principal from directing prohibited lobbying expenditures through a surrogate or through any person who by his or her actions or activities is obligated to register as a lobbyist but has failed to do so. Third-party intermediaries, such as employees, members of associations and others, cannot be used to make prohibited expenditures.

Where an item or service (anything of value) is provided to a person *other* than a legislator or legislative employee by a lobbyist or principal and the item or service or the benefit attributable to the item or service

ultimately is received by the legislator or employee, and where the item or service is provided with the intent to benefit the legislator or employee, such item or service constitutes a prohibited indirect expenditure to the legislator or employee.

Factors to be considered in determining whether a prohibited indirect expenditure has been made are set out on the following page in the joint functionality test:

### TEST FOR DETERMINING LEGALITY OF AN INDIRECT EXPENDITURE

(1) The existence or nonexistence of communications by the lobbyist or principal indicating the lobbyist’s or principal’s intent to make or convey the item or service, or a personal benefit attributable to the item or service, to a legislator or employee rather than to the intervening third person;

(2) The existence or nonexistence of communications by the intervening third person indicating the intent to make or convey the lobbyist’s or principal’s item or service, or a personal benefit attributable to the item or service, to a legislator or employee rather than to the third person;

(3) The existence or nonexistence of any relationship between the lobbyist or principal and the third person, independent of the relationship between the lobbyist or principal and a legislator or employee, that would motivate the transfer to the third person;

(4) The existence or nonexistence of any relationship between the third person and a legislator or employee that would motivate the transfer;

(5) Whether the same or similar items or services have been or are being provided to other persons having the same relationship to the lobbyist or principal as the third person;

(6) Whether, under the circumstances, the third person had full and independent decision-making authority to determine whether a legislator or employee, or another, would receive the items or services, or a personal benefit attributable to the items or services;

(7) Whether the third person was acting with the knowledge or consent of, or under the direction of, the lobbyist or principal;

(8) Whether there were payments or the intention for any payments or bookkeeping transactions between the third person and the lobbyist or principal, reimbursing the third person for the items or services;

(9) The degree of ownership or control the lobbyist or principal had over the third person; and

(10) Whether a lobbyist or principal knew, or should have known, that an item or service provided to a third party would be used to provide a personal benefit to a legislator or employee, such as for the funding of a legislative reception or an event to be attended by legislators or employees.

The following examples illustrate some of the applications of the foregoing indirect expenditure criteria:

**Example 1:** A law firm which lobbies the Legislature invites all of its attorneys to attend a weekend retreat. The attorneys are encouraged to bring their spouses or significant others at the firm’s expense. Legislator C is married to an attorney in the firm and has been asked by her spouse to attend the retreat. The lodging provided to Legislator C for the retreat, food and drink, firm t-shirts, and the like would be considered a gift to her from her spouse and thus not a prohibited indirect expenditure, because the firm’s invitation was extended to Legislator C’s spouse by virtue of his employment with the firm.

**Example 2:** Legislator D hosts a fox hunt attended by legislators and lobbyists. Lobbyists give money to a third person, who is not a legislator or a legislative employee, to pay for the food and beverages which will be served at the fox hunt. The third party orders and prepares the food and beverages. The money provided to the third person by the lobbyists would be a prohibited indirect expenditure to Legislator D because it was given with the intent of benefiting him and his guests at the fox hunt.

**Example 3:** Legislator N and spouse have arranged to take a vacation trip together. A legislative lobbyist meets with Legislator N's spouse and offers to pay for the spouse's travel expenses. The lobbyist and Legislator N's spouse know each other only through the lobbyist's involvement with the legislator. This would constitute a prohibited indirect expenditure to Legislator N.

e) Equal or Greater Compensation

An expenditure is not prohibited when equal or greater value is given contemporaneously by the recipient to the donor.

Therefore, it is not an expenditure if:

1. The fair market value of the event, meeting, or other activity, including any food, beverage, transportation, lodging, or any other thing of value, can readily be determined, and

2. The legislator or legislative employee pays his or her pro rata share of the total fair market value to the person or organization hosting the event contemporaneously with the time of attending or participating in the event.

Thus, if a lobbyist or principal provides \$35 worth of goods or services to a legislator or legislative employee but the legislator or legislative employee *contemporaneously* provides *equal or greater consideration*, the lobbyist or principal has not provided *anything of value*, thus, there is no "expenditure."

f) Valuation

The law is silent as to the *valuation* of goods and services. *Fair market value* is the proper and applicable standard of valuation.

The retail price of an item or service is presumed to be its fair market value so long as it is reasonable in relation to the value of the item or service and the amount is not subsidized by a lobbyist or principal.

In valuing an expenditure, you may exclude the amount of additional expenses that are regularly required as a condition precedent to the donor's eligibility to make the expenditure if the amount expended for the condition precedent is primarily intended to be for a purpose other than lobbying, and is either primarily for the benefit of the donor or is paid to a charitable organization. Initiation fees and membership fees are examples of additional expenses that are regularly required as conditions precedent for eligibility to make an expenditure. Transportation expenses incurred to bring a member to an out-of-town event are not.

Entrance fees, admission fees, or tickets are normally valued on the face value or on a daily or per event basis. The portion of a ticket attributable to a charitable contribution is not included in the value. Conversely, if the ticket is subsidized by contributions of lobbyists or principals, the pro rata subsidized amount must be attributed to the face value.

A person providing transportation in a private automobile shall be considered to be making an expenditure at the then-current statutory reimbursement rate. The value of transportation provided in other private conveyances must be calculated on its fair market value.

g) Exceptions

1. Relatives

A relative is an individual who is related to the member or employee as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, grandparent, grandchild, great grandparent, great grandchild, step grandparent, step great grandparent, step grandchild, or step great grandchild; any person who is engaged to be married to the member or employee or who otherwise holds himself or herself out as or is generally known as the person whom the member or employee intends to marry or with whom the member or employee intends to form a household; or any other natural person having the same legal residence as the member or employee.

This definition of "relative" is taken from former Joint Rule 1.4(4)(b), and has operated historically as an exception to the presumption that things of value given to a legislator or employee by a lobbyist or principal are intended for the purpose of engendering goodwill.

**Example:** A legislator is permitted to accept a Christmas gift from an aunt, even if she is a lobbyist. The gift is not deemed an expenditure made for the purpose of lobbying because of the family relationship between the donor and the donee.

2. Employment-related Compensation and Benefits

Salary, benefits, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses associated primarily with the recipient's employment, business, or service as an officer or director of a corporation or organization are not prohibited expenditures so long as they are given in an amount commensurate with other similarly situated employees, officers, or directors.

These sorts of expenditures are currently also excepted from the definition of a gift in section 112.312(12)(b), *Florida Statutes*, and are a necessary exception in order for many legislators to continue their employment or continue their service on boards and continue to serve in Florida's citizen Legislature.

**Example:** A legislator who is on the board of directors of an organization that has a lobbyist is nevertheless permitted to partake of food and beverage provided to the board members by the organization at its board meetings.

3. Political Organizations and Entities

An expenditure does not include contributions or expenditures reported pursuant to chapter 106, *Florida Statutes*, or its federal law counterpart; campaign-related personal services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering their time; any other contribution or expenditure made by a chapter 106 entity such as a candidate campaign, political committee, organization making electioneering communications, political party, or an entity qualified under section 501(c)(4) or section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Members are cautioned that these organizations or entities may not be used as a vehicle for skirting the lobbying expenditure law. To the extent that funds come from lobbyists or principals, one should exercise great care that the expenditures are legal and appropriate for that particular organization or entity.

4. Communications Expenses

The expenditure prohibitions in the law do not reach expenditures made by a lobbyist or principal for items such as "media advertising," "publications," "communications," and "research."

Expenditures for researching, gathering, collating, organizing, providing, or disseminating information for the *exclusive* purpose of "active lobbying" (influencing or attempting to influence legislative action through oral or written communication) are necessary for Floridians to be able to "instruct their representatives."

5. Office and Personal Expenses of Lobbyists and Principals

"Office expenses" and personal expenses of the lobbyist or principal for "travel," "lodging," and "food and beverages" as those items were defined in former Joint Rule 1.4(4)(c) are exempt from the prohibition on lobbying expenditures. This category does not include any expenses for legislators, legislative employees, or persons whose expenses would be attributed to them.

6. Government to Government Expenditures

Real property or a facility owned or operated by a state or local public agency or entity that is a lobbying principal and transportation to, from, and at the location provided by that agency or entity may, with the prior approval of the respective state legislative presiding officer or his or her designee, be used without payment, by a member, committee, or staff of the Legislature for a public legislative purpose. Such purposes include publicly noticed legislative committee meetings and site visits to operations conducted by the public agency or entity. Allowable free uses also specifically include legislative district offices and sub-offices and the normally attendant utilities, parking, janitorial services, building

maintenance, and telecommunications equipment and services common to a government building in which the office is located. Allowable free use does not extend to sports or entertainment venues; does not include food, beverages, or entertainment; and does not include free parking privileges at any location other than a district office or sub-office.

#### 7. Free and Open Public Events

Expenditures directly associated with events that are held within the Capitol complex, out-of-doors or under temporary shelter, open to the general public, widely and publicly noticed, free to all, not ticketed, and for which equal and totally unobstructed access to the general public is provided, are not prohibited expenditures made by lobbyists or principals, or when accepted by legislators or legislative employees.

**Example:** Atlas County, Florida, is holding Atlas Day in the plaza between the Capitol and the Historic Capitol. Lunch is served to all comers. The event was widely publicized and access to the event and the food and beverage is totally unobstructed. Legislators may partake as well.

#### 8. Regional and National Legislative Organizations

The prohibition does not apply to expenditures made directly or indirectly by a state, regional, or national organization that promotes the exchange of ideas between, or the professional development of, governmental officials or employees, and whose membership is primarily composed of elected or appointed public officials or staff to members of that organization or to officials or staff of the Legislature. This exception does not include extracurricular activities, entertainments, or items or services provided at conferences that are paid for or provided by a lobbyist or principal.

#### 9. Monetary Value Impossible to Ascertain

The value of some items is *truly impossible* to quantify at the time of the expenditure. Expenditures for which a monetary value is not ascertainable at the time of the expenditure are not prohibited. Examples are: appearing on a news show or having a feature article about a legislator in a trade magazine or other medium, applause received by a legislator at an event, obtaining priority seating in a crowded restaurant or priority for obtaining services where there is an established queue, or the pro-rata portion of a host's monthly or annual membership in an exclusive supper club.

#### 10. Plaques and Certificates

The prohibition does not apply to personalized wall plaques, personalized photographs, or personalized certificates that have no substantial inherent value other than recognizing the donee's public, civic, charitable, or professional service.

#### h) Effect of Other Laws and Rules

To the extent that an expenditure is excluded or exempt from the lobbying prohibition in section 11.045, *Florida Statutes*, it is still subject to the restrictions and requirements in other statutes: most notably, the gift law (section 112.3148, *Florida Statutes*) and the campaign finance law (chapter 106, *Florida Statutes*).

### (2) Frequently Asked Questions

#### LEGISLATIVE EVENTS/RECEPTIONS

1. *Question: Can a county legislative delegation or delegation office sponsor an annual event in Tallahassee on public grounds or in quarters belonging to either the Senate or the House of Representatives (i.e., "Flavors of Hillsborough")?*

**ANSWER:** A county legislative delegation may host an annual event in Tallahassee provided that no free food, beverages, or other personal benefits to a legislator or legislative employee are paid for or provided by a lobbyist or principal, either directly or indirectly.

Legislators and legislative staff may pay an amount established and published by the delegation as the per-person cost of the event, or they may "pop in" and not partake of any food, beverage, or other personal benefit at the event. Alternatively, the delegation may make the event a free, open public event as described in Paragraph (1)g)7. above.

2. *Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee go up to the 22nd floor of the Capitol and partake of free food and drink provided by an organization hosting a luncheon or event at the Capitol?*

**ANSWER:** It depends. Yes, provided the organization hosting the event is not a principal and none of the food and beverages are paid for or provided by a lobbyist or principal. Otherwise, the legislator or legislative employee could attend the event but could not partake of the free food or beverages or they can pay the fair market value of what they consume.

3. *Question: Can "legislative days" that provide food, beverages, entertainment, and other personal benefits to legislators or legislative employees during the session and are hosted by counties, cities, universities, and others that employ a lobbyist continue?*

**ANSWER:** "Legislative days" and other legislative events funded by lobbyist or principal dollars may continue provided no free food, drink, entertainment, or other personal benefit is provided to a legislator or legislative employee, either directly or indirectly. Any such benefit would be a prohibited goodwill expenditure.

Legislators and legislative staff may pay an amount established and published by the sponsor as the per-person cost of the event, or they may "pop in" and not partake of any food, beverage, or other personal benefit at the event. Alternatively, the sponsor may make the event a free, open public event as described in Paragraph (1)g)7. above.

4. *Question: Can a not-for-profit organization host receptions and events for legislators that provide food, beverages, entertainment, and other personal benefits to legislators or legislative employees through contributions solicited from lobbyists or principals who sponsor the reception or event?*

**ANSWER:** The charity may host a reception or event for legislators and legislative employees provided that no free food, beverages, entertainment, or other personal benefit is provided to a legislator or legislative employee from the funds of lobbyists or principals.

Legislators and legislative employees may pay an amount established and published by the sponsor as the per-person cost of the event, or they may "pop in" and not partake of any food, beverage, or other personal benefit at the event. Alternatively, the sponsor may make the event a free, open public event as described in Paragraph (1)g)7. above.

5. *Question: Can a lobbyist or principal host an event with food, beverages, entertainment, or other personal benefit for legislators or legislative employees and collect from each legislator or legislative employee, a flat, per-person entrance fee based on the total cost to plan, produce, stage, and clean up after the event, divided by the number of persons reasonably expected to attend?*

**ANSWER:** Yes.

6. *Question: Each year, a few associations host legislative receptions/BBQs and invite their members as well as legislators. They usually pass out campaign funds at these events to those who support their industry. Would it now be legal to host this event if it were called a "fundraiser?" Could legislators then accept free food and beverages at the event?*

**ANSWER:** Senate Rule 1.361 precludes a senator, and House Rule 15.3 precludes a representative, from accepting a campaign contribution during a regular or special session, in addition to prohibiting them from accepting contributions on behalf of a section 527 or section 501(c)(4) organization, a political committee, a political party, or the campaign of any other senatorial candidate or candidate for representative, respectively. Thus, any fundraiser held during a regular or special session would violate the rules of each house.

Fundraisers not held during a regular or special session are outside the purview of the expenditure prohibitions in the law. A goodwill lobbying expenditure does not include contributions or expenditures reported pursuant to chapter 106, *Florida Statutes*. However, if the facts and circumstances demonstrate that calling the event a "fundraiser" is merely an artifice for lobbyists or principals to provide free gifts, food, beverages, and other items or services of personal benefit to a legislator, not associated with influencing the results of an election, then the fundraiser would violate the expenditure prohibition of the new law.

Note, also, that fundraisers remain subject to the contribution restrictions and requirements of Florida's campaign finance law (chapter 106, *Florida Statutes*).

#### HONORARIA EXPENSES

7. *Question: Can a lobbyist or principal continue to pay or reimburse a legislator's or legislative employee's expenses for such items as food and beverages, travel, and lodging associated with an honorarium event?*

**ANSWER:** No.

#### GIFTS TO LEGISLATORS

8. *Question: Can a school child give a legislator a painting that he or she has made?*

**ANSWER:** Yes. The prohibition against lobbying expenditures only applies to lobbyists and principals, and those acting on their behalf.

9. *Question: Can a school student whose parent is a lobbyist or principal give a scarf that was purchased by the child's parent to a legislator as a gift?*

**ANSWER:** It depends. The lobbying expenditure prohibition applies to all gifts from lobbyists or principals to legislators, directly or *indirectly*. A lobbyist or principal cannot use a third-party intermediary to circumvent the lobbying expenditure prohibition. Thus, if the facts and circumstances demonstrate that the scarf is an indirect gift from the lobbyist or principal to the legislator, it would be prohibited.

10. *Question: Can a legislator accept rent-free office space and associated building services from a city, county, or community college in his or her district that employs or retains a lobbyist?*

**ANSWER:** Yes. See Paragraph (1g)6. above for explanation and limitations.

11. *Question: Can a legislator or legislative staff accept transportation services from another governmental entity?*

**ANSWER:** Yes. See Paragraph (1g)6. above for explanation and limitations.

12. *Question: Are there any value limitations on the exceptions in the law for "floral arrangements or other celebratory items given to legislators and displayed in chambers on the opening day of a regular session"?*

**ANSWER:** Yes. All opening day flowers and floral arrangements are subject to the limitations and requirements of the gift law (section 112.3148, *Florida Statutes*). No other celebratory items will be allowed in either chamber on opening day of the regular session.

#### FOOD AND BEVERAGES/GIFTS

13. *Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee and his or her spouse have dinner with a lobbyist friend the legislator or legislative employee has known for 30 years at the lobbyist's home, whether or not active lobbying occurs?*

**ANSWER:** Yes, *provided* the legislator or legislative employee contemporaneously provides the lobbyist with the pro rata share of the total fair market value of the cost of the food and beverages provided to the legislator or legislative employee and his or her spouse, either in cash or barter (i.e., bottle of wine, flowers). Otherwise, the expenditure for food and beverages would constitute a prohibited goodwill expenditure, irrespective of the extent of the legislator's and lobbyist's friendship.

14. *Question: Can a lobbyist or principal and legislator or legislative employee have dinner at a public restaurant?*

**ANSWER:** Yes, *provided* the dinner is "Dutch treat."

15. *Question: Can a lobbyist or principal and a legislator or legislative employee have dinner "Dutch treat" at the Governor's Club?*

**ANSWER:** Yes, *provided* the legislator or legislative employee pays the total cost of all food and beverage that he or she was served or

consumed, or that was served to or consumed by a person whose expenditures are attributed to the legislator or legislative employee.

16. *Question: Can a lobbyist's business partner, employee, spouse, or child, who is not a registered lobbyist, accompany the lobbyist and legislator or legislative employee to dinner and pay for all the food and beverages if the partner, employee, spouse, or child does not actively lobby?*

**ANSWER:** No. The lobbying expenditure prohibition applies to all food and beverages provided by lobbyists or principals to legislators or legislative employees, directly or *indirectly*. A lobbyist or principal cannot utilize a third-party intermediary to channel gifts to legislators to circumvent the lobbying expenditure prohibition.

17. *Question: If someone offers a legislator or legislative employee a drink at a bar, or any other gift or personal benefit, does the legislator or legislative employee have a duty to inquire if the donor is a lobbyist or principal?*

**ANSWER:** Yes. A legislator or legislative employee is liable for *knowingly* accepting an expenditure from a lobbyist or principal, or someone acting on behalf of a lobbyist or principal. "Knowingly" has many statutory definitions, including that a person: (1) has *actual knowledge* of the information; (2) acts in *deliberate ignorance* of the truth or falsity of the information; or, (3) acts in *reckless disregard* of the truth or falsity of the information. Therefore, prudence dictates that the legislator or legislative employee, at a minimum, make *reasonable inquiry* as to the source of the proposed expenditure to determine whether it is prohibited. *Reasonableness* will turn on the facts and circumstances of each individual situation.

For example, a legislator receiving an invitation to an event to be held the next week, from an organization he or she is not familiar with would likely require that the legislator, *at a minimum*, consult the online directory of legislative principals and lobbyists, and perhaps make further inquiry if facts or circumstances come to light indicating that the organization might be making the expenditure on behalf of a lobbyist or principal. Similarly, a legislator offered a drink from someone he or she doesn't know in a Tallahassee bar or restaurant generally known to be frequented by lobbyists would probably be required, *at a minimum*, to ask whether the person is a lobbyist or principal or affiliated with a lobbyist or principal. On the other hand, a Miami legislator on personal holiday with his or her spouse at Busch Gardens in Tampa, who strikes up a friendship with a couple they don't know visiting from Colorado and who subsequently offers to pay for the legislator's and spouse's dinner probably has less of a duty to inquire whether either member of the couple is a Florida lobbyist or principal.

#### CHARITIES

18. *Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee raise funds from lobbyists or principals for charitable causes?*

**ANSWER:** Yes, *provided* the charity for which funds are sought is not directly or indirectly established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof. Otherwise, such a contribution or donation would constitute a prohibited goodwill expenditure.

19. *Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee establish or operate a charitable foundation that relies on lobbyist or principal support?*

**ANSWER:** No. A legislator or legislative employee may establish or operate a charitable organization but none of the money contributed or donated to the charity may be from lobbyists or principals. Such a contribution or donation would constitute a prohibited goodwill expenditure.

20. *Question: Can a legislator or legislative employee sit on the board of a charitable organization that is not established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof? Can he or she accept free food and beverages provided by the charity and be reimbursed by the charity for expenses associated with the work of the charity (i.e., travel, lodging)?*

**ANSWER:** Yes. A legislator or legislative employee may sit on the board of a charitable organization that receives donations and con-

tributions from lobbyists, and may partake of free food, beverages, and other personal benefits provided by the charity to board members in connection with their service, including reimbursement of personal expenses incurred by board members in furtherance of the charity's work. A goodwill expenditure does not include salary, benefits, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses associated primarily with a legislator's or legislative employee's employment, business, or service as an officer or director of a corporation or organization. *However*, any such salary, benefit, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses cannot be from funds earmarked by lobbyists or principals to the charity for such purpose and must be received only for the legislator's or legislative employee's service as a member of the board.

21. *Question: Can a legislative caucus that is established as a non-profit group raise funds from lobbyists for its charitable causes?*

**ANSWER:** It depends. If the legislative caucus or the nonprofit group is directly or indirectly established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof, then the answer is no.

If the legislative caucus or the nonprofit group is not directly or indirectly established by, organized by, or operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof, then the answer is yes.

22. *Question: Can a legislative caucus that is established as a non-profit group host its own charity golf tournament funded by lobbyist or principal "sponsors" at a private club, where the cost of sponsorship buys an opportunity to play golf with a member of the caucus, and to make a presentation to the caucus before and after the event?*

**ANSWER:** Yes, provided the legislative caucus or the nonprofit group is not directly or indirectly established by, organized by, operated primarily by, or controlled by a legislator or legislative employee, or any combination thereof, and the legislators and legislative employees pay their own golf fees and the per-person cost for food and beverage.

#### OTHER

23. *Question: What happens when a legislator is married to, related to, or living with a lobbyist? Can the lobbyist pay for meals, lodging, etc.?*

**ANSWER:** Yes, *provided* the lobbyist does not use the expenditure to actively lobby the legislator. Expenditures by "relatives" of a legislator for food, lodging, travel, and the like are specifically exempt from the definition of a goodwill expenditure.

24. *Question: Can a legislator be employed by a lobbyist or principal? Can a legislator go to the employer's retreat and partake of food and beverages?*

**ANSWER:** Yes. A goodwill expenditure does not include salary, benefits, services, fees, commissions, gifts, or expenses *associated primarily with a legislator's or legislative employee's employment*, business, or service as an officer or director of a corporation or organization.

25. *Question: Where a lobbyist or principal leaves a gift, such as a box of chocolates, in a legislator's office, what should the legislator do with the item?*

**ANSWER:** When a legislator or legislative employee receives an item that they believe violates the prohibition against accepting an expenditure from a lobbyist or principal, the item must either be sent back to the donor or delivered to the Sergeant at Arms for disposal.

### Part Two - Compensation

#### (1) General Guidelines

The law requires the reporting of *compensation* received by *lobbying firms* for each calendar quarter, both in the aggregate and for each individual principal. Much of the reporting is done in dollar categories; however, if compensation from a single principal is \$50,000 or more in a calendar quarter, the lobbying firm must report the specific dollar amount of the compensation, rounded to the nearest \$1,000.

A "lobbying firm" is any business entity with a lobbyist, or an individual contract lobbyist, who gets paid to lobby for a principal. It is the

lobbying firm that must report, *not the individual lobbyists in the firm* (except in the case of an individual contract lobbyist, where the lobbyist also comprises the entire lobbying firm).

Reports are due no later than 45 days after the end of each calendar quarter. Compensation reports must be filed electronically using the online filing system of the Office of Legislative Services.

The law requires the senior partner, officer, or owner of the lobbying firm to certify to the veracity and completeness of each compensation report. This requirement is designed to discourage the mischaracterization and thus omission of reportable compensation through designations such as "media fees," "consulting services," "professional services," "governmental services," and other such artifices.

For example, if a law firm were paid a lump sum for rendering multiple types of services to a client, only one of which is lobbying, then the person certifying the report is responsible for properly and reasonably allocating the portion of the total fee received for lobbying activities and for activities other than lobbying. Only the compensation received for *lobbying* activities is to be reported on the compensation form.

The Legislature will use random audits supplemented by the lobbyist disciplinary process to hold the person certifying the compensation report and the lobbying firm accountable for making a true, complete, properly allocated report as required by law. In addition, the certification brings every compensation report filer within the scope of potential criminal penalties in section 837.06, *Florida Statutes*, for culpable violations.

#### (2) Frequently Asked Questions

1. *Question: Is an in-house, salaried lobbyist for an association, a governmental entity, or a corporation that does not derive income from principals for lobbying required to report compensation?*

**ANSWER:** No. An association, a governmental entity, a corporation or other business entity that does not derive income from principals for lobbying, and its employee lobbyists, are not a "lobbying firm" as defined in section 11.045(1)(f), *Florida Statutes*. Only "lobbying firms" must report compensation as provided in section 11.045(3)(a), *Florida Statutes*.

2. *Question: Does the prohibition against providing compensation to an individual or business entity that is not a lobbying firm mean that in-house lobbyists must either become a lobbying firm or cease lobbying?*

**ANSWER:** No. The provision in question merely clarifies that reportable "compensation" under the law must be provided to a "lobbying firm," and not contracted or subcontracted through some "straw man" to circumvent compensation reporting requirements. The provision in question clarifies and emphasizes the statutory definition of "compensation" in section 11.045(1)(b), *Florida Statutes*, as "anything of value provided or owed to a *lobbying firm*."

## INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

### FIRST READING

By Senator Benacquisto—

**SB 2**—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 2019 and designating the portions thereof that are to constitute the official law of the state; providing that the Florida Statutes 2019 shall be effective immediately upon publication; providing that general laws enacted during the 2018 regular session and prior thereto and not included in the Florida Statutes 2019 are repealed; providing that general laws enacted after the 2018 regular session are not repealed by this adoption act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Benacquisto—

**SB 4**—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 16.615, 17.076, 20.43, 25.077, 27.34, 27.54, 29.005, 29.006, 30.15, 39.001, 39.01, 39.0121, 39.0139, 39.2015, 39.202, 39.301, 39.303, 39.3031, 39.3035, 39.304, 39.3068, 39.307, 39.5086, 39.521, 105.036, 119.071, 121.71, 154.067, 159.834, 163.3177, 193.4615, 196.075, 196.1975, 210.03, 216.136, 218.135, 218.401, 220.11, 243.20, 259.105, 282.705, 288.9623, 316.614, 322.09, 328.76, 348.0012, 364.163, 373.206, 373.5905, 380.0651, 381.0072, 381.984, 383.3362, 383.402, 388.021, 391.026, 393.063, 395.1023, 395.1055, 395.4025, 397.6760, 400.235, 400.471, 400.4785, 400.991, 401.024, 402.305, 402.310, 402.56, 403.861, 408.036, 408.802, 408.820, 409.017, 409.145, 409.815, 409.9083, 440.45, 455.2286, 458.348, 459.025, 459.026, 468.432, 480.033, 483.285, 491.012, 501.011, 527.0201, 560.109, 578.08, 578.11, 578.13, 590.02, 624.509, 627.40951, 627.746, 634.436, 641.3107, 641.511, 655.825, 718.121, 736.0403, 825.101, 893.055, 893.0551, 900.05, 934.255, 943.0585, 943.1758, 944.115, 985.48, 1002.33, 1002.36, 1002.385, 1002.395, 1002.82, 1004.085, 1004.097, 1004.6495, 1005.03, 1005.06, 1006.061, 1007.24, 1007.273, 1008.31, 1009.89, 1011.69, 1011.71, 1012.2315, 1012.584, and 1013.62, F.S.; reenacting and amending s. 1006.12, F.S.; and reenacting ss. 163.3164 and 893.13, 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; improving the clarity of the statutes and facilitating their correct interpretation; and revising statutory provisions to conform to directives of the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Benacquisto—

**SB 6**—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; repealing ss. 16.616, 196.102(14), 220.192, 311.07(3)(d), 316.0898, 319.141, 377.24075, 932.7055(4)(d), 960.002, 961.055, 961.056, 985.6865(4)(a), 1008.46(1)(b), and 1011.71(2)(k), F.S., and amending ss. 741.30, 784.046, and 1004.085 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 2019 Florida Statutes only through a reviser's bill duly enacted by the Legislature; amending s. 16.615, F.S., to conform a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Senator Benacquisto—

**SB 8**—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 252.90, 252.939, 253.126, 260.0144, 287.0572, 295.187, 310.102, 310.142, 310.183, 316.29545, and 316.304, F.S.; and repealing s. 316.611, F.S.; to conform to the directive of the Legislature in section 9 of chapter 2012-116, Laws of Florida, codified as section 11.242(5)(j), Florida Statutes, to prepare a reviser's bill to omit all statutes and laws, or parts thereof, which grant duplicative, redundant, or unused rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

**Senate Bills 10-20**—Not used.

**SB 22**—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Simmons—

**SB 24**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Eric Scott Tenner by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners; providing for an appropriation to compensate his estate for injuries and damages sustained by Eric Scott Tenner and his survivors as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Miami-Dade County

Board of County Commissioners; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

By Senator Thurston—

**SB 26**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Barney Brown, who was wrongfully incarcerated for 38 years; providing an appropriation to compensate him for his wrongful incarceration; providing that the act does not waive certain defenses or increase the state's liability; providing that the appropriation satisfies all present and future claims related to the arrest, conviction, and incarceration of Barney Brown; prohibiting the award of any additional amounts for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 28**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Kareem Hawari by the Osceola County School Board; providing an appropriation to compensate him for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of employees of the Osceola County School Board; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

**Senate Bills 30-32**—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Torres—

**SB 34**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Robert Allan Smith by Orange County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Mr. Smith for injuries and damages he sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of Orange County; providing legislative intent regarding lien interests held by the state; providing a limitation on the payment of 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; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

**SB 36**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Shuler Limited Partnership by the Florida Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, formerly known as the Division of Forestry, and the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund; providing for an appropriation to compensate Shuler Limited Partnership for costs and fees and for damages sustained to 835 acres of its timber as a result of the negligence, negligence per se, and gross negligence of employees of the Florida Forest Service and their violation of ch. 590, F.S.; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Thurston—

**SB 38**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Jane Doe by the School Board of Miami-Dade County; providing for an appropriation to compensate Jane Doe for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of the School Board of Miami-Dade County; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 40**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Ruth Arizpe by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners; providing for an appropriation to compensate her for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of Palm Beach County; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation and attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 42**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Jorge L. Dominguez, Chelsea Beatrice Dominguez, Brittney Delores Dominguez, and Tori Alexis Dominguez by Hillsborough County; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for the wrongful death of Darcia Lynn Dominguez, which occurred as the result of the negligence of Hillsborough County and one of its employees; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation and attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

**SB 44**—Withdrawn pursuant to Rule 3.12(3).

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 46**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Justin Williamson by the St. Johns County School District; providing an appropriation to compensate him for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of the St. Johns County School District; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 48**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Marcus Button by the Pasco County School Board; providing an appropriation to compensate Marcus Button for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Pasco County School Board; providing an appropriation to compensate Mark and Robin Button, as parents and natural guardians of Marcus Button, for injuries and damages sustained by Marcus Button; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 50**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Danielle Maudsley; providing an appropriation to compensate the Estate of Danielle Maudsley for Ms. Maudsley's death, sustained as a result of the alleged negligence of Trooper Daniel Cole and the Florida Highway Patrol, a division of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing that certain payments and the appropriation satisfy all present and future claims related to the alleged acts; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 52**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of former employees of Fairfax Street Wood Treaters; directing the Department of Health to collaborate with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health to develop specified data for certain purposes; providing an appropriation to compensate the former employees for injuries and damages sustained as result of the negligence of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Financial Services, and the Department of Health; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Health Policy; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senators Rouson and Berman—

**SB 54**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to possession of real property; repealing s. 163.035, F.S., relating to a governmental entity's establishment of recreational customary use on a portion of a beach above the mean high-water line on private property; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Thurston—

**SB 56**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the presidential preference primary; amending s. 97.041, F.S.; authorizing certain pre-registered voter registration applicants to vote in the presidential preference primary; prohibiting such persons from voting in any other race or on any amendment or ballot measure; providing that such persons are not considered electors for purposes of the Florida Election Code; amending s. 98.461, F.S.; requiring the supervisor of elections to generate a separate precinct register containing the names of pre-registered voter registration applicants eligible to vote in the presidential preference primary; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 58**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Legislature; providing a short title; amending s. 11.143, F.S.; deleting provisions regarding the administration of oaths and affirmations to witnesses appearing before legislative committees, and associated penalties, to conform to changes made by the act; creating s. 11.1435, F.S.; requiring that persons addressing a legislative committee take an oath or affirmation of truthfulness; providing exceptions; requiring that a member of the legislative committee administer the oath or affirmation; providing criminal penalties for certain false statements before a legisla-

tive committee; authorizing the use of a signed appearance form in lieu of an oral oath or affirmation; prescribing conditions related to the use of such form; providing penalties for making a false statement after signing such form; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Book, Hutson, Stewart, and Farmer—

**SB 60**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a tax exemption for diapers and incontinence products; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; exempting the sale for human use of diapers, incontinence undergarments, incontinence pads, or incontinence liners from the sales and use tax; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 62**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to students with disabilities in public schools; amending s. 1003.573, F.S.; defining terms; providing requirements for the use of physical restraint; prohibiting specified physical restraint techniques; providing requirements for the use of exclusionary and nonexclusionary time; providing requirements for school districts to report and publish training procedures; providing for student-centered followup; providing requirements for documenting, reporting, and monitoring the use of restraint and exclusionary or nonexclusionary time; revising school district policies and procedures relating to restraint; prohibiting the use of seclusion; amending s. 1012.582, F.S.; requiring continuing education and inservice training for instructional personnel in teaching students with emotional or behavioral disabilities; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Gibson and Bean—

**SB 64**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Cruz, Book, Taddeo, Berman, Rouson, Farmer, and Stewart—

**SB 66**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drinking water in public schools; creating s. 1013.29, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining the term “drinking water source”; requiring each school district to locate all drinking water sources in certain schools, install a barcode on each source, and install filters that meet certain specifications on all such sources; requiring such schools to post certain signage on certain water sources and to publish specified information on the school district’s website; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 68**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the transportation disadvantaged; amending s. 427.0155, F.S.; requiring community transportation coordinators, in cooperation with the coordinating board, to plan for and use any available and cost-effective regional fare payment systems that enhance cross-county mobility for specified purposes for the transportation disadvantaged; amending s. 427.0157, F.S.; re-

quiring each coordinating board to evaluate multicounty or regional transportation opportunities to include any available regional fare payment systems that enhance cross-county mobility for specified purposes for the transportation disadvantaged; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Mayfield, Taddeo, Rodriguez, Berman, Harrell, Pizzo, Torres, Bracy, and Farmer—

**SB 70**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state funds; amending s. 215.32, F.S.; exempting the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund from a provision authorizing the Legislature, in the General Appropriations Act, to transfer unappropriated cash balances from specified trust funds to the Budget Stabilization Fund and the General Revenue Fund; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Passidomo and Hooper—

**SB 72**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Alligator Alley toll road; amending s. 338.26, F.S.; requiring specified fees to be used indefinitely, instead of temporarily, to reimburse a local governmental entity for the direct actual costs of operating a specified fire station; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Bradley, Simpson, Book, Rouson, Rodriguez, Mayfield, Baxley, and Hooper—

**SJR 74**—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article XI of the State Constitution to require that any proposals to revise the State Constitution, or any part thereof, filed by the Constitution Revision Commission be limited to a single subject.

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

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By Senators Simpson, Passidomo, Hooper, Mayfield, Book, Rouson, Berman, Perry, Taddeo, and Cruz—

**SB 76**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of wireless communications devices while driving; amending s. 316.305, F.S.; revising the short title; revising legislative intent; prohibiting a person from operating a motor vehicle while listening or talking on a wireless communications device for the purpose of voice interpersonal communication; redefining the term “wireless communications device” to include voice communications; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; requiring deposit of fines into the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund; deleting a provision requiring that enforcement of this section be accomplished only as a secondary action; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Infrastructure and Security; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Judiciary; and Rules.

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By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 78**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public financing of construction projects; creating s. 161.551, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting state-financed constructors from commencing construction of certain structures in coastal areas without first conducting a sea level impact projection study and having such study published and approved by the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the depart-

ment to develop by rule standards for such studies; providing for enforcement; requiring the department to publish such studies on its website, subject to certain conditions; requiring the department to enforce certain requirements and to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Infrastructure and Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Stargel—

**SB 80**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical malpractice; creating s. 766.1181, F.S.; specifying how to calculate damages in certain personal injury or wrongful death actions; prohibiting admission of specified information relating to costs of medical or health care as evidence in such actions; providing applicability; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Bradley—

**SB 82**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vegetable gardens; creating s. 604.71, F.S.; providing legislative intent; prohibiting local governments from regulating vegetable gardens on residential properties except as otherwise provided by law; specifying that such regulations are void and unenforceable; specifying exceptions; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Rodriguez, Farmer, and Taddeo—

**SB 84**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to conversion therapy; creating s. 456.064, F.S.; defining the term “conversion therapy”; prohibiting a person who is licensed to provide professional counseling or a practitioner who is licensed under provisions regulating the practice of medicine, osteopathic medicine, psychology, clinical social work, marriage and family therapy, or mental health counseling from practicing or performing conversion therapy for an individual who is younger than a specified age; providing that such licensee or practitioner is subject to disciplinary proceedings by the Department of Health and the appropriate board under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rodriguez—

**SJR 86**—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article XI of the State Constitution to require that any proposals to revise the State Constitution, or any part thereof, filed by the Constitution Revision Commission be limited to a single subject.

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

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By Senator Stewart—

**SB 88**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the preemption of recyclable and polystyrene materials; amending s. 403.7033, F.S.; deleting preemptions of local law relating to the regulation of auxiliary containers, wrappings, or disposable plastic bags; amending s. 500.90, F.S.; repealing the preemption of local laws regarding the use or sale of polystyrene products to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 90**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to early childhood courts; creating s. 39.01304, F.S.; providing legislative intent; authorizing circuit courts to create early childhood court programs; requiring that early childhood court programs have certain components present; providing requirements and guidelines for the Office of the State Courts Administrator when hiring community coordinators and a statewide training specialist; authorizing the office to provide funding to circuit courts that choose to establish a coordination system in lieu of creating a community coordinator position; requiring the office to contract with certain university-based centers; requiring the university-based centers to hire a clinical director; requiring the Florida Institute for Child Welfare to submit certain status reports to the Governor and the Legislature by specified dates; requiring the institute, in consultation with the Department of Children and Families, the office, and the contracted university-based centers, to conduct an evaluation of the court programs’ impact; requiring the evaluation to include the analysis of certain data and recommendations; requiring the institute to submit the results of its evaluation to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 92**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the C-51 reservoir project; amending s. 373.4598, F.S.; revising the portions of the C-51 reservoir project for which the South Florida Water Management District may negotiate; revising water storage and use requirements specified for the project if state funds are appropriated for the project; specifying that Phase II of the project may be funded by appropriation, in addition to other sources; authorizing the district to enter into certain capacity allocation agreements and to request a waiver for repayment of certain loans; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to waive such loan repayment under certain conditions; specifying that the district is not responsible for repayment of such waived loans; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; clarifying the projects for which distributions from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund remaining in any fiscal year may be made available; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Stewart and Torres—

**SB 94**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facilities; providing a short title; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; requiring that, by a specified date, vehicles used by child care facilities and large family child care homes to transport children be equipped with a reliable alarm system that prompts the driver to inspect the vehicle for children before exiting the vehicle; requiring the Department of Children and Families to adopt by rule minimum safety standards and to maintain a list of approved alarm manufacturers and alarm systems; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Bean, Hutson, Book, and Wright—

**SB 96**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to police, fire, and search and rescue dogs; amending s. 843.19, F.S.; revising the defined terms “police dog” to “police canine,” “fire dog” to “fire canine,” and “SAR dog” to “SAR canine”; increasing the penalty for intentionally and knowingly causing great bodily harm, permanent disability, or death to, or using a deadly weapon upon, police canines, fire canines, or search and rescue

canines; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; updating a cross-reference; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Stewart—

**SB 98**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency medical air transportation services; creating s. 401.2515, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; directing the Department of Health to establish the Emergency Medical Air Transportation Act Account within the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund; requiring the department to use the moneys in such account for specified purposes; specifying duties of the director of the Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support; providing conditions for the department to increase Florida Medicaid reimbursement payments to emergency medical air transportation services providers; amending ss. 318.18 and 318.21, F.S.; requiring an additional penalty to be imposed for certain moving violations; providing for distribution and use of the moneys received; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 100**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing honorary designations of certain transportation facilities in specified counties; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 102**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recovery residences; amending s. 397.487, F.S.; removing an obsolete date; requiring that recovery residences obtain certification by a specified date or before commencing operation; creating a criminal penalty for a person who operates a recovery residence without a certificate of compliance; amending s. 397.4871, F.S.; removing an obsolete date; requiring that recovery residence administrators be certified by a specified date or before beginning employment; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 104**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Prescription Drug Donation Repository Program; creating s. 465.1902, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; creating the Prescription Drug Donation Repository Program within the Department of Health; specifying the purpose of the program; authorizing the department to contract with a third-party vendor to administer the program; specifying entities that are eligible donors; providing criteria and procedures for eligible donations; prohibiting donations to specific patients; providing that certain prescription drugs eligible for return to stock must be credited to Medicaid and may not be donated under the program; prohibiting the donation of certain drugs pursuant to federal restrictions; clarifying that a repository is not required to accept donations of prescription drugs or supplies; providing inspection, inventory, and storage requirements for centralized and local repositories; requiring inspection of donated prescription drugs and supplies by a licensed pharmacist; requiring a local repository to notify the centralized repository within a specified timeframe after receiving a donation of prescription drugs or supplies; authorizing the centralized repository to redistribute prescription drugs or supplies; authorizing a local repository to transfer prescription drugs or supplies to another local repository with author-

ization from the centralized repository; requiring a local repository to notify the department of its intent to participate in the program; providing notification requirements; providing a procedure for a local repository to withdraw from participation in the program; requiring the department to adopt rules regarding the disposition of prescription drugs and supplies of a withdrawing local repository; specifying conditions for dispensing donated prescription drugs and supplies to eligible patients; providing intake collection form requirements; requiring a local repository to issue an eligible patient who completes an intake collection form a program identification card; prohibiting the sale of donated prescription drugs and supplies under the program; authorizing a repository to charge the patient a nominal handling fee for the preparation and dispensing of prescription drugs or supplies under the program; requiring repositories to establish a protocol for notifying recipients of a prescription drug recall; providing for destruction of donated prescription drugs under certain circumstances; providing recordkeeping requirements; requiring the centralized repository to submit an annual report to the department; requiring the department or contractor to establish, maintain, and publish a registry of participating local repositories and available donated prescription drugs and supplies; requiring the department to publish certain information and forms on its website; providing immunity from civil and criminal liability and from professional disciplinary action for participants under certain circumstances; providing immunity to pharmaceutical manufacturers, under certain circumstances, from any claim or injury arising from the donation of any prescription drug or supply under the program; requiring dispensers to provide certain notice to patients; authorizing the department to establish a direct-support organization to provide assistance, funding, and promotional support for program activities; providing organizational requirements for a direct-support organization; specifying direct-support organization purposes and objectives; prohibiting the direct-support organization from lobbying; specifying that the direct-support organization is not a lobbying firm; prohibiting the direct-support organization from possessing prescription drugs on behalf of the program; providing limitations on expenditures of such direct-support organizations; specifying that the direct-support organization must operate under contract with the department; specifying required contract terms; providing for the direct-support organization board of directors; specifying the board's membership requirements; specifying requirements and requiring the department to adopt rules relating to a direct-support organization's use of department property; specifying requirements for the deposit and use of funds by the direct-support organization; providing for annual audits of a direct-support organization; providing for future legislative review and repeal of provisions relating to the direct-support organization; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 252.36, F.S.; authorizing the Governor to waive program patient eligibility requirements during a declared state of emergency; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Stewart—

**SB 106**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; establishing an annual use fee for the Orlando United license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop an Orlando United license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Book and Stewart—

**SB 108**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of concealed weapons licenses; transferring the concealed weapons licensing program of the Division of Licensing of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to the Department of Law Enforcement by a type two transfer; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to deliver certain records to the Department of Law Enforcement; prohibiting the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services from retaining copies of such records; amending s. 20.201, F.S.;

creating the Concealed Weapons Licensing Program in the Department of Law Enforcement; amending ss. 493.6108, 790.06, 790.0601, 790.061, 790.062, 790.0625, 790.065, 790.335, 790.401, 943.053, and 943.059, F.S.; redesignating the Department of Law Enforcement as the entity responsible for regulating, and collecting payments and fees from, concealed weapons licensing; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 943.367, F.S.; expanding the purpose of the Administrative Trust Fund of the Department of Law Enforcement; providing funding for the trust fund from payments and fees received relating to concealed weapons licensing; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce and Tourism; Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

By Senator Thurston—

**SB 110**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to youth in solitary confinement; creating s. 958.155, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; prohibiting the Department of Corrections or a local governmental body from subjecting a youth to solitary confinement except under certain circumstances; limiting cell confinement of all youth prisoners; providing protection for youth prisoners held in emergency cell confinement; prohibiting a youth prisoner from being subjected to emergency cell confinement under certain circumstances; requiring facility staff to document the placement in emergency cell confinement; requiring that within a specified time and at specified intervals a mental health clinician evaluate face to face a youth prisoner who is subjected to emergency cell confinement; requiring facility staff to perform visual checks at specified intervals; requiring each evaluation to be documented; providing for an individualized suicide crisis intervention plan, if applicable; requiring the transporting of a youth to a mental health receiving facility if the youth's suicide risk is not resolved within a certain time; requiring that youth prisoners in emergency cell confinement be allotted services and other benefits that are made available to prisoners in the general prison population; providing for the protection of youth prisoners in disciplinary cell confinement; prohibiting a youth prisoner from being subjected to disciplinary cell confinement for more than a certain duration; requiring staff to perform visual checks at specified intervals; requiring that youth prisoners in disciplinary cells be allotted services and other benefits that are made available to prisoners in the general prison population; providing reduced isolation for youth prisoners in protective custody; requiring the department and the boards of county commissioners to review their policies relating to youth prisoners to evaluate whether the policies are necessary; requiring the department and the board of county commissioners of each county that administers a detention facility or jail to certify compliance in a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department and the boards of county commissioners to adopt rules; providing construction; amending s. 944.09, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 951.23, F.S.; requiring sheriffs and chief correctional officers to adopt model standards relating to youth prisoners; reenacting s. 944.279(1), F.S., relating to disciplinary procedures applicable to a prisoner for filing frivolous or malicious actions or bringing false information before a court, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.09, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 112**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Small Business Road Construction Mitigation Grant Program; creating s. 339.28154, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Transportation to create a Small Business Road Construction Mitigation Grant Program; defining the terms “construction mitigation zone” and “qualified business”; requiring the department to disburse grants to qualified businesses for the purpose of maintaining the businesses during a road construction project; limiting the amount of each grant; providing application and eligibility requirements; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to provide assistance under certain circumstances; providing for prioritization of awards; providing that any grant awarded offsets certain civil damages against the Department of Transportation; requiring the Department of Transportation to

submit a certain report to the Legislature and initiate rulemaking by specified dates; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Hutson, Simpson, and Benacquisto—

**SB 114**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school graduation requirements; designating the act as the “Dorothy L. Hukill Financial Literacy Act”; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; revising the requirements for the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards to include financial literacy; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; revising the required credits for a standard high school diploma to include one-half credit of instruction in personal financial literacy and money management and seven and one-half, rather than eight, credits in electives; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 116**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle racing; amending s. 316.191, F.S.; increasing the criminal penalty for a third or subsequent violation related to motor vehicle racing within a specified period after the date of a prior violation that resulted in a conviction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SJR 118**—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article IV and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to provide for the election of the Secretary of State and his or her inclusion as a member of the Cabinet.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 120**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Early Childhood Music Education Incentive Pilot Program; amending s. 1003.481, F.S.; extending the scheduled expiration of the pilot program; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Broxson and Hooper—

**SB 122**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to attorney fee awards under insurance policies and contracts; amending ss. 626.9373 and 627.428, F.S.; revising certain attorney fee provisions in the Florida Insurance Code to specify that an insured or beneficiary entitled, under certain circumstances, to attorney fees under an insurance policy or contract must be a named insured or named beneficiary; providing that such right to attorney fees may not be assigned or extended by agreement, except to certain persons; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Bean, Montford, and Harrell—

**SB 124**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dependent children; amending s. 744.1097, F.S.; specifying the venue in proceedings for the appointment of a guardian for a child who has been adjudicated dependent; amending s. 985.43, F.S.; authorizing a court to receive and consider any information provided by the Guardian Ad Litem Program

and the child's attorney ad litem if a child is under the jurisdiction of a dependency court; amending s. 985.441, F.S.; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice, if a child is under the jurisdiction of a dependency court, to provide notice to the dependency court and the Department of Children and Families, and, if appointed, the Guardian Ad Litem Program and the child's attorney ad litem; amending s. 985.455, F.S.; authorizing a court to receive and consider any information provided by the Guardian Ad Litem Program or the child's attorney ad litem if a child is under the jurisdiction of a dependency court; amending s. 985.461, F.S.; adding the Guardian Ad Litem Program as an authorized entity of community reentry teams under which the Department of Juvenile Justice is authorized to provide transition-to-adulthood services to certain children; reenacting ss. 322.051(9), 322.21(1)(f), and 382.0255(3), F.S., relating to identification cards, license fees, and fees, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 985.461, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Thurston and Torres—

**SB 126**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to eligibility for medical assistance and related services; amending s. 409.904, F.S.; extending Medicaid eligibility to specified adults; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SB 128**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child abuse; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; expanding the list of incidents or injuries that constitute harm to a child's health or welfare to include incidents or injuries resulting from violations of child restraint and seatbelt requirements; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; requiring the central abuse hotline to accept certain reports or calls for investigation for children who do not live in this state; amending s. 39.303, F.S.; expanding the types of reports that the Department of Health must refer to Child Protection Teams; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Stewart and Perry—

**SB 130**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sexual battery prosecution time limitation; amending s. 775.15, F.S.; creating an exception to the general time limitations which allows a prosecution to be commenced at any time for specified sexual battery offenses against victims younger than a certain age at the time the offense was committed; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

**SB 132**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drones; amending s. 934.50, F.S.; defining the terms "dangerous or deadly weapon" and "large-scale event"; authorizing the use of a drone by a law enforcement agency to prepare for or monitor safety and security at a large-scale event; prohibiting a law enforcement agency using a drone in an authorized manner from equipping it with specified attachments or using it to fire projectiles; reenacting s. 330.41(4), F.S., relating to the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 934.50, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 134**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Florida black bears; creating s. 379.3018, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; prohibiting the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission from allowing the recreational hunting of Florida black bears mothering cubs that weigh less than 100 pounds under a Florida black bear hunting permit; specifying a penalty for the unlawful harvesting of saw palmetto berries on state lands; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to designate certain habitats on state lands and to update such habitat information as necessary; amending s. 590.125, F.S.; prohibiting prescribed burns in certain designated habitats during specified times; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Rouson and Perry—

**SB 136**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to false personation; amending s. 843.08, F.S.; adding school guardians to the list of officials the false personation of whom is prohibited and is subject to criminal penalties; making technical changes; reenacting s. 921.0022(3)(b), F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 843.08, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Thurston and Taddeo—

**SB 138**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to judicial nominating commissions; amending s. 43.291, F.S.; revising the composition of judicial nominating commissions; establishing additional restrictions regarding commission members; terminating the terms of commission members as of a specified date; providing for initial appointments and staggered terms for the reconstituted commissions; prohibiting a commission member from serving more than two full terms; providing an exception; requiring appointing authorities to consider certain attributes in making appointments to ensure diversity; requiring appointing authorities to collect and release certain demographic data regarding commission members and applicants for commission membership; requiring that such demographic data be collected through anonymous surveys and released in the statistical aggregate; specifying circumstances under which a commission member may not vote on a matter and must disclose a conflict; requiring a commission member to complete an educational course after his or her appointment; prescribing minimum requirements for the course; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 140**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Gopher Tortoise license plate; establishing an annual use fee for the plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Perry and Brandes—

**SB 142**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to permit fees; amending ss. 125.56 and 166.222, F.S.; requiring the governing bodies of counties and municipalities to post their permit and inspection fee schedules and building permit and inspection utilization reports on their websites; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; requiring certain governing bodies of local governments to post their building permit and inspection utilization

reports on their websites by a specified date; providing reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 144**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to impact fees; amending s. 163.31801, F.S.; revising the minimum requirements for impact fees adopted by a local government; exempting water and sewer connection fees from the Florida Impact Fee Act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Stewart, Berman, Book, and Torres—

**SB 146**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advanced well stimulation treatment; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; defining the term “advanced well stimulation treatment”; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 377.2405, F.S.; prohibiting the performance of advanced well stimulation treatments; clarifying that permits for drilling or operating a well do not authorize the performance of advanced well stimulation treatments; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 148**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Scotty Bartek; providing an appropriation to compensate Scotty Bartek for being wrongfully incarcerated; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 150**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tobacco-free schools; creating s. 1013.29, F.S.; requiring each school district to adopt a policy that prohibits the use or distribution of tobacco products in school facilities, on school grounds, in school vehicles, and at school functions; requiring that such policies apply to specified individuals, facilities, real property, organizations that use school property, and any person who supervises students off school grounds during certain activities; requiring that each school district adopt a procedure for communicating the policy to certain individuals; requiring that each school district adopt a policy to refer individuals to voluntary cessation education and support programs that address tobacco use; requiring each school district to provide an electronic copy of its current policy to the Department of Education and provide revisions within a certain timeframe; prohibiting the use of school facilities, school real property, or vehicles owned by a school district for the advertisement of any tobacco product; amending s. 386.212, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; specifying that the section applies to any person operating certain vehicles; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 152**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional personnel salaries; creating s. 1012.052, F.S.; providing a short title; requiring the Legislature to fund the Florida Education Finance Program at a level that ensures that certain schedules guarantee a minimum annual starting salary for instructional personnel; specifying a statewide minimum salary for all instructional personnel for the 2019-2020 fiscal year; requiring the Department of Education to annually calculate

an adjusted statewide minimum annual starting salary; providing requirements for calculating the adjustment; requiring district school boards to adjust the statewide minimum annual starting salary, as determined by the department, by applying district cost differentials; specifying that the adjustment may not reduce a district’s minimum annual starting salary below the statewide minimum annual starting salary; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Thurston—

**SB 154**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical marijuana retail facilities; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms “edibles,” “low-THC cannabis,” “marijuana,” and “marijuana delivery device” to include items that are dispensed by a medical marijuana retail facility; defining the term “medical marijuana retail facility”; revising the definition of the term “medical use” to include the use of marijuana dispensed by a medical marijuana retail facility; revising the definition of the term “physician certification” to authorize a qualified patient to receive marijuana and a marijuana delivery device from a medical marijuana retail facility; prohibiting qualified physicians and caregivers from being employed by or having an economic interest in a medical marijuana retail facility; requiring that the medical marijuana use registry maintained by the Department of Health be accessible to medical marijuana retail facilities for certain verification purposes; revising provisions to authorize medical marijuana retail facilities to dispense marijuana, marijuana delivery devices, and edibles under certain conditions; providing that a medical marijuana retail facility is not subject to certain dispensing facility requirements; requiring that the computer seed-to-sale marijuana tracking system that is maintained by the department be used by medical marijuana retail facilities; specifying that a medical marijuana treatment center may contract with no more than a specified number of medical marijuana retail facilities; prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from owning or operating a medical marijuana retail facility; requiring the department to license medical marijuana retail facilities, beginning on a specified date, for a specified purpose; requiring the department to adopt rules related to the application form and establishing a procedure for the issuance and biennial renewal of licenses; requiring that the department identify applicants with strong diversity plans and implement training and other educational programs to enable certain minority persons and enterprises to qualify for licensure; prohibiting an individual identified as an applicant, owner, officer, board member, or manager from being listed as such on more than one application for licensure as a medical marijuana retail facility; prohibiting an individual or entity from being awarded more than one facility license; providing that each such license is valid for only one physical location; prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from being awarded a license as a medical marijuana retail facility; requiring that applicants demonstrate that they satisfy certain criteria; prohibiting a medical marijuana retail facility from making a wholesale purchase of marijuana from a medical marijuana treatment center and from transporting marijuana, marijuana delivery devices, or edibles; specifying that a medical marijuana retail facility may contract with only one medical marijuana treatment center; providing requirements for the transfer of ownership of a medical marijuana retail facility; prohibiting medical marijuana retail facilities and any individuals who control or have a certain ownership or voting interest in such facilities from acquiring certain direct or indirect ownership or control of another medical marijuana retail facility; prohibiting certain profit-sharing arrangements; providing operational and dispensing requirements and prohibitions for medical marijuana retail facilities; prohibiting a medical marijuana retail facility from engaging in Internet sales; prohibiting certain medical marijuana retail facility advertising and providing exceptions; requiring that certain information be posted on a medical marijuana retail facility website; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring the department to establish procedures for operation, conduct periodic inspections, and restrict the location of such facilities; authorizing counties and municipalities to determine the location of such facilities by ordinance under certain conditions; imposing criminal penalties on persons or entities that engage in specified unlicensed activities; providing that a medical marijuana retail facility and its owners, managers, and employees are exempt from prosecution for certain offenses and from other specified regulations and requirements;

amending s. 381.987, F.S.; requiring the department to allow a medical marijuana retail facility to access confidential and exempt information in the medical marijuana use registry for certain verification purposes; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Thurston—

**SB 156**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state taxes or fees; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to impose initial application and biennial renewal fees for the licensing of medical marijuana retail facilities; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 158**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic offenses; creating s. 318.195, F.S.; providing a short title; providing criminal penalties for a person who commits a moving violation that causes serious bodily injury to, or causes the death of, a vulnerable road user; requiring that the person pay a specified fine, serve a minimum period of house arrest, and attend a driver improvement course; requiring that the court revoke the person's driver license for a minimum specified period; defining the term "vulnerable road user"; providing that the act does not prohibit the person from being charged with, convicted of, or punished for any other violation of law; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 160**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited acts in connection with obscene or lewd materials; amending s. 847.011, F.S.; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling, lending, giving away, distributing, transmitting, showing, or transmuting; offering to commit such actions; having in his or her possession, custody, or control with the intent to commit such actions; or advertising in any manner an obscene, child-like sex doll; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 772.102(1)(a), 847.02, 847.03, 847.09(2), 895.02(8)(a), 921.0022(3)(f), 933.02, 933.03, and 943.325(2)(g), F.S., relating to the definition of the term "criminal activity," the confiscation of obscene material, an officer seizing obscene material, legislative intent, the definition of the term "racketeering activity," level 6 of the offense severity ranking chart, grounds for the issuance of a search warrant, destruction of obscene prints and literature, and the definition of the term "qualifying offender," respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 847.011, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 162**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reentry into this state by certain persons; creating s. 877.28, F.S.; prohibiting persons who are denied admission to, are excluded, deported, or removed from, or depart the United States under certain circumstances from entering or residing in this state; providing criminal penalties; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Bean, Mayfield, Harrell, and Gruters—

**SB 164**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the verification of employment eligibility; defining terms; requiring employers to register with and use the E-Verify system beginning on a specified date to verify the employment eligibility of new employees; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to order certain agencies to suspend an employer's license under certain circumstances; prohibiting an employer from knowingly employing an unauthorized alien; authorizing certain persons to file a specified complaint with the department; prohibiting the filing of a complaint based on race, color, or national origin; providing that a person who knowingly files a false or frivolous complaint commits a misdemeanor of the second degree; providing responsibilities and powers of the department relating to notice, investigations, and subpoenas for the production of records; prohibiting the department from independently making a final determination regarding whether an employee is an unauthorized alien; requiring the department to notify the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency and specified law enforcement agencies of certain violations; requiring the department to order certain employers to take specified actions after the finding of a violation; providing for the suspension of an employer's license upon the finding of certain violations; providing civil immunity for an employer registered with and using the E-Verify system; providing specified immunity and nonliability for an employer who complies in good faith with the E-Verify system; requiring the department to maintain a public database containing certain information and make such information available on its website; authorizing the department to apply for a judicial order directing an agency or employer to comply with an order issued by the department; creating a rebuttable presumption for certain employers that the employer did not knowingly employ an unauthorized alien; authorizing an employer or employee to seek an injunction under certain circumstances; providing that certain actions by an employer constitute a deceptive and unfair trade practice; providing that an employee aggrieved by such actions has a private cause of action against the employer and providing available remedies; providing that a cause of action does not exist against an employer under specified circumstances; providing construction; creating s. 287.137, F.S.; defining terms; requiring public employers, contractors, and subcontractors to register with and use the E-Verify system; prohibiting such entities from entering into a contract unless each party to the contract registers with and uses the E-Verify system; requiring a subcontractor to provide certain certification to a contractor, which the contractor must maintain for a specified period of time; authorizing the termination of a contract under certain conditions; providing that such termination is not a breach of contract; authorizing a challenge to such termination; prohibiting a contractor from being awarded a public contract under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 166**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Dontrell Stephens through Evett L. Simmons, as guardian of his property, by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office; providing for an appropriation to compensate him for personal injuries and damages sustained as the result of the negligence of a deputy of the office; providing a limitation on the payment of compensation, 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; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

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By Senators Gruters and Bean—

**SB 168**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to federal immigration enforcement; providing a short title; creating chapter 908, F.S., relating to federal immigration enforcement; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; prohibiting sanctuary policies; requiring state entities, local governmental entities, and law enforcement agencies to comply with and support the enforcement of federal immigration

law; prohibiting restrictions by such entities and agencies on taking certain actions with respect to information regarding a person's immigration status; providing requirements concerning certain criminal defendants subject to immigration detainers or otherwise subject to transfer to federal custody; authorizing a law enforcement agency to transport an alien unlawfully present in the United States under certain circumstances; providing an exception to reporting requirements for crime victims or witnesses; requiring recordkeeping relating to crime victim and witness cooperation in certain investigations; specifying duties concerning certain arrested persons; specifying duties concerning immigration detainers; authorizing a board of county commissioners to adopt an ordinance to recover costs for complying with an immigration detainer; authorizing local governmental entities and law enforcement agencies to petition the Federal Government for reimbursement of certain costs; requiring reports of violations; providing penalties for failure to report violations; providing whistle-blower protections for persons who report violations; requiring the Attorney General to prescribe and provide the format for submitting complaints; providing requirements for entities to comply with document requests from state attorneys concerning violations; providing for investigation of possible violations; providing for injunctive relief and civil penalties; providing for venue; requiring written findings; prohibiting the expenditure of public funds for specified purposes; providing a civil cause of action for personal injury or wrongful death attributed to a sanctuary policy; providing that a trial by jury is a matter of right; requiring written findings; providing for ineligibility to receive certain funding for a specified period of time; providing for applicability to certain education records; prohibiting discrimination on specified grounds; providing for implementation; requiring repeal of existing sanctuary policies within a specified period; providing effective dates.

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

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By Senator Bean—

**SB 170**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to federal immigration enforcement; providing a short title; creating chapter 908, F.S., relating to federal immigration enforcement; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; prohibiting sanctuary policies; requiring state entities, local governmental entities, and law enforcement agencies to comply with and support the enforcement of federal immigration law; prohibiting restrictions by such entities and agencies on taking certain actions with respect to information regarding a person's immigration status; providing requirements concerning certain criminal defendants subject to immigration detainers or otherwise subject to transfer to federal custody; authorizing a law enforcement agency to transport an alien unlawfully present in the United States under certain circumstances; providing an exception to reporting requirements for crime victims or witnesses; requiring recordkeeping relating to crime victim and witness cooperation in certain investigations; specifying duties concerning certain arrested persons; specifying duties concerning immigration detainers; authorizing a board of county commissioners to adopt an ordinance to recover costs for complying with an immigration detainer; authorizing local governmental entities and law enforcement agencies to petition the Federal Government for reimbursement of certain costs; requiring reports of violations; providing penalties for failure to report violations; providing whistle-blower protections for persons who report violations; requiring the Attorney General to prescribe and provide the format for submitting complaints; providing requirements for entities to comply with document requests from state attorneys concerning violations; providing for investigation of possible violations; providing for injunctive relief and civil penalties; providing for venue; requiring written findings; prohibiting the expenditure of public funds for specified purposes; providing a civil cause of action for personal injury or wrongful death attributed to a sanctuary policy; providing that a trial by jury is a matter of right; requiring written findings; providing for ineligibility to receive certain funding for a specified period of time; providing for applicability to certain education records; prohibiting discrimination on specified grounds; providing for implementation; requiring repeal of existing sanctuary policies within a specified period; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SB 172**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Endowment for Vocational Rehabilitation; amending s. 413.615, F.S.; abrogating the future repeal of provisions relating to the Florida Endowment for Vocational Rehabilitation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 174**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to panic alarms in public schools; providing a short title; creating s. 1013.373, F.S.; defining terms; requiring each public school building on the campus of a public elementary school, middle school, or high school to be equipped with at least one panic alarm; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Berman—

**SB 176**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a sales tax exemption; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; exempting from the sales and use tax specified items that enable persons to age in place and live independently in their homes or residences; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 178**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Florida tourism marketing; amending s. 288.1226 and s. 288.923, F.S., relating to the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation direct-support organization and the Division of Tourism Marketing of Enterprise Florida, Inc., respectively; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions related to the corporation and the division, respectively; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Stargel and Hutson—

**SB 180**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lost or abandoned personal property; amending s. 705.17, F.S.; providing that certain provisions relating to lost or abandoned property do not apply to personal property lost or abandoned on the premises of certain complexes or facilities if certain conditions are met; creating s. 705.185, F.S.; providing for the disposal or donation of personal property lost or abandoned on the premises of certain complexes or facilities, in certain circumstances; authorizing the rightful owner of such lost or abandoned personal property to reclaim such property before its disposal or donation; requiring a charitable institution to make a reasonable effort to delete certain information from an electronic device in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 182**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoking marijuana for medical use; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; redefining the term "medical use" to include the possession, use, or administration of marijuana in a form for smoking; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; deleting a provision prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from dispensing or selling specified products; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Book—

**SB 184**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to aging programs; transferring the powers, duties, and functions of the Department of Elderly Affairs relating to hospices, assisted living facilities, adult family-care homes, and adult day care centers to the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 20.41, F.S.; requiring the department to provide certain documents and information to the agency upon request; amending s. 20.42, F.S.; establishing that the agency is the lead agency responsible for the regulation of hospices, assisted living facilities, adult day care centers, and adult family-care homes; amending ss. 400.605, 400.60501, 400.6095, 400.610, 429.02, 429.17, 429.23, 429.24, 429.255, 429.256, 429.27, 429.275, 429.31, 429.34, 429.41, 429.42, 429.52, 429.54, 429.63, 429.67, 429.71, 429.73, 429.75, 429.81, 429.929, and 765.110, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Lee and Book—

**SB 186**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 406.136, F.S.; defining the term “killing of a victim of mass violence”; expanding an existing exemption from public records requirements for a photograph or a video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a law enforcement officer to include a photograph or a video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a victim of mass violence; providing criminal penalties; providing retroactive applicability; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 188**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Health; amending s. 381.4018, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt certain rules; amending s. 456.013, F.S.; revising health care practitioner licensure application requirements; amending s. 458.3312, F.S.; removing a provision prohibiting a physician from representing himself or herself as a board-certified specialist in dermatology unless the recognizing agency is reviewed and reauthorized on a specified basis by the Board of Medicine; amending s. 458.347, F.S.; requiring a licensed physician assistant to report any changes in his or her supervising physician or designated supervising physician within a specified timeframe; authorizing a licensed physician assistant to practice under the supervision of a physician other than the designated physician, under specified circumstances; amending s. 459.0055, F.S.; revising licensure requirements for a person seeking licensure or certification as an osteopathic physician; amending s. 459.022, F.S.; requiring a licensed physician assistant to report any changes in his or her supervising physician or designated supervising physician within a specified timeframe; authorizing a physician assistant to practice under the supervision of a physician other than the designated physician, under specified circumstances; amending s. 460.408, F.S.; defining the term “contact classroom hour”; revising provisions relating to continuing chiropractic education requirements; repealing s. 460.4166, F.S.; relating to registered chiropractic assistants; amending s. 464.202, F.S.; requiring the Board of Nursing to adopt rules that include disciplinary procedures and standards of practice for certified nursing assistants; amending s. 464.203, F.S.; revising certification requirements for nursing assistants; amending s. 464.204, F.S.; revising grounds for board-imposed disciplinary sanctions; amending s. 466.006, F.S.; revising certain requirements for examinations to be completed by applicants seeking dental licensure; amending s. 466.007, F.S.; revising requirements for examinations of dental hygienists; amending s. 466.017, F.S.;

providing adverse incident reporting requirements; providing for disciplinary action by the Board of Dentistry; defining the term “adverse incident”; authorizing the board to adopt rules; amending s. 466.031, F.S.; expanding the definition of the term “dental laboratory” to include any person, firm, or corporation that performs an onsite consultation during dental procedures; amending s. 466.036, F.S.; revising inspection frequency of dental laboratories during a specified period; amending s. 468.701, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “athletic trainer” for the purpose of relocating an existing requirement; amending s. 468.707, F.S.; revising athletic trainer licensure requirements; amending s. 468.711, F.S.; requiring certain licensees to maintain certification in good standing without lapse to renew their athletic trainer license; amending s. 468.713, F.S.; requiring that an athletic trainer work within a specified scope of practice; relocating an existing requirement; amending s. 468.723, F.S.; requiring the direct supervision of an athletic training student to be in accordance with rules adopted by the Board of Athletic Training; amending s. 468.803, F.S.; revising orthotic, prosthetic, and pedorthic licensure, registration, and examination requirements; amending s. 480.033, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “apprentice”; amending s. 480.041, F.S.; revising qualifications for licensure as a massage therapist; specifying that a massage apprentice who was licensed before a specified date may continue to perform massage therapy as authorized under his or her license; authorizing a massage apprentice to apply for full licensure upon completion of the apprenticeship under certain conditions; repealing s. 480.042, F.S., relating to examinations for licensure as a massage therapist; amending s. 480.046, F.S.; revising instances under which disciplinary action may be taken against massage establishments; prohibiting certain massage establishments from applying for relicensure; providing an exception; amending s. 490.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the terms “doctoral-level psychological education” and “doctoral degree in psychology”; amending s. 490.005, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure by examination of psychologists and school psychologists; amending s. 490.006, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure by endorsement of psychologists and school psychologists; amending s. 491.0045, F.S.; providing an exemption for registration requirements for clinical social worker interns, marriage and family therapist interns, and mental health counselor interns under certain circumstances; amending s. 491.005, F.S.; revising requirements for the licensure by examination of marriage and family therapists; revising examination requirements for the licensure by examination of mental health counselors; amending s. 491.006, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure by endorsement or certification for specified professions; amending s. 491.007, F.S.; removing a biennial intern registration fee; amending s. 491.009, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling or, under certain circumstances, the department to enter an order denying licensure or imposing penalties against an applicant for licensure under certain circumstances; amending ss. 491.0046 and 945.42, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Stargel—

**SB 190**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1009.215, F.S.; revising the academic terms in which certain students are eligible to receive Bright Futures Scholarships; providing that such students may receive the scholarships for the fall term for specified coursework under certain circumstances; amending s. 1009.53, F.S.; removing a requirement for a Florida high school graduate to enroll in certain programs within 3 years of graduation from high school in order to receive funds from the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; expanding the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program to include the Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholarship; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; removing a limitation of 45 semester credit hours or the equivalent for an annual award for the scholarship program; requiring an institution that receives scholarship funds for summer terms to certify to the department certain funding information and remit any undisbursed funds within a specified period of time; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; expanding the eligibility for an initial award of a scholarship under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program to include students who earn a high school diploma from a private school; modifying the date by which certain students must apply for a scholarship under the program; deleting provisions relating to

scholarship eligibility and application requirements for certain students who graduated from high school during specified years; extending the amount of time in which a student may reapply for an award to 5 years after high school graduation; extending the amount of time in which a student who enlists in the United States Armed Forces immediately after high school may apply for an award to 5 years after separation from active duty; providing that a student who is unable to accept an initial award due to a religious or service obligation may apply for an award within 5 years after the completion of his or her religious or service obligation; requiring that school districts provide a Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Evaluation Report and Key only to students in specified grades; allowing a student who does not meet certain requirements for a program award additional time to meet such requirements under certain conditions; providing that such students who timely meet the requirements must receive an award for the full academic year; revising the minimum examination scores required for a student to be eligible for a Florida Academic Scholars award or a Florida Medallion Scholars award; requiring the Department of Education to develop a method for determining the required examination scores which ensures equivalency between specified examinations and is consistent with specified limitations; requiring the department to publish any changes to examination score requirements; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 1009.532, F.S.; revising student eligibility requirements for renewal of Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program awards; removing obsolete language; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1009.536, F.S.; permitting certain Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars to receive an award from a specified funding source; providing grade point average requirements for Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars; removing limitations for certain academic years on the number of credit hours to which a student may apply a Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholarship; reenacting and amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; removing a requirement that the total allocation relating to the federally connected student supplement be prorated under certain circumstances; revising the distribution formula for a certain portion of the safe schools allocation; deleting obsolete language; creating the funding compression allocation; providing the purpose of the allocation; authorizing funding for the annual allocation for specified purposes; providing the calculation for the allocation; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; removing a limitation on the maximum amount of funding that may be appropriated for performance funding relating to funds for operation of workforce education programs; amending s. 1011.81, F.S.; removing a limitation on the maximum amount of funding that may be appropriated for performance funding relating to industry certifications for Florida College System institutions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SB 192**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid eligibility; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to seek authorization from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to eliminate the Medicaid retroactive eligibility period for non-pregnant adults; requiring the agency to request such authorization to become effective no later than a certain date; requiring the agency to provide certain notice to CMS before a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 194**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to higher education; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; requiring the Office of the Inspector General of the Board of Governors to verify certain information for accuracy; requiring the Board of Governors to match specified information; requiring the board to enter into a data-sharing agreement with the Department of Economic Opportunity; providing requirements for such agreement; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring, by a specified academic year, Florida College System institutions and state universities to execute agreements to establish “2+2” targeted pathway programs; providing requirements for such agreements; specifying requirements for student participation; requiring the State Board of Education and

the Board of Governors to collaborate to eliminate barriers in executing pathway articulation agreements; amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; requiring district school boards to notify students about credit-by-examination and dual enrollment equivalency lists; providing an effective date.

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

**SB 196**—Not introduced.

By Senator Berman—

**SB 198**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trademark classifications; amending s. 495.111, F.S.; revising classes of goods and services to conform to the classifications adopted by the United States Patent and Trademark Office; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 200**—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of the Estate of Herminio Padilla, Jr., by the City of West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, the City of Lake Worth, the City of Riviera Beach, and the Town of Palm Beach; providing for an appropriation to compensate his estate for injuries and damages sustained by Herminio Padilla, Jr., as a result of the negligence of the City of West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, the City of Lake Worth, the City of Riviera Beach, and the Town of Palm Beach; providing a limitation on the payment of attorney fees; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

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

By Senator Wright—

**SB 202**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property tax exemptions; amending s. 196.202, F.S.; increasing the property tax exemption for residents who are widows, widowers, blind, or totally and permanently disabled; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 204**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to detention facilities; creating s. 900.06, F.S.; defining terms and specifying covered offenses; requiring that a custodial interrogation at a place of detention be electronically recorded in its entirety in connection with certain offenses; requiring law enforcement officers who do not comply with the electronic recording requirement or who conduct custodial interrogations at a place other than a place of detention to prepare a specified report; providing exceptions to the electronic recording requirement; requiring a court to consider a law enforcement officer’s failure to comply with the electronic recording requirements in determining the admissibility of a statement, unless an exception applies; requiring a court, upon the request of a defendant, to give cautionary instructions to a jury under certain circumstances; providing immunity from civil liability to law enforcement agencies that enforce certain rules; providing that no cause of action is created against a law enforcement officer; amending s. 951.22, F.S.; prohibiting introduction into or possession of any cellular telephone or other portable communication device on the grounds of any county detention facility; defining the term “portable communication device”; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 206**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physician orders for life-sustaining treatment; creating s. 401.451, F.S.; establishing the Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) Program within the Department of Health for specified purposes; defining terms; providing duties of the department; providing requirements for POLST forms; providing a restriction on the use of POLST forms; requiring periodic review of POLST forms; providing for the revocation of POLST forms under certain circumstances; authorizing expedited judicial intervention under certain circumstances; specifying which document takes precedence when directives in POLST forms conflict with other advance directives; providing limited immunity for legal representatives and specified health care providers acting in good faith in reliance on POLST forms; specifying additional requirements for POLST forms executed on behalf of minor patients under certain circumstances; requiring the review of a POLST form upon the transfer of a patient; prohibiting health care facilities and providers from requiring that a patient have in effect or modify a POLST form as a prerequisite to treatment or admission; providing that the presence or absence of a POLST form does not affect, impair, or modify certain insurance contracts or annuities, or the issuance thereof, or increase or decrease premiums; providing that a POLST form is invalid if it is executed in exchange for payment or other remuneration; providing construction; creating s. 408.064, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, by a specified date, to establish and maintain a clearinghouse for compassionate and palliative care plans consisting of a database accessible to health care providers and facilities and other authorized individuals; providing a requirement for the database; providing related duties of the agency; authorizing the agency to subscribe to or participate in a public or private database in lieu of establishing and maintaining the clearinghouse; amending ss. 400.142 and 400.487, F.S.; authorizing specified personnel to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation if presented with a POLST form that contains an order not to resuscitate the patient; providing that the absence of a POLST form does not preclude physicians or home health agency personnel from withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation under certain conditions; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to such personnel for such actions; amending s. 400.605, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs, in consultation with the agency, to adopt by rule procedures for the implementation of POLST forms in hospice care; amending s. 400.6095, F.S.; authorizing hospice care teams to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation if presented with POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to hospice staff for such actions; providing that the absence of a POLST form does not preclude physicians from withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation; amending s. 401.35, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish circumstances and procedures for honoring certain POLST forms; amending s. 401.45, F.S.; authorizing emergency medical personnel to withhold or withdraw forms of medical intervention, in addition to cardiopulmonary resuscitation, under certain circumstances; providing that a specified form is valid if signed by a minor's parent or legal guardian; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 429.255, F.S.; authorizing assisted living facility personnel to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated external defibrillator if presented with POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to facility staff and facilities for such actions; providing that the absence of a POLST form does not preclude physicians from withholding or withdrawing cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated external defibrillator; amending s. 429.73, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to adopt rules for the implementation of POLST forms in adult family-care homes; authorizing providers of such homes to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation if presented with POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; providing immunity from criminal prosecution or civil liability to providers for such actions; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; authorizing certain licensees to withhold or withdraw cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated external defibrillator if presented with orders not to resuscitate or POLST forms that contain an order not to resuscitate; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules providing for the

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

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 208**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 408.0641, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information in compassionate and palliative care plans filed with the Clearinghouse for Compassionate and Palliative Care Plans managed by the Agency for Health Care Administration or its designee; authorizing the disclosure of such information to certain entities and individuals; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 210**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to searches of cellular phones and other electronic devices; amending s. 934.01, F.S.; revising and providing legislative findings; amending s. 934.02, F.S.; redefining the term “oral communication”; defining the terms “microphone-enabled household device” and “portable electronic communication device”; amending s. 934.21, F.S.; revising the exceptions to conduct that constitutes unlawful access to stored communications; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 934.42, F.S.; defining the terms “mobile tracking device,” “real-time location tracking,” and “historical location data”; authorizing an investigative or law enforcement officer to apply to a judge of competent jurisdiction for a warrant, rather than an order, authorizing real-time location tracking or acquisition of historical location data; requiring an application for a warrant to include a statement of a reasonable period of time that the mobile tracking device may be used or the location data may be obtained in real time, not to exceed a specified limit; authorizing a court to grant extensions that do not individually exceed a specified limit, for good cause; deleting a provision requiring a certification to be included in the application; providing that the court, if it finds probable cause and finds the required statements in the application, must grant a warrant; specifying the warrant may authorize real-time location tracking or acquisition of historical location data; providing the warrant may authorize the use of the mobile tracking device as specified; requiring the warrant to command the officer to complete any installation authorized by the warrant within a certain timeframe; providing requirements for the return of the warrant to the judge and service of a copy of the warrant on the person who was tracked or whose property was tracked; specifying how a warrant authorizing the acquisition of historical location data must be returned and served; authorizing a court, for good cause, to postpone the notice requirement for a specified time period; requiring that the standards established by Florida courts for the installation, use, or monitoring of mobile tracking devices and the acquisition of location data apply to the installation, use, or monitoring of any devices and the acquisition of location data as authorized; deleting the definition of “tracking device”; authorizing any investigative or law enforcement officer who is specially designated by certain persons and who makes specified determinations to engage in real-time location tracking if a warrant is later obtained as specified; providing requirements for engaging in real-time location tracking; specifying when real-time location tracking must terminate; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

**SB 212**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children; amending s. 1000.40, F.S.; extending the scheduled repeal of the compact and related provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 214**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; directing the Department of Health to identify certain information for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, update the current database of such systems, and submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; requiring owners of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems to have such systems periodically inspected; providing an exception; directing the department to administer an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system inspection program; requiring the department to adopt specified rules and implement program standards, procedures, and requirements; providing inspection requirements; providing that pump-outs are not required under certain circumstances; requiring system owners to pay the costs of required inspections and pump-outs; requiring that inspections and pump-outs be performed by registered septic tank or master septic tank contractors; providing notice requirements; defining the terms “failure” or “failing” and “repair”; creating s. 689.30, F.S.; requiring an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system disclosure summary for certain properties before or at the execution of a contract for sale; requiring that prospective purchasers acknowledge in writing receipt of such summary disclosures; defining the term “onsite sewage treatment and disposal system”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gruters and Harrell—

**SB 216**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water quality improvements; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; providing an appropriation for certain projects related to the Indian River Lagoon Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection, with other specified entities, to provide grants for such projects; directing the department to submit an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; removing an obsolete provision; creating s. 403.0771, F.S.; requiring each wastewater facility that unlawfully discharges sewage into a waterway or aquifer to notify its customers within a specified period; amending s. 403.141, F.S.; providing penalties for wastewater treatment facilities that unlawfully discharge sewage into designated areas; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gruters and Hutson—

**SB 218**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoking; renaming part II of ch. 386, F.S.; expanding its application to include outdoor areas; creating s. 386.2122, F.S.; prohibiting the smoking of tobacco on public beaches; providing civil penalties; authorizing a law enforcement officer to issue a citation as prescribed by a county or municipality to any person who smokes tobacco on a public beach; requiring a citation to include specified information; specifying that a person who fails to comply with the directions on the citation waives the right to contest the citation and authorizing the court to issue an order to show cause; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Brandes and Stewart—

**SB 220**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; repealing s. 564.05, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual wine containers; repealing s. 564.055, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual cider containers; amending s. 564.09, F.S.; revising provisions that authorize a restaurant to allow patrons to remove partially consumed bottles of wine from a restaurant for off-premises consumption; amending s. 565.03, F.S.; redefining the terms “branded product” and “craft distillery”; specifying limitations on a craft distillery’s retail sales to consumers; deleting a provision that prohibits a craft distillery from selling more than six individual containers of a branded product to a consumer; declaring that it is unlawful to transfer a distillery license, or ownership in a distillery license, for certain distilleries to certain individuals or entities; prohibiting a craft distillery from having its ownership affiliated with certain other distilleries; authorizing a craft distillery to transfer specified distilled spirits from certain locations to its souvenir gift shop; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 222**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to private property rights; amending s. 366.02, F.S.; exempting from the definition of “public utility” property owners who own and operate a renewable energy source device, produce renewable energy from that device, and provide or sell the renewable energy to users on that property, under certain circumstances; reenacting ss. 290.007(8), 350.111, 377.602(3), 440.02(24)(d), 538.18(12), 768.1382(1)(e), 812.145(1)(e), 815.061(1)(a), 893.13(10), and 934.03(2)(g), F.S., relating to state incentives available in enterprise zones, definitions, streetlights, security lights, and other similar illumination, theft of copper or other nonferrous metals, offenses against public utilities, drug abuse prevention and control, and interception and disclosure of wire, oral, or electronic communications, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 366.02, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Infrastructure and Security; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 224**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign financing; amending s. 106.011, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “contribution” to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 106.07 and 106.0703, F.S.; revising the schedule governing campaign finance reporting for candidates, political committees, and electioneering communications organizations; revising reporting requirements regarding transfers made by political committees and electioneering communications organizations, to conform; creating s. 106.38, F.S.; prohibiting a political committee or an electioneering communications organization from transferring funds to certain entities; providing a transitional provision regarding final monthly reports by candidates, political committees, and electioneering communications organizations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 226**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mastery-based education; amending s. 1003.436, F.S.; authorizing a district school board participating in the Mastery-Based Education Pilot Program to award credit based on student mastery of certain content and skills; amending s. 1003.437, F.S.; authorizing a district school board participating in the Mastery-Based Education Pilot Program to use an alternative interpretation of letter grades for certain students; amending s. 1003.4996, F.S.; renaming the Competency-Based Education Pilot Program as the Mastery-Based Education Pilot Program; authorizing public school districts to submit applications for the program; authorizing participating school districts to amend their applications to include alter-

natives for the award of credits and interpretation of letter grades; providing requirements for such alternatives; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring the statewide articulation agreement to ensure fair and equitable access for certain students with mastery-based, nontraditional diplomas and transcripts; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 228**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 106.25, F.S.; increasing the length of time before an election during which the Florida Elections Commission may not make public a probable cause finding and any related proceedings and records; providing for future legislative review and repeal; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; prohibiting the Commission on Ethics from publicly releasing a notification of a probable cause finding, and the documents made and received in disposition of a complaint or referral, during a specified period immediately preceding an election; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 230**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter registration maintenance; amending s. 98.065, F.S.; requiring supervisors of elections to enter into agreements with clerks of the circuit courts to receive specified information; requiring supervisors of elections to compare the information with the statewide voter registration system; amending s. 98.093, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to furnish monthly to the Department of State a list of persons who identified themselves as aliens; requiring the Department of State to compare the list with the statewide voter registration system and provide the names of registered voters who are aliens to the supervisors of elections of the counties in which the voters are registered; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SJR 232**—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution to increase the percentage of elector votes required to approve an amendment or a revision to the State Constitution from 60 percent to 66 and 2/3 percent.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 234**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to registration and titling of vehicles and vessels; amending s. 320.055, F.S.; revising registration periods for certain vehicles; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop and employ methods to implement changes made by the act; providing a limitation; amending s. 320.0609, F.S.; authorizing a surviving spouse of a motor vehicle owner to present certain death records when requesting a registration certificate and license plate transfer; amending ss. 320.07 and 320.0705, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 328.01, F.S.; authorizing a new owner or surviving coowner of a vessel to submit certain death records when applying for transfer of title; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 236**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; providing an exception to the expiration of certain public records and public meetings exemptions under specified circumstances; prohibiting the disclosure of the personal identifying information of an alleged victim of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, or information that could assist an individual in determining the identity of such alleged victim, in any portion of a proceeding conducted by the Commission on Ethics, a commission on ethics and public trust, or a county or a municipality that has established a local investigatory process which is open to the public; providing for future legislative review and repeal; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for complaints, referrals, and reports alleging sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, and any related records, which are held by an agency; specifying conditions upon which the exemption expires; providing that the personal identifying information of an alleged victim of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, or information that could assist an individual in determining the identity of such alleged victim, remains confidential and exempt from public records requirements; authorizing disclosure under specified circumstances; providing for future legislative review and repeal; amending s. 286.0113, F.S.; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for any portion of a meeting that would reveal records involving an allegation of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct made confidential and exempt under the act; specifying conditions upon which the exemption expires; prohibiting the disclosure of the personal identifying information of an alleged victim of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, or information that could assist an individual in determining the identity of such alleged victim, in any portion of a meeting open to the public; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 238**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual misconduct; creating s. 1004.098, F.S.; defining terms; requiring that a postsecondary educational institution include a notation on a student's academic transcript if the student has been dismissed from the institution for a sexual misconduct offense; requiring that the institution notify the student of such notation; requiring that institutions adopt procedures for removing a notation from a student's academic transcript under certain circumstances; requiring that an institution remove the notation on a student's academic transcript if the student fulfills certain requirements; specifying a requirement for the notation delineating a sexual misconduct offense on a student's academic transcript; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules and the Board of Governors to adopt regulations; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 240**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual harassment; creating s. 11.9006, F.S.; creating the Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Harassment and Misconduct; requiring that the task force meet by a specified date; providing for the staffing and the composition of the task force; prescribing duties of and requirements for the task force; requiring the task force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature before a specified date; authorizing reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses; creating s. 112.3126, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting public officers, qualified candidates, agency employees, and lobbyists from sexually harassing any person; providing for construction; reenacting and amending s. 112.317, F.S., relating to penalties for violations of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees; providing penalties for lobbyists who violate the prohibition against sexual harassment; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; requiring the Commission on Ethics to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and Cabinet or the Legislature upon finding a violation of the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Hutson—

**SB 242**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; amending s. 561.42, F.S.; prohibiting certain entities and persons from directly or indirectly assisting any vendor in certain ways; prohibiting a licensed vendor from accepting certain items and services; authorizing the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco to impose administrative sanctions for a violation of certain limitations established in the Beverage Law; prohibiting a vendor from displaying certain signs in the window or windows of his or her licensed premises; authorizing certain entities and persons to give, lend, furnish, or sell certain advertising material to certain vendors; defining the term “decalcomania”; providing exemptions relating to tied house evil for certain sales and purchases of merchandise; providing conditions for the exemptions; defining the term “merchandise”; prohibiting a manufacturer or importer of malt beverages from soliciting or receiving any portion of certain payments from its distributors; defining the term “negotiated at arm’s length”; specifying that a brand-naming rights agreement does not obligate or place responsibility upon a distributor; providing civil penalties for violations by manufacturers or importers of malt beverages or vendors; providing applicability; prohibiting the division from imposing certain civil penalties that are greater than the financial value of a brand-naming rights agreement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

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By Senators Hutson and Perry—

**SB 244**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school academic advisors; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; requiring schools that serve students in grades 9 through 12 to designate academic advisors; providing parameters for academic advising; requiring students who meet specified criteria to meet with an academic advisor within a specified timeframe; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Hooper—

**SB 246**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public construction; amending s. 255.05, F.S.; revising requirements for Department of Management Services rules governing certain contracts; amending s. 255.078, F.S.; revising the amounts of retainage that certain public entities and contractors may withhold from progress payments for any construction services contract; specifying nonapplicability of the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Hooper, Baxley, and Simpson—

**SB 248**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; defining the term “home addresses” for purposes of public records exemptions for personal identifying and location information of certain agency personnel and their family members; exempting personal identifying and location information of active or former civilian personnel employed by a law enforcement agency, and of spouses and children of such personnel, from public records requirements; providing for legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing statements of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Flores—

**SB 250**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a pilot state workforce housing tax credit; creating s. 220.1855, F.S.; defining terms; providing a credit, within a specified timeframe, against the corporate income tax for certain taxpayers owning interests in eligible workforce housing developments; requiring the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to make agency awards of the credit; specifying requirements for claiming and awarding awards; limiting the amount of awards; providing for the allocation of annual credit amounts among specified parties and requiring certification of such amounts; authorizing recipients of the credit to carry forward a portion of the credit for a specified time period; requiring the corporation to establish procedures to monitor compliance; providing for credit recapture; authorizing the corporation to adopt rules; providing applicability and construction; creating s. 420.5096, F.S.; creating the State Workforce Housing Tax Credit Program; providing the purpose of the program; requiring the corporation to administer the program; requiring the corporation to determine which workforce housing developments are eligible for certain tax credits; specifying requirements for the administration of the program; specifying procedures and requirements for taxpayers applying for the program; requiring the executive director of the Department of Revenue to apply credits to tax liability; creating s. 624.51056, F.S.; requiring that state workforce housing tax credits be allowed against the insurance premium tax and retaliatory tax after applying certain deductions and credits; providing applicability; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Flores—

**SB 252**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle registration applications; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; requiring the application form for motor vehicle registration and renewal of registration to include language permitting a voluntary contribution to the Live Like Bella Childhood Cancer Foundation; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to distribute such contributions to the Live Like Bella Childhood Cancer Foundation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Farmer and Rodriguez—

**SB 254**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marriage equality; repealing s. 741.212, F.S., relating to marriages between persons of the same sex; removing a prohibition on the recognition of marriages entered into between persons of the same sex in this state, another state, or another jurisdiction, either domestic or foreign; removing a prohibition on giving effect to any public act, record, or judicial proceeding of another jurisdiction respecting a marriage or relationship not recognized in this state or a claim arising from such a marriage or relationship; removing the definition of the term “marriage,” which limits marriage only to a legal union between one man and one woman; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 256**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child protection teams; amending s. 768.28, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “officer, employee, or agent,” as it applies to immunity from personal liability in certain actions, to include any member of a child protection team established by the Department of Health in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Bean and Benacquisto—

**SB 258**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic information used for insurance purposes; amending s. 627.4301, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting life insurers and long-term care insurers, except under certain circumstances, from canceling, limiting, or denying coverage, or establishing differentials in premium rates, based on genetic information; prohibiting such insurers from taking certain actions relating to genetic information for any insurance purpose; revising a prohibition on the use of genetic test results by health insurers; revising and providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 260**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a STEMI registry; creating s. 381.8175, F.S.; directing the Agency for Health Care Administration to establish a statewide, centralized registry of persons who have symptoms associated with ST-elevation myocardial infarctions (STEMI); requiring certain health care facilities to report to the registry specified data on the treatment of STEMI patients; defining the term “PCI-capable”; requiring the agency to contract with an entity to maintain the registry, subject to a specific appropriation; requiring the contracted entity to collect certain data using a nationally recognized platform; requiring the contracted entity to provide annual reports to the agency; providing immunity from liability and disciplinary action; requiring the agency to adopt rules; amending s. 401.30, F.S.; authorizing the appropriate limited disclosure of records of emergency calls containing patient information to the agency and the contracted entity; requiring the Department of Health, the agency, and the contracted entity to share information related to the transport of specified patients; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 262**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; expanding the purpose of ch. 39, F.S.; providing for the name of a child’s guardian ad litem or attorney ad litem to be entered on court orders in dependency proceedings; amending s. 39.0136, F.S.; requiring cooperation between certain parties and the court to achieve permanency for a child as soon as possible; requiring the Department of Children and Families to ensure that parents have the information necessary to contact their case manager; requiring that a new case manager who is assigned to a case notify the parent and provide updated contact information; specifying that continuances and extensions of time by the court on its own motion may not exceed a certain period of time; amending s. 39.402, F.S.; specifying that time limitations governing placement of a child in a shelter do not include continuances requested by the court; requiring the court to advise parents in plain language what is expected of them to achieve reunification with their child; expanding the requirements that parents must meet to achieve reunification with their child; amending s. 39.507, F.S.; requiring the court during an adjudicatory hearing to advise parents in plain language of certain requirements to achieve reunification with their child; expanding the requirements that parents must meet to achieve reunification with their child; amending s. 39.521, F.S.; requiring the department to serve copies of the case plan and the family functioning assessment on the parents of the child and provide copies of the plan and assessment to the other parties; amending s. 39.522, F.S.; specifying that a postdisposition hearing, if needed, must occur before a child achieves a permanency placement; amending s. 39.6011, F.S.; requiring that the written notice in a case plan include certain responsibilities and actions required of the parents and inform the parent that a breach of the case plan by the parent’s action or inaction may result in an earlier filing of a petition for termination of parental rights; requiring the department to ensure that the parent has

certain contact information and to explain certain strategies included in the case plan; providing a timeframe for referrals for services; amending s. 39.6012, F.S.; expanding the tasks and services a case plan must describe; amending s. 39.6013, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 39.621, F.S.; requiring the court to hold permanency hearings within specified timeframes; requiring that the case plan be updated at a permanency hearing unless the child will achieve permanency within a specified timeframe; amending s. 39.806, F.S.; specifying that grounds for termination of parental rights may be established when a case plan is materially breached by a parent or parents’ action or inaction; amending s. 39.811, F.S.; requiring the court to enter a written order of disposition within a specified timeframe following termination of parental rights; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 264**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Workers’ Compensation Joint Underwriting Association; amending s. 627.311, F.S.; providing that certain dividends or premium refunds must be retained by the association’s joint underwriting plan of insurers for future use; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Gibson, Berman, and Cruz—

**SCR 266**—A concurrent resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to equal rights for men and women.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 268**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voting methods; amending s. 101.56075, F.S.; authorizing voting to be conducted using a voter interface device that produces a voter-verified paper output; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SJR 270**—A joint resolution proposing the repeal of Section 7 of Article VI of the State Constitution which requires the availability of public financing of campaigns of candidates for elective statewide office who agree to campaign spending limits.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 272**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign finance; repealing ss. 106.30, 106.31, 106.32, 106.33, 106.34, 106.35, 106.353, 106.355, and 106.36, F.S., relating to the Florida Election Campaign Financing Act; deleting provisions governing the public funding of campaigns for candidates for statewide office who agree to certain expenditure limits; amending ss. 106.021, 106.141, 106.22, 328.72, and 607.1622, F.S.; conforming cross-references and provisions to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Baxley—

**SJR 274**—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to limit the terms of office for a member of a district school board.

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

By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 276**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to legislative employees; providing a one-time pay adjustment for certain legislative employees as of a specified date; providing an annual salary adjustment for such employees, contingent upon funding by the Legislature; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 278**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pro se assistance; amending s. 28.215, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to inform certain pro se litigants about court reporters and the importance of transcripts in the appeals process; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 280**—An act relating to the placement of instructional personnel; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; prohibiting the use of a specified student learning growth formula as the only factor in determining the placement of certain instructional personnel; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Albritton and Gruters—

**SB 282**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property-assessed clean environment; amending s. 163.08, F.S.; providing findings related to improvements to onsite sewage and treatment systems; amending the definition of “qualifying improvements” to include sewage treatment improvements; adding registered septic tank contractors to the list of contractors authorized to make or install a qualifying improvement; revising the contract language to be provided to a prospective purchaser if a qualifying improvement has been made on a property; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Taddeo, Berman, and Farmer—

**SJR 284**—A joint resolution proposing the creation of a new section in Article X of the State Constitution to require amending the state Medicaid plan to provide Medicaid coverage to persons under age 65 who have an income equal to or below 138 percent of the federal poverty level.

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

By Senators Albritton and Perry—

**SB 286**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic wastewater collection system assessment and maintenance; creating s. 403.1839, F.S.; providing definitions; providing legislative findings; establishing the Blue Star Collection System Assessment and Maintenance Program and providing its purpose; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules and review and approve program applications for certification; specifying the documentation utilities must submit to qualify for certification; providing for certification expiration and renewal; requiring the department to publish an annual list of certified blue star utilities; requiring the department to allow public and private, nonprofit utilities to participate in the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program under certain conditions; authorizing the department to reduce penalties for sanitary sewer overflows at certified utilities and for investments in certain assessment and maintenance activities; amending s. 403.067, F.S.; creating a presumption of compliance for certain water quality standards for certified utilities; amending s. 403.087, F.S.; requiring the department to issue extended operating permits to certified utilities under certain conditions; amending s. 403.161, F.S.; authorizing the department to reduce penalties based on certain system investments for permitted facilities; amending s. 403.1838, F.S.; authorizing additional recipients and uses of Small Community Sewer Construction Assistance Act grants; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Baxley, Hooper, and Mayfield—

**SB 288**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to monuments and memorials; providing a short title; amending s. 1.01, F.S.; revising the definition of “veteran” to include additional periods of military service; creating s. 265.155, F.S.; defining the term “remembrance”; prohibiting specified activities concerning remembrances on public property; providing exceptions; granting certain persons standing for enforcement; amending s. 806.13, F.S.; prohibiting damage to or removal of certain remembrances; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 290**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid school-based services; amending s. 409.9071, F.S.; revising applicable provisions for the reimbursement of school-based services by the Agency for Health Care Administration to certain school districts; deleting a requirement specifying the use of certified state and local education funds for school-based services; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 409.9072, F.S.; revising a requirement for the agency’s reimbursement of school-based services to certain private and charter schools; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; specifying the federal agency that may waive certain school-based provider qualifications; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lee—

**SB 292**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1001.43, F.S.; making a technical change; prohibiting a district school board from prohibiting a student from lawfully wearing the uniform of any branch of the military or naval service of the United States or of the state at his or her graduation ceremony; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; Education; and Rules.

By Senator Montford—

**SB 294**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational facilities; amending s. 1013.31, F.S.; authorizing a school district, in the absence of a survey recommendation, to use funds from a taxpayer-approved bond referendum to fund construction of educational, auxiliary, or ancillary facilities and to use funds from a specified district school tax for certain capital outlay purposes; amending s. 1013.64, F.S.; prohibiting a district school board from using funds from any source, other than specified local sources, for certain new construction of educational plant space; requiring the Commissioner of Education to annually adjust the cost per student station based on certain factors; requiring the commissioner to annually report the cost per student station to the State Board of Education by a specified date; removing a prohibition on the use of funds for certain new construction; revising the costs that may not be included in calculating the cost per student station; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to update the Review of Florida's Cost per Student Station; requiring the updated report to include specified information and recommendations; requiring the office to provide the updated report to the Governor and the Legislature by a certain date; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 296**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter school capital outlay funding; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; increasing the maximum number of years for which a specified millage may be levied; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 1011.73, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Montford and Torres—

**SB 298**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rural businesses; creating s. 288.062, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to accept applications for certification as a growth fund beginning on a specified date; providing requirements for the application; requiring the department to grant or deny the application within a specified timeframe; limiting the amount of investment authority that may be approved by the department; requiring the department to deny applications that do not meet certain requirements; authorizing an applicant whose application was denied to provide additional information to the department within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to reconsider an application for which additional information has been submitted and to approve or deny it within a certain timeframe; prohibiting the department from reducing the investment authority of an application or denying an application for reasons other than those specified; requiring the department to certify approved applicants as growth funds and to specify their required investment authority and investor contributions; requiring that the growth fund's investment authority consist of a certain percentage of equity investments; requiring the growth fund to collect contributions and investments and submit required documentation to the department within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to issue tax credit certificates as appropriate; providing circumstances under which a growth fund's certification lapses; requiring the department to redistribute lapsed investment authority in a specified manner; providing that an investor who makes an investor contribution is vested with a credit against state premium tax liability; imposing restrictions on the use of the credit; providing for the carryover of tax credits; requiring that investors claiming a credit submit a copy of the tax credit certificate with their tax returns; requiring the department to revoke tax credit certificates under specified circumstances; capping the amount of investments which growth funds can count toward satisfaction of certain requirements; requiring the department to notify growth funds of reasons for a pending revocation of a tax credit certificate; requiring growth funds to address issues identified in the notice within a specified timeframe; providing that reverted investment authority and investor contributions do not count toward the limit on total investment authority and investor contributions; requiring the department to distribute reverted investment authority to certain growth

funds; authorizing growth funds to submit an exit application after a specified period of time; requiring the department to respond to an exit application within a certain timeframe; prohibiting the department from unreasonably denying an exit application; requiring that denial notices state the reasons for denial; prohibiting growth funds that have exited the program from making distributions to their equity holders unless they have made certain growth investments; requiring such growth funds to continue to annually report the amount of their growth investments until required investments are made; providing a formula for determining the amount a growth fund must pay the department when making certain distributions; prohibiting the department from revoking the growth fund's tax credit certificate after the growth fund has exited the program; authorizing growth funds to request a written opinion from the department as to whether a business qualifies as a growth business; requiring that the department notify the growth fund of its determination within a specified timeframe and granting growth business status to the business if the department fails to timely make its determination; specifying that out-of-state businesses relocating employees to this state must satisfy a specific definition within a certain timeframe before a new principal place of business operations is recognized; requiring growth funds to submit annual reports to the department; requiring that the reports provide certain documentation; authorizing rulemaking; requiring the department to provide certain notification to the Department of Revenue; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 300**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the testing for and treatment of influenza and streptococcus; amending s. 381.0031, F.S.; requiring specified licensed pharmacists to report certain information to the Department of Health; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "practice of the profession of pharmacy"; creating s. 465.1895, F.S.; authorizing pharmacists to test for and treat influenza and streptococcus and providing requirements relating thereto; requiring that the written protocol between a pharmacist and supervising physician contain certain information, terms, and conditions; requiring the Board of Pharmacy to adopt rules within a specified time period; requiring that a pharmacist notify a patient's primary care provider within a specified time period after providing any such testing or treatment; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 302**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonemergency medical transportation services; amending s. 316.87, F.S.; authorizing Medicaid nonemergency transportation services to be provided to a Medicaid recipient by certain transportation network companies or transportation brokers, subject to compliance with certain requirements; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to update the Non-Emergency Transportation Services Coverage Policy by a specified date; providing that the requirements for transportation network companies and transportation network company drivers may not exceed specified requirements, except as necessary to conform to federal Medicaid transportation requirements administered by the agency; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 304**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescriptive authority certification for psychologists; creating s. 490.017, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Board of Psychology to certify specified psychologists to exercise prescriptive authority; requiring the board to adopt rules relating to prescriptive authority certification; authorizing the board to require that a prescribing psychologist correct certain deficiencies under certain circumstances; specifying application requirements for

certification; requiring the board to adopt a rule providing for certification renewal; requiring each applicant for renewal to demonstrate the completion of specified continuing education; 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 and number with the board; requiring the board to maintain a record of every prescribing psychologist authorized to prescribe controlled substances; requiring the Board of Psychology to transmit specified information to the Board of Pharmacy; requiring the Board of Psychology to establish an interim panel before a specified date; providing panel membership; requiring the panel to submit recommendations to the board by a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

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**SB 306**—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 308**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonemergency medical transportation services; amending s. 316.87, F.S.; authorizing, at the request of an eligible plan, a licensed basic or advanced life support ambulance service to provide nonemergency medical transportation in permitted ambulances in any county, notwithstanding any ordinance relating to certificates of public convenience and necessity or a specified provision relating to licensure; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Perry and Broxson—

**SB 310**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to off-highway vehicles; amending ss. 261.03 and 317.0003, F.S.; redefining the terms “ATV” and “ROV” to increase the authorized width and dry weight of such vehicles; amending s. 316.2074, F.S.; redefining the term “all-terrain vehicle” to increase the authorized width and dry weight of the vehicle; reenacting s. 316.2123(1), F.S., relating to the operation of an ATV on certain roadways; reenacting s. 316.21265(1), F.S., relating to the use of certain vehicles by law enforcement agencies; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 312**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative high school graduation requirements; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; providing that, as of a specified school year, certain students are eligible to complete an alternative pathway to a standard high school diploma; specifying alternative pathways; requiring that students provide verified documentation of completion of an alternative pathway; requiring district school boards to incorporate certain information in the student progression plan; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; providing that certain students may be eligible to complete an alternative pathway to a standard high school diploma; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senators Montford, Stewart, and Berman—

**SB 314**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advanced well stimulation treatment; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; defining the terms “high-pressure well stimulation” and “matrix acidization”; creating s. 377.2405, F.S.; providing legislative findings; prohibiting the performance of high-pressure well stimulation treatments or matrix acidization; clarifying that permits for drilling or operating a well do not authorize the performance of high-pressure well

stimulation treatments or matrix acidization; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to conduct a study on high-pressure well stimulation and matrix acidization; providing requirements for the study; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to prominently post the report on its website; providing applicability; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 316**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to contracts for the sale or lease of pets; creating s. 828.32, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining the term “pet”; declaring that certain contracts entered into on or after a specified date for the sale or lease of a pet are void and unenforceable as being against the public policy of this state; providing an exception; providing remedies for noncompliance; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 318**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child abuse, abandonment, and neglect; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; specifying that instructional personnel, school administrators, and educational support employees who follow certain policies when reporting or providing information related to child abuse, abandonment, or neglect are reporters; amending s. 39.202, F.S.; providing that any information that would identify a reporter in cases of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect may be released only under certain circumstances; providing that any information contained in reports or records relating to child abuse, abandonment, or neglect which would identify specified persons may be released only to specified individuals and entities; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Hooper—

**SB 320**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential conservation programs; creating s. 379.107, F.S.; authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to organize, staff, equip, and operate residential conservation programs for a specified purpose; authorizing the commission to establish cooperative efforts, procure commodities and contractual services, and hire and train appropriate personnel and volunteers for the programs; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Simpson—

**SB 322**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to preexisting conditions; creating ss. 627.6046 and 627.65612, F.S.; defining the terms “operative date” and “preexisting medical condition” with respect to health insurance policies and group, blanket, and franchise health insurance policies; requiring insurers and health maintenance organizations, contingent upon the occurrence of either of two specified events, to make at least one comprehensive major medical health insurance policy or health maintenance contract available to all residents of this state within a specified timeframe; prohibiting such insurers or health maintenance organizations from excluding or delaying coverage under such policies or contracts due to preexisting medical conditions; requiring such policies or contracts to have been actively marketed on a specified date and during a certain timeframe before that date; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 324**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitations on homestead assessments; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; revising the timeframe during which the accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead; deleting obsolete provisions; revising the timeframe during which an owner of homestead property significantly damaged or destroyed by a named tropical storm or hurricane must establish a new homestead to make a certain election; providing applicability; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**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 increase the period of time during which the accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead and to provide an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 328**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to courts; creating s. 25.025, F.S.; authorizing certain Supreme Court justices to have an appropriate facility in their district of residence designated as their official headquarters; providing that an official headquarters may serve only as a justice's private chambers; providing that such justices are eligible for a certain subsistence allowance and reimbursement for certain transportation expenses; requiring that such allowance and reimbursement be made to the extent appropriated funds are available, as determined by the Chief Justice; requiring the Chief Justice to coordinate with certain persons in designating official headquarters; providing that a county is not required to provide space for a justice in a county courthouse; authorizing counties to enter into agreements with the Supreme Court for the use of county courthouse space; prohibiting the Supreme Court from using state funds to lease space in specified facilities to allow a justice to establish an official headquarters; amending s. 26.012, F.S.; revising the appellate jurisdiction of the circuit courts; amending s. 29.008, F.S.; providing applicability and construction; amending s. 30.15, F.S.; requiring sheriffs to coordinate with the board of county commissioners and the chief judge of the circuit on a comprehensive plan for the provision of security for trial court facilities; requiring sheriffs to retain operational control over how they provide security for such facilities; specifying that the chief judge retains certain decisionmaking authority; specifying that sheriffs and their deputies, employees, and contractors are officers of the court when providing security for trial court facilities; amending s. 34.01, F.S.; increasing the limit on the amount in controversy in certain actions at law under which the county court has original jurisdiction, beginning on a specified date; specifying that certain actions relating to damages or losses covered by insurance policies are not within the jurisdiction of the county court; providing for adjustments to limits at specified intervals due to inflation or deflation; requiring the State Courts Administrator to make certain recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 44.108, F.S.; prohibiting a filing fee from being levied on an appeal from the county court to the circuit court for a claim for more than a specified amount; amending s. 105.031, F.S.; requiring the Department of State or the supervisor of elections to refund the full amount of certain qualifying fees; conforming a cross-reference; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Baxley—

**SB 330**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational standards for K-12 public schools; amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; revising the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards; providing that such standards are the minimum baseline core content standards for K-12 public schools; requiring each school district to adopt standards equivalent to or more rigorous than these standards; revising the content requirements for such standards; amending s. 1006.283, F.S.; revising the requirements for instructional materials that a district school superintendent annually certifies; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Appropriations; and Rules.

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By Senators Pizzo, Rodriguez, Book, Thurston, Taddeo, Farmer, Brandes, Gibson, and Torres—

**SB 332**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to incarcerated women; providing a short title; creating s. 944.242, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring correctional facilities to provide incarcerated women with certain health care products, subject to certain requirements; requiring a correctional facility to make health care products available in common housing areas and in medical care facilities; providing requirements for male correctional facility employees in certain circumstances; requiring documentation of certain incidents involving male correctional facility employees; requiring the correctional facility to review and retain such documentation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 334**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional regulation; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; requiring certain boards and entities within the Divisions of Certified Public Accounting, Professions, or Real Estate of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to use a specified process for the review of an applicant's criminal record to determine the applicant's eligibility for certain licenses; prohibiting the conviction, plea, adjudication, or sentencing of a crime before a specified date from being used as grounds for the denial of certain licenses; authorizing a person to apply for a license before his or her lawful release from confinement or supervision; prohibiting the Department of Business and Professional Regulation from imposing additional fees on certain applicants; prohibiting certain boards and entities from basing a denial of a license application solely on the applicant's current confinement or supervision; authorizing certain boards and entities to stay the issuance of an approved license under certain circumstances; requiring certain boards and entities to verify an applicant's release with the Department of Corrections; providing requirements for the appearance of certain applicants at certain meetings; requiring certain boards and entities to compile, publish, and update lists that specify how certain crimes affect an applicant's eligibility for licensure; amending s. 464.203, F.S.; prohibiting the conviction, plea, adjudication, or sentencing of a crime before a specified date from being used as grounds for the denial of certain certifications; providing that conviction of a crime which does not fall within a specified timeframe is not grounds for the failure of a background screening; authorizing a person to apply for certification before his or her lawful release from confinement or supervision; prohibiting the Department of Health from imposing additional fees on certain applicants; prohibiting the Board of Nursing from basing the denial of a certification solely on the applicant's current confinement or supervision; authorizing the board to stay the issuance of an approved certificate under certain circumstances; requiring the board to verify an applicant's release with the Department of Corrections; providing requirements for the appearance of certain applicants at certain meetings; requiring the board to compile and update lists that specify how certain crimes affect an applicant's eligibility for certification; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 336**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local tax referenda; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; providing that a referendum to adopt or amend a local discretionary sales surtax must be held at a general election; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 338**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to extension of confinement; amending s. 945.091, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to extend the limits of confinement to allow an inmate to participate in supervised community release, subject to certain requirements, as prescribed by the department by rule; requiring the department to administer a risk assessment instrument to appropriately determine an inmate’s ability to be released; authorizing the department to terminate the inmate’s supervised community release and return him or her to the same or another institution under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement or probation officer to arrest an inmate without a warrant under certain circumstances; requiring the law enforcement or probation officer to report alleged violations to a correctional officer for disposition of disciplinary charges as prescribed by the department by rule; requiring an inmate participating in supervised community release to remain eligible to earn or lose gain-time, subject to certain restrictions; prohibiting the inmate from being counted in the population of the prison system; prohibiting the inmate’s approved community-based housing location from being counted in the capacity figures for the prison system; reenacting ss. 944.516(2), 945.092, and 946.503(2), F.S., relating to money or other property received for personal use or benefit of an inmate, limits on work-release and minimum security custody for persons who have committed the crime of escape, and definitions to be used with respect to correctional work programs, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 945.091, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

**SR 340**—Not introduced.

By Senator Lee—

**SB 342**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 97.0585, F.S., and reenacting subsection (3), relating to a public records exemption for information regarding voters and voter registration; providing an exemption from public records requirements for information concerning preregistered voter registration applicants who are minors; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing for retroactive application; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SJR 344**—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, by general law, to provide a homestead tax exemption from school district levies to persons 65 years of age or older who have legal or equitable title to homestead property and who have maintained permanent residence thereon for at least 25 years, and to provide an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 346**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to conditional medical release; amending s. 947.005, F.S.; defining the terms “conditional medical release” and “electronic monitoring device”; amending s. 947.149, F.S.; expanding eligibility for conditional medical release to include inmates with debilitating illnesses; defining the term “inmate with a debilitating illness”; redefining the term “terminally ill inmate”; reenacting ss. 316.1935(6), 775.084(4)(k), 775.087(2)(b) and (3)(b), 784.07(3), 790.235(1), 794.0115(7), 893.135(1)(b), (c), and (g), and (3), 921.0024(2), 944.605(7)(b), 944.70(1)(b), 947.13(1)(h), and 947.141(1), (2), and (7), F.S., all relating to authorized conditional medical release granted under s. 947.149, F.S., to incorporate the amendment made to s. 947.149, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 348**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Exceptional Student Education State Assessment Accommodation Task Force; establishing the Exceptional Student Education State Assessment Accommodation Task Force within the Department of Education for the purpose of making recommendations on school accommodations for exceptional students; requiring the task force to convene by a specified date; providing for membership of the task force; requiring that members be appointed by a specified date; providing conditions of meetings of the task force; requiring the task force to post certain documents and recordings to the department’s website; providing duties of the task force and the department; requiring the task force to submit recommendations to the State Board of Education by a specified date; requiring the board to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for the expiration of the task force; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Hutson and Mayfield—

**SB 350**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to impact fees; amending s. 163.31801, F.S.; prohibiting local governments from charging impact fees for certain developments; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gruters, Berman, Book, and Pizzo—

**SB 352**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to shark fins and ray parts; amending s. 379.2426, F.S.; providing and revising definitions; prohibiting the possession, sale or offer to sell, purchase or offer to purchase, or distribution of shark fins and ray parts, instead of only the possession of separated shark fins, under specified circumstances; providing exceptions; directing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to adopt specified rules; providing and revising penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 354**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to immunization registry; amending s. 381.003, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the communicable disease prevention and control programs under the Department of Health; establishing that a certain student who obtains a vaccination from a Florida college or university student health center may refuse to be included in the immunization registry; providing requirements for electronic availability of, rather than transfer of, immunization records; requiring certain health care practitioners to report data to the immunization registry; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 1003.22, F.S.; revising school-entry health require-

ments to require students to have a certificate of immunization on file with the department's immunization registry; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 356**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school health immunizations; providing a short title; amending s. 1003.22, F.S.; revising child immunization requirements to include a vaccine for human papillomavirus; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Stargel—

**SB 358**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance coverage for enteral formulas; amending s. 627.42395, F.S.; revising criteria for the required coverage of enteral formulas under specified health insurance policies; requiring the state group insurance program to provide coverage for certain enteral formulas and amino-acid-based elemental formulas; making technical changes; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 360**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance coverage parity for mental health and substance use disorders; amending s. 409.967, F.S.; requiring contracts between the Agency for Health Care Administration and certain managed care plans to require the plans to submit a specified annual report to the agency relating to parity between mental health and substance use disorder benefits and medical and surgical benefits; requiring the report to contain certain information; amending s. 627.6675, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 627.668, F.S.; deleting certain provisions that require insurers, health maintenance organizations, and nonprofit hospital and medical service plan organizations transacting group health insurance or providing prepaid health care to offer specified optional coverage for mental and nervous disorders; requiring such entities transacting individual or group health insurance or providing prepaid health care to comply with specified provisions prohibiting the imposition of less favorable benefit limitations on mental health and substance use disorder benefits than on medical and surgical benefits; revising the standard for defining substance use disorders; requiring such entities to submit a specified annual report relating to parity between such benefits to the Office of Insurance Regulation; requiring the report to contain certain information; requiring the office to implement and enforce specified federal provisions, guidance, and regulations; specifying actions the office must take relating to such implementation and enforcement; requiring the office to issue a specified annual report to the Legislature; repealing s. 627.669, F.S., relating to optional coverage required for substance abuse impaired persons; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SJR 362**—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Section 5 of Article II and Section 5 of Article XI and the repeal of Section 2 of Article XI of the State Constitution to abolish the Constitution Revision Commission.

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

By Senator Braynon—

**SB 364**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited places for weapons and firearms; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; revising the locations where a licensee is prohibited from openly carrying a handgun or carrying a concealed weapon or firearm; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Braynon, Pizzo, and Book—

**SB 366**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to infectious disease elimination programs; providing a short title; amending s. 381.0038, F.S.; authorizing certain eligible entities to establish sterile needle and syringe exchange programs, rather than a single program established in Miami-Dade County; requiring an eligible entity to notify the Department of Health of specified information; revising program requirements; exempting certain persons affiliated with a program from prosecution for possession of a needle or syringe under certain circumstances; authorizing a county to prohibit a program within its boundaries; providing immunity from civil liability for certain law enforcement officers; providing severability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 368**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; providing an appropriation for certain projects related to the Indian River Lagoon Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to make grants for such projects; requiring the department to submit an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; removing an obsolete provision; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 370**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victims of human trafficking; amending s. 796.07, F.S.; providing a definition; providing construction; requiring a mandatory minimum term of incarceration for solicitation of prostitution offenses involving victims of human trafficking; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 372**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoking marijuana for medical use; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; redefining terms to authorize the production, processing, transportation, sale, possession, and administration of marijuana in a form for smoking for medical use; removing the requirement that marijuana delivery devices only be dispensed by medical marijuana treatment centers; deleting a provision requiring specified parties to be able to access the medical marijuana use registry to verify the authorization of a qualified patient or a caregiver to possess a marijuana delivery device; removing the requirement that a caregiver be in immediate possession of his or her medical marijuana use registry identification card when in possession of a marijuana delivery device; deleting provisions prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from contracting for certain services related to marijuana delivery devices; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; removing the requirement that at least two persons be in a vehicle transporting marijuana delivery devices; removing the requirement that safety and security training be provided to employees transporting or delivering marijuana delivery devices; revising grounds for a criminal penalty to remove the requirement that a qualified patient or caregiver present his or her medical marijuana use registry

identification card when in possession of a marijuana delivery device under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senators Harrell and Stewart—

**SB 374**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Children and Youth Cabinet; amending s. 402.56, F.S.; expanding the membership of the Children and Youth Cabinet within the Executive Office of the Governor to include a representative from the Florida Dental Association appointed by the Governor; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 376**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; requiring that certain funds distributed into the Land Acquisition Trust Fund be used for conservation and management projects in certain counties; providing the types of projects for which the Department of Environmental Protection may use such funds; removing an obsolete provision; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Hutson—

**SB 378**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act; amending s. 280.02, F.S.; redefining terms; creating s. 280.042, F.S.; specifying conditions that must be met before the Chief Financial Officer may designate a credit union as a qualified public depository; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to withdraw, via a certain notice, from a collateral agreement with a credit union under certain circumstances; providing that such credit union may no longer be designated as a qualified public depository; providing requirements for such credit union; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to limit, for a certain purpose, the amount of public deposits a credit union may hold; amending s. 280.07, F.S.; specifying the mutual responsibility and contingent liability of certain credit unions designated as qualified public depositories; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 280.08, F.S.; providing that certain assessments by the Chief Financial Officer are subject to certain segregation of contingent liability provisions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 280.09, F.S.; requiring the Chief Financial Officer, in administering the Public Deposits Trust Fund, to segregate and separately account for certain proceeds, assessments, or penalties attributable to a credit union from those attributable to a bank, savings bank, or savings association; providing that certain payments of losses are subject to such limitations; amending ss. 280.03, 280.05, 280.052, 280.053, 280.055, 280.085, 280.10, 280.13, and 280.17, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 17.57(7)(a), 24.114(1), 125.901(3)(e), 136.01, 159.608(11), 175.301, 175.401(8), 185.30, 185.50(8), 190.007(3), 191.006(16), 215.34(2), 218.415(16)(c), (17), and (23)(a), 255.502(4)(h), 331.309(1) and (2), 373.553(2), 631.221, and 723.06115(3)(c), F.S., relating to deposits and investments of state money; bank deposits and control of lottery transactions; children's services and independent special districts; county depositories; powers of housing finance authorities; depositories for pension funds; retiree health insurance subsidies; depositories for retirement funds; retiree health insurance subsidies; the board of supervisors; general powers; state funds and noncollectible items; local government investment policies; definitions; treasurers, depositories, and fiscal agents; a treasurer of the board, payment of funds, and depositories; deposit of moneys collected; and the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Trust Fund, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 280.02, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 380**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners' insurance policies; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; revising circumstances under which insurers issuing homeowners' insurance policies must include a specified statement relating to flood insurance with the policy documents at initial issuance and renewals; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 382**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Teacher Scholarship Program; creating s. 1009.897, F.S.; establishing the Teacher Scholarship Program within the Department of Education; providing a purpose of, and the criteria for, student eligibility for the program; specifying duties of each postsecondary institution for the program; providing for disbursement of the scholarship awards; providing for stipends; specifying funding and the department's authority to prorate awards under a certain circumstance; providing for rulemaking; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 384**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical use of marijuana in schools; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing a qualified patient to designate more than one caregiver to assist with the qualified patient's medical use of marijuana if the qualified patient is a student whose parent has requested that a county-designated caregiver assist the student with the medical use of marijuana during the school day; authorizing a county-designated caregiver to register as a caregiver for more than one qualified patient if the patients are students whose parents have requested that a county-designated caregiver assist them with the medical use of marijuana during the school day; conforming cross-references; creating s. 381.9867, F.S.; defining terms; providing a procedure for a parent of a student who is a qualified patient to request that marijuana be administered to the student during the school day; requiring certain information to be included in the written request to a school principal; specifying that a registered caregiver of a student who is authorized by that student's parent to administer marijuana to the student during the school day is responsible for obtaining, accounting for, and storing the marijuana and any marijuana delivery devices; requiring a school principal who receives a request authorizing a county-designated caregiver to administer marijuana to the student to notify the county health department for the county in which the school is located; requiring a county health department that has received such notification to notify the Department of Health of the request; requiring the department to designate no more than two employees of the county health department to serve as county-designated caregivers; requiring such employees to obtain registration and to meet certain criteria; requiring a county-designated caregiver to follow any procedures adopted by department rule; requiring the caregiver of the student to provide an appropriate supply of marijuana, and any marijuana delivery devices, needed to be administered during the school day to a county-designated caregiver at a county health department building; requiring the county-designated caregiver to receive, document, and account for the marijuana and any marijuana delivery devices; requiring marijuana in its original container and marijuana delivery devices to be stored under lock and key when not in use or when being transported for use; providing that a county-designated caregiver is not liable for civil damages as a result of his or her actions if certain criteria are met; requiring a school principal who has received a request for marijuana to be administered during the school day to a student who is a qualified patient to designate an isolated area on school grounds where marijuana may be administered to the student; requiring that a caregiver or a county-designated caregiver administering marijuana to the student do so in the area designated by the school principal; prohibiting marijuana and

marijuana delivery devices from being stored on school grounds; prohibiting a school from obstructing a student who is a qualified patient from accessing marijuana during the school day; providing that funding needed to administer this section shall be provided from the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Health from certain fees collected by the department; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 1006.062, F.S.; deleting a requirement that each district school board adopt a policy and a procedure for allowing a student who is a qualified patient to access marijuana for medical use; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 386**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to directional signs for veterans' facilities; creating s. 295.25, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Transportation to install directional signs for specified facilities operated and maintained by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 388**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing education for barbers, cosmetologists, and specialists; amending ss. 476.154 and 477.019, F.S.; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and the Board of Cosmetology, respectively, to prescribe by rule a 1-hour course on domestic violence and sexual assault awareness as a condition of license or registration renewal; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Cruz—

**SB 390**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to X-linked myotubular myopathy; amending s. 393.063, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “developmental disability” to include a disorder or syndrome attributable to X-linked myotubular myopathy; defining the term “X-linked myotubular myopathy”; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 392**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disclosure of sinkhole activity; amending s. 83.50, F.S.; requiring certain persons to make certain disclosures related to sinkholes or sinkhole activity to tenants of residential dwelling units; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 394**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal history records in applications; creating s. 760.105, F.S.; prohibiting a public employer from inquiring into or considering an applicant's criminal history on an initial employment application unless required to do so by law; creating s. 1007.36, F.S.; prohibiting public postsecondary educational institutions from inquiring into or considering the criminal history of an applicant seeking admission; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Farmer—

**SB 396**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign finance; amending s. 106.08, F.S.; prohibiting a statewide elected official from soliciting or accepting contributions during a regular, extended, or special legislative session; providing that a member of the Legislature is bound by the rules of his or her respective house; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 398**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prior authorization for opioid alternatives; amending s. 627.64195, F.S.; prohibiting health insurance policies from requiring that treatment with an opioid analgesic drug product be attempted and have failed before authorizing the use of a nonopioid-based analgesic drug product; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Brandes and Gruters—

**SB 400**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory sentences; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; authorizing a court to impose a sentence other than a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment and mandatory fine for a person convicted of trafficking if the court makes certain findings on the record; amending s. 893.03, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Gruters and Montford—

**SB 402**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment after retirement of school district personnel; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; revising the definition of “termination” to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; establishing an exception to reemployment after retirement limitations to authorize retired instructional staff to be employed as substitute teachers before meeting the definition of termination; prohibiting the accrual of additional retirement service credit and renewed membership during such period of reemployment; amending ss. 121.122, 121.591, and 1012.33, F.S.; conforming provisions and a cross-reference to changes made by the act; requiring the State Board of Administration and the Department of Management Services to request a determination letter and private letter ruling from the United States Internal Revenue Service; providing for nonapplicability of the act, or portions thereof, under specified circumstances; providing effective dates.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 404**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a strategic fuel reserve; creating the Florida Strategic Fuel Reserve Task Force within the Division of Emergency Management to develop a recommended strategic fuel reserve plan for an emergency or disaster; requiring the division to provide administrative and support services to the task force; specifying the membership of the task force; requiring the task force to elect a chair and a vice chair; requiring the task force to submit a recommended plan to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an expiration date; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Brandes, Pizzo, and Perry—

**SB 406**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to theft; amending s. 812.014, F.S.; increasing threshold amounts for certain theft offenses; revising the list of items the theft of which constitutes theft of the third degree; providing that the value of taken property is based on fair market value at the time of the taking; requiring the adjustment of certain monetary amounts by the Division of Law Revision based on certain required periodic calculations done by the Office of Economic and Demographic Research; amending s. 812.015, F.S.; defining the term “value”; increasing threshold amounts for a certain theft offense; revising the circumstances under which an offense of retail theft constitutes a felony of the second degree; requiring the adjustment of certain monetary amounts by the Division of Law Revision based on certain required periodic calculations done by the Office of Economic and Demographic Research; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming a cross-reference; reenacting ss. 95.18(10), 373.6055(3)(c), 400.9935(3), 409.910(17)(g), 489.126(4), 550.6305(10), 627.743(2), 634.319(2), 634.421(2), 636.238(3), 642.038(2), 705.102(4), 718.111(1)(d), 812.015(2), 812.0155(1) and (2), 812.14(4), (7), and (8), 893.138(3), 932.701(2)(a), 943.051(3)(b), 985.11(1)(b), and 985.557(1)(a) and (2)(c), F.S., relating to adverse possession without color of title; criminal history checks for certain water management district employees and others; clinic responsibilities; responsibility for payments on behalf of Medicaid-eligible persons when other parties are liable; moneys received by contractors; intertrack wagering; payment of third-party claims; diversion or appropriation of certain funds received by sales representatives; diversion or appropriation of certain funds received by sales representatives; penalties for certain violations; diversion or appropriation of certain funds received by sales representatives; reporting lost or abandoned property; condominium associations; retail and farm theft; suspension of driver license following an adjudication of guilt for theft; trespass and larceny with relation to utility fixtures and theft of utility services; local administrative action to abate drug-related, prostitution-related, or stolen-property-related public nuisances and criminal gang activity; the definition of the term “contraband article”; fingerprinting of certain minors; fingerprinting and photographing of certain children; and discretionary and mandatory criteria for the direct filing of an information, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 812.014, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 538.09(5), F.S., relating to the registration of a secondhand dealer, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 812.015, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 538.23(2) and 812.0155(2), F.S., relating to secondary metals recycler violations and penalties and suspension of driver license following an adjudication of guilt for theft, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 812.014 and 812.015, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Brandes and Perry—

**SB 408**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drug offenses; creating s. 893.066, F.S.; prohibiting the use or possession of a pill press or similar device with the intent to unlawfully manufacture a pill, tablet, or capsule containing certain controlled substances; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; defining the term “dosage unit”; providing applicability; prohibiting the sale, purchase, delivery, bringing into this state, or actual or constructive possession of specified amounts of dosage units of certain controlled substances; creating the offense of “trafficking in pharmaceuticals”; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 373.6055(3)(c), 397.4073(6), 414.095(1), 772.12(2), 775.087(2)(a) and (3)(a), 782.04(1)(a), (3)(a), and (4)(a), 810.02(3)(f), 812.014(2)(c), 893.13(8)(d), 893.1351(1) and (2), 900.05(3)(e), 903.133, 907.041(4)(c), and 921.0024(1)(b), F.S., relating to criminal history checks for certain water management district employees and others; background checks of service provider personnel; the determination of eligibility for temporary cash assistance; the Drug Dealer Liability Act; felony reclassification of the possession or use of a weapon in an aggravated battery; murder; burglary; theft; prohibited acts that relate to the prescription of controlled substances; ownership, lease, rental, or possession for trafficking in or manufacturing controlled substances; criminal justice data collection; the prohibition of bail on appeal for certain felony convictions; pretrial detention and release; the scoresheet worksheet key for computation in the Criminal Punishment Code; re-

spectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 893.135, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Berman, Cruz, and Farmer—

**SB 410**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a long-acting reversible contraception pilot program; creating s. 381.00515, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish a long-acting reversible contraception pilot program in Duval, Hillsborough, and Palm Beach Counties; providing the purpose of the pilot program; requiring the department to contract with family planning providers to implement the pilot program; requiring such contracts to include specified provisions; requiring the department to apply for grants for additional funding; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to publish the report on its website; specifying requirements for the report; providing an appropriation; requiring the department to distribute appropriated funds equally among the participating counties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 412**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to access to clinics; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; creating s. 762.01, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 762.02, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 762.03, F.S.; defining the term “minor child or ward”; prohibiting a person from committing certain acts against reproductive health services clients, providers, or assistants; prohibiting a person from damaging certain properties; providing penalties; providing construction; creating s. 762.04, F.S.; providing criminal penalties and fines for first offenses and for second and subsequent offenses; providing requirements for departures from the sentences and fines; creating s. 762.05, F.S.; providing civil remedies for those aggrieved by specified violations against reproductive health services clients, providers, or assistants or against certain properties; authorizing the Attorney General, a state attorney, or a city attorney to bring a civil action for such violations; creating s. 762.06, F.S.; requiring a court to take actions necessary to safeguard the health, safety, or privacy of specified persons under certain circumstances, including granting restraining orders that may prohibit or restrict the photographing of such persons; authorizing the court to authorize specified persons to use pseudonyms in a civil action; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lee—

**SB 414**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sports development; repealing s. 288.11625, F.S., relating to state funding for sports facility development by a unit of local government, or by a certified beneficiary or other applicant, on property owned by the local government; amending ss. 212.20, 218.64, and 288.0001, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 212.205, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 416**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school graduation requirements; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; revising the required credits for certain students for a standard high school diploma to include one-half credit of instruction in civics and seven and one-half, rather than eight, credits in electives; requiring certain students to correctly answer a minimum number of questions on a test identical to

the civics portion of the naturalization test used by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Simpson—

**SB 418**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to essential health benefits under health insurance policies and contracts; creating s. 627.6054, F.S.; defining the term “PPACA”; specifying conditions under which health insurers and health maintenance organizations may comply with requirements under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide essential health benefits; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 420**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer protection; amending s. 489.126, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “contractor”; reducing the period of time within which a contractor must begin to perform certain work on residential real property after receiving initial payment for such work and during which the contractor may refuse to perform substantial work on such property; defining the term “substantial work”; making technical changes; amending s. 501.022, F.S.; removing an exemption from permitting requirements for certain solicitors, salespersons, and agents; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senators Cruz and Berman—

**SJR 422**—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article IV and Section 2 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to provide for the election of the Commissioner of Education and his or her inclusion as a member of the Cabinet and the State Board of Education.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 424**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plate decals for organ donors; creating s. 320.0849, F.S.; authorizing a certain owner or lessee of a motor vehicle to request issuance of a license plate decal identifying him or her as an organ, tissue, or eye donor; providing requirements for the decal; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue the decal free of charge; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Flores, Torres, and Hooper—

**SB 426**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighters; creating s. 112.1816, F.S.; providing definitions; granting certain benefits to a firefighter upon receiving a diagnosis of cancer if certain conditions are met; requiring an employer to make certain disability payments to a firefighter in the event of a total and permanent disability; providing for death benefits to a firefighter’s beneficiary if a firefighter dies as a result of cancer or cancer treatments; specifying that any costs associated with benefits granted by the act must be borne by the employer; requiring the Division of State Fire Marshal to adopt certain rules; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 428**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to growth management; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; requiring a local government’s comprehensive plan to include a property rights element; providing a statement of rights that a local government may use; requiring each local government to adopt a property rights element by a specified date; providing that a local government’s property rights element may not conflict with the statutorily provided statement of rights; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Rouson, Berman, Taddeo, Rader, Stewart, Farmer, Book, Braynon, Pizzo, Cruz, and Rodriguez—

**SB 430**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited discrimination; providing a short title; amending s. 509.092, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination in public lodging establishments and public food service establishments; providing an exception for constitutionally protected free exercise of religion; amending s. 760.01, F.S.; revising the purposes of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 to conform to changes made by the act; reordering and amending s. 760.02, F.S.; defining the terms “gender identity” and “sexual orientation”; amending s. 760.05, F.S.; revising the functions of the Florida Commission on Human Relations to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 760.07, F.S.; revising provisions regarding remedies for unlawful discrimination to include discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 760.08, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination in places of public accommodation; amending s. 760.10, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination with respect to specified unlawful employment practices; providing an exception for constitutionally protected free exercise of religion; amending s. 760.22, F.S.; defining the terms “gender identity” and “sexual orientation” for purposes of the Fair Housing Act; amending ss. 760.23, 760.24, 760.25, and 760.26, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination with respect to the sale or rental of housing, the provision of brokerage services, the financing of housing or in residential real estate transactions, and land use decisions and permitting of development, respectively; amending s. 760.29, F.S.; revising an exemption from the Fair Housing Act regarding the appraisal of real property to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 760.60, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination with respect to practices of certain clubs; amending s. 419.001, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 432**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment conditions; amending s. 218.077, F.S.; revising, adding, and deleting defined terms; prohibiting a political subdivision from establishing, mandating, or otherwise requiring an employer to offer conditions of employment not otherwise required by state or federal law; specifying that certain requirements related to minimum wage and other conditions of employment are expressly preempted to the state; revising exceptions to the preemption; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

**SB 434**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ambulatory surgical centers; amending s. 395.002, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “ambulatory surgical center”; amending s. 395.1055, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to adopt rules that establish requirements for practitioners and facilities related to the delivery of surgical care to children in ambulatory surgical centers, in accordance with specified standards; requiring that the rules establish minimum standards for certain pediatric patient care practices; specifying that ambulatory surgical centers may provide certain procedures only if authorized by agency rule; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hooper—

**SB 436**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to use of vessel registration fees; amending s. 328.66, F.S.; authorizing a portion of county or municipal vessel registration fees to be used for specified additional purposes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gruters, Berman, Pizzo, Taddeo, Rader, and Powell—

**SB 438**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited discrimination; providing a short title; amending s. 760.01, F.S.; revising the purposes of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 to conform to changes made by the act; reordering and amending s. 760.02, F.S.; defining the terms “gender identity” and “sexual orientation”; amending s. 760.05, F.S.; revising the functions of the Florida Commission on Human Relations to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 760.07, F.S.; revising provisions regarding remedies for unlawful discrimination to include discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity in the area of employment, to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 760.10, F.S.; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination with respect to specified unlawful employment practices; providing an exception to specified provisions for the constitutionally protected free exercise of religion; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

**SB 440**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Commission on Human Relations; amending s. 760.03, F.S.; providing quorum requirements for the Commission on Human Relations and its panels; amending s. 760.065, F.S.; revising the number of persons the commission may recommend for the Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame; amending s. 760.11, F.S.; requiring the commission to provide notice to an aggrieved person under specified circumstances; providing notice requirements; providing a limitation on the time a civil action may be filed after an alleged violation of the Florida Civil Rights Act; amending s. 760.29, F.S.; deleting a requirement that a facility or community that provides housing for older persons register with and submit a letter to the commission; amending s. 760.31, F.S.; conforming a provision; amending s. 760.60, F.S.; deleting the requirement for the commission or Attorney General to investigate a complaint of discrimination in evaluating an application for club membership; revising the length of time the commission or Attorney General has to resolve such a complaint; amending s. 112.31895, F.S.; revising the timeline relating to a complaint alleging a prohibited personnel action; deleting a requirement that the commission notify a complainant upon receipt of the complaint; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lee—

**SB 442**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary education for certain military personnel; amending s. 1004.096, F.S.; requiring the Board of Governors and State Board of Education, in consultation with the Chancellors of the State University System and the Florida College System, to create a uniform system for the award of postsecondary college credit to certain servicemembers and veterans of the United States military; providing the requirements for such uniform system; requiring public postsecondary institutions to participate in the uniform system; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; requiring specified postsecondary institutions to waive the transcript fee for active duty members of the Armed Forces of the United States and certain veterans; requiring specified postsecondary institutions to provide a report to the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education; requiring the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education to adopt regulations and rules, respectively; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

**SB 444**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead taxation; amending s. 193.155, F.S.; adding exceptions to the definition of a change of ownership of a homestead for purposes of a certain homestead property assessment limitation; revising the penalties and interest that may be imposed, under certain circumstances, by a property appraiser who determines that a person was improperly granted the assessment limitation; amending ss. 196.075 and 196.161, F.S.; revising the penalties and interest that may be imposed, under certain circumstances, by a property appraiser who determines that a person was improperly granted certain homestead exemptions; reenacting s. 194.032(1)(a), F.S., relating to hearing purposes, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 193.155, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Mayfield, Hutson, Wright, and Book—

**SB 446**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coastal management; amending s. 161.101, F.S.; revising the criteria the Department of Environmental Protection must consider in determining and assigning annual funding priorities for beach management and erosion control projects; specifying tiers for such criteria; requiring tiers to be given certain weight; requiring the department to update active project lists on its website; redefining the term “significant change”; revising the department’s reporting requirements; specifying allowable uses for certain surplus funds; revising the requirements for a specified summary; requiring that funding for certain projects remain available for a specified period; amending s. 161.143, F.S.; specifying the scope of certain projects; revising the list of projects included as inlet management projects; requiring that certain projects be considered separate and apart from other specified projects; revising the ranking criteria to be used by the department to establish certain funding priorities for certain inlet-caused beach erosion projects; revising provisions authorizing the department to spend certain appropriated funds for the management of inlets; deleting a provision authorizing the department to spend certain appropriated funds for specified inlet studies; revising the required elements of the department’s report of prioritized inlet management projects; revising the funds that the department must make available to certain inlet management projects; requiring the department to include specified activities on the inlet management project list; deleting provisions requiring the department to make available funding for specified projects; deleting a requirement that the Legislature designate a project as an Inlet of the Year; requiring the department to update and maintain a report regarding the progress of certain inlet management projects; deleting certain temporary provisions relating to specified appropriations; revising the requirements for the report; amending s. 161.161, F.S.; revising requirements for the comprehensive long-term management plan; requiring the plan to include a strategic beach management plan, a critically eroded beaches report, and a statewide long-range budget plan; providing for the development and maintenance of such plans; deleting a requirement that the department submit a certain beach management plan on a certain

date each year; requiring the department to hold a public meeting before finalization of the strategic beach management plan; requiring the department to submit a 3-year work plan and a related forecast for the availability of funding to the Legislature; providing effective dates.

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

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 448**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advanced birth centers; amending s. 383.30, F.S.; revising the short title; amending s. 383.301, F.S.; providing applicability of licensure requirements under part II of ch. 408, F.S., to advanced birth centers; amending s. 383.302, F.S.; defining the terms “advanced birth center” and “medical director”; revising definitions; amending s. 383.305, F.S.; providing applicability of licensure fee requirements to advanced birth centers; amending s. 383.307, F.S.; providing for administration of advanced birth centers; creating s. 383.3081, F.S.; providing requirements for advanced birth center facilities and equipment; requiring the employment of specified personnel at an advanced birth center; requiring an advanced birth center to enter into a written agreement with a blood bank for emergency blood bank services; requiring that a patient who receives an emergency blood transfusion at an advanced birth center be immediately transferred to a hospital for further care; amending s. 383.309, F.S.; providing minimum standards for advanced birth centers; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to enforce specified provisions of the Florida Building Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code; amending s. 383.3105, F.S.; providing applicability of adoption protocols for staff of an advanced birth center; amending s. 383.311, F.S.; providing for the education and orientation of advanced birth center clients and their families; amending s. 383.312, F.S.; requiring that an advanced birth center ensure that clients have adequate prenatal care and that certain required tests are administered; amending s. 383.313, F.S.; providing for laboratory and surgical services at a birth center; creating s. 383.3131, F.S.; providing requirements for laboratory and surgical services at an advanced birth center; providing conditions for administration of anesthesia; authorizing the intrapartum use of chemical agents; amending s. 383.315, F.S.; requiring an advanced birth center to employ or maintain an agreement with an obstetrician under certain circumstances; amending s. 383.316, F.S.; requiring an advanced birth center to provide for the transport of emergency patients to a hospital; requiring each center to enter into a written transfer agreement with a local hospital or an obstetrician for such transfers under certain conditions; amending s. 383.318, F.S.; providing protocols for postpartum care of clients and infants; providing requirements for followup care; amending s. 383.32, F.S.; specifying when clinical records must be made immediately available at an advanced birth center; amending s. 383.324, F.S.; requiring an advanced birth center to pay an inspection fee to the agency; amending s. 383.325, F.S.; requiring an advanced birth center to maintain and make available inspection reports; amending s. 383.327, F.S.; requiring an advanced birth center to provide reports of all births and deaths occurring at the center; requiring an advanced birth center to annually submit a report to the agency; amending s. 383.33, F.S.; authorizing the agency to impose a specified administrative fine for certain violations; authorizing the agency to impose a moratorium on elective admissions to any birth center or advanced birth center upon making a certain determination; amending s. 383.332, F.S.; providing a criminal penalty for operating an unlicensed advanced birth center; amending s. 408.033, F.S.; providing applicability of an assessment to advanced birth centers; amending s. 408.07, F.S.; defining the term “advanced birth center”; revising the definition of the term “health care facility”; amending s. 408.802, F.S.; providing applicability of licensure requirements under part II of ch. 408, F.S., to advanced birth centers; amending s. 408.820, F.S.; exempting advanced birth centers from certain licensure requirements under part II of ch. 408, F.S.; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “institutional pharmacy” to include pharmacies located in advanced birth centers; amending s. 465.019, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “modified Class II institutional pharmacies” to include pharmacies located in advanced birth centers; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gibson and Bean—

**SB 450**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; amending s. 286.0113, F.S.; providing an exemption from public meeting requirements for portions of a meeting at which certain exempt records related to the security of the technology, processes, or practices of certain utilities and the security of existing or proposed information technology systems or industrial control systems of certain utilities are discussed or may otherwise be revealed; 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 Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 452**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elder protection; amending s. 415.101, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 415.107, F.S.; requiring that elder abuse fatality review teams be granted access to certain records; creating s. 415.1103, F.S.; authorizing the establishment of elder abuse fatality review teams in each judicial circuit and housing the review teams, for administrative purposes only, in the Department of Elderly Affairs; providing conditions for review team membership, establishment, and organization; specifying requirements for the review team operations and meeting schedules; assigning responsibility for paying the administrative costs of review team operations to the team members or the entities they represent; authorizing elder abuse fatality review teams in existence on a certain date to continue; requiring such existing teams to comply with specified requirements; specifying review team duties; allowing review teams access to and use of certain information and records; requiring each review team to submit an annual report by a certain date to the Department of Elderly Affairs containing specified information; requiring the department to prepare annually a summary report on the review teams’ information and submit the summary to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Department of Children and Families; exempting certain information and records from discovery; providing an exception; restricting the testimony of certain persons about information or records presented during meetings or activities of the review teams; providing immunity from monetary liability for review team members under certain conditions; prohibiting review teams and review team members from disclosing confidential information; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 454**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 415.1103, F.S.; specifying that information obtained by an elder abuse fatality review team which is exempt or confidential and exempt from public records requirements retains its protected status; providing an exemption from public records requirements for identifying information of an elder abuse victim in records created by a review team; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of review team meetings at which exempt or confidential and exempt information or the identity of an elder abuse victim is discussed; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 456**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Matching Endowment Scholarship Program; creating s. 1009.895, F.S.; establishing the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Matching Endowment Scholarship Program within the Department of Education; providing for funding of the program;

providing the purpose of the program; requiring that historically black colleges or universities provide a certain amount of matching funds by a specified date as a condition of participation in the program; requiring that certain funds remain in the trust fund; providing that any interest accruing to the funds be used to provide scholarships to certain students; providing for annual disbursement of the interest; requiring the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors to adopt rules and regulations, respectively; providing for an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 458**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 20.151, F.S.; creating the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Matching Endowment Scholarship Trust Fund within the Department of Education; providing for the purpose of source of funds for the trust fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 460**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 101.043, F.S.; removing the requirement that identification presented by an elector at the polls contain the elector's signature; prohibiting an election clerk or inspector from comparing the elector's signatures on the precinct register and the provided form of identification; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; revising requirements for Department of State rules regarding ballot layout; repealing s. 101.49, F.S., relating to procedures of election officers when an elector's signatures differ; amending s. 101.5608, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Powell—

**SB 462**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lis pendens; amending s. 48.23, F.S.; providing that a person who acquires for value a lien on property during the course of specified legal actions takes such lien free of claims in certain circumstances; specifying the effect of a valid, recorded notice of lis pendens in certain circumstances involving a judicial sale; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Flores—

**SB 464**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prepaid college plans; amending s. 1009.98, F.S.; authorizing each state university to specify the qualified nonprofit organizations that may receive prepaid dormitory residence plan fees; authorizing a qualified beneficiary to transfer or cause to have transferred the fees associated with dormitory residence to certain Florida College System institutions, Florida College System institution direct-support organizations, or qualified nonprofit organizations; defining the term "qualified nonprofit organization"; specifying that dormitory fees transferred to a qualified nonprofit organization may not exceed a certain limitation; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Farmer—

**SB 466**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault weapons and large-capacity magazines; creating s. 790.301, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting the sale or transfer of an assault weapon or large-capacity ammunition magazine; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting possession of an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; requiring certificates of possession for assault weapons or large-capacity ammunition magazines lawfully possessed before a specified date; providing requirements for certificates; specifying the form of certificates; providing requirements for an applicant who fails to qualify for such a certificate; limiting transfers of assault weapons or large-capacity ammunition magazines represented by such certificates; providing conditions for continued possession of such weapons or large-capacity ammunition magazines; requiring certificates of transfer for transfers of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; providing for relinquishment of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; providing requirements for transportation of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; providing criminal penalties; specifying circumstances in which the manufacture or transportation of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines is not prohibited; exempting permanently inoperable firearms from provisions; amending s. 775.087, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for certain offenses when committed with an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; providing severability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 468**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearms; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to include on a standard form certain questions concerning a potential firearm buyer's criminal history and other information relating to the person's eligibility to make the firearm purchase; requiring the department to notify certain law enforcement agencies when a potential sale or transfer receives a nonapproval number; providing requirements for such notice; requiring that, if neither party to a prospective firearms sale, lease, or transfer is a licensed dealer, the parties must complete the sale, lease, or transfer through a licensed dealer; specifying procedures and requirements for a licensed dealer, seller, lessor, or transferor, and a buyer, lessee, or transferee, including a required background check; providing applicability; revising the applicability of certain requirements imposed on licensed importers, licensed manufacturers, or licensed dealers; revising applicability of the prohibition against certain sales or deliveries of firearms to include certain purchases, trades, and transfers of a rifle or shotgun; deleting provisions exempting, under certain circumstances, a licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, or licensed dealer from the sale and delivery requirements; deleting provisions authorizing a licensee to complete the sale or transfer of a firearm to a person without receiving notification from the department informing the licensee as to whether such person is prohibited from receipt or possession of a firearm or providing a unique approval number; prohibiting the sale or transfer, or facilitation of a sale or transfer, of a firearm to a person younger than a certain age by any person or entity; revising an exception to the prohibitions; amending s. 790.0655, F.S.; applying a mandatory waiting period to private sales of firearms facilitated through a licensed dealer; amending s. 790.335, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 470**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; authorizing a licensed dealer to charge the buyer or transferee of a firearm specified fees; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Farmer—

**SB 472**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the death penalty; amending s. 775.082, F.S.; deleting provisions specifying the death penalty for capital felonies; deleting provisions relating to the effect of a declaration by a court of last resort that the death penalty in a capital felony is unconstitutional; amending ss. 27.51 and 27.511, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to representation in death penalty cases; amending s. 27.5304, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing ss. 27.7001, 27.7002, 27.701, 27.702, 27.703, 27.704, 27.7045, 27.705, 27.706, 27.707, 27.708, 27.7081, 27.7091, 27.710, 27.711, and 27.715, F.S., relating to capital collateral representation; amending ss. 23.21, 27.51, 27.511, 43.16, and 112.0455, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; deleting a public records exemption relating to capital collateral proceedings; amending ss. 186.003, 215.89, 215.985, 216.011, 282.201, and 790.25, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 775.15 and 790.161, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the effect of a declaration by a court of last resort that the death penalty in a capital felony is unconstitutional; repealing s. 913.13, F.S., relating to jurors in capital cases; repealing s. 921.137, F.S., relating to prohibiting the imposition of the death sentence upon a defendant with an intellectual disability; repealing s. 921.141, F.S., relating to determination of whether to impose a sentence of death or life imprisonment for a capital felony; repealing s. 921.142, F.S., relating to determination of whether to impose a sentence of death or life imprisonment for a capital drug trafficking felony; amending ss. 775.021, 782.04, 775.30, 394.912, 782.065, 794.011, 893.135, 944.275, and 948.012, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing ss. 922.052, 922.06, 922.07, 922.08, 922.095, 922.10, 922.105, 922.108, 922.11, 922.111, 922.12, 922.14, 922.15, 924.055, 924.056, and 924.057, F.S., relating to issuance of warrant of execution, stay of execution of death sentence, proceedings when a person under sentence of death appears to be insane, proceedings when a person under sentence of death appears to be pregnant, pursuit of collateral remedies, execution of death sentence, prohibition against reduction of death sentence as a result of determination that a method of execution is unconstitutional, sentencing orders in capital cases, regulation of execution, transfer to state prison for safekeeping before death warrant issued, return of warrant of execution issued by the Governor, sentence of death unexecuted for unjustifiable reasons, return of warrant of execution issued by the Supreme Court, legislative intent concerning appeals and postconviction proceedings in death penalty cases, commencement of capital postconviction actions for which sentence of death is imposed on or after January 14, 2000, and limitation on postconviction cases in which the death sentence was imposed before January 14, 2000, respectively; amending s. 925.11, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to preservation of DNA evidence in death penalty cases; amending s. 945.10, F.S.; deleting a public records exemption for the identity of executioners; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Stewart, Berman, Cruz, Torres, and Book—

**SB 474**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discrimination in labor and employment; creating the “Senator Helen Gordon Davis Fair Pay Protection Act”; amending s. 448.07, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting an employer from providing less favorable employment opportunities to employees based on their sex; providing exceptions; revising applicability; providing civil penalties; amending s. 448.102, F.S.; prohibiting an employer from taking certain employment actions against employees; creating s. 448.111, F.S.; prohibiting an employer from engaging in certain activities relating to wages and benefits; prohibiting an employer from requiring employees to sign certain waivers and documents; providing applicability; authorizing an employer to confirm wage or salary history under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Perry and Taddeo—

**SB 476**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child restraint requirements; amending s. 316.613, F.S.; increasing the age of children

for whom operators of motor vehicles must provide protection by using a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device; increasing the age of children for whom a separate carrier, an integrated child seat, or a child booster seat may be used; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 478**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Office of Drug Control; creating s. 397.335, F.S.; creating the Office of Drug Control within the Executive Office of the Governor; providing for the office to be headed by a director appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation; providing the purpose and duties of the office; requiring the director of the office to report annually to the Governor and Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

**SB 480**—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 Highwaymen license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plates; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

**SB 482**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; establishing a fee for a certain specialty license plate; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 484**—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 Florida State Beekeepers Association license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 486**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; creating a fee for a certain specialty license plate; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 488**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drug safety; amending s. 893.04, F.S.; prohibiting a pharmacist or practitioner from dispensing specified opioids unless the prescription bottle or container has a warning sticker meeting certain requirements; amending s. 893.055, F.S.; requiring pharmacies to offer for sale prescription lock boxes; re-

quiring pharmacies to display a certain sign; defining the term “prescription lock box”; authorizing the Department of Health to develop and distribute a pamphlet containing certain information; requiring the distribution of the pamphlet by pharmacists under certain circumstances; prohibiting a pharmacy from charging a fee for the pamphlet; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 490**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Statewide Procurement Efficiency Task Force; creating the task force to evaluate procurement laws and policies and make specified recommendations; specifying membership of the task force; providing meeting requirements; providing for administrative and technical support of the task force; requiring task force members to serve without compensation or reimbursement of expenses; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for the termination of the task force; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 492**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a capital relocation study; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study regarding the relocation of the state capital; prescribing requirements for the study; requiring OPPAGA to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Hooper and Broxson—

**SB 494**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Firefighters’ Bill of Rights; amending s. 112.81, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “interrogation” to include questioning pursuant to an informal inquiry; amending s. 112.82, F.S.; requiring that witnesses be interviewed and certain information be provided to a firefighter subjected to interrogation before the interrogation is conducted; authorizing a firefighter to provide a voluntary statement at any time after being informed of a certain right; prohibiting a firefighter from being threatened with certain disciplinary action during the course of an interrogation; requiring that a copy of the interrogation be provided to a firefighter within a specified timeframe, upon request; creating s. 112.825, F.S.; requiring that a firefighter be notified and provided certain information before certain disciplinary actions are taken; requiring that a firefighter be given the opportunity to address certain findings; requiring that certain information be kept confidential and exempt until a final determination is made, in accordance with existing law; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 496**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance guaranty associations; creating s. 631.576, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Insurance Guaranty Association to authorize certain employees to adjust losses for the association; requiring such authorization to be included in a contract; amending s. 631.914, F.S.; revising the assessments levied by the Office of Insurance Regulation on workers’ compensation insurers; requiring such insurers to recoup the assessments by applying a certain surcharge percentage to certain policies; authorizing the Florida Workers’ Compensation Insurance Guaranty Association to audit certain reports; revising requirements for remitting assessments; conforming cross-references; providing that assessments paid by an insurer constitute advances of funds to the association under certain circum-

stances; revising the requirements for the insurers’ reconciliation reports to the Florida Workers’ Compensation Insurance Guaranty Association; revising construction; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Powell—

**SB 498**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire safety and prevention; creating s. 633.217, F.S.; prohibiting a person from committing or attempting to commit certain acts to influence firesafety inspectors; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Stewart—

**SB 500**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gun safety; creating s. 790.30, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the importing into the state of, or the distributing, transporting, transferring, selling, or giving of, an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; providing criminal penalties; providing applicability; prohibiting the possession of an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; providing applicability; requiring certificates of possession for assault weapons or large-capacity magazines lawfully possessed before a specified date; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to adopt rules by a certain date; limiting transfers of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines represented by certificates of possession; providing conditions for continued possession of such weapons or large-capacity magazines; requiring certificates of transfer for transfers of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; requiring the department to maintain a file of all certificates of transfer; providing for relinquishment of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; specifying requirements for transportation of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines; providing criminal penalties; specifying circumstances in which the manufacture or transportation of assault weapons or large-capacity magazines is not prohibited; exempting permanently inoperable firearms from certain provisions; amending s. 775.087, F.S.; providing enhanced criminal penalties for certain offenses when committed with an assault weapon or large-capacity magazine; reenacting ss. 27.366, 921.0024(1)(b), and 947.146(3), F.S., relating to legislative intent and policy in certain cases, the Criminal Punishment Code worksheet key, and the Control Release Authority, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 775.087, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 502**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the prohibition of plastic carryout bags and straws; creating s. 509.235, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a store or food service business from providing a carryout bag made of plastic film to a customer; prohibiting a food service business from selling or providing a single-use plastic straw to a customer; providing an exception; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 504**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alcohol and substance abuse prevention; creating s. 14.35, F.S.; creating the Office of Alcohol and Drug Control Policy within the Executive Office of the Governor; providing for appointment of the director of the office; specifying duties of the office; requiring the office to adopt rules; requiring the office to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration,

in consultation with the Department of Children and Families, to seek federal approval of a waiver to increase federal Medicaid funding for specified purposes relating to substance use disorders; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 506**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the high school equivalency diploma program; amending s. 1003.435, F.S.; providing additional qualifications for the award of a high school equivalency diploma to students who meet specified criteria relating to high school graduation requirements; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 508**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specifications for ballots; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; requiring ballots to use a uniform vote target throughout the state; defining the term “vote target”; requiring the Secretary of State to solicit certain votes from the supervisors of elections and to require the immediate implementation of a uniform vote target; providing a procedure to change the uniform vote target; requiring a supervisor of elections who must make a substantial change to a voting system to implement the uniform vote target within a specified period; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 510**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to income inequality impact statements; creating s. 11.52, F.S.; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to prepare an income inequality impact statement for proposed legislation upon the request of a member of the Legislature; specifying requirements for the impact statement; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 512**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to income inequality; providing a short title; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a study to identify the legislative actions and funding necessary to achieve specified goals in reducing income inequality; requiring the office to submit a report to the Legislature by a certain date; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 514**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical negligence; 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.; authorizing an adult child who was under the care of a legal parental guardian at the time of a parent’s death to file a medical negligence claim under certain circumstances; authorizing the legal parental guardian of an adult child to file a claim for medical negligence under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 516**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoking in state parks; amending s. 258.008, F.S.; clarifying that certain violations constitute a noncriminal infraction; creating s. 258.009, F.S.; prohibiting a person from smoking in a state park; defining the terms “smoke” and “smoking”; republishing s. 258.007(2), F.S., relating to rulemaking authority of the Division of Recreation and Parks of the Department of Environmental Protection; republishing s. 258.601, F.S., relating to the enforcement of prohibited activities by the department and the Division of Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 518**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public meetings; re-enacting and amending s. 286.011, F.S., relating to public meetings; specifying that a board or commission of any entity created by general or special law is subject to public meetings requirements; specifying that such a board’s or commission’s adoption of an ordinance or a code is not binding unless public meetings requirements are met; revising notice requirements applicable to public meetings of such a board or commission; providing that a member of the public has the right to speak at a public meeting of such a board or commission; specifying circumstances under which such a board or commission is not required to allow public comment or may restrict the length of time that a member of the public may speak; requiring members of such a board or commission to respond to questions made at public meetings within a specified timeframe; requiring that such a board or commission prescribe a form on which members of the public wishing to exercise their right to speak must provide certain information; providing civil and criminal penalties for violations of the act; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 286.0114, F.S., relating to the reasonable opportunity to be heard at public meetings; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 520**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funding for school districts; holding harmless certain funding to school districts that enrolled students from certain counties as a result of Hurricane Michael; requiring that a calculation and allocation be made; providing for the calculation; providing that the funds calculated support a nonrecurring appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 522**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to apprenticeship programs; amending s. 446.011, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 446.032, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to provide a specified annual report to the Legislature and the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council; providing requirements for the report; requiring the department to provide certain information on its website; creating s. 446.042, F.S.; requiring the department to develop and manage the Florida Apprenticeship Grant Program, subject to appropriation of funds by the Legislature; authorizing certain registered apprenticeship program sponsors to apply for grant awards to help fund apprenticeship programs; amending s. 446.051, F.S.; requiring the department to perform certain duties related to apprenticeships when a program sponsor has received a grant award; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Diaz and Farmer—

**SB 524**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance savings programs; creating 627.6387, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions; authorizing health insurers and health maintenance organizations to implement shared savings incentive programs; providing procedures and requirements for such programs; providing construction; providing that a direct written premium must be reduced by the dollar amount of certain incentives, for the purpose of certain taxes; providing website requirements; providing notification requirements; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to review insurers' filings of their program descriptions; limiting the amount of annual savings incentives; authorizing the office to make rules; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 526**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the entertainment industry; creating the Film, Television, and Digital Media Targeted Grant Program within the Department of Economic Opportunity under the supervision of the Commissioner of Film and Entertainment; providing purposes for the program; defining terms; requiring that film, television, and digital media projects being produced in this state meet specified criteria for grant eligibility; authorizing applicants to receive grants up to a specified amount, including bonuses; requiring an applicant that receives funding to make a good faith effort to use existing providers of infrastructure or equipment in this state; establishing application windows for the grant; providing requirements for the department relating to earmarking and setting aside grant funds; providing procedures and requirements for applicants applying for the grant; requiring the commissioner to take specified action within a specified timeframe; specifying that an applicant is only authorized to submit one application per fiscal year unless the applicant is producing certain television programs; creating the Grant Advisory Board within the Office of Film and Entertainment of the department; providing membership requirements for the board; providing meeting requirements for the board; requiring the board to determine a score for each applicant's project using specified criteria; requiring the board to make a recommendation for certification or rejection of applications within a specified timeframe; requiring the commissioner to determine the priority order and scoring system of the specified criteria with assistance from the board; requiring the board to use certain criteria; requiring the commissioner to take certain actions relating to the certification or denial of applications within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to earmark and set aside funding necessary to fund the total maximum that may be awarded to the qualified projects; requiring the commissioner to develop a verification process to verify the actual qualified expenditures of a qualified project after the project's work in this state is complete; providing requirements for the verification process; requiring that the grant be issued within a specified timeframe upon approval of the final grant amount by the department; requiring the department to deduct a specified percentage of the grant and to credit the amount to the department to offset certain expenses; requiring that certain marketing be included with a project; requiring qualified projects to allow certain persons to visit the production site upon request of the commissioner and after providing the commissioner with certain notice; specifying that a visit to the production site is not required; requiring the department to disqualify a project under certain circumstances; providing for liability and imposing civil penalties for an applicant that submits fraudulent information; providing for rulemaking; requiring the commissioner to provide an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature on a specified date; providing for the expiration of the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 528**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health and substance use disorders; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 394.4572, F.S.; requiring a specific level of screening for peer specialists working in mental health programs and

facilities; amending s. 394.4573, F.S.; specifying that the use of peer specialists for recovery support is an essential element of a coordinated system of behavioral health care; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 397.4073, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 397.417, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; authorizing a person to seek certification as a peer specialist if he or she meets specified qualifications; requiring a background screening, completion of a training program, and a passing score on a competency exam for a qualified person to obtain certification as a peer specialist; requiring the Department of Children and Families to develop a training program for peer specialists and to give preference to trainers who are certified peer specialists; requiring the training program to coincide with a competency exam and to be based on current practice standards; requiring the department to certify peer specialists directly or by designating a nonprofit certification organization; requiring that a person providing peer specialist services be certified or supervised by a licensed behavioral health care professional or a certified peer specialist; authorizing the department, a behavioral health managing entity, or the Medicaid program to reimburse a peer specialist service as a recovery service; encouraging Medicaid managed care plans to use peer specialists in providing recovery services; requiring peer specialists to meet the requirements of a background screening as a condition of employment and continued employment; authorizing the department or the Agency for Health Care Administration to require by rule that fingerprints be submitted electronically to the Department of Law Enforcement; authorizing the Department of Children and Families or the agency to contract with certain vendors for fingerprinting; specifying requirements for vendors; specifying offenses to be considered in the background screening of a peer specialist; authorizing a person who does not meet background screening requirements to request an exemption from disqualification from the department or the agency; providing that all peer specialists certified as of the effective date of this act are recognized as having met the requirements of this act; amending s. 397.487, F.S.; revising legislative findings relating to voluntary certification of recovery residences; requiring recovery residences to comply with specified Florida Fire Prevention Code provisions; revising background screening requirements for owners, directors, and chief financial officers of recovery residences; amending s. 397.4873, F.S.; providing exceptions to limitations on referrals by recovery residences to licensed service providers; prohibiting recovery residences and specified affiliated individuals from benefiting from certain referrals; amending s. 435.07, F.S.; authorizing the exemption of certain persons from disqualification from employment; amending ss. 212.055, 394.495, 394.496, 394.9085, 397.416, 409.972, 440.102, 464.012, and 744.2007, F.S.; conforming cross-references; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Brandes and Stewart—

**SB 530**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alcohol or drug overdose prosecutions; creating s. 562.112, F.S.; prohibiting the arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization under specified provisions of a person acting in good faith who seeks medical assistance for an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, an alcohol-related overdose; providing requirements for that person; prohibiting the arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization under specified provisions of a person who experiences, or has a good faith belief that he or she is experiencing, an alcohol-related overdose; prohibiting the protection from arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization for certain offenses from being grounds for suppression of evidence in other criminal prosecutions; amending s. 893.21, F.S.; prohibiting the arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization under specified provisions of a person acting in good faith who seeks medical assistance for an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, a drug-related overdose; prohibiting the arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization under specified provisions of a person who experiences, or has a good faith belief that he or she is experiencing, a drug-related overdose; prohibiting a person from being penalized for a violation of a condition of certain programs if that person in good faith seeks medical assistance for himself or herself or an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, a drug-related overdose; prohibiting the protection from arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization for certain offenses from

being grounds for suppression of evidence in other criminal prosecutions; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Lee and Farmer—

**SB 532**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wetland mitigation; amending s. 373.4135, F.S.; revising the conditions under which a governmental entity may create or provide mitigation for a project other than its own under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 534**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pretrial release; creating s. 907.042, F.S.; providing legislative findings; authorizing each county to establish a supervised bond program with the concurrence of the chief judge of the judicial circuit, the county's chief correctional officer, the state attorney, and the public defender; providing an exception for a county that has already established and implemented a supervised bond program that uses a risk assessment instrument; providing minimum program requirements; requiring each county that establishes a supervised bond program to have the risk assessment instrument validated by the Department of Corrections; requiring each county that establishes a supervised bond program to submit an annual report by a certain date to the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to compile such reports and include such information in a specified report sent to the Legislature; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 907.0421, F.S.; providing legislative findings; authorizing the chief judge of each circuit, with the concurrence of the county's chief correctional officer, the state attorney, and the public defender, to enter an administrative order for the use of a risk assessment instrument in pretrial release determinations; requiring the risk assessment instrument results to be used as supplemental factors for the court's evaluation of appropriate pretrial release conditions; requiring the court to impose the least restrictive conditions necessary to reasonably ensure the defendant's appearance at subsequent hearings; providing that a court retains sole discretion to determine the appropriateness of pretrial release and any necessary pretrial release conditions; requiring a circuit that uses a risk assessment instrument to have the instrument validated by the department; authorizing the circuit to implement the risk assessment instrument immediately after validation and implementation of training of all local staff who will administer the risk assessment instrument; requiring each circuit that enters an administrative order to use risk assessment instruments in pretrial release determinations to submit an annual report by a certain date to the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to compile the reports and include such information in a specified report sent to the Legislature; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Brandes and Perry—

**SB 536**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to 911 services; amending s. 365.172, F.S.; revising the applicability of definitions; requiring counties to develop a plan for implementing a text-to-911 system and to implement a system to receive E911 text messages by a specified date; creating s. 365.177, F.S.; requiring that the Technology Program within the Department of Management Services develop and implement a plan to require that emergency dispatchers be able to transfer an emergency call from one E911 system to another E911 system in this state; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 538**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonadmitted insurance market reform; amending s. 626.916, F.S.; deleting a limitation on per-policy fees charged by surplus lines agents for exporting certified policies; requiring that such fees be itemized separately for the customer before purchase and enumerated in the policy; amending s. 626.931, F.S.; deleting a requirement for surplus lines agents to quarterly file a certain affidavit with the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office; amending s. 626.932, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; revising the determination of the surplus lines tax on certain policies as of a specified date; amending ss. 626.935 and 629.401, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.715, F.S.; extending the expiration date of a provision authorizing surplus lines agents to export contracts or endorsements providing flood coverage to eligible surplus lines insurers without making a certain diligent effort to seek coverage from authorized insurers; providing effective dates.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 540**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human trafficking; creating s. 509.096, F.S.; requiring the owner or operator of a public lodging establishment to train certain employees and create certain policies relating to human trafficking by a specified date; requiring the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to impose fines on public lodging establishments for failure to comply with such requirements; creating s. 787.08, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families, in consultation with the Department of Law Enforcement and the Attorney General, to establish a certain direct-support organization; providing requirements for the direct-support organization; requiring the direct-support organization to form strategic partnerships and to serve as a liaison with public and private sector partners in funding the provision of inpatient care to victims of human trafficking; requiring the direct-support organization to operate under a written contract with the Department of Children and Families; providing contractual requirements; providing for the membership of and the appointment of directors to the board of the direct-support organization; providing for future review and repeal by the Legislature; amending s. 796.07, F.S.; requiring that the criminal history record of a person who is convicted of, or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, soliciting, inducing, enticing, or procuring another to commit prostitution, lewdness, or assignment be added to the Soliciting for Prostitution Registry; requiring the clerk of the court to forward the criminal history record of such persons to the Department of Law Enforcement for certain purposes; creating s. 943.0433, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to create and administer the Soliciting for Prostitution Registry; requiring the department to add certain criminal history records to the registry; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 943.0583, F.S.; creating an exception to a prohibition that bars certain victims of human trafficking from petitioning for the expunction of a criminal history record for offenses committed while the person was a victim of human trafficking as part of the human trafficking scheme or at the direction of an operator of the scheme; creating s. 943.17297, F.S.; requiring each certified law enforcement officer to successfully complete training on identifying and investigating human trafficking before a certain date; requiring that the training be developed in consultation with specified entities; specifying that an officer's certification shall be inactive if he or she fails to complete the required training until the employing agency notifies the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission that the officer has completed the training; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 542**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to micromobility devices and motorized scooters; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term “micromobility device”; revising the definition of the term “motorized scooter”; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.008, F.S.; authorizing a county or municipality to regulate the operation of micromobility devices and for-hire motorized scooters, subject to certain restrictions; authorizing a county or municipality to require that a person offering micromobility devices or for-hire motorized scooters be licensed; requiring that such license be granted if the applicant for licensure provides certain proof of insurance coverage; providing that, except for specified provisions, regulation of micromobility devices and for-hire motorized scooters is exclusively controlled by state and federal law; amending s. 316.1995, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 316.2128, F.S.; providing that the operator of a micromobility device or motorized scooter has all of the rights and duties applicable to the rider of a bicycle, except the duties imposed by specified provisions that by their nature do not apply; exempting a micromobility device or motorized scooter from certain registration, insurance, and licensing requirements; providing that a person is not required to have a valid driver license to operate a micromobility device or motorized scooter; authorizing the parking of a micromobility device or motorized scooter on sidewalks, subject to certain requirements; deleting specified requirements for the sale of motorized scooters; amending s. 316.2225, F.S.; exempting micromobility devices and motorized scooters from certain emblem requirements; amending s. 655.960, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 544**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to airports; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising the exemptions of people-mover systems and parts from certain taxes; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 332.004, F.S.; revising and defining terms; amending s. 332.006, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation to provide financial and technical assistance to sponsors that operate public-use airports by making department personnel and department-owned facilities and equipment available on a cost-reimbursement basis to such sponsors for special needs of limited duration; amending s. 332.007, F.S.; requiring federal funding of individual local public-use airport projects to be wholly between the airport sponsors and the appropriate federal agencies; authorizing the department to receive federal grants for both local and statewide public-use airport projects when no sponsor is available; requiring the department to prepare and continuously update an aviation and airport work program based on a collection of projects proposed by sponsors to be included in a certain work program of the department; requiring the department to provide priority funding in support of the planning, design, and construction of proposed projects by sponsors, with special emphasis on certain projects on public-use airport property; authorizing the department to participate in the capital cost of eligible public-use airport and aviation development projects in accordance with specified rates, under certain circumstances; revising the requirements of such rates; authorizing the department to participate in the capital cost of eligible public-use airport and aviation discretionary capacity improvement projects; revising the conditions under which the department provides priority funding; prohibiting a single public-use airport from securing discretionary capacity improvement project funds in excess of a specified percentage; authorizing the department to initially fund up to a specified percentage of the cost of land acquisition for a new public-use airport or for the expansion of an existing public-use airport that is owned and operated by a municipality, a county, an authority, or a sponsor; authorizing the department to fund eligible projects performed by not-for-profit organizations that represent a majority of public-use airports in this state; revising the requirements of such eligible projects; amending s. 332.06, F.S.; authorizing the cost of investigation, surveying, planning, acquiring, establishing, constructing, enlarging, or improving or equipping public-use airports to be paid for by appropriation or from the proceeds of municipal bonds; amending s. 332.07, F.S.; authorizing governing bodies that have the power to appropriate moneys within the municipalities in this state which are acquiring, establishing, constructing, enlarging, improving, maintaining, equipping, or operating public-use airports to appropriate and raise

moneys in such municipalities sufficient to administer specified provisions; amending s. 332.08, F.S.; authorizing additional powers to a municipality that has established or may establish public-use airports, instead of airports, or that has acquired, set apart, or may acquire or set apart real property for such purpose; revising the name of the Federal Aviation Administration’s Airport Privatization Pilot Program to the Federal Aviation Administration’s Airport Investment Partnership Program; amending s. 332.09, F.S.; authorizing a municipality or a sponsor to accept federal and other moneys for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, improvement, maintenance, equipment, or operation of public-use airports and other air navigation facilities and to comply with certain laws, rules, and regulations for the expenditure of federal moneys; amending ss. 196.012 and 334.27, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 546**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the licensure of check cashers; amending s. 560.304, F.S.; providing an exemption from licensure under part III of ch. 560, F.S., for certain persons authorized by the Office of Financial Regulation to cash certain payment instruments within a specified aggregate face value range; requiring the office to authorize the person to cash such instruments without such licensure if certain conditions are met; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 548**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic legal documents; providing directives to the Division of Law Revision; amending s. 117.01, F.S.; revising provisions relating to use of the office of notary public; amending s. 117.021, F.S.; requiring electronic signatures to include access protection; prohibiting a person from requiring a notary public to perform a notarial act with certain technology; requiring the Department of State, in collaboration with the Agency for State Technology, to adopt rules for certain purposes; amending s. 117.05, F.S.; revising limitations on notary fees to conform to changes made by the act; providing for the inclusion of certain information in a jurat or notarial certificate; providing for compliance with online notarization requirements; providing for notarial certification of a printed electronic record; revising statutory forms for jurats and notarial certificates; amending s. 117.107, F.S.; providing applicability; revising prohibited acts; creating s. 117.201, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 117.209, F.S.; authorizing online notarizations; providing an exception; creating s. 117.215, F.S.; specifying the application of other laws in relation to online notarizations; creating s. 117.225, F.S.; specifying registration and qualification requirements for online notaries public; creating s. 117.235, F.S.; authorizing the performance of certain notarial acts; creating s. 117.245, F.S.; requiring a notary public to keep electronic journals of online notarial acts and certain audio-video communication recordings; specifying the information that must be included for each online notarization; requiring an online notary public to take certain steps regarding the maintenance and security of the electronic journal; specifying that the Department of State maintains jurisdiction for a specified period of time for purposes of investigating notarial misconduct; authorizing the use of specified information for evidentiary purposes; creating s. 117.255, F.S.; specifying requirements for the use of electronic journals, signatures, and seals; requiring an online notary public to provide notification of the theft, vandalism, or loss of an electronic journal, signature, or seal; authorizing an online notary public to make copies of electronic journal entries and to provide access to related recordings under certain circumstances; authorizing an online notary public to charge a fee for making and delivering such copies; providing an exception; creating s. 117.265, F.S.; prescribing online notarization procedures; specifying the manner by which an online notary public must verify the identity of a principal or a witness; requiring an online notary public to take certain measures as to the security of technology used; specifying that an electronic notarial cer-

tificate must identify the performance of an online notarization; specifying that noncompliance does not impair the validity of a notarial act or the notarized electronic record; authorizing the use of specified information for evidentiary purposes; providing for construction; creating s. 117.275, F.S.; providing fees for online notarizations; creating s. 117.285, F.S.; specifying the manner by which an online notary public may supervise the witnessing of electronic records of online notarizations; creating s. 117.295, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules and standards for online notarizations; providing minimum standards for online notarizations until such rules are adopted; creating s. 117.305, F.S.; superseding certain provisions of federal law regulating electronic signatures; amending s. 28.222, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the circuit court to record certain instruments; amending s. 90.803, F.S.; creating a hearsay exception for certain electronic records created and stored by a qualified custodian; amending s. 92.50, F.S.; revising requirements for oaths, affidavits, and acknowledgements; amending s. 95.231, F.S.; providing a limitation period for certain recorded instruments; amending s. 689.01, F.S.; providing for the witnessing of documents in connection with real estate conveyances; providing for the validation of certain recorded documents; amending s. 694.08, F.S.; providing for the validation of certain recorded documents; amending s. 695.03, F.S.; providing and revising requirements for making acknowledgments, proofs, and other documents; amending s. 695.04, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 695.25, F.S.; revising the statutory short form of acknowledgements to include acknowledgement by online notarization; amending s. 695.28, F.S.; revising the criteria under which an electronic document is deemed to be validly recorded; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 709.2119, F.S.; authorizing the acceptance of a power of attorney based upon an electronic journal or electronic record made by a notary public; amending s. 709.2120, F.S.; prohibiting acceptance of a power of attorney if witnessed or notarized remotely; amending s. 709.2202, F.S.; prohibiting the granting of certain authority through a power of attorney that is witnessed or notarized remotely; amending s. 731.201, F.S.; redefining the term "will" to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 732.506, F.S.; exempting electronic wills from provisions governing the revocation of wills and codicils; prescribing the manner by which an electronic will or codicil may be revoked; creating s. 732.521, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 732.522, F.S.; prescribing the manner by which an electronic will must be executed; creating s. 732.523, F.S.; specifying requirements for the self-proof of an electronic will; creating s. 732.524, F.S.; specifying requirements necessary to serve as a qualified custodian of an electronic will; creating s. 732.525, F.S.; requiring a qualified custodian to post and maintain a blanket surety bond of a specified amount and maintain liability insurance; authorizing the Attorney General to petition a court to appoint a receiver to manage electronic records of a qualified custodian; creating s. 732.526, F.S.; specifying conditions by which an electronic will is deemed to be an original will; amending s. 733.201, F.S.; requiring that self-proved electronic wills meet certain requirements for admission to probate; creating s. 740.10, F.S.; specifying that any act taken pursuant to ch. 740, F.S., does not affect the requirement that a will be deposited within a certain timeframe; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 550**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners' insurance policies; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; providing that homeowners' insurance policies offering specified flood insurance coverage may omit a portion of a specified statement which relates to flood insurance; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 552**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to presidential electors; amending ss. 103.011, 103.021, 103.022, and 103.061, F.S.; revising the manner of allocating the state's electoral votes in presidential elections to be based on votes cast in each congressional district; providing a limitation regarding the filling of vacancies of presidential electors;

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

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 554**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to offenses against brokers, broker associates, or sales associates; creating s. 775.0864, F.S.; providing definitions; providing applicability; providing for reclassification of specified offenses committed against brokers, broker associates, or sales associates; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 556**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to primary elections; amending s. 100.061, F.S.; requiring that a universal primary election open to all qualified electors, regardless of political party affiliation or lack thereof, be held for purposes of selecting candidates for specified federal, state, local, and district offices; specifying that the candidates receiving the highest and next highest number of votes in the universal primary election advance to the general election; modifying procedures in the event of a tied vote between candidates; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; modifying ballot layout requirements to conform to the addition of the universal primary election; amending ss. 97.021, 99.061, 99.063, 99.0955, 100.051, 100.081, 100.111, 100.191, 101.021, 101.2512, 101.252, 101.5606, 102.131, 102.151, 102.168, 102.1685, 102.171, 104.071, 104.31, 105.071, 106.011, 106.021, 106.03, 106.12, 106.143, 106.15, 106.18, 112.313, and 112.3145, F.S.; conforming provisions and terminology to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 558**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the termination of pregnancy; creating s. 390.301, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; prohibiting the attempted or actual performance or induction of an abortion in certain circumstances; providing a parameter to be used in determining the applicability of the prohibition; requiring a physician to make a specified determination before performing or inducing or attempting to perform or induce an abortion; requiring that, except in the case of a medical emergency, the physician performing or inducing an abortion determine the probable postfertilization age of the unborn child; providing parameters for making the determination; requiring a physician to use an abortion method that provides the best opportunity for the unborn child to survive the abortion in specified circumstances; requiring certain physicians to report specified information to the Department of Health containing specified data each time the physician performs or attempts to perform an abortion; prohibiting the reports from including information that would identify the woman whose pregnancy was terminated; requiring the reports to include a unique medical record identification number; requiring the department to publish a summary of data from the physician reports on an annual basis; providing penalties for failure to timely submit physician reports; providing for disciplinary action; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing criminal penalties and civil and criminal remedies; providing for the awarding of attorney fees; requiring a court to rule on the need for the protection, in certain civil and criminal proceedings or actions, of the privacy of the identity of a woman on whom an abortion is performed or induced or on whom an abortion is attempted to be performed or induced; requiring that certain actions be brought under a pseudonym; creating a special revenue account to pay for certain costs and expenses incurred by the state in defending the act; providing for funding and retention of interest; providing construction and severability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 560**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 390.305, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for physician abortion reports filed with the Department of Health; providing exceptions; providing retroactive application; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 562**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead exemptions; creating s. 196.076, F.S.; providing an additional homestead exemption from school district levies for certain persons age 65 or older; authorizing persons entitled to and receiving a certain homestead exemption to apply for and receive the additional exemption; authorizing specified other persons to receive the exemption; requiring a property appraiser who makes a certain determination to serve upon the owner a notice of intent to record a tax lien against the property; providing that such property is subject to certain taxes, penalties, and interest; providing an exception from such penalties and interest; providing that an owner must be given a specified timeframe to pay taxes, penalties, and interest before a lien is filed; providing requirements for such a lien; providing applicability; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Hooper—

**SB 564**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to truth in millage notices; amending s. 200.069, F.S.; authorizing property appraisers to make notices of proposed property taxes available on their websites in lieu of mailing the notices; authorizing property appraisers to use electronic technology and devices for certain formatting purposes; requiring a property appraiser electing to post such notices on the website to present a plan to the board of county commissioners; providing construction; requiring such websites to provide certain options for receiving notices to taxpayers; requiring such property appraisers, for a specified timeframe, to mail notices containing specified information to taxpayers listed on assessment rolls; requiring such property appraisers to mail a notification containing specified information to new property owners; amending ss. 192.0105, 193.073, 193.114, and 193.1142, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 194.011, F.S.; revising timeframes for filing petitions with the value adjustment board as to valuation issues; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Hooper—

**SB 566**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sinkhole and catastrophic ground cover collapse insurance; amending s. 627.706, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “catastrophic ground cover collapse” for insurance coverage purposes; providing circumstances under which damage of a structure or building constitutes a specified loss; defining the term “dangerous”; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 568**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the assessment of property; creating s. 193.019, F.S.; authorizing local governments to enter into agreements with certain property owners to authorize the local governments to record specified restrictive covenants related to affordable housing; authorizing such covenants to contain resale restrictions and to be amended or supplemented under certain circumstances; specifying where such covenants must be recorded; requiring such local governments to provide property appraisers with a certain list by a certain date; requiring property appraisers to consider such restrictive covenants in arriving at the just value of such properties; specifying that such restrictive covenants and the changes and updates to and resale restrictions in the covenants are deemed a land use regulation; amending s. 196.183, F.S.; revising the requirements that allow property appraisers to exempt certain property from the tangible personal property tax; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 570**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to laser hair removal or reduction; amending s. 478.42, F.S.; revising definitions; repealing s. 478.44, F.S., relating to the Electrolysis Council; amending s. 478.49, F.S.; providing certification requirements for licensed electrologists who perform laser hair removal or reduction; amending ss. 478.43, 478.45, 478.50, 478.52, and 478.53, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senators Baxley and Perry—

**SB 572**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance coverage for hearing aids for children; creating s. 627.6413, F.S.; requiring certain health insurance policies to provide hearing aid coverage for insured children; providing coverage requirements; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Diaz and Stewart—

**SB 574**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Special Risk Class; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; adding to the class certain employees of specified state hospitals and other facilities who spend a certain amount of time performing duties that involve contact with patients or inmates; conforming cross-references; declaring that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 576**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a back-to-school sales tax holiday; providing exemptions from the sales and use tax on the retail sale of certain clothing, school supplies, personal computers, and personal computer-related accessories during a specified timeframe; defining terms; specifying locations where the exemptions do not apply; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Broxson and Perry—

**SB 578**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional geology; amending s. 492.102, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 492.103, F.S.; revising membership of the Board of Professional Geologists; amending s. 492.104, F.S.; revising specified fees for certain purposes; amending s. 492.105, F.S.; providing that the examination fee is nonrefundable; amending s. 492.1051, F.S.; revising geologist-in-training registration requirements; amending s. 492.107, F.S.; revising the types of documents that require the signature, date, and seal of a professional geologist; providing that all preliminary documents must include certain text in lieu of a seal; amending s. 492.108, F.S.; revising applicant requirements for licensure by endorsement; amending s. 492.109, F.S.; providing requirements for licensure renewal; authorizing the board to adopt a continuing education program; amending s. 492.111, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 492.112, F.S.; providing construction; amending s. 492.116, F.S.; providing that certain persons may only maintain their specified exemptions if they do not submit documents for public record; exempting certain persons practicing professional geology from certain requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bean—

**SB 580**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the taxation of aircraft sales and leases; amending s. 212.05, F.S.; decreasing the sales tax rate on aircraft sales and leases; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; decreasing the maximum applicable sales tax rate under the flyable aircraft partial sales tax exemption; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Diaz and Gainer—

**SB 582**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voting systems; amending s. 97.021, F.S.; defining the term “automatic tabulating equipment” for purposes of the Florida Election Code; amending s. 101.5614, F.S.; revising procedures governing the canvassing of returns to specify usage of a voting system’s automatic tabulating equipment; amending s. 102.141, F.S.; clarifying the circumstances under which ballots must be processed through automatic tabulating equipment in a recount; amending s. 102.166, F.S.; specifying the manner by which a manual recount may be conducted; revising requirements for hardware or software used in a manual recount; authorizing overvotes and undervotes to be identified and sorted physically or digitally in a manual recount; revising minimum requirements for Department of State rules to require procedures regarding the certification and use of automatic tabulating equipment for manual recounts; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 584**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; prohibiting charter schools from operating as, or being operated by, a for-profit corporation, a for-profit educational management organization, or a for-profit charter management organization; defining the terms “for-profit educational management organization,” “for-profit charter management organization,” and “operate as, or be operated by”; prohibiting a charter school from entering into a subcontract to avoid certain requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 586**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to structurally sound and accessible school facilities; creating s. 1002.24, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining terms; providing that all students have certain rights relating to attending schools that meet specific standards; providing construction; requiring that certain new school facilities be constructed in compliance with public shelter design criteria; requiring each district school board, the governing authority of each state scholarship-participating private school, and the governing authority of any school not owned by a board to implement certain procedures; providing for duties of existing state scholarship-participating private schools and certain startup charter schools; providing for duties of the Department of Education; providing for rulemaking; providing for preemption of the State Requirements for Educational Facilities and the Florida Building Code; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring a startup charter school to use facilities that comply with the State Requirements for Educational Facilities; amending s. 1002.42, F.S.; requiring the governing authority of a state scholarship-participating private school to require that any new construction, remodeling, or renovation of school facilities comply with the Florida Building Code and the State Requirements for Educational Facilities; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Hutson and Bradley—

**SB 588**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to single-use plastic straws; creating s. 403.7034, F.S.; defining terms; providing that a food service establishment may distribute a single-use plastic straw to a customer only if requested to do so by the customer; providing exceptions; providing that a food service establishment may make single-use plastic straws available through self-serve straw dispensers; preempting the regulation of single-use plastic straws to the state; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 590**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state park fees; amending s. 258.014, F.S.; requiring the Division of Recreation and Parks to create by rule a state park annual entrance pass program to allow entrance at no charge to persons who perform certain volunteer work; providing requirements for the program; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 592**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the prescription drug monitoring program; amending s. 893.055, F.S.; expanding the exceptions to a requirement that a prescriber or dispenser must consult the program to review a patient’s controlled substance dispensing history before prescribing or dispensing a controlled substance for a patient of a certain age; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 594**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state shared revenues; creating s. 16.63, F.S.; requiring the Attorney General, at the request of one or more members of the Legislature, to investigate whether a certain official action of the governing body of a county or municipality violated state law or the State Constitution; requiring the Attorney General to report his or her findings and conclusions to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Secretary of State; providing requirements if

no violation is found; requiring the Attorney General to initiate a civil action for specified relief in the appropriate circuit court against the county or municipality if it finds a violation occurred or is likely to have occurred; requiring, if the circuit court issues an order finding a violation, the governing body of the subject county or municipality timely remedy the violation as provided in the order; authorizing the county or municipality to seek judicial review and a stay of the order; requiring the Attorney General to petition for, and the circuit court to issue, an order directing the Department of Revenue to withhold the share of revenues apportioned to the county or municipality under the Revenue Sharing Act of 1972 and from local government half-cent sales tax proceeds if the county or municipality fails to timely comply with the order; providing an exception; authorizing the county or municipality to petition the court for an order to restore amounts withheld under certain circumstances; amending s. 218.23, F.S.; specifying requirements for the department in redistributing Revenue Sharing Act of 1972 moneys withheld from a county or municipality; amending s. 218.26, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 218.63, F.S.; specifying requirements for the department in redistributing local government half-cent sales tax moneys withheld from a county or municipality; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Albritton and Perry—

**SB 596**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regional rural development grants; amending s. 288.018, F.S.; defining the term “regional economic development organization”; specifying that the concept of building the professional capacity of a regional economic development organization includes the hiring of professional staff to perform specified services; providing that matching grants may be used to provide technical assistance to local governments and economic development organizations and to existing and prospective businesses; specifying that a regional economic development organization that provides taxpayer-funded incentives is not eligible to participate in the matching grant program; increasing the maximum amount of annual grant funding that specified economic development organizations may receive; revising the required amount of nonstate matching funds; requiring that certain information be included in a contract or agreement involving the expenditure of grant funds; requiring that contracts or agreements involving the expenditure of grant funds, and a plain-language version of certain contracts or agreements, be placed on the contracting regional economic development organization’s website for a specified period before execution; deleting an obsolete provision; increasing the amount of funds the Department of Economic Opportunity may expend each fiscal year for certain purposes; amending s. 288.0655, F.S.; increasing the maximum percentage of total infrastructure project costs for which the department may award a grant; deleting a provision authorizing a higher maximum percentage of total infrastructure project costs for a catalyst site; providing that improving access to and availability of broadband Internet service may be included in a project that is eligible for rural infrastructure grant funds; requiring that improvements to broadband Internet service and access be made through certain partnerships, which must be established through a competitive selection process; extending the date by which the department is required to reevaluate certain guidelines and criteria; requiring that certain information be included in a contract or agreement involving the expenditure of grant funds; requiring that contracts or agreements involving the expenditure of grant funds, and a plain-language version of certain contracts or agreements, be placed on the contracting regional economic development organization’s website for a specified period before execution; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 598**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearms; amending s. 790.115, F.S.; authorizing a concealed weapon or concealed firearm licensee to carry a concealed firearm on the property of a religious institution during religious services or religious institution events when the property also contains a school; providing exceptions; reenacting s.

775.30(2), F.S., relating to terrorism, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 790.115, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Gibson and Bean—

**SB 600**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.0713, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain utility customer meter-derived data and billing information; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 602**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; prohibiting an agency that receives a request to inspect or copy a record from responding to such request by filing a civil action against the individual or entity making the request; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 604**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to registered contractor licensing; amending s. 489.514, F.S.; extending the date by which an applicant must make application for a license to be grandfathered; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

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By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 606**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual battery offenses; amending s. 775.15, F.S.; increasing the statute of limitations period for specified sexual battery offenses committed on or after a specified date; amending s. 943.326, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to adopt a system for tracking sexual offense evidence test kits by a specified date; requiring the department to develop policies and procedures concerning victim access to information from such kits; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Bean—

**SB 608**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to railroad-highway grade crossings; amending s. 351.03, F.S.; prohibiting a railroad train from blocking a public highway, street, or road at a railroad-highway grade crossing for more than a specified time; providing exceptions; providing civil penalties; exempting certain persons from liability for violations under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 610**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominium associations; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; revising criminal penalties relating to the acceptance of things or services of value or kickbacks; providing

criminal penalties for certain violations relating to official association records; defining the term “repeatedly”; revising criminal penalties relating to the use of association debit cards; defining the term “lawful obligation of the association”; creating s. 718.129, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for fraudulent voting activities related to association elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Baxley—

**SB 612**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving under the influence; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; defining the term “conviction”; amending s. 316.1937, F.S.; requiring that the monthly leasing fee for an ignition interlock device be discounted by specified percentages under certain circumstances when a person claims inability to pay; providing that a person who qualifies for a discount is not required to pay certain costs; amending s. 316.656, F.S.; authorizing a court, upon agreement by a state attorney, to withhold adjudication of guilt for certain criminal violations relating to driving under the influence, under certain circumstances; providing that a person is eligible to petition the court to enter a withhold of adjudication within a specified period after the date of his or her conviction for a certain criminal violation, under certain circumstances; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Broxson—

**SB 614**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact; amending s. 626.9933, F.S.; providing that this state prospectively opts out of all uniform standards adopted by the Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Commission involving annuity and disability income insurance products; amending s. 626.9934, F.S.; revising the compact standards adopted by this state; revising standards and amendments to standards that the state prospectively opts out of; deleting a provision construing certain opt-out authority under the compact; deleting a provision specifying uniform standards opted out of by this state; deleting a provision relating to applicability and construction of a certain exclusivity provision in the compact; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 616**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to engineering; amending s. 471.008, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Professional Engineers to establish standards of practice and responsibility rules for the profession of engineering; amending s. 471.013, F.S.; revising the prerequisites for a person to take an examination that determines whether she or he is qualified to practice in this state as an engineer; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 471.015, F.S.; revising licensure certification requirements to include active engineering experience and a minimum age; revising requirements for licensure by endorsement by the board; providing that the time period in which a licensure application must be granted or denied is tolled if an applicant is required to make a personal appearance before the board; requiring the board to deny a license if such an applicant fails to appear before the board within a specified timeframe; requiring the board to establish certain training and education requirements for certain qualified representatives; amending s. 471.025, F.S.; requiring a successor engineer to be able to independently re-create certain work when seeking to reuse certain documents; specifying that a successor engineer assumes full professional and legal responsibility by signing or affixing his or her seal to assumed documents; releasing the engineer who previously sealed the documents from any professional responsibility or civil liability for her or his work that is assumed by a successor engineer; defining the term “successor engineer”; amending s. 553.79, F.S.; requiring that structural inspections on a threshold building be performed

during new construction or during certain repair or restoration projects; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

**SB 618**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on commercial real property; amending s. 212.031, F.S.; providing an exemption from the tax imposed on rental or license fees charged for the use of commercial real property; increasing the amount of the exemption at specified intervals; authorizing the Department of Revenue to review any lease, license, or other information for certain purposes; authorizing the department, under certain circumstances, to adjust the total rental charge subject to the exemption; providing for the future repeal of s. 212.031, F.S., relating to the imposition of a tax on the rental or license fees charged for the use of commercial real property; amending s. 212.0598, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 212.0602, F.S.; defining the term “qualified production services”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 212.08, 212.12, 288.1258, 338.234, and 341.840, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Broxson—

**SB 620**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military affairs; amending s. 83.49, F.S.; prohibiting a landlord from requiring a prospective tenant who is a servicemember to deposit or advance more than a certain amount of funds; amending s. 83.682, F.S.; providing an additional circumstance under which a servicemember may terminate a rental agreement; amending s. 163.3175, F.S.; revising applicability with respect to certain military installations; amending s. 197.572, F.S.; providing that the title to certain lands remains subject to an easement to prevent encroachment of military installations after a tax sale or the issuance of a tax certificate in foreclosure proceedings; amending s. 288.980, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “activities”; amending s. 570.71, F.S.; prohibiting certain construction or activities that are incompatible with the mission of a military installation on certain land under a rural-lands-protection easement; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; requiring public schools to accept a permanent change of station order as proof of residency for certain programs; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; revising when active duty members of the Armed Services of the United States are classified as residents for tuition purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senators Brandes and Diaz—

**SB 622**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic infraction detectors; repealing s. 316.003(36) and (91), F.S., relating to the definitions of “local hearing officer” and “traffic infraction detector,” respectively; repealing ss. 316.008(8), 316.0083, and 316.00831, F.S., relating to the installation and use of traffic infraction detectors to enforce specified provisions when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal, provisions that authorize the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, a county, or a municipality to use such detectors, and the distribution of penalties collected for specified violations; repealing s. 316.07456, F.S., relating to transitional implementation of such detectors; repealing s. 316.0776, F.S., relating to placement and installation of traffic infraction detectors; repealing s. 318.15(3), F.S., relating to failure to comply with a civil penalty; repealing s. 321.50, F.S., relating to the authorization to use traffic infraction detectors; amending ss. 28.37, 316.640, 316.650, 318.121, 318.14, 318.18, 320.03, and 322.27, F.S., relating to distribution of proceeds, enforcement by traffic infraction enforcement officers using such detectors, procedures for disposition of citations, preemption of additional fees or surcharges, compliance, amount of penalties, registration and renewal of license plates, and points assessed for certain violations, to conform provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 624**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to youth in solitary confinement; creating s. 945.425, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the Department of Corrections from placing a youth in solitary confinement except under certain circumstances; authorizing a youth to be placed in emergency confinement if certain conditions are met; requiring facility staff to document such placement; requiring that, within a specified timeframe and at specified intervals, a mental health clinician conduct certain evaluations of a youth who is in emergency confinement; limiting the allowable length of time for emergency confinement; requiring specific treatment for a youth who is in emergency confinement; prohibiting the use of emergency confinement for certain purposes; authorizing a youth to be placed in medical confinement under certain circumstances; limiting the allowable length of time for medical confinement; requiring facility staff to document such confinement; requiring that, within a specified timeframe and at specified intervals, a medical professional conduct certain evaluations of a youth who is in medical confinement; prohibiting the use of medical confinement for certain purposes; requiring the department to review its policies and procedures relating to youth in solitary confinement; requiring the department to certify compliance in a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to adopt policies and procedures; providing applicability; amending s. 951.23, F.S.; requiring sheriffs and chief correctional officers to adopt model standards relating to youth; creating s. 985.28, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the Department of Juvenile Justice from placing a child in solitary confinement except under certain circumstances; authorizing a child to be placed in emergency confinement if certain conditions are met; requiring facility staff to document such placement; requiring that, within a specified timeframe and at specified intervals, a mental health clinician conduct certain evaluations of a child who is in emergency confinement; limiting the allowable length of time for the use of emergency confinement; requiring specific treatment for a child who is in emergency confinement; prohibiting the use of emergency confinement for certain purposes; authorizing a youth to be placed in medical confinement under certain circumstances; limiting the allowable length of time for medical confinement; requiring facility staff to document such placement; requiring that, within a specified timeframe and at specified intervals, a medical professional conduct certain evaluations of a child who is in medical confinement; prohibiting the use of medical confinement for certain purposes; requiring the department and the board of county commissioners of each county that administers a detention facility to review policies and procedures relating to disciplinary treatment; requiring the department and the board of county commissioners of each county that administers a detention facility to certify compliance in a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing applicability; creating s. 985.4415, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting facility staff from placing a child in solitary confinement, except under certain circumstances; authorizing a child to be placed in emergency confinement if certain conditions are met; requiring facility staff to document such placement; requiring that, within a specified timeframe and at specified intervals, a mental health clinician conduct certain evaluations of a child who is in emergency confinement; limiting the allowable length of time for emergency confinement; requiring specific treatment for a child who is in emergency confinement; prohibiting the use of emergency confinement for certain purposes; authorizing a youth to be placed in medical confinement under certain circumstances; limiting the allowable length of time for medical confinement; requiring facility staff to document such placement; requiring that, within a specified timeframe and at specified intervals, a medical professional conduct certain evaluations of a child who is in medical confinement; prohibiting the use of medical confinement for certain purposes; requiring the department to review policies and procedures relating to disciplinary treatment; requiring the department to certify compliance in a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing applicability; amending s. 944.09, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to adopt rules; amending s. 985.601, F.S.; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to adopt rules; reenacting s. 944.279(1), F.S., relating to disciplinary procedures applicable to a prisoner for filing frivolous or malicious actions or bringing false information before a court, to incorporate the amendment

made to s. 944.09, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 626**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurer guaranty associations; amending s. 631.713, F.S.; revising applicability of part III of ch. 631, F.S., as to health maintenance organizations, long-term care insurance benefits, certain health care benefits, and certain structured settlement annuity benefits; amending s. 631.714, F.S.; defining the term “long-term care assessment obligations”; amending s. 631.716, F.S.; revising the number of members and composition of the Florida Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association’s board of directors; specifying requirements relating to the director of the Health Maintenance Organization Consumer Assistance Plan to be confirmed to the association’s board; specifying rights of the director or his or her designee; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 631.717, F.S.; adding the reissuance of covered policies to a list of duties of the association relating to insolvent insurers; providing construction; specifying duties of the association as to potential long-term care insurer impairments or insolvencies, sharing information, and providing assistance to the Health Maintenance Organization Consumer Assistance Plan’s board of directors; revising applicability of a specified limit on the association’s liability for the contractual obligations of an insolvent insurer; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring that the Department of Financial Services, rather than a receivership court, approve certain alternative policies or contracts; authorizing the board to file directly for actuarially justified rate or premium increases; amending s. 631.718, F.S.; specifying the calculation and allocation of Class B assessments for long-term care insurance; specifying a limit on certain assessments on a member insurer or member health maintenance organization; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 631.721, F.S.; deleting an obsolete provision; revising the requirements of the association’s plan of operation relating to long-term care insurer impairments and insolvencies; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 631.738, F.S.; providing applicability of certain provisions to certain member insurers; amending s. 631.816, F.S.; adding duties of the board of directors of the Health Maintenance Organization Consumer Assistance Plan to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 631.818, F.S.; adding to the duties of the plan to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 631.819, F.S.; specifying requirements for long-term care insurer impairment and insolvency assessments for member health maintenance organizations; requiring the plan to issue certificates of contribution to member health maintenance organizations paying certain assessments; specifying requirements of, and the use of, such certificates; amending s. 631.820, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 631.821, F.S.; making a technical change; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 628**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water resources; amending s. 403.928, F.S.; declaring legislative intent; revising requirements for the Office of Economic and Demographic Research’s annual assessment of this state’s water resources and conservation lands; requiring the office to consult with the Department of Environmental Protection; defining the term “agency”; requiring the assessment to be submitted to the Legislature by a specified date; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 630**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonopioid directives; amending s. 456.44, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the

Department of Health to establish a voluntary nonopioid directive form; providing requirements for the form; requiring the form to be posted on the department website; requiring certain registrants to document receipt of the form in a patient's medical record; authorizing a patient to appoint a duly authorized guardian or health care proxy who may revoke a voluntary nonopioid directive; requiring certain registrants to provide a copy of the form to certain patients; requiring a pharmacist to presume that an electronically transmitted prescription for an opioid drug is valid; authorizing a pharmacist to dispense an opioid drug in contradiction of a voluntary nonopioid directive; providing that certain persons are not liable for damages or subject to criminal prosecution under certain circumstances; providing that certain persons may be subject to disciplinary action under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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**SR 632**—Not introduced.

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By Senators Rouson, Berman, and Perry—

**SB 634**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; providing a short title; amending s. 25.385, F.S.; requiring the Florida Court Educational Council to establish certain standards for instruction of circuit and county court judges for dependency cases; creating s. 39.0142, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to notify local law enforcement agencies of certain people involved in a child protective investigation; authorizing a law enforcement officer to call the central abuse hotline in certain situations; creating s. 39.0143, F.S.; providing training requirements for the recognition and treatment of head trauma and brain injury in specified children; amending s. 39.8296, F.S.; requiring that the guardian ad litem training program include training on the recognition and treatment of head trauma and brain injury in specified children; amending s. 402.402, F.S.; requiring certain entities to provide training to certain parties on the recognition and treatment of head trauma and brain injury in specified children; removing obsolete language; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the department, to establish a targeted case-management pilot project in certain judicial circuits; amending s. 409.988, F.S.; authorizing lead agencies to provide intensive family reunification services that combine child welfare and mental health services to certain families; creating s. 943.17297, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission to incorporate training for specified purposes; requiring law enforcement officers to complete training on the recognition and treatment of head trauma and brain injury in specified children for certification or continued employment; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 636**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to use or threatened use of force; amending ss. 776.012 and 776.013, F.S.; revising the standard under which a person is justified in using or threatening to use non-deadly or deadly force from a person's reasonable belief to the objective belief of a reasonably cautious and prudent person in the same circumstances; amending s. 776.032, F.S.; revising the burden of proof from clear and convincing evidence to a preponderance of the evidence which the party seeking to overcome immunity from criminal prosecution under a specified provision must prove; providing that immunity from prosecution is not available to an aggressor; reenacting s. 790.25(5), F.S., relating to lawful ownership, possession, and use of firearms and other weapons, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 776.012, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 638**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Reemployment Assistance Program Law contribution rates; amending s. 443.131, F.S.; providing an adjustment, beginning on a specified date, to the contribution rate of the reemployment assistance tax for specified employers; providing that the adjustment may not be in effect during certain years; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 640**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 445.015, F.S.; creating the Florida Business and Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund within the State Treasury, to be administered by the Department of Economic Opportunity; providing the purpose of the trust fund; requiring trust fund moneys to be provided to local workforce development boards to award and administer certain grants; specifying duties of CareerSource Florida, Inc., with respect to the trust fund; providing that trust fund moneys are composed of a specified assessment to be imposed on certain employers; limiting eligibility of grants to certain employers; providing requirements and limitations for the assessment and administrative costs; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Brandes, Gruters, Rouson, Perry, and Broxson—

**SB 642**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; providing a short title; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; requiring that the court impose, for an offense relating to trafficking in certain substances, a sentence pursuant to the Criminal Punishment Code and without regard to any statutory minimum sentence if the court makes specified findings under certain circumstances; amending s. 944.275, F.S.; requiring an education program manager to recommend, and authorizing the Department of Corrections to grant, an award of a specified amount of incentive gain-time to an inmate who has completed the Prison Entrepreneurship Program; revising circumstances under which certain inmates are not eligible for certain types of gain-time in amounts that would cause a sentence to end or require a release prior to serving a minimum percentage of a sentence; amending s. 944.611, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to the location of an inmate's confinement; amending s. 944.705, F.S.; requiring that the department provide an inmate with a comprehensive community reentry resource directory organized by county before an inmate's release; authorizing a nonprofit faith-based business or a professional, civic, or community organization to apply for registration with the department to provide inmate reentry services; requiring the department to adopt certain policies and procedures; authorizing the department to deny approval and registration of an organization or representative of an organization under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to contract with a public or private educational institution's Veterans Advocacy Clinic or Veterans Legal Clinic for certain purposes; requiring the department to include notification of all outstanding terms of sentence in an inmate's release documents; requiring the department to adopt certain rules; amending s. 944.801, F.S.; authorizing the Correctional Education Program to establish a Prison Entrepreneurship Program and adopt procedures for admitting student inmates; providing requirements for the program; authorizing transitional and postrelease continuing educational services to be offered under certain circumstances; requiring the department to enter into certain agreements to implement the program; requiring that the program be funded with existing resources; amending s. 948.001, F.S.; redefining the term "administrative probation"; amending s. 948.013, F.S.; authorizing the department to transfer an offender to administrative probation under certain circumstances; amending s. 948.03, F.S.; requiring the department to include in the Florida Crime Information Center system all conditions of probation as determined by the court for each probationer;

amending s. 948.06, F.S.; requiring a probation officer to determine whether a probationer or offender on community control who commits a technical violation is eligible for a certain alternative sanctioning program; authorizing the probation officer to take certain actions if such probationer or offender is eligible; defining the term “technical violation”; requiring that judicial circuits establish an alternative sanctioning program; authorizing the chief judge of each judicial circuit to issue specified administrative orders; requiring a probation officer to submit to the court for approval any recommended sanctions against a probationer or offender determined to be eligible for the program to the court for approval; defining the terms “low-risk violation” and “moderate-risk violation”; specifying circumstances under which a probationer or offender on community control is not eligible for an alternative sanction; authorizing a probation officer to offer an eligible probationer one or more specified alternative sanctions for a first or second low-risk violation; authorizing a probation officer, under certain circumstances, to offer an eligible probationer or offender on community control one or more specified alternative sanctions for a first moderate-risk violation; providing that the participation of a probationer or offender on community control in the alternative sanctioning program is voluntary, subject to certain requirements; specifying actions that a probationer or offender on community control may take if he or she is eligible for an alternative sanctioning program; providing that a probation officer, under certain circumstances, submit a recommended sanction to the court; authorizing the court to impose the recommended sanction or direct the department to submit a violation report, affidavit, and warrant to the court; authorizing a probation officer to submit a violation report, affidavit, and warrant to the court under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain evidence in subsequent proceedings; amending s. 893.03, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Braynon—

**SB 644**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to delivery of nursing services; creating the “Florida Hospital Patient Protection Act”; creating s. 395.1014, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining terms; requiring that each health care facility implement a staffing plan that provides minimum direct care registered nurse staffing levels; requiring a direct care registered nurse to demonstrate competence and to receive specified orientation before being assigned to a hospital or clinical unit; prohibiting a health care facility from imposing mandatory overtime and from engaging in certain other actions; providing requirements for the staffing plan; specifying the required ratios of direct care registered nurses to patients for each type of care provided; prohibiting a health care facility from using an acuity adjustable unit to care for a patient; prohibiting a health care facility from using video cameras or monitors as substitutes for the required level of care; providing an exception during a declared state of emergency; requiring that the chief nursing officer of a health care facility, or his or her designee, develop a staffing plan that meets the required direct care registered nurse staffing levels; requiring that a health care facility annually evaluate its actual direct care registered nurse staffing levels and update the staffing plan and acuity-based patient classification system; requiring that certain documentation be submitted to the Agency for Health Care Administration and be made available for public inspection; requiring that the agency approve uniform standards for use by health care facilities in establishing direct care registered nurse staffing requirements by a specified date; providing requirements for the committee members who are appointed to develop the uniform standards; requiring health care facilities to annually report certain information to the agency and to post a notice containing such information in each unit of the facility; providing recordkeeping requirements; prohibiting a health care facility from assigning unlicensed personnel to perform functions or tasks that should be performed by a licensed or registered nurse; specifying those actions that constitute professional practice by a direct care registered nurse; requiring that a patient assessment be performed only by a direct care registered nurse; authorizing a direct care registered nurse to assign certain specified activities to other licensed or unlicensed nursing staff under certain circumstances; prohibiting a health care facility from deploying technology that limits certain care provided by a direct care registered nurse; providing applicability; providing that it is a duty and right of a direct care registered nurse to act as the patient’s advocate and providing requirements relating thereto; prohibiting a direct

care registered nurse from accepting an assignment under specified circumstances; authorizing a direct care registered nurse to refuse to accept an assignment or to perform a task under certain circumstances; requiring a direct care registered nurse to initiate action or to change a decision or an activity relating to a patient’s health care under certain circumstances; prohibiting a health care facility from discharging, or from discriminating, retaliating, or filing a complaint or report against, a direct care registered nurse based on such refusal; providing that a direct care registered nurse has a right of action against a health care facility that violates certain provisions; requiring that the agency establish a toll-free telephone hotline to provide certain information and to receive reports of certain violations; requiring that certain information be provided to each patient who is admitted to a health care facility; prohibiting a health care facility from engaging in certain actions; prohibiting a health care facility from interfering with the right of direct care registered nurses to organize, bargain collectively, and engage in concerted activity under a federal act; authorizing the agency to impose fines for violations; requiring that the agency post on its website information regarding health care facilities on which civil penalties have been imposed; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 646**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; amending s. 39.4085, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; specifying the rights of children and young adults in out-of-home care; providing roles and responsibilities for the Department of Children and Families, community-based care lead agencies, and other agency staff; providing roles and responsibilities for caregivers; requiring the department to adopt certain rules; creating s. 39.4088, F.S.; requiring the Florida Children’s Ombudsman to serve as an autonomous entity within the department for certain purposes; providing general roles and responsibilities for the ombudsman; requiring the ombudsman to collect certain data; requiring the ombudsman, in consultation with the department and other specified entities and by a specified date, to develop standardized information explaining the rights of children and young adults placed in out-of-home care; requiring the department, community-based care lead agencies, and agency staff to use the information provided by the ombudsman in carrying out specified responsibilities; requiring the department to establish a statewide toll-free telephone number for the ombudsman; requiring the department to adopt certain rules; amending s. 39.6011, F.S.; requiring that a case plan be developed in a face-to-face conference with a caregiver of a child under certain circumstances; providing additional requirements for the content of a case plan; providing additional requirements for a case plan when a child is 14 years of age or older or is of an appropriate age and capacity; requiring the department to provide a copy of the case plan to the caregiver of a child placed in a licensed foster home; amending s. 39.604, F.S.; requiring a caseworker to provide information about subsidies provided by early learning coalitions to caregivers of certain children; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; providing additional requirements for social study reports for judicial review; amending s. 409.145, F.S.; providing additional requirements for caregivers; providing additional requirements for records and information the department and any additional providers are required to make available to caregivers; amending s. 409.175, F.S.; providing additional requirements for the licensure and operation of family foster homes, residential child-caring agencies, and child-placing agencies; amending s. 409.1753, F.S.; requiring a lead agency, rather than the department, to provide caregivers with a contact when the caseworker is unavailable; amending s. 409.988, F.S.; requiring lead agencies to recruit and retain foster homes; amending s. 39.6013, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 648**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing education for dentists; amending s. 466.0135, F.S.; requiring a licensed dentist to complete a minimum of 2 hours of continuing education on the prescribing of controlled substances biennially; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 650**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurer authorization; amending s. 627.42392, F.S.; redefining the term “health insurer” and defining the term “urgent care situation”; providing that prior authorization forms may not require certain information; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt certain rules; requiring health insurers and pharmacy benefits managers on behalf of health insurers to provide, by specified means, certain information relating to prior authorization; prohibiting such insurers and pharmacy benefits managers from implementing or making changes to requirements or restrictions to obtain prior authorization, except under certain circumstances; providing applicability; requiring such insurers and pharmacy benefits managers to authorize or deny prior authorization requests and provide certain notices within specified timeframes; creating s. 627.42393, F.S.; defining terms; requiring health insurers to publish on their websites and provide to insureds in writing a procedure for insureds and health care providers to request protocol exceptions; specifying requirements for such a procedure; requiring health insurers, within specified timeframes, to authorize or deny a protocol exception request or respond to appeals of such authorizations or denials; requiring that authorizations or denials specify certain information; requiring health insurers to grant protocol exception requests under certain circumstances; authorizing health insurers to request documentation in support of a protocol exception request; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Berman and Torres—

**SB 652**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state procurement; creating s. 287.0921, F.S.; requiring the Department of Management Services to establish a certification program for vendors who pay their employees equal pay for equal work without regard to gender, subject to available resources; requiring the department to adopt certain rules to implement and administer the program; requiring the department to include the vendor’s certification in its records; authorizing a certified vendor to include its certification in advertising and promotional materials; providing a penalty for a vendor who makes a material misrepresentation or commits a fraudulent act in regard to self-certification; providing a limited bidding preference for certified vendors if certain conditions are met; prescribing reporting requirements; authorizing the department to cooperate and coordinate with certain governmental entities in carrying out the act; providing for applicability; authorizing the department to initiate rulemaking upon the act becoming a law; providing effective dates.

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

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By Senators Book and Taddeo—

**SB 654**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transfers of firearms; amending s. 790.001, F.S.; providing a definition; creating s. 790.0653, F.S.; requiring transfers of firearms to be conducted through a licensed dealer; requiring deposit of the firearm with the licensed dealer under certain circumstances; requiring processing by the licensed dealer; providing for disposition of the firearm if the licensed dealer cannot legally complete the transaction or return the firearm to its owner; authorizing a fee; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; requiring law enforcement agencies to report certain violations by licensed dealers to the Attorney General; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 656**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to background screening; amending ss. 25.386 and 44.106, F.S.; requiring that certain standards and procedures for foreign language court interpreters and mediators, respectively, include level 2 background screenings; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 658**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property assessment administration; amending s. 195.022, F.S.; requiring the Department of Revenue to pay for aerial photographs and nonproperty ownership maps furnished to fiscally constrained counties; defining the term “fiscally constrained county”; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 660**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation to consist of a central office that establishes policies and procedures and districts that carry out projects as authorized or required under the policies and procedures of the central office; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising and adding definitions; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.008, F.S.; requiring that personal delivery devices and mobile carriers be operated in accordance with rules of the Department of Transportation; authorizing more restrictive local ordinances; amending s. 316.0895, F.S.; prohibiting the driver of any vehicle from following another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent given certain circumstances; providing construction; deleting a provision relating to prohibitions on certain vehicles following other vehicles within a specified distance; repealing s. 316.0896, F.S., relating to an assistive truck platooning technology pilot project; creating s. 316.0897, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to adopt rules for the operation of platoons, subject to certain requirements; creating s. 316.0899, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to conduct pilot or demonstration programs to explore the efficient implementation of innovative transportation technologies; requiring the Department of Transportation to prepare an annual report outlining the programs undertaken pursuant to this section; requiring the report be submitted to the Governor and Legislature; amending s. 316.2071, F.S.; requiring personal delivery devices and mobile carriers to comply with certain rules of the Department of Transportation or county or municipal ordinances; amending s. 316.224, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.235, F.S.; authorizing a motor vehicle to be equipped with certain lamps or devices under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; prohibiting a person from driving or moving any vehicle or equipment upon any highway within this state with any lamp or device showing or displaying a certain red and white light; authorizing certain vehicles to display red and white lights; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.2398, F.S.; authorizing certain vehicles to display red and white warning signals under certain circumstances; providing requirements for such warning signals; deleting a specified penalty; amending s. 316.302, F.S.; revising regulations applicable to owners and drivers of commercial motor vehicles; deleting a limitation on a civil penalty for falsification of certain time records; deleting a requirement that a motor carrier maintain certain documentation of driving times; deleting the exemption from certain requirements for a person transporting petroleum products; amending s. 316.303, F.S.; exempting an operator of a platoon from the prohibition against active display of television or video; amending s. 316.515, F.S.; revising length and load extension limitations for stinger-steered automobile transporters; authorizing automobile transporters to backhaul certain cargo or freight under certain circumstances; authorizing an unladen power unit to tow a certain combination of trailers or semi-trailers under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.85, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Turnpike Enterprise and certain authorities to

fund, construct, and operate facilities for the advancement of autonomous and connected innovative transportation technologies, for certain purposes; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; revising the number of times that certain persons may elect to attend a basic driver improvement course; amending s. 319.141, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “rebuilt inspection services”; deleting obsolete language; requiring that the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles establish a memorandum of understanding that allows private sector operators participating in the pilot program to conduct rebuilt motor vehicle inspections and specifies certain requirements; requiring the department to ensure that a private sector operator of the pilot rebuilt motor vehicle inspection program meets certain criteria before the operator is approved to participate; specifying minimum requirements for the private sector operators; requiring the operator of a facility to annually make certain attestations; prohibiting a private sector operator from conducting an inspection of a vehicle rebuilt before its purchase by the current vehicle owner; requiring that such vehicles be inspected by the department; requiring any vehicle owner applying for a vehicle title that fails an initial rebuilt inspection to have that vehicle reinspected only by the department or the facility that conducted the original inspection; prohibiting any person or business authorized by the department to train, certify, or recertify operators and inspectors of private rebuilt motor vehicle inspection facilities from certifying or recertifying itself or any of its employees; requiring the department to conduct an onsite facility inspection at least twice a year; requiring a current operator to give the department certain notice before any transfer of a rebuilt inspection facility; requiring a transferee to meet certain eligibility requirements and execute a new memorandum of understanding with the department before operating the facility; revising the date of repeal of pilot rebuilt motor vehicle inspection program; requiring the department to submit a written report to the Governor and Legislature by a certain date; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “apportionable vehicle”; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; requiring the application form for motor vehicle registration and renewal of registration to include an option to make a voluntary contribution to the Alzheimer’s Association, Inc.; providing distribution requirements for such contribution; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; specifying that issuance of a certain annual license plate and cab card to a vehicle that has an apportioned registration continues until a specified date; revising information required to appear on the cab card; providing requirements, beginning on a specified date, for license plates, cab cards, and validation stickers for vehicles registered in accordance with the International Registration Plan; requiring an associated fee to be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund; authorizing a damaged or worn license plate to be replaced at no charge under certain circumstances; amending s. 320.0605, F.S.; requiring that a certain electronic copy of a registration certificate and an electronic copy of rental or lease documentation issued for a motor vehicle be in the possession of the operator or be carried in the vehicle for which it is issued and be exhibited upon demand of any authorized law enforcement officer or any agent of the department; specifying that the act of presenting to a law enforcement officer or agent of the department an electronic device displaying an electronic copy of a registration certificate or rental or lease documentation does not constitute consent for the officer or agent to access any information on the device other than the displayed certificate or documentation; requiring the person who presents the device to the officer or agent to assume the liability for any resulting damage to the device; providing that rental or lease documentation that includes the date and time of rental is sufficient to satisfy a specified requirement; amending s. 320.0607, F.S.; providing an exemption, beginning on a specified date, from a certain fee for vehicles registered under the International Registration Plan; amending s. 320.131, F.S.; authorizing the department, beginning on a specified date, to partner with a county tax collector to conduct a Fleet Vehicle Temporary Tag pilot program, subject to certain requirements; providing for future repeal of the program; amending s. 320.95, F.S.; allowing the department to authorize issuance of an electronic certificate of registration; authorizing such certificate to be presented for inspection; providing for construction; assigning liability for any damage occurring to the device that displays the certificate; amending s. 322.01, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 322.032, F.S.; directing the department to implement protocols for issuing an optional electronic credential and to procure a related technology system; providing requirements for qualified entities; requiring the department to maintain certain protocols and national standards; requiring the department to timely review and approve all electronic credential provider requests for authorized access to certain interfaces that meet the department’s requirements; provid-

ing requirements for an electronic credential provider and the electronic credential and verification system; requiring the department to procure electronic credential providers and a credential service provider; requiring the department to enter into specified agreements with electronic credential providers; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring that the department provide electronic credential providers access to a standardized digital transaction process that has specified capabilities; requiring that certain revenue be deposited into the Motor Vehicle License Clearing Trust Fund for distribution; prohibiting fees from being charged to certain entities; requiring that an electronic credential be in a format that allows certain entities to make specified verifications and validations; specifying that presenting an electronic device displaying an electronic credential does not constitute consent for a law enforcement officer to access any other information on such device; providing for the assumption of liability; providing punishments for the manufacture or possession of a false electronic credential; amending s. 322.059, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 322.143, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “swipe”; amending s. 322.15, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 322.38, F.S.; revising requirements for renting a motor vehicle to another person; amending s. 322.61, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 324.031, F.S.; authorizing the owner or operator of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles to prove financial responsibility by providing satisfactory evidence of holding a motor vehicle liability policy that is provided by a certain insurer; amending s. 324.032, F.S.; decreasing the minimum number of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles that an owner or a lessee must operate in order to be able to provide financial responsibility by complying with specified provisions, subject to certain requirements; amending s. 338.166, F.S.; establishing toll amounts charged on segments of an express lane when the average travel speed falls below a certain speed; providing for the determination of express lane segments; deleting provisions relating to a customer’s express lane average travel speed; amending s. 338.2216, F.S.; revising requirements for variable pricing in certain express lanes; providing for the determination of segments; deleting provisions relating to toll amounts to be charged after a certain date; amending s. 338.222, F.S.; requiring any contract for the transfer, purchase, sale, acquisition, or other conveyance of the ownership, operation, or maintenance of a turnpike project or any part of the turnpike system to a local governmental entity to be specifically approved by the Legislature; amending s. 655.960, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 812.014, F.S.; providing a criminal penalty for an offender committing grand theft who uses a device to interfere with a global positioning or similar system if the property stolen is cargo; requiring the department, in cooperation with the Florida Tax Collectors Association, to review and make recommendations regarding the registration renewal period for certain heavy trucks; requiring the department to submit a certain report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; requiring the Florida Transportation Commission, by a specified date, to review all sources of revenue for transportation infrastructure and maintenance projects and to submit a certain report to the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing the commission, in consultation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, to use certain commercially available data; providing minimum reporting requirements; requiring the commission, in consultation with the Division of Emergency Management, to make an assessment of transportation infrastructure with respect to emergency evacuations and electric vehicles; specifying requirements for the report; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 662**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 322.032, F.S.; creating a competitive, market-based fee that may be assessed by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for the use of a credential service provider for any qualified entity to obtain an electronic ID; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 664**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; creating a fee for an initial validation sticker and any renewed validation sticker for a vehicle registered in accordance with the International Registration Plan; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Hooper—

**SB 666**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterinary medicine; amending s. 474.202, F.S.; defining and redefining terms relating to veterinary medical practice; amending s. 474.2165, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 465.0276(5), F.S., relating to dispensing practitioners to incorporate the amendment made to s. 474.202, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Perry—

**SB 668**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public nuisances; amending s. 823.05, F.S.; making technical changes; providing that the use of a location by a criminal gang, criminal gang members, or criminal gang associates for criminal gang-related activity is a public nuisance; declaring that any place or premises that has been used on more than two occasions within a certain period as the site of specified violations is a nuisance and may be abated or enjoined pursuant to specified provisions; providing a property owner an opportunity to remedy a nuisance before specified legal actions may be taken against the property under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 670**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Assisted and Independent Living Facility Task Force; creating s. 393.25, F.S.; establishing the Assisted and Independent Living Facility Task Force within the Agency for Persons with Disabilities; providing for duties, membership, and meetings of the task force; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing for termination of the task force; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 672**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to beverage container deposits; creating s. 403.778, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; establishing a refund value for specified beverage containers; requiring dealers and consumers in this state to pay a deposit fee for specified beverage containers; requiring that certain information be affixed to or printed on deposit beverage containers; prohibiting the establishment or operation of a redemption center unless it is registered with the Department of Environmental Protection; providing minimum standards for registration; requiring that information provided to the department in the registration process be kept current; providing that persons establishing a redemption center have a certain right; providing requirements for redemption centers; prohibiting redemption centers from paying the refund value for certain containers; authorizing the use of reverse vending machines under certain circumstances; specifying requirements and procedures for certain deposit beverage dealers and distributors; requiring distributors to pay a handling fee of at least a specified amount to dealers and redemption centers; requiring certain dealers, distributors, redemption centers, and recycling facilities to

submit specified information to the department and to make records available to the department upon request; authorizing the department or other specified entities to conduct certain audits; clarifying that certain trade secret information is confidential but authorizing the release of that information in a manner that would not reveal the trade secret; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing that distributors and dealers are not obligated to accept or take and pay the refund value for containers not originally sold in this state; prohibiting certain transactions involving such empty deposit beverage containers and requiring a specified notice to customers; providing a civil penalty for violations; providing for disposition of the penalty; requiring such penalties to be publicly noticed; prohibiting local governments from imposing fees for the same or a similar purpose; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 674**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction contracting qualifications; amending s. 489.113, F.S.; revising requirements for a subcontractor who is not certified or registered to perform construction work under the supervision of a person who is certified or registered; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

By Senator Hooper—

**SB 676**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certificates of title for vessels; creating s. 328.001, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 328.0015, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 328.01, F.S.; revising requirements for application for, and information to be included in, a certificate of title for a vessel; creating s. 328.015, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to retain certain information relating to ownership and titling of vessels; requiring the department to furnish certain information upon request; creating s. 328.02, F.S.; providing that local law governs all issues relating to a certificate of title; specifying when a vessel becomes covered by such certificate; amending s. 328.03, F.S.; requiring a vessel owner to deliver an application for a certificate of title to the department by a specified time; revising circumstances under which a vessel must be titled by this state; providing requirements for issuing, transferring, or renewing the number of an undocumented vessel issued under certain federal provisions; deleting provisions relating to operation, use, or storage of a vessel; deleting provisions relating to selling, assigning, or transferring a vessel; specifying that a certificate of title is prima facie evidence of the accuracy of the information in the record that constitutes the certificate; creating s. 328.04, F.S.; providing requirements for the content of a certificate of title; creating s. 328.045, F.S.; providing the respective responsibilities of an owner and insurer of a hull-damaged vessel when transferring an ownership interest in the vessel; requiring the department to create a new certificate of title indicating such damage; providing a civil penalty; creating s. 328.055, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain certain information in its files and to provide certain information to governmental entities; specifying that certain information is a public record; creating s. 328.06, F.S.; providing responsibilities of the department when creating a certificate of title; creating s. 328.065, F.S.; specifying effect of possession of a certificate of title; providing construction; amending s. 328.09, F.S.; providing duties of the department relating to creation, issuance, refusal to issue, or cancellation of a certificate of title; providing for a hearing; creating s. 328.101, F.S.; specifying that a certificate of title and certain other records are effective despite missing or incorrect information; amending s. 328.11, F.S.; providing requirements for obtaining a duplicate certificate of title; creating s. 328.12, F.S.; providing requirements for the determination and the perfection of a security interest in a vessel; providing applicability; requiring the department to adopt rules; creating s. 328.125, F.S.; providing requirements for the delivery of a statement of termination of a security interest; providing duties of the department; providing liability for noncompliance; creating s. 328.14, F.S.; providing for the rights of a purchaser of a vessel who is not a secured party; creating s. 328.145, F.S.; providing for the rights of a secured party; amending s.

328.15, F.S.; deleting certain provisions relating to notice of a lien; providing for future repeal of certain provisions; amending ss. 328.16 and 328.165, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 328.215, F.S.; specifying circumstances under which the department may create a new certificate of title after receipt of an application for a transfer of ownership or termination of a security interest unaccompanied by a certificate of title; authorizing the department to indicate certain information on the new certificate; authorizing the department to require a bond, indemnity, or other security under certain circumstances; providing for the release of such bond, indemnity, or other security; creating s. 328.22, F.S.; providing rules for the transfer of ownership in a vessel; providing effect of noncompliance; creating s. 328.23, F.S.; defining the term “secured party’s transfer statement”; providing duties of the department upon receipt of a secured party’s transfer statement; providing construction; creating s. 328.24, F.S.; defining the term “by operation of law”; providing requirements for a transfer of ownership by operation of law; providing duties of the department; providing applicability; creating s. 328.25, F.S.; providing that the principles and law of equity supplement the provisions of the act; amending ss. 409.2575, 705.103, and 721.08, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; providing construction and applicability regarding transactions, certificates of title, and records entered into or created, actions or proceedings commenced, and security interests perfected before the effective date of the act; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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**SR 678**—Not introduced.

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 680**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to excess credit hour surcharges; amending s. 1009.286, F.S.; requiring a state university to calculate an excess hour threshold for each student based on specified criteria; providing that the excess hour threshold may be adjusted only under certain circumstances; revising the threshold for assessing the excess credit hour surcharge; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SR 682**—A resolution expressing solidarity with the people of Venezuela in their pursuit of a strong and stable democratic government under which they may enjoy the political freedoms and economic security that are the hallmarks of democracy.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

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By Senators Brandes, Book, Perry, Montford, Taddeo, and Stewart—

**SB 684**—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 contracted 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; amending s. 466.003, F.S.; defining the terms “dental therapist” and “dental therapy”; revising the definition of the term “health access setting” to include certain dental therapy programs; 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 membership, meetings, and the purpose of the council; amending s. 466.006, F.S.; revising the definition 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. 466.0075, F.S.; authorizing the board to require any person who applies to take the examination to practice dental therapy in this state to maintain medical malpractice insurance in a certain amount; 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; amending s. 466.011, F.S.; requiring the board to certify applicants 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 professional education; requiring the board to adopt rules and guidelines; 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 general supervision of a dentist to administer local anesthesia and utilize an X-ray machine, expose dental X-ray films, and interpret or read such films if specified requirements are met; correcting a term; amending s. 466.018, F.S.; providing that a dentist remains primarily responsible for the dental treatment of a patient regardless of whether the treatment is provided by a dental therapist; requiring the initials of a dental therapist who renders treatment to a patient to 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.; providing legislative findings and intent; limiting the practice of dental therapy to specified settings; authorizing a dental therapist to perform specified services under the general supervision of a dentist under certain conditions; specifying state-specific dental therapy services; requiring a collaborative management agreement to be signed by a supervising dentist and a dental therapist and to 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 herself or himself 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; amending s. 466.051, F.S.; revising a public records exemption to include personal identifying information contained in a record provided by a dental therapist in response to a dental workforce survey and held by the department; 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 Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 686**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 466.0225, F.S.; revising the licensure requirements for dental therapists to include application and examination fees; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 688**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disabled parking permits; amending s. 320.0848, F.S.; authorizing a licensed physical therapist to issue a certification of disability for a disabled parking permit; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SJR 690**—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 6 of Article XI of the State Constitution to require that any proposals to revise the State Constitution, or any part thereof, filed by the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission be limited to a single subject.

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

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 692**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment practices; creating ch. 444, F.S., entitled “Florida Family Leave Act”; creating s. 444.001, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 444.002, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; creating s. 444.003, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 444.004, F.S.; requiring an employer to allow certain employees to take paid family leave to bond with a new child upon the child’s birth, adoption, or foster care placement; requiring an employee to take certain action in order to receive family leave; specifying limitations and duties related to an employer’s administration of family leave; requiring that family leave be taken concurrently with any leave taken pursuant to federal family and medical leave provisions; creating s. 444.005, F.S.; requiring an employer to provide notice to employees of the right to paid family leave; prescribing notice requirements; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to create a poster and a model notice that specify family leave rights; specifying circumstances under which an employer is deemed in compliance with notice requirements; providing a civil penalty for an employer’s failure to comply with such requirements; creating s. 444.006, F.S.; authorizing the executive director of the department to conduct an investigation under certain circumstances; establishing rebuttable presumptions that an employer has violated certain provisions of ch. 444, F.S., under specified circumstances; authorizing the executive director to take certain action in the event of specified violations; authorizing an employee to bring a civil action against an employer for a violation within a specified timeframe; authorizing the award of specified compensation, damages, and fees; providing a civil penalty; prohibiting an employee from taking certain actions in bad faith; providing a criminal penalty; creating s. 444.007, F.S.; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 444.008, F.S.; providing construction; amending s. 760.10, F.S.; revising the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 to prohibit specified employment practices on the basis of pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition; providing for leave, maintenance of health coverage, reasonable accommodation and transfer, and return rights for an employee who is disabled from pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition; providing construction; reenacting and amending s. 760.11(1), F.S., relating to administrative and civil remedies for violations of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 694**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disposable plastic bags; creating s. 403.70325, F.S.; defining the term “coastal community”; authorizing certain municipalities to establish pilot programs to regulate or ban disposable plastic bags; providing program criteria; providing for the adoption and expiration of a certain required ordinance; directing participating municipalities to collect data and submit reports to the municipal governing bodies and the Department of Environmental Protection; republishing s. 403.7033, F.S., relating to the

department’s analysis of the need for new or revised regulation of particular recyclable materials; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 696**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the budgets of county constitutional officers; amending s. 129.03, F.S.; including property appraisers to the list of county constitutional officers who must submit a tentative budget to the board of county commissioners; providing criteria for submission of tentative and final budgets by county constitutional officers; requiring the tentative budget of a county constitutional officer to be separately identified from the tentative budget of the county as a whole when posted to the county’s website; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 698**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to collective bargaining for instructional personnel; amending s. 1012.2315, F.S.; removing a requirement that each school district and the certified collective bargaining unit for instructional personnel within each district negotiate a specified memorandum of understanding; removing a requirement that certain certified collective bargaining units include specified information in their applications for renewal of registration; removing a requirement that certain employee organizations petition the Public Employees Relations Commission for recertification; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 700**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance coverage for mental and nervous disorders; amending s. 627.668, F.S.; requiring specified entities that transact group health insurance or that provide prepaid health care to make available to policyholders, under specified policies and contracts, certain benefits for the care and treatment of mental and nervous disorders without an additional premium; providing that alternative residential treatment benefits offered by certain entities may not be less than a specified level of benefits; defining the term “residential treatment”; revising coverage limit requirements on inpatient hospital benefits, outpatient benefits, and partial hospitalization benefits; requiring policies and contracts to provide for the transfer of unused inpatient hospital benefits to outpatient benefits or residential treatment benefits; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lee—

**SB 702**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to qualified blind trusts; repealing s. 112.31425, F.S., relating to qualified blind trusts; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

**SB 704**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to general savings provisions; creating s. 900.06, F.S.; providing for the retroactive application of amendments, reenactments, or repeals of criminal statutes, unless otherwise provided by law; providing an exception; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Bean—

**SB 706**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to institutional pharmacies; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “institutional formulary system”; amending s. 465.019, F.S.; authorizing the use of an institutional formulary system in a Class I institutional pharmacy; specifying requirements for the policies and procedures of an institutional formulary system in a Class I institutional pharmacy; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Stewart—

**SB 708**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of sunscreen; creating s. 380.29, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the sale, offer for sale, or distribution of certain sunscreen products to a consumer who does not have a prescription for such product; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 710**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administrative review of property taxes; amending s. 194.011, F.S.; providing that, in certain counties, a petition to the value adjustment board may be filed late for good cause; defining the term “good cause”; requiring that late filed petitions be filed within a specified timeframe; amending s. 194.032, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “good cause” to exclude certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Cruz—

**SB 712**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school safety funding; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; specifying distribution requirements for certain safe schools allocation funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year; requiring each district school superintendent to remit specified unused funds from the 2018-2019 fiscal year to the Department of Education; authorizing the department to redistribute such funds to certain school districts for a specific purpose; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 714**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; providing a short title; amending s. 624.155, F.S.; revising circumstances under which a person may not bring a civil action against an insurer; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; providing that provisions relating to unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive insurance acts or practices do not prohibit insurers or agents from offering or giving to insureds certain free or discounted services or offerings relating to loss control or loss mitigation; amending s. 627.0655, F.S.; revising circumstances under which insurers or certain authorized persons may provide certain premium discounts to insureds; amending s. 627.4555, F.S.; requiring life insurers that are required to provide a specified notice to policyowners of an impending lapse in coverage to also notify the policyowner’s agent of record within a certain timeframe; providing that the agent is not responsible for any lapse in coverage; exempting the insurer from the requirement under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.7015, F.S.; adding circumstances under which certain property insurers may provide required notice to policyholders of their

right to participate in a certain mediation program; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Hooper, Stewart, Perry, Rodriguez, Berman, and Harrell—

**SB 716**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dental services; providing legislative intent; creating s. 381.4019, F.S.; establishing the Dental Student Loan Repayment Program to support dentists who practice in public health programs located in certain underserved areas; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Health to establish a dental student loan repayment program for specified purposes; providing for the award of funds; providing the maximum number of years funds may be awarded; providing eligibility requirements; requiring the department to adopt rules; creating s. 381.40195, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Health to establish the Donated Dental Services Program to provide comprehensive dental care to certain eligible individuals; requiring the department to contract with a nonprofit organization to implement and administer the program; specifying minimum contractual responsibilities; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 718**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Honor and Remember flag; creating s. 256.16, F.S.; designating the Honor and Remember flag as an emblem of the state; authorizing the display of the flag at specified locations, on specified days, and in a specified manner; requiring the flags to be manufactured in the United States; authorizing local governments to display the flag at certain locations; authorizing certain departments, agencies, and local governments to adopt certain regulations by a specified date; authorizing the Department of Management Services to procure and distribute the flags by a specified date; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Flores—

**SB 720**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the renaming of Florida College System institutions; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; changing the name of “Florida Keys Community College” to “The College of the Florida Keys”; changing the name of “North Florida Community College” to “North Florida College”; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Hooper—

**SB 722**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to carrying of firearms by tactical medical professionals; amending s. 790.25, F.S.; exempting certain licensed medical professionals from specified provisions concerning the carrying of firearms; requiring certain policies and procedures for law enforcement agencies; providing immunities and privileges for such professionals; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Hooper—

**SB 724**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential swimming pool safety; providing a short title; amending s. 468.8323, F.S.; requiring a home inspector to include certain information relating to swim-

ming pools in his or her report; amending s. 515.27, F.S.; requiring that new residential swimming pools meet an additional requirement in order to pass final inspection and receive a certificate of completion; prohibiting a swimming pool owner from transferring ownership of a swimming pool unless certain requirements are met; revising criminal penalties relating to swimming pool safety features; amending s. 515.31, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

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By Senator Stewart—

**SB 726**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tourist development tax; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; authorizing counties imposing the tax to use the tax revenues to promote or incentivize film or television productions in this state; defining the term “production”; requiring such counties to require certain productions to include a specified statement in the production’s credits; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Lee—

**SB 728**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to growth management; amending s. 190.046, F.S.; authorizing sufficiently contiguous lands located within the county or municipality which a petitioner anticipates adding to the boundaries of a new community development district to also be identified in a petition to establish the new district under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the petition; providing notification requirements for the petition; prohibiting a parcel from being included in the district without the written consent of the owner of the parcel; authorizing a person to petition the county or municipality to amend the boundaries of the district to include a certain parcel after establishment of the district; prohibiting a filing fee for such petition; providing requirements for the petition; requiring the person to provide the petition to the district and to the owner of the proposed additional parcel before filing the petition with the county or municipality; requiring the county or municipality to process the addition of the parcel to the district as an amendment to the ordinance that establishes the district once the petition is determined sufficient and complete; authorizing the county or municipality to process all such petitions even if the addition exceeds specified acreage; providing notice requirements for the intent to amend the ordinance establishing the district; providing that the amendment of a district by the addition of a parcel does not alter the transition from landowner voting to qualified elector voting; requiring the petitioner to cause to be recorded a certain notice of boundary amendment upon adoption of the ordinance expanding the district; providing construction; authorizing community development districts to merge with another type of special district created by special act or by filing a petition for establishment of a new district; authorizing a community development district merging with another type of district to enter into merger agreements for certain purposes; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 730**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electrical contractors; amending s. 489.537, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which a municipality or county may require a specified electrical journeyman to be on a worksite; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

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By Senator Flores—

**SB 732**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to office surgery; amending s. 395.002, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “ambulatory surgical center” to remove the exclusion of physician offices;

amending ss. 458.309 and 459.005, F.S.; deleting provisions related to the registration and inspection of certain offices by the Department of Health and the payment for such registration and inspection, for the purpose of relocating the requirements; creating ss. 458.3266 and 459.0138, F.S.; defining terms; relocating the requirements that a person who seeks to operate an office surgery center must register with the department and pay registration costs; providing an exception; requiring each office surgery center to identify to the department a designated physician upon registration or within a specified timeframe after the resignation or termination of a designated physician; authorizing the department to suspend a center’s certificate of registration under certain circumstances; requiring the department to issue a certificate of registration to qualified applicants and prohibiting the department from issuing a certificate to certain centers; requiring the department to revoke a certificate upon making a certain determination; requiring a designated physician of a center to perform certain actions upon the revocation or suspension of the center’s certificate and providing for the disposition of medicinal drugs; authorizing the department to prescribe a certain period of suspension when suspending the certificate of an office surgery center; prohibiting persons named in the registration documents of a center whose certificate was revoked from applying to operate a center for a specified time; prohibiting a registration from being transferred to a new owner and requiring a new owner to register the center with the department before beginning operation under the new ownership; prohibiting a physician from practicing medicine in a center that is not registered with the department; prohibiting a physician from performing certain procedures in a facility or office surgery center; requiring a physician who practices in a center to immediately notify the department of certain noncompliance; requiring a physician to notify the Board of Medicine or Board of Osteopathic Medicine, respectively, within a specified timeframe after beginning or ending his or her practice at a center; providing for disciplinary action; providing requirements for designated physicians; providing facility and infection control requirements for centers; specifying health and safety requirements; prohibiting performance of a level III procedure in a center unless an anesthesiologist is present and available; specifying that level III procedures may be performed only in a center on patients who meet certain conditions; establishing requirements for a surgeon to perform a level III procedure in a center; relocating the requirement that the department inspect each center for compliance annually unless the center is accredited by certain organizations; relocating the requirement that the person who registered and operates the center pay costs of inspection; requiring the Department of Health to attempt to resolve violations during the inspection of a center; requiring the owner or designated physician to document actions taken to resolve violations; requiring the department to verify correction of the violation during a subsequent inspection; authorizing the department to revoke a center’s certificate of registration and prohibit associated physicians from practicing at the center for failure to comply with certain provisions; authorizing the department to impose an administrative fine on a center for violations of specified provisions; requiring the department to consider specified factors in determining whether to impose a penalty or determining the amount of a fine to be imposed on a center; providing that each day a violation continues after the department orders its correction constitutes an additional violation; requiring the department to impose specified fines on an owner or a designated physician for operating an unregistered center; authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to the registration, inspection, and safety of centers; requiring the board to adopt rules specifying training requirements for certain center practitioners; republishing ss. 458.351 and 459.026, F.S., relating to reports of adverse incidents in office practice settings; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 734**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to penalties and fees; amending s. 27.52, F.S.; requiring a certain application to provide the applicant with the option to fulfill any court-ordered financial obligation associated with a case by enrolling in a payment plan or by completing community service if ordered by the court; amending s. 28.246, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the payment of court-related fines or other monetary penalties, fees, charges, and costs; authorizing the court to review the reasonableness of the payment plan upon motion of the

party and to modify the plan; increasing the period after which a clerk of court shall pursue the collection of any fees, service charges, fines, court costs, and liens for the payment of attorney fees and costs by referring the account to a private attorney or collection agent; requiring the clerk to solicit competitive bids from private attorneys or collection agents for collection services, subject to certain requirements; prohibiting the clerk from assessing a certain surcharge; prohibiting the private attorney or collection agent from imposing certain additional fees or surcharges; amending s. 316.650, F.S.; requiring traffic citation forms to include certain language relating to payment of a penalty; amending s. 318.15, F.S.; prohibiting the suspension of a person's driver license solely for failure to pay certain financial obligations unless the clerk of court demonstrates to the court that the individual has the ability to pay but is refusing to do so; prohibiting a court determination of ability to pay under specified conditions; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; requiring a court to inquire at the time a certain civil penalty is ordered whether the person is able to pay such penalty; amending s. 322.055, F.S.; deleting certain convictions for drug offenses from the requirements of revocation or suspension of, or delay of eligibility for, driver licenses or driving privileges; decreasing the period for revocation or suspension of, or delay of eligibility for, driver licenses or driving privileges for certain persons convicted of certain drug offenses; deleting provisions authorizing a driver to petition the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for restoration of his or her driving privilege; amending s. 322.056, F.S.; decreasing the period for revocation or suspension of, or delay of eligibility for, driver licenses or driving privileges for certain persons found guilty of certain drug offenses; deleting a provision authorizing a court to direct the department to issue a license for certain restricted driving privileges under certain circumstances; deleting requirements relating to the revocation or suspension of, or delay of eligibility for, driver licenses or driving privileges for certain persons found guilty of certain alcohol or tobacco offenses; repealing s. 322.057, F.S., relating to discretionary revocation or suspension of a driver license for certain persons who provide alcohol to persons under a specified age; amending s. 322.09, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting the issuance of a driver license or learner's driver license under certain circumstances; repealing s. 322.091, F.S., relating to attendance requirements for driving privileges; amending s. 322.245, F.S.; prohibiting the suspension of a person's driver license solely for failure to pay certain financial obligations unless the clerk of court demonstrates to the court that the individual has the ability to pay but is refusing to do so; prohibiting a court determination of ability to pay under specified conditions; repealing s. 322.251(7), F.S., relating to notice of suspension or revocation of driving privileges, reasons for reinstatement of such driving privileges, and certain electronic access to identify a person who is the subject of an outstanding warrant or capias for passing worthless bank checks; amending s. 322.271, F.S.; providing that a person whose driver license or privilege to drive has been suspended may have his or her driver license or driving privilege reinstated on a restricted basis under certain circumstances; providing the period of validity of such restricted license; amending s. 322.34, F.S.; revising the underlying violations resulting in driver license or driving privilege cancellation, suspension, or revocation for which specified penalties apply; amending s. 562.11, F.S.; revising penalties for selling, giving, serving, or permitting alcoholic beverages to be served to a person under a specified age or permitting such person to consume such beverages on licensed premises; revising penalties for a person misrepresenting or misstating his or her age or the age of another to induce a licensee to serve alcoholic beverages to a person under a specified age; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 562.111(3), F.S., relating to withholding issuance of, or suspending or revoking, a driver license or driving privilege for possession of alcoholic beverages by persons under a specified age; amending s. 569.11, F.S.; revising penalties for persons under a specified age who knowingly possess, misrepresent their age or military service to purchase, or purchase or attempt to purchase tobacco products; authorizing, rather than requiring, the court to direct the department to withhold issuance of or suspend a person's driver license or driving privilege for certain violations; amending s. 790.22, F.S.; revising penalties relating to suspending, revoking, or withholding issuance of driver licenses or driving privileges for minors under a specified age who possess firearms under certain circumstances; deleting provisions relating to penalties for certain offenses involving the use or possession of a firearm by a minor under a specified age; amending s. 806.13, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to certain penalties for criminal mischief by a minor; repealing s. 812.0155, F.S., relating to suspension of a driver license following an adjudication of guilt for theft; repealing s. 832.09, F.S., relating to suspension of a driver license after

warrant or capias is issued in worthless check cases; amending s. 847.0141, F.S.; deleting a provision authorizing a court, upon a certain finding of contempt, to issue an order to the department to withhold issuance of or suspend the driver license or driving privilege of a minor for a specified time; amending s. 877.112, F.S.; revising penalties for persons under a specified age who knowingly possess, misrepresent their age or military service to purchase, or purchase or attempt to purchase any nicotine product or nicotine dispensing device; authorizing, rather than requiring, the court to direct the department to withhold issuance of or suspend a person's driver license or driving privilege for certain violations; amending s. 938.30, F.S.; authorizing a judge to convert certain statutory financial obligations into court-ordered obligations to perform community service by relying upon specified information under certain circumstances; amending s. 1003.27, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to procedures and penalties for nonenrollment and nonattendance cases; amending ss. 318.14, 322.05, 322.27, and 1003.01, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing applicability of certain changes made by the act; requiring the department to notify the Division of Law Revision upon the adoption of certain uniform traffic citation forms; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 736**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nontransferable tickets; creating s. 817.362, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a ticket issuer to employ a nontransferable ticketing system only under specified circumstances; prohibiting a ticket buyer or seller from being penalized, discriminated against, or denied access to an event under certain circumstances; providing a civil penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

**SB 738**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to annual business organization reports and fees; amending s. 605.0212, F.S.; authorizing domestic and registered foreign limited liability companies to submit biennial reports to the Department of State; amending s. 607.1622, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign corporations to submit biennial reports to the department; amending s. 607.193, F.S.; making a clarifying change; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 617.1622, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign corporations not for profit to submit biennial reports to the department; amending s. 620.1210, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign limited partnerships to submit biennial reports to the department; amending s. 620.9003, F.S.; authorizing domestic and foreign limited liability partnerships to submit biennial reports to the department; amending ss. 605.0114, 605.0211, 605.0714, 605.0715, 605.0908, 605.0909, 606.06, 607.0121, 607.0128, 607.01401, 607.0141, 607.0502, 607.0705, 607.1420, 607.1421, 607.1509, 607.15101, 607.1530, 607.1531, 607.15315, 607.1601, 617.0121, 617.0128, 617.0502, 617.1420, 617.1421, 617.1509, 617.1510, 617.1530, 617.1531, 617.1533, 617.1601, 620.1111, 620.1115, 620.1209, 620.1809, 620.1810, 620.1906, 620.1909, and 622.05, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Baxley—

**SB 740**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 605.0213, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for limited liability companies; authorizing the Department of State to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees and biennial supplemental corporate fees; amending s. 607.0122, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign corporations; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing

fees and biennial supplemental corporate fees; amending s. 607.193, F.S.; establishing a biennial supplemental corporate fee for limited liability companies, domestic and foreign corporations, and domestic and foreign limited partnerships; amending s. 617.0122, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign corporations not for profit; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees; amending s. 620.1109, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign limited partnerships; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees and biennial supplemental corporate fees; amending s. 620.81055, F.S.; establishing a biennial report filing fee for domestic and foreign limited liability partnerships; authorizing the department to escrow an amount necessary to annualize revenues collected from biennial report filing fees; amending s. 605.0118, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Braynon—

**SB 742**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to designation of eligible telecommunications carriers; amending s. 364.10, F.S.; including certain commercial mobile radio service providers within the definition of the term “eligible telecommunications carrier”; authorizing the Public Service Commission to designate any commercial mobile radio service provider as an eligible telecommunications carrier for the limited purpose of providing Lifeline service; deleting a provision requiring carriers to allow subscribers to demonstrate continued eligibility for Lifeline service under certain conditions; requiring subscribers to furnish proof of eligibility upon request from the carrier or the Federal Communications Commission or its designee; revising the carriers that may provide Lifeline service; revising Lifeline service eligibility; deleting obsolete provisions; revising the entities with which the commission may exchange certain information; amending s. 364.107, F.S.; revising the entities to which certain information relating to Lifeline service eligibility may be released; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senators Book, Rouson, Stewart, and Taddeo—

**SB 744**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; adding 911 public safety telecommunicators to the class; requiring such members to have their retirement benefits calculated in accordance with provisions for Regular Class members; conforming cross-references; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.71, F.S.; specifying the required employer retirement contribution rates for the new membership subclass of 911 public safety telecommunicators; declaring that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

**SB 746**—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 certain identifying and location information of current and former judicial assistants and their spouses and children; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

**SB 748**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame; amending s. 265.003, F.S.; removing limitations regarding the use of state funds for the administration of the hall of fame and for the reimbursement of travel expenses for members of the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame Council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 750**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the research and development tax credit; amending s. 220.196, F.S.; increasing the combined total amount of research and development credits against the corporate income tax which may be granted to certain business enterprises during any calendar year; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

**SB 752**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to concealed weapons and firearms; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; prohibiting a concealed weapon or firearm licensee from openly carrying a handgun or carrying a concealed weapon or firearm into any child care facility; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 754**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance coverage for windshield glass; amending s. 559.920, F.S.; prohibiting motor vehicle repair shops or their employees from offering anything of value to a customer in exchange for making an insurance claim for motor vehicle glass replacement or repair, including offers made through certain persons; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Book and Rodriguez—

**SB 756**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to donor human milk bank services; amending s. 409.906, F.S.; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to pay for donor human milk bank services as an optional Medicaid service under certain conditions; specifying eligibility criteria; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; adding donor human milk bank services to the list of Medicaid services authorized for reimbursement on a fee-for-service basis; amending s. 409.973, F.S.; adding donor human milk bank services to the list of services covered by managed care plans; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 758**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Maternal Mortality Prevention Task Force; establishing the Maternal Mortality Prevention Task Force to advise the Department of Health and make recommendations; providing for duties and membership of the task force; requiring the task force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing for expiration of the task force; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Harrell—

**SB 760**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to jury service; amending s. 40.013, F.S.; requiring certain students in specified schools to be excused from jury service upon request; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 762**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trial court security; amending s. 30.15, F.S.; requiring sheriffs to provide security for trial court facilities; requiring sheriffs to coordinate with the chief judge on security matters for trial court facilities and to retain operational control over how they provide security for such facilities; specifying that the chief judge retains certain decision-making authority; specifying that sheriffs and their deputies, employees, and contractors are officers of the court when providing security for trial court facilities; providing construction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Berman, Cruz, and Torres—

**SB 764**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home safety; creating s. 790.1741, F.S.; prohibiting a person who owns a firearm from keeping it in a residence if he or she knows or has reason to know that another person also residing in that residence is prohibited from owning, possessing, purchasing, or receiving a firearm; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 790.401, F.S.; defining the term “family or household member”; redefining the term “petitioner” to include family or household members; requiring that on a certain date and annually thereafter each clerk of the court report to the Office of State Courts Administrator specified information; requiring that by a certain date the office compile and publish on its website a report in a specified manner; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 766**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expanded uses of unmanned aircraft; amending s. 934.50, F.S.; authorizing the use of drones by law enforcement agencies and other specified entities for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 768**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to attorney fees; amending ss. 784.046 and 784.0485, F.S.; prohibiting attorney fee awards in certain injunction proceedings; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Hutson and Perry—

**SB 770**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative high school graduation requirements; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; providing that, as of a specified school year, certain students are eligible for an alternative pathway to a standard high school diploma through the Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathway option; providing require-

ments for the CTE pathway option; requiring that each principal or his or her designee, who must be an academic advisor, inform parents and students of the CTE pathway option and establish certain processes relating to the pathway; requiring district school boards to incorporate certain information in the student progression plan; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 772**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to liens against motor vehicles and vessels; amending s. 559.917, F.S.; authorizing a person claiming a lien against a motor vehicle to obtain the release of the vehicle from a lien claimed by a motor vehicle repair shop under certain circumstances; amending s. 559.920, F.S.; prohibiting a motor vehicle repair shop from violating certain provisions; amending s. 713.585, F.S.; revising notice requirements for enforcing a lien by sale of a motor vehicle; revising requirements for notice of lien and notice of sale of a motor vehicle; requiring the lienor to make the motor vehicle available for inspection by notice recipients; revising requirements for transfer of title; authorizing a lienor to charge an administrative fee up to a certain amount; amending s. 713.78, F.S.; revising requirements for notice of lien for recovering, towing, or storing a vehicle or vessel; revising requirements for notice of the sale of such vehicle or vessel; revising requirements for transfer of title; authorizing a lienor to charge an administrative fee up to a certain amount; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gruters and Taddeo—

**SB 774**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal welfare; amending s. 474.2165, F.S.; authorizing a veterinarian to report criminal violations to certain officers and agents without notice to or authorization from a client; creating s. 725.09, F.S.; providing that certain contracts entered into on or after a specified date for the sale or lease of dogs and cats are void and unenforceable; providing remedies for non-compliance; providing an exception for contracts for the repayment of unsecured loans; amending s. 741.30, F.S.; authorizing a court to take certain actions regarding the care, custody, possession, or control of an animal in domestic violence actions; amending s. 828.058, F.S.; requiring an employee or agent of a public or private agency, animal shelter, or other animal collection facility to complete specified continuing education to retain certification to perform euthanasia beginning on a specified date; requiring the curriculum to be approved by the Board of Veterinary Medicine; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 828.29, F.S.; requiring county-operated or city-operated animal control agencies and registered nonprofit humane organizations to meet certain Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services’ animal import requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Baxley—

**SB 776**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual misconduct reporting in health care; amending s. 408.810, F.S.; requiring specified health care facilities, as a condition of obtaining or maintaining licensure, to enact policies requiring employees, contractors, volunteers, and interns of such licensees to report actual or suspected sexual misconduct involving a patient to the licensee, the Department of Children and Families, and the appropriate local law enforcement agency; requiring such persons to prepare an incident report that includes specified information; providing that a violation of the reporting requirements is a class II violation, subject to an administrative fine; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Baxley—

**SB 778**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly; creating s. 430.84, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Department of Elderly Affairs, to approve entities applying to deliver Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) services in the state; requiring the agency, in consultation with the department, to review and consider applications; requiring that notice of such applications be published in the Florida Administrative Register; specifying application requirements; requiring prospective PACE organizations that are granted initial state approval to submit a complete application to the agency and the Federal Government within a certain timeframe; specifying funding and enrollment requirements for PACE organizations; requiring the agency, in consultation with the department and the Social Services Estimating Conference, to submit a certain report to the Legislature; requiring the agency and department to provide certain notices to certain individuals; requiring PACE organizations to meet certain standards; requiring the agency to oversee and monitor the PACE program based on certain information; exempting PACE organizations from ch. 641, F.S.; amending s. 409.981, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing that specified individuals may be enrolled in the PACE program under certain circumstances; requiring the Comprehensive Assessment and Review for Long-Term Care Services program to determine a PACE applicant's eligibility within a certain timeframe; requiring the Department of Children and Families to determine a PACE applicant's financial eligibility; specifying requirements for the agency in paying contractors providing services to eligible applicants; authorizing certain actions by a contractor with respect to certain applicants; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simmons—

**SB 780**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Office of the Judges of Compensation Claims; amending s. 440.45, F.S.; specifying the salaries of full-time judges of compensation claims and the Deputy Chief Judge; requiring that salaries be paid out of the Workers' Compensation Administration Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

**SB 782**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to youthful offenders; amending s. 958.04, F.S.; revising the criteria allowing a court to sentence as a youthful offender a person who is found guilty of, or who pled nolo contendere or guilty to, committing a felony before the person turned 21 years of age; reenacting ss. 958.03(5), 958.045(8)(a), and 985.565(4)(c), F.S., relating to the definition of the term "youthful offender," the youthful offender basic training program, and classification as a youth offender, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 958.04, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gruters and Broxson—

**SB 784**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending s. 121.101, F.S.; specifying the minimum amount of the factor used to calculate the cost-of-living adjustment of benefits for certain retirees and beneficiaries of the Florida Retirement System; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 786**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 394.4616, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for petitions for involuntary assessment and stabilization, court orders, related records, and personal identifying information regarding persons with potential mental, emotional, and behavioral disorders; providing exceptions authorizing the release of such petitions, orders, records, and identifying information to certain persons and entities; providing construction; prohibiting a clerk of court from publishing personal identifying information on a court docket or in a publicly accessible file; requiring a person receiving certain information to maintain the information as confidential and exempt; providing applicability; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; amending s. 397.6760, F.S.; expanding the exemption from public records requirements for petitions for involuntary treatment, court orders, related records, and personal identifying information regarding substance abuse impaired persons to include a respondent's name; expanding the list of entities to whom the clerk may disclose confidential and exempt pleadings and other documents; revising applicability to include appeals pending or filed on or after a specified date; revising the date for the future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 788**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearms; creating s. 397.6753, F.S.; authorizing a law enforcement officer acting in accordance with certain provisions to serve and execute a court order on any day and at any time; authorizing a law enforcement officer acting in accordance with certain provisions to use reasonable physical force to gain entry to the premises or any dwelling on such premises and take custody of the person subject to the court order; requiring the assigning of serving and executing the court order to a law enforcement officer with certain training, when practicable; authorizing a law enforcement officer taking custody of the person to seize and hold that person's firearms and ammunition under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement officer, taking custody of the person subject to the court order, to seek the voluntary surrender of firearms and ammunition under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement officer to petition for a risk protection order under certain circumstances; requiring that firearms seized or surrendered be made available for return within a certain timeframe and under specified circumstances; prohibiting the process for the return of such firearms or ammunition to take longer than a certain timeframe; requiring law enforcement agencies to develop specified policies and procedures; amending s. 744.3215, F.S.; authorizing a court to remove the right to purchase, own, sell, or possess firearms or ammunition of a person found to be incapacitated; requiring a guardian or an agent to file an inventory of the incapacitated person's firearms and ammunition with the court if this right is removed; requiring the guardian or agent to place the firearms and ammunition in the custody of a local law enforcement agency or petition the court for an alternative storage arrangement outside of the incapacitated person's control; requiring a law enforcement agency to accept such firearms and ammunition; providing for the disposal, donation, transfer, or sale of the firearms and ammunition under certain circumstances, through court petition; requiring written notification by certified mail to the court and the incapacitated person of such intent to petition; requiring a court hearing if there is an objection to the disposal, donation, transfer, or sale; amending s. 790.064, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement, in certain cases, to investigate individuals upon whom a firearm disability is imposed on or after a certain date and, if they are in possession of firearms or ammunition, to seize the firearms and ammunition following specified procedures; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "committed to a mental institution"; authorizing a judge or magistrate, when reviewing a petition for involuntary treatment, to refer a case to the department to investigate, in certain cases, individuals upon whom a firearm disability is imposed on or after a certain date and, if they are in possession of any firearms or ammunition, to seize the firearms and ammunition following specified procedures; requiring the Department of Children and Families and the Department of Law Enforcement to enforce certain reporting provisions; requiring all licensed

mental health and substance abuse service providers to comply with certain provisions by a specified date; providing penalties for violations; increasing the time periods under which a clerk of the court must present certain records to a judge or magistrate and submit such records to the department, if applicable; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Simmons—

**SB 790**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency alerts; creating s. 316.02703, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a law enforcement agency to request the Florida Highway Patrol to activate a Yellow Alert if a hit-and-run incident is reported to the agency and the agency determines that specified requirements are satisfied; authorizing the Florida Highway Patrol, if it concurs that the specified requirements are satisfied, to activate a Yellow Alert within the geographic area requested by the agency; providing that radio, television, and cable and satellite systems are encouraged to cooperate in disseminating the information in a Yellow Alert; requiring the Florida Highway Patrol, upon activation of the alert, to assist the investigating law enforcement agency by issuing the alert, in cooperation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation, using certain dynamic message signs; authorizing the Florida Highway Patrol to prioritize the activation of alerts if multiple Yellow Alerts are requested, subject to certain requirements; specifying the conditions that an agency must determine to have been satisfied in order for the agency to be allowed to request that a Yellow Alert be activated; creating s. 784.072, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a local law enforcement agency to activate the Emergency Alert System and issue a Lockdown Alert to public and private schools and child care facilities under certain circumstances; requiring local law enforcement agencies to create and maintain a list of all public schools, private schools, and child care facilities within their jurisdictions for specified purposes; authorizing public or private schools or child care facilities to contact their local law enforcement agencies to verify that they are included on the list or to register for inclusion on the list; requiring a local law enforcement agency to take a private school or child care facility off the list if the school or facility requests that it be taken off the list; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement, in cooperation with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation, to activate the Emergency Alert System and issue an Imminent Threat Alert to the public at the request of a local law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; specifying information that, if available, must be provided in Imminent Threat Alerts; requiring Imminent Threat Alerts to be disseminated to the public through the Emergency Alert System and through the use of certain dynamic message signs; providing that the agency responsible for posting the Imminent Threat Alert on the dynamic message sign does not violate this section if certain traffic emergency information is displayed on the sign in lieu of the alert; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Baxley, Gainer, Broxson, Albritton, Diaz, and Mayfield—

**SB 792**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abortion; amending s. 390.011, F.S.; providing and revising definitions; amending s. 390.0111, F.S.; requiring a physician to perform an examination for, and inform a woman obtaining an abortion of the presence of, a detectable fetal heartbeat; requiring the physician to review the results of such examination with the patient before the woman gives informed consent for the abortion procedure; requiring that a woman who declines to review the results certify in writing that she did so of her own free will and without undue influence; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 390.01112, F.S.; prohibiting the termination of a pregnancy when a fetal heartbeat is detected; providing exceptions; requiring a physician to perform certain examinations to detect a fetal heartbeat; requiring the physician to document such findings in the woman’s medical file; providing the standard of care for the termination of a pregnancy when a fetal heartbeat exists; amending s. 390.012, F.S.; conforming terminology; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 794**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to third-party agreements in civil proceedings; creating s. 45.081, F.S.; requiring parties to civil actions to provide copies of certain third-party agreements to the other parties, except when otherwise ordered by the court; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senators Gruters and Bracy—

**SB 796**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public utility storm protection plans; creating s. 366.96, F.S.; providing legislative findings; defining terms; requiring public utilities to individually submit to the Public Service Commission, for review and approval, a transmission and distribution storm protection plan as part of the storm hardening plan required by the commission; requiring utilities to update their respective plans on a specified basis; requiring the commission to approve or modify submitted plans within a specified timeframe, taking into consideration specified factors; requiring the commission to conduct an annual proceeding to allow utilities to justify and recover certain costs through a storm protection cost recovery clause; providing that a party may challenge the prudence of certain costs; providing that utilities may not include certain costs in their base rates; providing for the allocation of such costs; authorizing utilities to recover depreciation on certain capital costs through the recovery clause; requiring utilities to record certain costs in a storm protection reserve account, which must be used for a certain purpose; requiring that certain surplus funds be returned to customers through the recovery clause; requiring the commission, under certain circumstances, to establish a factor intended to recover certain required revenue; providing the basis for the factor; requiring that the factor provide for the true-up of certain costs at least annually and that it require that certain refunds or collections related to the true-up include interest; requiring the commission to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 798**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to baccalaureate degree access; amending s. 1007.33, F.S.; deleting a prohibition against certain Florida College System institutions participating in intercollegiate athletics beyond the 2-year level; authorizing Florida College System institutions to participate in intercollegiate athletics at the 4-year level; deleting obsolete language; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 800**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the duty to assist; amending s. 768.13, F.S.; requiring certain persons under specified circumstances to provide reasonable assistance to another person who is exposed to or has suffered serious bodily injury; defining terms; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 802**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school transportation; amending s. 1006.21, F.S.; requiring district school boards to provide transportation to certain students; amending s. 1006.23, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “student”; revising the speed and

road conditions that meet the requirements for a hazardous walking condition; requiring a district school superintendent to request a review of a hazardous walking condition upon receipt of a written request from a parent of a student; requiring rather than authorizing a school district to initiate specified proceedings under certain circumstances; amending ss. 1002.20 and 1011.68, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Torres, Rodriguez, Taddeo, Powell, Bracy, Gibson, Cruz, Thurston, Book, Farmer, and Braynon—

**SM 804**—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, requesting Congress to urge the regime of President Nicolás Maduro to allow the delivery of humanitarian assistance, to continue and intensify financial sanctions against the regime of President Nicolás Maduro and the Government of Venezuela, and to instruct appropriate federal agencies to hold the regime of President Nicolás Maduro and officials of the Government of Venezuela accountable for violations of law and abuses of internationally recognized human rights.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 806**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government public construction works; amending s. 255.20, F.S.; requiring the governing board of a local government to consider estimated costs of certain projects using generally accepted cost-accounting principles that account for specified costs when making a specified determination; prohibiting a local government from performing a project using its own services, employees, and equipment if the project requires an increase in the number of government employees or an increase in certain capital expenditures; requiring that a local government that performs projects using its own services, employees, and equipment disclose the actual costs of the project after completion to the Auditor General; requiring that the Auditor General review such disclosures as part of his or her routine audits of local governments; amending s. 336.41, F.S.; requiring estimated total construction project costs for certain projects to include specified costs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 808**—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 an Ethical Ecotourism license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 810**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; creating a fee for a certain specialty license plate; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Simmons—

**SB 812**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vacation rentals; amending s. 212.18, F.S.; requiring persons engaged in certain public lodging-related transactions to display a valid certificate of registration

number in rental listings or advertisements; specifying penalties for failure to display such certification number; reordering and amending s. 509.013, F.S.; revising and defining terms; amending s. 509.032, F.S.; revising the inspection responsibilities of the Division of Hotels and Restaurants regarding vacation rentals; conforming a cross-reference; requiring the division to adopt rules relating to the inspection frequency for licensed public food service establishments; requiring the division to annually reassess such inspection frequency; revising the preemption of local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to vacation rentals; amending s. 509.034, F.S.; revising the applicability of specified public lodging provisions; amending s. 509.101, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 509.141, F.S.; specifying the conditions under which a notice to depart a premises is effective; amending s. 509.151, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 509.221, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; making technical changes; specifying the applicability of specified public lodging provisions to commercial vacation rentals; amending s. 509.241, F.S.; authorizing the division to refuse to issue or renew, or to suspend or revoke, the license of a public lodging establishment subject to a local final order directing the establishment to cease operations; requiring vacation rentals to display certain information in rental listings and advertisements; amending s. 509.242, F.S.; revising the classification of “vacation rental”; authorizing the division to require by rule that vacation rental applicants and licensees provide certain information; revising the classification of “nontransient apartment”; creating s. 509.243, F.S.; requiring transient public lodging hosting platforms to be registered with the division; prohibiting hosting platforms from making specified transactions regarding unregistered public lodging establishments; specifying registration requirements; specifying requirements relating to agents for service of process; authorizing hosting platforms to collect and remit state and local taxes; specifying the records to be maintained by hosting platforms and the transmission of such records; requiring the division to audit such records periodically; authorizing the division to share such records with the Department of Revenue and specified counties for specified purposes; specifying penalties; amending s. 509.4005, F.S.; revising the applicability of specified public lodging provisions; requiring the department and specified counties to adopt an amnesty program regarding unpaid taxes, penalties, and interest for persons who engage in leasing, renting, letting, or granting licenses to use a vacation rental; specifying the requirements of such programs; specifying that certain taxes, penalties, or interest assessments are not eligible for such programs; authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules; specifying rule requirements; amending ss. 159.27, 212.08, 316.1955, 404.056, 477.0135, 553.5041, 717.1355, and 877.24, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Simmons—

**SB 814**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 509.243, F.S.; requiring the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt by rule a schedule of fees for hosting platforms that wish to advertise or list transient public lodging establishments; requiring the division to deposit such fees into the Hotel and Restaurant Trust Fund; specifying the maximum aggregate annual registration fee per hosting platform; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

**SB 816**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to environmental regulation; amending s. 403.706, F.S.; requiring counties and municipalities to address the contamination of recyclable material in specified contracts; prohibiting counties and municipalities from requiring the collection or transport of contaminated recyclable material by residential recycling collectors; defining the term “residential recycling collector”; specifying required contract provisions in residential recycling collector and materials recovery facility contracts with counties and municipalities; amending s. 403.813, F.S.; prohibiting a local government from requiring from the Department of Environmental Protection further verification for certain projects; revising the types of

dock and pier replacements and repairs that are exempt from such verification and certain permitting requirements; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 818**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health; amending s. 27.59, F.S.; authorizing public defenders and regional counsel to have access to persons held in a facility licensed under chapter 394 or chapter 397; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; defining the terms “neglect or refuse to care for himself or herself” and “real and present threat of substantial harm”; amending s. 394.459, F.S.; requiring that respondents with a serious mental illness be afforded essential elements of care and placed in a continuum of care regimen; requiring the Department of Children and Families to adopt certain rules; amending s. 394.461, F.S.; authorizing the state to establish that a transfer evaluation was performed by providing the court with a copy of the evaluation before the close of the state’s case in chief; prohibiting the court from considering substantive information in the transfer evaluation unless the evaluator testifies at the hearing; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; revising the requirements for when a person may be taken to a receiving facility for involuntary examination; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 394.4655, F.S.; revising the requirements for involuntary outpatient treatment; amending s. 394.467, F.S.; revising the requirements for when a person may be ordered for involuntary inpatient placement; revising requirements for continuances of hearings; revising the time period in which a court is required to hold a hearing on involuntary inpatient placement; revising the conditions under which a court may waive the requirement for a patient to be present at an involuntary inpatient placement hearing; authorizing the court to permit all witnesses to remotely attend and testify at the hearing through certain means; authorizing the state attorney to access certain persons and records; revising the period of time a court may require a patient to receive services; providing an exception to the prohibition on a court ordering certain individuals to be involuntarily placed in a state treatment facility; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 397.305, F.S.; revising the purposes of ch. 397, F.S.; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; defining the terms “involuntary treatment,” “neglect or refuse to care for himself or herself,” and “real and present threat of substantial harm”; amending s. 397.334, F.S.; providing requirements for holding a minor in contempt of court in cases that involve a minor violating an involuntary treatment order; requiring service providers to prioritize a minor’s placement into treatment under certain circumstances; creating s. 397.412, F.S.; authorizing licensed service providers to refuse an individual’s request to prematurely leave a court-ordered involuntary treatment program under certain circumstances; requiring certain licensed service providers to install certain security features and enact certain policies; specifying the installation of such security features does not make the treatment center a secure facility; amending s. 397.501, F.S.; requiring that respondents with serious substance abuse addictions be afforded essential elements of care and placed in a continuum of care regimen; requiring the department to adopt certain rules; amending s. 397.675, F.S.; revising the criteria for involuntary admissions; amending s. 397.6751, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of a service provider; amending s. 397.681, F.S.; requiring that the state attorney represent the state as the real party of interest in an involuntary proceeding; authorizing the state attorney to access certain persons and records; specifying that certain changes are contingent on legislative funding; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 397.6811, F.S., relating to involuntary assessment and stabilization; repealing s. 397.6814, F.S., relating to petitions for involuntary assessment and stabilization; repealing s. 397.6815, F.S., relating to involuntary assessment and stabilization procedures; repealing s. 397.6818, F.S., relating to court determinations for petitions for involuntary assessment and stabilization; repealing s. 397.6819, F.S., relating to the responsibilities of licensed service providers with regard to involuntary assessment and stabilization; repealing s. 397.6821, F.S., relating to extensions of time for completion of involuntary assessment and stabilization; repealing s. 397.6822, F.S., relating to the disposition of individuals after involuntary assessments; amending s. 397.693, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which a person is eligible for court-ordered involuntary treatment; amending s. 397.695, F.S.; authorizing the court

or clerk of the court to waive or prohibit any service of process fees for an indigent petitioner; amending s. 397.6951, F.S.; revising the requirements for the contents of a petition for involuntary treatment; providing that a petitioner may include a certificate or report of a qualified professional with the petition; requiring the certificate or report to contain certain information; requiring that certain additional information must be included if an emergency exists; amending s. 397.6955, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the court to notify the state attorney’s office upon the receipt of a petition filed for involuntary treatment; revising when a hearing must be held on the petition; providing requirements for when a petitioner asserts that emergency circumstances are present or the court determines that an emergency exists; amending s. 397.6957, F.S.; expanding the exemption from the requirement that a respondent be present at a hearing on a petition for involuntary treatment; authorizing the court to permit all witnesses to remotely attend and testify at the hearing through certain means; deleting a provision requiring the court to appoint a guardian advocate under certain circumstances; requiring the court to give a respondent who was not assessed or had previously refused to be assessed the opportunity to consent to a certain examination; requiring that the court reschedule and continue the hearing to allow for such examination, if the respondent consents; requiring that the assessment of a respondent occur within a specified timeframe; authorizing a service provider to petition the court for an extension of time under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to grant additional time to complete an evaluation; requiring a qualified professional to provide copies of his or her report to the court and all relevant parties and counsel; authorizing certain entities to take specified actions based upon the involuntary assessment; authorizing a court or magistrate to order certain persons to take a respondent into custody and transport him or her to or from certain service providers or the court; revising the petitioner’s burden of proof in the hearing; authorizing the court to initiate involuntary proceedings under certain circumstances; requiring that, if a treatment order is issued, it must include certain findings; providing that a treatment order may designate a specific service provider; amending s. 397.697, F.S.; requiring that an individual meet certain requirements to qualify for involuntary outpatient treatment; specifying that certain hearings may be set by the motion of a party or under the court’s own authority; providing requirements for holding a minor in contempt of court in cases that involve a minor violating an involuntary treatment order; requiring service providers to prioritize a minor’s placement into treatment under certain circumstances; specifying that a service provider’s authority is separate and distinct from the court’s jurisdiction; amending s. 397.6975, F.S.; requiring that a petition for renewal of involuntary treatment be filed before the expiration of the court-ordered treatment period; authorizing certain entities to file such a petition; revising the timeframe within which the court is required to schedule a hearing; authorizing the court to order additional treatment under certain circumstances; providing that such treatment period must be deducted from time granted in a subsequent extension petition; creating s. 397.6976, F.S.; authorizing the court to commit certain persons to inpatient or outpatient treatment, or a combination thereof, without an assessment, under certain circumstances; limiting the treatment period to a specified number of days unless the period is extended; defining the term “habitual abuser”; repealing s. 397.6978, F.S., relating to the appointment of guardian advocates; amending s. 397.706, F.S.; providing requirements for holding a minor in contempt of court in cases that involve a minor violating an involuntary treatment order; requiring service providers to prioritize a minor’s placement into treatment under certain circumstances; amending ss. 394.4599, 394.4615, 397.6971, and 397.6977, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 212.055, 394.4598, 394.462, 394.495, 394.496, 394.9085, 397.416, 409.972, 440.102, 464.012, 744.2007, and 790.065, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gainer—

**SB 820**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sheriffs providing child protective investigative services; amending s. 39.3065, F.S.; requiring the Sheriff of Walton County to provide all child protective investigations in the county beginning with a specified fiscal year; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 822**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault or battery; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; providing for reclassification of assault or battery offenses committed on certain persons when such persons are engaged in their lawful duties; reenacting ss. 775.0877(1)(d), (e), (f), and (g), 794.056(1), 921.0022(3)(d), 938.08, and 938.085, F.S., relating to criminal transmission of HIV, the Rape Crisis Program Trust Fund, the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, additional cost to fund domestic violence programs, and additional cost to fund rape crisis centers, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 824**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to private property rights of homeowners; amending s. 509.032, F.S.; preempting the regulation of vacation rentals to the state; providing an exception; requiring a court of law to determine compliance with specified provisions; amending s. 509.241, F.S.; requiring each person applying for a vacation rental license to provide the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation with specified information; requiring the division to make vacation rental license information available to the public on the division's website; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 826**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to towing-storage operator liens; amending s. 713.78, F.S.; requiring that certain lien notices be sent through an electronic third-party mailing service; defining the term “electronic third-party mailing service”; requiring electronic third-party mailing services to apply to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for approval; requiring the department to approve an application if certain conditions are met; authorizing the department to deny, suspend, or revoke its approval under certain circumstances; requiring an electronic third-party mailing service to maintain certain records for a specified timeframe and to allow inspection of such records by the department; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 828**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lewd or lascivious exhibition; amending s. 800.09, F.S.; prohibiting certain lewd or lascivious acts in the presence of county or municipal correctional personnel; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Braynon—

**SB 830**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency power for facilities providing dialysis services; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; directing the Florida Building Code to require facilities that provide dialysis services to have an operational emergency power source; defining the term “emergency power source”; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 832**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adoptee birth certificates; amending s. 382.015, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to issue a noncertified copy of an original certificate of birth to certain adoptees if certain requirements are met; providing that an adoptee does not need his or her adoptive parents' permission to receive such certificate of birth; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Bracy—

**SB 834**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a presentencing consideration; creating s. 921.245, F.S.; defining the terms “dependent child” and “primary caretaker”; authorizing a defendant who is found guilty of committing a nonviolent offense to request a sentencing court to withhold sentencing until after making a certain determination; requiring the court to make certain written findings if the defendant makes such a motion, which must meet specified requirements; prohibiting the court from imposing a sentence of incarceration without making such findings; authorizing the court to impose a non-incarcerative sentence with specified conditions, in writing; authorizing a court to require the defendant to appear in court after reasonable notice to evaluate the defendant's progress; authorizing the court to revise the sentence during the appearance; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Powell—

**SB 836**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 252.385, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for certain information of a person using a public shelter during an emergency; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; creating s. 252.64, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for certain identifying information related to damage assessments held by an agency following a disaster; specifying a limited duration of the exemption; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; transferring and amending s. 252.905, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for data and records contained in emergency management electronic collaboration systems or databases used by local emergency management agencies for certain purposes; providing retroactive application of the exemption; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing statements of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Powell—

**SB 838**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 394.464, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for petitions for voluntary and involuntary admission for mental health treatment, court orders, related records, and personal identifying information regarding persons seeking mental health treatment and services; providing exceptions authorizing the release of such petitions, orders, records, and identifying information to certain persons and entities; providing applicability; prohibiting a clerk of court from publishing personal identifying information on a court docket or in a publicly accessible file; 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 Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

**SB 840**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the internship tax credit program; creating s. 220.198, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions; providing a corporate income tax credit up to a specified amount for a qualified business that hires employees who have completed specified internships; providing eligibility criteria; limiting the amount of the tax credit which a qualified business may claim; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules governing applications and establishing qualification requirements; authorizing a business to carry forward the tax credit for a specified period; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Thurston and Bracy—

**SB 842**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county funding for affordable housing; creating s. 125.01675, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing the governing authority of each specified county to levy a discretionary surtax on documents for the purpose of establishing and financing an Affordable Housing Trust Fund; specifying the purpose of the trust fund and the required use of the funds; specifying a limit on the surtax; providing applicability of the surtax; specifying procedures and requirements for approval of the surtax by referendum; requiring the county, if levying the surtax, to enact an ordinance creating the trust fund and a housing assistance program; specifying requirements for the ordinance and enactment of the ordinance; specifying a limit on surtax revenues used for administrative costs by the Department of Revenue; specifying authorized actions and requirements for, and limitations and prohibitions on, the deposit and use of surtax proceeds by the county; defining the term “homeownership assistance”; specifying a condition for the rehabilitation of housing owned by a recipient government; defining the terms “housing assistance voucher” and “purchasing employer”; authorizing the governing authority of the county to create a housing assistance voucher program by ordinance; specifying requirements for such housing assistance vouchers; specifying a limit on voucher allocations for purchasing employers; requiring purchasing employers to distribute the allocations to employees in a specified manner; specifying a limitation on allocations not distributed within a certain timeframe; specifying a requirement for including certain housing assistance paid in a certain calculation; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, at specified intervals, to review the discretionary surtax program and provide a report to the Governor and the Legislature; amending s. 201.031, F.S.; providing applicability of provisions relating to the discretionary surtax on documents to the surtax created under s. 125.01675, F.S.; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

**SB 844**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the At-Risk Adult Alert Plan; amending s. 937.0201, F.S.; redefining the term “missing endangered person” to include a missing adult who meets the criteria for activation of the At-Risk Adult Alert Plan of the Department of Law Enforcement; creating s. 937.0205, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement, in cooperation with the Department of Transportation, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, and local law enforcement agencies, to establish and implement the At-Risk Adult Alert Plan; providing plan requirements; requiring a local law enforcement agency to broadcast information to the public and the media about certain missing adults; specifying which local law enforcement agency must broadcast such information; authorizing the local law enforcement agency to request that a case be opened with the Department of Law Enforcement’s Missing Endangered Persons Information Clearinghouse; requiring the clearinghouse to coordinate with the Department of Transportation and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for the activa-

tion of dynamic message signs on state highways and the immediate broadcast of certain critical information under certain circumstances; specifying that an agency responsible for posting an At-Risk Adult Alert on dynamic message signs does not violate the act if other emergency information must be posted instead; requiring the At-Risk Adult Alert Plan to include certain procedures; specifying additional requirements for the plan; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to adopt rules; amending s. 937.021, F.S.; providing that the Department of Law Enforcement, as the At-Risk Adult Alert coordinator, and certain agencies, employees, individuals, and entities are immune from civil liability for damages for performing certain actions in good faith; providing that the presumption of good faith is not overcome under certain circumstances; providing construction; amending s. 937.022, F.S.; authorizing only the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over a case to make a request to the clearinghouse for the activation of a state At-Risk Adult Alert involving a missing adult under certain circumstances; amending s. 429.918, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 846**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to HIV prevention; providing a short title; amending s. 381.0041, F.S.; providing an exception to allow the donation of human tissue by a person who has human immunodeficiency virus infection under certain circumstances; reclassifying a criminal offense relating to such donations; amending s. 384.23, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 384.24, F.S.; expanding the scope of unlawful acts by a person infected with a sexually transmissible disease; expanding the list of sexually transmissible diseases to include human immunodeficiency virus infection; providing that certain actions are not sufficient evidence to establish intent on the part of the person who transmits the disease; providing a definition; amending s. 384.34, F.S.; reclassifying specified criminal offenses; removing a fine for specified rule violations; amending ss. 775.0877 and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 960.003, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Broxson—

**SB 848**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to underground facility damage prevention and safety; amending s. 556.102, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 556.105, F.S.; changing the number of days’ notice an excavator must provide to the free-access notification system before beginning any excavation or demolition; amending s. 556.107, F.S.; repealing provisions regarding citations for specified noncriminal infractions; creating an underground facility damage prevention review panel; providing the membership of the review panel; specifying the term limits of the review panel; requiring Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc., to provide support to the panel; specifying how the review panel will be funded; providing dates by which alleged violations must be reported; providing a hearing process to allow the review panel to hear complaints regarding certain alleged violations; specifying the civil penalties that the review panel may assess; providing a review process through the Division of Administrative Hearings for infractions not resolved by the review panel; specifying a criminal penalty for any person who removes or damages permanent underground facility markers under certain circumstances; amending s. 556.114, F.S.; authorizing member operators to place permanent markers for certain purposes; amending s. 556.116, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Infrastructure and Security; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

**SB 850**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prosecuting children as adults; amending s. 985.556, F.S.; deleting provisions under which a

state attorney either must request a court to transfer and certify children of certain ages who commit specified crimes for prosecution as adults or must provide written reasons to the court for not making such a request, or proceed under certain provisions; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which a state attorney may file an information in cases that involve children of certain ages who commit certain crimes; deleting provisions under which a state attorney must file an information on children of certain ages who commit, attempt to commit, are charged with committing, or conspire to commit, specified crimes; deleting definitions; amending s. 985.56, F.S.; providing that children 14 years of age or older, rather than children of any age, who are charged with certain offenses are subject to the jurisdiction of the court until an indictment is returned by the grand jury; prohibiting the transfer to adult court for criminal prosecution of children who commit an indictable offense and who have a pending competency hearing or have previously been found incompetent and have not been restored to competency by a court until the child's competency is restored; providing for the tolling of certain time limits; authorizing, rather than requiring, that a child who is found to have committed specified crimes be sentenced according to certain provisions; amending s. 985.03, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 985.565, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 985.15(1) and 985.265(5), F.S., relating to filing decisions and detention transfer and release, education, and adult jails, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 985.556 and 985.557, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 985.26(2)(c), F.S., relating to the length of detention, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 985.557 and 985.56, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Diaz and Wright—

**SM 852**—A memorial to the Congress of the United States and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, urging Congress and the department to ensure that the VA MISSION Act of 2018 is implemented in a manner consistent with the legislative intent and purpose of the act.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 854**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to special neighborhood improvement districts; amending s. 163.511, F.S.; revising the number of directors allowed for the boards of special neighborhood improvement districts; requiring local planning ordinances to specify director term lengths and provide for staggered terms; requiring that directors be landowners in, rather than residents of, the proposed area and be subject to certain taxation; removing obsolete language; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 856**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead exemptions; amending s. 196.031, F.S.; specifying that a person must knowingly and intentionally receive or claim a certain ad valorem tax exemption or credit in another state to be disqualified from a certain homestead exemption; amending s. 196.161, F.S.; providing that certain property is not subject to the assessment of exempted taxes, penalties, and interest under certain circumstances; providing that, under such circumstances, a lien may not be filed or must be canceled by the property appraiser; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 858**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to natural hair braiding; amending s. 477.013, F.S.; redefining the term “hair braiding”; defining the term “mechanical devices”; amending ss. 477.0132 and 477.019, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Stargel and Gibson—

**SB 860**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Alzheimer's disease; amending s. 430.501, F.S.; revising representative requirements of the Alzheimer's Disease Advisory Committee membership; requiring the committee to submit an annual report to specified parties that includes certain information and recommendations; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to review and update the Alzheimer's disease state plan every 3 years in collaboration with certain parties; amending s. 430.502, F.S.; providing that certain clinics shall not receive decreased funding for a specified reason; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 862**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance coverage for vehicle leases; creating s. 627.749, F.S.; defining terms; providing that a lessor of special mobile equipment is not liable for acts of the lessee or the lessee's agent or employee in connection with the rental or lease if the lease agreement requires specified insurance coverages; providing construction; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 864**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency management; creating s. 252.64, F.S.; authorizing the state and its political subdivisions to use technology for specified purposes relating to emergency management; specifying that such technology may be provided by a private entity; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

**SB 866**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workplace sexual harassment and sexual assault; creating s. 448.077, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to sign a nondisclosure agreement, waiver, or other document, as a condition of employment, to prevent the employee from disclosing sexual harassment or sexual assault; specifying that such nondisclosure agreements, waivers, or documents are against public policy and are void and unenforceable; prohibiting an employer from discharging or retaliating against an employee for disclosing or discussing workplace sexual harassment or sexual assault; providing for relief for violations of the act; providing for construction; amending ss. 760.06 and 760.11, F.S.; conforming provisions relating to the Florida Commission on Human Relations to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 868**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local business taxes; amending s. 205.032, F.S.; revising the authority of a governing body of

a county to levy business taxes; providing retroactive applicability; specifying a limit on such taxes; deleting procedures for levying business taxes; amending s. 205.033, F.S.; reducing the maximum fees for certain receipt transfers; deleting exceptions from certain apportionment and distribution requirements for certain counties; deleting provisions authorizing certain counties to levy and collect additional business taxes; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 205.042, F.S.; revising the authority of a governing body of an incorporated municipality to levy business taxes; providing retroactive applicability; specifying a limit on such taxes; deleting procedures for levying business taxes; amending s. 205.043, F.S.; reducing the maximum fees for certain receipt transfers; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending ss. 205.0535 and 205.054, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Powell—

**SB 870**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the detention of children; amending s. 985.265, F.S.; prohibiting the holding in a jail or other facility intended or used for the detention of adults of a child awaiting trial who is treated as an adult for purposes of criminal prosecution; providing an exception; requiring the court to consider specified factors in making a certain determination; providing a requirement and a prohibition if a court determines that it is in the interest of justice to allow a child to be held in a jail or other facility intended or used for the detention of adults; deleting provisions under which a court is required to order the delivery of a child to a jail or other facility intended or used for the detention of adults; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 872**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 874**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer finance loans; creating s. 516.405, F.S.; creating the Access to Responsible Credit Pilot Program within the Office of Financial Regulation; providing legislative intent; creating s. 516.41, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 516.42, F.S.; requiring persons to obtain a program license from the office before making program loans; providing licensure requirements; requiring a program licensee's program branch offices to be licensed; providing program branch office license and license renewal requirements; providing circumstances under which the office may deny initial and renewal applications; requiring the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; creating s. 516.43, F.S.; providing requirements for program licensees, program loans, interest rates, program loan refinancing, receipts, disclosures and statements provided by program licensees to borrowers, origination fees, insufficient funds fees, and delinquency charges; requiring program licensees to provide certain credit education information to borrowers and to report payment performance of borrowers to a consumer reporting agency; prohibiting the office from approving a program licensee applicant before the applicant has been accepted as a data furnisher by a consumer reporting agency; requiring program licensees to underwrite program loans; prohibiting program licensees from making program loans under certain circumstances; requiring program licensees to seek certain information and documentation; prohibiting program licensees from requiring certain waivers from borrowers; providing applicability; creating s. 516.44, F.S.; requiring all arrangements between program licensees and access

partners to be specified in written access partner agreements; providing requirements for such agreements; specifying access partner services that may be used by program licensees; specifying procedures for borrowers' payment receipts or access partners' disbursement of program loans; providing recordkeeping requirements; prohibiting certain activities by access partners; providing disclosure statement requirements; providing requirements and prohibitions relating to compensation paid to access partners; requiring program licensees to provide the office with a specified notice after contracting with access partners; defining the term "affiliated party"; requiring access partners to provide program licensees with a certain written notice within a specified time; providing that program licensees are responsible for acts of their access partners; requiring the commission to adopt rules; creating s. 516.45, F.S.; requiring the office to examine program licensees at certain intervals, beginning on a specified date; providing an exception; limiting the scope of certain examinations and investigations; authorizing the office to take certain disciplinary action against program licensees and access partners; requiring the commission to adopt rules; creating s. 516.46, F.S.; requiring program licensees to file an annual report with the office beginning on a specified date; requiring the office to post an annual report on its website by a specified date; specifying information to be contained in the reports; requiring the commission to adopt rules; providing for future repeal of the pilot program; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Powell—

**SB 876**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; authorizing a child transferred to adult court under certain provisions, or the child's defense counsel, to request in writing a hearing for a certain determination; requiring a judge to conduct the hearing within a certain timeframe after the filing of the request; providing an exception; requiring the judge to consider specified factors; authorizing the judge to consider specified records; providing for the right of specified persons at the hearing to examine the records and question the persons who created the records; requiring the adult court to retain jurisdiction unless the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that certain factors support returning the child to juvenile court; requiring the adult court to render an order on its decision; providing for review on appeal; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 878**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to corporate taxable income adjustments; amending s. 220.13, F.S.; providing that, for the purposes of calculating adjusted federal income, motor vehicle rental or leasing companies are not required to add to their taxable income certain amounts deducted for federal income tax purposes as bonus depreciation; defining the term "motor vehicle rental or leasing company"; providing retroactive applicability; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing for the expiration and renewal of such rules; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 880**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to young farmers and ranchers; creating s. 570.842, F.S.; creating the Florida Young Farmer and Rancher Matching Grant Program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; specifying the purpose of the grants; requiring the department to select grant recipients based on specified criteria; requiring the department to adopt rules; requiring that applicants meet specified eligibility requirements; specifying a range for grant amounts; providing that a recipient may not receive more than one award per year under the program; specifying that grant funding is contingent upon specific appropriation by the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 882**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to restraints of trade or commerce; amending s. 542.335, F.S.; revising the requirements for a contract that restricts or prohibits competition; redefining the term “legitimate business interest” to include only interests related to intellectual property; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 884**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, and mental health counselors; amending s. 491.003, F.S.; defining the terms “certified master social worker” and “practice of generalist social work”; amending s. 491.004, F.S.; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 491.0045, F.S.; revising intern registration requirements; providing an exception; amending s. 491.005, F.S.; revising the licensure requirements for clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, and mental health counselors; amending s. 491.0057, F.S.; requiring that an applicant for dual licensure as a marriage and family therapist pass an examination designated by the board; amending s. 491.006, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure or certification by endorsement for certain professions; repealing s. 491.0065, F.S., relating to requirements for instruction on HIV and AIDS; amending s. 491.007, F.S.; deleting a provision providing certified master social workers an exemption from continuing education requirements; deleting a provision requiring the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling to establish a procedure for the biennial renewal of intern registrations; amending s. 491.009, F.S.; revising who may enter an order denying licensure or imposing penalties against an applicant for licensure under certain circumstances; amending s. 491.012, F.S.; providing that using the title “certified master social worker” without a valid, active license is unlawful; deleting an obsolete provision; amending s. 491.0145, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to license an applicant for designation as a certified master social worker under certain circumstances; providing that applicants for designation as a certified master social worker submit their application to the board; deleting a provision relating to the nonrefundable fee for examination set by department rule; authorizing the board to adopt rules; amending s. 491.0149, F.S.; requiring the use of applicable professional titles by licensees, provisional licensees, and registrants on social media and other specified materials; repealing s. 491.015, F.S., relating to duties of the department as to certified master social workers; amending s. 414.065, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SJR 886**—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 provide that the homestead property tax discount for certain veterans who had permanent, combat-related disabilities carries over to the benefit of the veteran’s surviving spouse under certain circumstances until he or she remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the property, to provide that the discount for the surviving spouse is transferrable to another homestead under certain circumstances, and to provide an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 888**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a homestead property tax discount; amending s. 196.082, F.S.; providing that if certain conditions are met, the homestead property tax discount for certain disabled veterans carries over to the benefit of the veteran’s surviving spouse until the surviving spouse remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the homestead property; providing that if the surviving spouse sells the property, the discount may be transferred to his or her new primary residence, subject to certain conditions; authorizing a qualified applicant who fails to file an application by a specified date to apply for the discount and file a petition with the value adjustment board; specifying procedures for applications and petitions; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 890**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drug-free workplaces; amending s. 440.102, F.S.; revising definitions; revising the contents of an employer policy statement with respect to employee drug use; revising the frequency of followup testing; revising specimen collection, verification, and documentation procedures; revising requirements for confirmation testing; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; revising minimum requirements for laboratory reports of a drug test result; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Passidomo—

**SB 892**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to business organizations; amending s. 607.0101, F.S.; providing applicability; amending s. 607.0102, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0120, F.S.; making technical changes; providing requirements, authorizations, and prohibitions relating to when the terms of a plan or a filed document may be dependent on facts objectively ascertainable outside of the plan or filed document; defining the terms “filed document” and “plan”; amending s. 607.0121, F.S.; making technical changes; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 607.0122, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 607.0123, F.S.; revising provisions, requirements, and authorizations relating to the effective time and date of a document; amending s. 607.0124, F.S.; revising the process authorizing a domestic or foreign corporation to correct a document filed by the Department of State; authorizing a filing to be withdrawn before it takes effect if certain requirements are met; amending s. 607.0125, F.S.; revising the filing duties of the department; amending s. 607.0126, F.S.; revising the appeals process relating to the department’s refusal to file a document; amending s. 607.0127, F.S.; requiring certain certificates to be taken by certain entities as prima facie evidence of the facts stated; revising when a certificate and a copy of a document are conclusive evidence that the original document is on file with the department; amending s. 607.0128, F.S.; revising provisions relating to department-issued certificates of status; amending s. 607.0130, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the powers of the department; amending s. 607.01401, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 607.0141, F.S.; revising provisions relating to written and oral notice under ch. 607, F.S.; providing construction; creating s. 607.0143, F.S.; defining the terms “qualified director,” “material relationship,” and “material interest”; providing for circumstances under which a director is not automatically prevented from being a qualified director; amending s. 607.0201, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 607.0202, F.S.; revising requirements and authorizations for the contents of articles of incorporation; authorizing provisions of the articles of incorporation to be made dependent upon facts objectively ascertainable outside of the articles of incorporation; prohibiting the articles of incorporation from containing certain provisions; amending s. 607.0203, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 607.0204, F.S.; deleting an exemption from liability related to persons who have actual knowledge that there is no incorporation when purporting to act as or on behalf of a corporation; making a technical change; amending s. 607.0205, F.S.; making technical changes; requir-

ing directors or incorporators calling an organizational meeting to give at least 2, rather than 3, days' notice; amending s. 607.0206, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the contents of the bylaws of a corporation; amending s. 607.0207, F.S.; making technical changes; creating s. 607.0208, F.S.; authorizing provisions of the articles of incorporation or the bylaws to create exclusive jurisdiction for certain claims; providing applicability for such provisions; prohibiting the articles or bylaws from prohibiting certain actions; defining the term "internal corporate claim"; amending s. 607.0301, F.S.; revising purposes and applicability; amending s. 607.0302, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0303, F.S.; revising the requirements relating to the liability of certain persons acting in accordance with emergency bylaws; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0304, F.S.; revising when a corporation's power to act may be challenged; amending s. 607.0401, F.S.; authorizing a corporation to register under a name that is not otherwise distinguishable on the records of the department under certain circumstances; providing applicability; creating s. 607.04021, F.S.; authorizing a person to reserve the exclusive use of a corporate name and to transfer the reservation; authorizing the department to revoke a reservation under certain circumstances; amending s. 607.0403, F.S.; making technical changes; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 607.0501, F.S.; revising requirements for registered offices and registered agents; providing for the duties of a registered agent; authorizing a court to stay a proceeding until a corporation is compliant with requirements relating to registered agents and registered offices; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0502, F.S.; revising the procedures relating to a corporation changing its registered agent or its registered office; creating s. 607.0503, F.S.; revising procedures and requirements relating to the resignation of a registered agent; creating s. 607.05031, F.S.; revising procedures and requirements relating to the change of name or address by a registered agent; creating s. 607.05032, F.S.; providing for the delivery of notice or other communication; amending s. 607.0504, F.S.; revising the procedures for service of process, notice, or demand on a corporation; amending s. 607.0505, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 607.0601, F.S.; revising provisions relating to shares authorized by articles of incorporation; amending s. 607.0602, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the determination of the board of directors to classify or reclassify certain shares; amending s. 607.0604, F.S.; deleting a provision relating to the good faith judgment of the board of directors as to the fair value of fractions of a share; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0620, F.S.; revising provisions relating to subscriptions for shares; amending s. 607.0621, F.S.; expanding the circumstances in which shares that are escrowed or restricted and distributions that are credited may be canceled; amending s. 607.0622, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 607.0623, F.S.; authorizing the board to fix a record date for determining shareholders entitled to a share dividend; amending s. 607.0624, F.S.; revising provisions relating to rights, options, warrants, and awards for the purchase of shares of the corporation; defining the term "shares"; amending ss. 607.0625, 607.0626, and 607.0627, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0630, F.S.; revising provisions relating to shareholders' preemptive rights; amending s. 607.0631, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a corporation's acquisition of its own shares; amending s. 607.06401, F.S.; revising provisions relating to distributions to shareholders; providing applicability; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0701, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a corporation's annual meeting; amending s. 607.0702, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a corporation's special meeting of the shareholders; amending s. 607.0703, F.S.; revising provisions relating to court-ordered meetings; amending s. 607.0704, F.S.; revising provisions relating to actions by shareholders without a meeting; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0705, F.S.; revising provisions relating to notices of meetings; amending s. 607.0706, F.S.; relocating and revising requirements for a shareholder to waive certain required notice; amending s. 607.0707, F.S.; revising provisions relating to record dates; creating s. 607.0709, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to remote participation in the annual and special meetings of shareholders; amending s. 607.0720, F.S.; revising provisions relating to shareholders' lists for meetings; amending s. 607.0721, F.S.; revising provisions relating to when certain shares are entitled to vote; defining the term "voting power"; amending s. 607.0722, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the appointment of a proxy; amending s. 607.0723, F.S.; revising provisions relating to shares held by intermediaries and nominees being treated as the record shareholder; amending s. 607.0724, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the acceptance of votes and other instruments; requiring that ballots and shareholder demands be accepted under certain circumstances; amending s. 607.0725, F.S.; mak-

ing technical changes; providing applicability for provisions that provide for voting of classes or series as separate voting groups; amending s. 607.0726, F.S.; making clarifying changes; amending s. 607.0728, F.S.; requiring that certain corporations have shares registered pursuant to s. 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 rather than pursuant to a list on a national securities exchange, for the purposes of certain voting requirements; creating s. 607.0729, F.S.; requiring certain corporations to appoint one or more inspectors to determine voting results; authorizing the inspectors to appoint or retain certain persons for specific reasons; providing requirements for inspectors; authorizing the inspectors to take certain actions; providing for review of determinations of law by the inspectors; providing for the closing of polls for elections; amending s. 607.0730, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0731, F.S.; making clarifying changes; expanding the circumstances under which a transferee is deemed to have notice of a voting agreement; amending s. 607.0732, F.S.; revising provisions relating to shareholder agreements; providing construction; repealing s. 607.07401, F.S., relating to Shareholders' derivative actions; creating s. 607.0741, F.S.; providing standing requirements for a shareholder commencing a derivative proceeding; defining the term "shareholder"; creating s. 607.0742, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to a complaint brought in a proceeding in the right of a corporation; creating s. 607.0743, F.S.; authorizing a court to stay a derivative proceeding under certain circumstances; creating s. 607.0744, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to the dismissal of a derivative proceeding; creating s. 607.0745, F.S.; relocating a provision relating to the discontinuance or settlement of a derivative action; creating s. 607.0746, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to proceeds and expenses after the termination of a derivative proceeding; creating s. 607.0747, F.S.; providing applicability relating to foreign corporations; creating s. 607.0748, F.S.; authorizing a circuit court to appoint one or more persons to be custodians or receivers of and for a corporation for certain proceedings; providing guidance to the court for appointing such custodians and receivers; creating s. 607.0749, F.S.; authorizing a provisional director to be appointed at the discretion of the court in a proceeding by a shareholder and under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the provisional director; requiring the court to allow reasonable compensation paid by the corporation to the provisional director for certain services; amending s. 607.0801, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0802, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the qualifications of directors; amending s. 607.0803, F.S.; making clarifying changes; amending s. 607.0804, F.S.; providing applicability; amending s. 607.0805, F.S.; revising provisions relating to terms of directors; amending s. 607.0806, F.S.; revising provisions relating to staggered terms for directors; amending s. 607.0807, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the resignation of directors; amending s. 607.0808, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the removal of directors by shareholders; creating s. 607.08081, F.S.; authorizing circuit courts to remove a director from office and order certain relief under certain circumstances; amending s. 607.0809, F.S.; revising provisions relating to vacancies on a board of directors; amending s. 607.0820, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.0821, F.S.; revising provisions relating to action by directors without a meeting; amending s. 607.0823, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the waiver of notice of a meeting of a board of directors; amending s. 607.0824, F.S.; revising provisions relating to what constitutes a quorum of the board of directors; amending s. 607.0825, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the establishment and the powers of executive and board committees; creating s. 607.0826, F.S.; authorizing a corporation to agree to submit a matter that the board of directors determines it no longer recommends to a vote of the corporation's shareholders; amending s. 607.0830, F.S.; revising the general standards for directors; amending s. 607.0831, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the liability of directors; amending s. 607.0832, F.S.; defining terms; revising provisions relating to directors' conflicts of interest; amending s. 607.0833, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 607.0834, F.S.; revising provisions relating to liability for unlawful distributions; amending s. 607.08401, F.S.; authorizing the board of directors to appoint one or more individuals to act as officers of the corporation; specifying which records must be authenticated by an officer; creating s. 607.08411, F.S.; providing general standards for officers of the corporation; amending s. 607.0842, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the resignation and removal of officers; amending s. 607.0850, F.S.; defining terms; deleting provisions relating to the indemnification of officers, directors, employees, and agents; creating s. 607.0851, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to the permissible indemnification of certain persons by a corporation; creating s. 607.0852, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to the man-

datory indemnification of certain persons by a corporation; creating s. 607.0853, F.S.; authorizing a corporation to advance funds to pay for or reimburse certain expenses; providing requirements for the authorization of advanced funds; creating s. 607.0854, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions related to court-ordered indemnification and advance for expenses; creating s. 607.0855, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to the determination and authorization of indemnification; creating s. 607.0857, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to a corporation purchasing and maintaining certain insurance; creating s. 607.0858, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions related to indemnification by a corporation which is not specifically provided for by law; providing applicability; creating s. 607.0859, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to overriding restrictions on indemnification; amending s. 607.0901, F.S.; revising defined terms; revising provisions related to affiliated transactions; revising applicability; amending s. 607.0902, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 607.1001, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 607.1002, F.S.; expanding the list of types of amendments a corporation's board of directors may adopt without shareholder approval; making technical changes; amending s. 607.10025, F.S.; making technical changes; conforming a cross-reference; deleting a provision exempting corporations with less than a specified number of shareholders of record from applicability; amending s. 607.1003, F.S.; revising provisions relating to amendments to the articles of incorporation; amending s. 607.1004, F.S.; revising provisions relating to voting on amendments by voting groups; amending s. 607.1005, F.S.; requiring that a corporation have no board of directors for a majority of its incorporators to be authorized to adopt amendments to the corporation's articles of incorporation; amending s. 607.1006, F.S.; revising provisions relating to articles of amendment; amending s. 607.1007, F.S.; revising provisions relating to restated articles of incorporation; amending s. 607.1008, F.S.; revising provisions relating to an amendment pursuant to reorganization; amending s. 607.1009, F.S.; specifying when new interest holder liability as a result of an amendment takes effect; amending s. 607.1020, F.S.; revising provisions relating to amendments of the bylaws by boards of directors or shareholders; amending s. 607.1021, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 607.1022, F.S.; revising provisions relating to bylaws that increase a quorum or voting requirement for directors; creating s. 607.1023, F.S.; authorizing a corporation to elect in its bylaws to be governed in the election of directors under certain circumstances; providing applicability; authorizing certain bylaws to be repealed by the board of directors or shareholders under certain circumstances; amending s. 607.1101, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the merger of certain corporations and eligible entities; amending s. 607.1102, F.S.; revising provisions relating to plans of share exchange; amending s. 607.1103, F.S.; revising provisions relating to actions on a plan of merger or a plan of share exchange; creating s. 607.11035, F.S.; specifying when shareholder approval of a plan of merger or a plan of share exchange is not required; defining terms; amending s. 607.1104, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the mergers involving subsidiary corporations; amending s. 607.11045, F.S.; revising applicability; amending s. 607.1105, F.S.; revising provisions relating to articles of merger or share exchange; amending s. 607.1106, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the effectiveness of a merger or share exchange; amending s. 607.1107, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the abandonment of a merger or share exchange; deleting provisions relating to mergers or share exchanges with foreign corporations; repealing s. 607.1108, F.S., relating to merger of domestic corporation and other business entity; repealing s. 607.1109, F.S., relating to articles of merger; repealing s. 607.11101, F.S., relating to the effect of a merger of domestic corporation and other business entity; repealing s. 607.1112, F.S., relating to the conversion of a domestic corporation into another business entity; repealing s. 607.1113, F.S., relating to certificates of conversion; repealing s. 607.1114, F.S., relating to the effect of the conversion of a domestic corporation into another business entity; repealing s. 607.1115, F.S., relating to the conversion of another business entity into a domestic corporation; creating s. 607.11920, F.S.; authorizing a foreign corporation to become a domestic corporation under certain circumstances; authorizing a domestic corporation to become a foreign corporation under certain circumstances; requiring that a plan of domestication include certain information; authorizing a domestication to include certain provisions; authorizing a plan of domestication to be made dependent upon facts objectively ascertainable outside of the plan; providing applicability; creating s. 607.11921, F.S.; requiring a plan of domestication to be adopted in a certain manner; creating s. 607.11922, F.S.; requiring a domesticating corporation to sign articles of domestication under certain circumstances; requiring that the articles

of domestication contain certain information; providing procedures and requirements relating to the filing of the articles of domestication and the effectiveness of the domestication; providing that certain domesticating corporations' certificates of authority are automatically canceled upon the domestication becoming effective; providing that a copy of the articles of domestication may be filed in certain official records; creating s. 607.11923, F.S.; providing for the amendment of a plan of domestication; providing for the abandonment of a plan of domestication; creating s. 607.11924, F.S.; specifying the effects of a domestication; specifying that a domestication does not constitute or cause the dissolution of the domesticating corporation; prohibiting certain property from being diverted as a result of a domestication unless certain requirements are met; providing applicability; creating ss. 607.11930 and 607.11931, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to the conversion of corporations; creating s. 607.11932, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to actions on plans of conversion; providing applicability; creating s. 607.11933, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to articles of conversion and the effectiveness of such articles; creating s. 607.11934, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to amendments to plans of conversion; creating s. 607.11935, F.S.; relocating and revising provisions relating to the effectiveness of a conversion; amending s. 607.1201, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the disposition of assets not requiring shareholder approval; amending s. 607.1202, F.S.; revising provisions relating to shareholder approval of certain dispositions; amending s. 607.1301, F.S.; defining, deleting, and revising terms; amending s. 607.1302, F.S.; revising provisions relating to appraisal rights of shareholders; amending s. 607.1303, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.1320, F.S.; revising provisions relating to notice of appraisal rights; amending s. 607.1321, F.S.; revising provisions relating to notice of intent to demand payment; amending s. 607.1322, F.S.; revising provisions relating to appraisal notice and form; amending s. 607.1323, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.1324, F.S.; specifying that a shareholder ceases to have certain rights upon payment of an agreed value; amending s. 607.1326, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 607.1330, F.S.; revising provisions relating to court action to determine the fair value of shares and accrued interest; amending ss. 607.1331, 607.1332, and 607.1333, F.S.; making technical changes; creating s. 607.1340, F.S.; relocating provisions relating to certain shareholders challenging certain actions; making technical changes; amending s. 607.1401, F.S.; revising provisions relating to incorporators or directors dissolving a corporation; amending s. 607.1402, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the dissolution of a corporation by the board of directors and the shareholders; amending s. 607.1403, F.S.; revising provisions relating to articles of dissolution; defining the terms "dissolved corporation" and "successor entity"; amending s. 607.1404, F.S.; revising provisions relating to revocation of dissolution; amending s. 607.1405, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the effect of dissolution; amending s. 607.1406, F.S.; revising provisions relating to known claims against a dissolved corporation; defining the term "known claims"; deleting the term "successor entity"; amending s. 607.1407, F.S.; revising provisions relating to unknown claims against a dissolved corporation; creating s. 607.1408, F.S.; relocating provisions relating to claims against dissolved corporations; creating s. 607.1409, F.S.; authorizing certain dissolved corporations to file an application with the circuit court for a certain determination; providing guidelines for the proceedings; creating s. 607.1410, F.S.; providing duties for directors of dissolved corporations; amending s. 607.1420, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the administrative dissolution of a corporation; repealing s. 607.1421, F.S., relating to the procedure for and effect of administrative dissolution; amending s. 607.1422, F.S.; revising provisions relating to reinstatement following administrative dissolution; amending s. 607.1423, F.S.; revising provisions relating to judicial review of denials of reinstatement; amending s. 607.1430, F.S.; revising provisions relating to grounds for judicial dissolution; defining the term "shareholder"; amending s. 607.1431, F.S.; revising provisions relating to procedures for judicial dissolution; amending s. 607.1432, F.S.; revising provisions relating to receivership and custodianship; amending s. 607.1433, F.S.; revising provisions relating to judgment of dissolution; amending s. 607.1434, F.S.; revising provisions relating to alternative remedies to judicial dissolution; amending s. 607.1435, F.S.; revising provisions relating to court-appointed provisional directors; amending s. 607.1436, F.S.; revising provisions relating to elections to purchase instead of dissolution; amending s. 607.14401, F.S.; revising provisions relating to deposits associated with a dissolved corporation; amending s. 607.1501, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the authority of a foreign corporation to transact business in this state; creating s. 607.15015, F.S.; providing for

applicability of certain laws for a foreign corporation; providing that a foreign corporation may not be denied a certificate of authority for certain reasons; specifying that a certificate of authority does not authorize a foreign corporation to take certain actions; amending s. 607.1502, F.S.; revising provisions relating to transacting business in this state without a certificate of authority; providing applicability; amending s. 607.1503, F.S.; revising provisions relating to applications for a certificate of authority; amending s. 607.1504, F.S.; revising provisions relating to amendments to certificates of authority; amending s. 607.1505, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the effect of a certificate of authority; amending s. 607.1506, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the corporate name of a foreign corporation; amending s. 607.1507, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the registered offices and registered agents of foreign corporations; providing a civil penalty; amending s. 607.1508, F.S.; revising provisions relating to changing the names of registered offices and registered agents of foreign corporations; amending s. 607.1509, F.S.; revising provisions relating to resignations of registered agents of foreign corporations; creating s. 607.15091, F.S.; revising provisions relating to name and address changes for registered agents of foreign corporations; creating s. 607.15092, F.S.; providing requirements for delivery of notice or other communication; amending s. 607.15101, F.S.; revising provisions relating to service of process, notice, or demand on a foreign corporation; amending s. 607.1520, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the withdrawal of a certificate of authority for a foreign corporation; requiring a foreign corporation to take certain actions to cancel its certificate of authority; creating s. 607.1521, F.S.; specifying that certain foreign corporations are deemed to have withdrawn their certificate of authority under certain circumstances; creating s. 607.1522, F.S.; requiring a foreign corporation to deliver a notice of withdrawal of a certificate of authority under certain circumstances; providing for effective service of process on such foreign corporations; creating s. 607.1523, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Legal Affairs to maintain certain actions and to enjoin a foreign corporation under certain circumstances; amending s. 607.1530, F.S.; revising provisions relating to revocation of a foreign corporation's certificate of authority; repealing s. 607.1531, F.S., relating to the procedure for and effect of revocation; amending s. 607.15315, F.S.; revising provisions relating to reinstatement of a foreign corporation's certificate of authority; amending s. 607.1532, F.S.; revising provisions relating to judicial review of a denial of reinstatement; amending s. 607.1601, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the maintenance of corporate records; amending s. 607.1602, F.S.; revising provisions relating to inspection of records by shareholders; revising the definition of the term "shareholder"; amending s. 607.1603, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the scope of shareholders' inspection rights; amending s. 607.1604, F.S.; revising provisions relating to court-ordered inspections; amending s. 607.1605, F.S.; revising provisions relating to directors' inspection rights; amending s. 607.1620, F.S.; revising provisions relating to financial statements for shareholders; repealing s. 607.1621, F.S., relating to other reports to shareholders; amending s. 607.1622, F.S.; revising provisions relating to annual reports that are required to be filed with the Department of State; amending s. 607.1701, F.S.; making a technical change; revising applicability; amending s. 607.1702, F.S.; revising applicability; amending s. 607.1711, F.S.; making a technical change; repealing s. 607.1801, F.S., relating to domestication of foreign corporations; amending s. 607.1907, F.S.; revising provisions relating to savings provisions; creating s. 607.1908, F.S.; providing for severability; amending s. 607.504, F.S.; revising provisions relating to an election of social purpose corporation status; amending s. 607.604, F.S.; revising provisions relating to an election of benefit corporation status; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 605.0102, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; revising the definitions of the terms "private organic rules" and "public organic record"; amending s. 605.0105, F.S.; revising provisions relating to operating agreements; amending s. 605.0112, F.S.; revising provisions relating to names of limited liability companies; creating s. 605.01125, F.S.; authorizing a person to reserve the exclusive use of the name of a limited liability company; providing requirements for reserving the name; authorizing the department to revoke reservations under certain circumstances; amending s. 605.0113, F.S.; revising provisions relating to registered agents of limited liability companies; defining the term "authorized entity"; amending s. 605.0114, F.S.; revising provisions relating to changes of a registered agent or registered office; amending s. 605.0115, F.S.; requiring a registered agent to promptly mail a copy of a statement of resignation to a limited liability company's or foreign limited liability company's current mailing address; amending s. 605.0116, F.S.; making clarifying changes; amending s. 605.0117, F.S.; revising provisions relating to service

of process, notice, and demand on limited liability companies and registered foreign limited liability companies; amending s. 605.0118, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 605.0207, F.S.; revising provisions relating to effective dates and times for records filed with the Department of State; amending s. 605.0209, F.S.; revising what a statement of correction must contain; amending s. 605.0210, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the department's refusal to file a record; amending s. 605.0211, F.S.; revising provisions relating to certificates of status for foreign limited liability companies; amending s. 605.0215, F.S.; specifying that a copy of a document filed by the department must bear the signature of the Secretary of State and the seal of this state in order to be conclusive evidence that the original document is on file with the department; amending s. 605.04092, F.S.; defining terms; revising provisions relating to conflict of interest transactions; amending s. 605.0410, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 605.0702, F.S.; revising provisions relating to grounds for judicial dissolution of a limited liability company; amending s. 605.0706, F.S.; revising provisions relating to an election to purchase the entire interest of a petitioner instead of dissolving the limited liability company; amending s. 605.0715, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring a dissolved limited liability company to amend its articles of incorporation to change its name under certain circumstances; amending s. 605.0716, F.S.; revising provisions relating to judicial review of denial of reinstatement; amending ss. 605.0803 and 605.0903, F.S.; making clarifying changes; amending s. 605.0904, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a foreign limited liability company's failure to have a certificate of authority; amending s. 605.0906, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, certain foreign limited liability companies to use an alternate name to transact business in this state; amending s. 605.0907, F.S.; revising provisions relating to foreign limited liability companies' amendments to certificates of authority; amending s. 605.0908, F.S.; making technical changes; creating s. 605.09091, F.S.; providing requirements relating to the judicial review of denial of reinstatement for foreign limited liability companies; amending ss. 605.0910 and 605.0911, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the withdrawal or cancellation of a foreign limited liability company's certificate of authority; amending s. 605.0912, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a foreign limited liability company's withdrawal on the dissolution, merger, or conversion to a nonfiling entity; amending ss. 605.1025 and 605.1035, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 605.1061, F.S.; making a technical change; amending s. 605.1063, F.S.; providing requirements for when an appraisal event is required to be approved by written consent of members; amending s. 605.1072, F.S.; revising provisions relating to other remedies for a member to challenge certain completed appraisal events; providing construction; amending s. 617.0302, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 617.0501, F.S.; revising provisions relating to registered offices and registered agents of corporations not for profit; defining the term "authorized entity"; creating s. 617.05015, F.S.; authorizing a person to reserve the exclusive use of the name of a corporation not for profit; providing requirements for such reservation; amending s. 617.0831, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending ss. 617.1102 and 617.1108, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending s. 617.1507, F.S.; revising provisions relating to registered offices and registered agents of foreign corporations not for profit; defining the term "authorized entity"; amending s. 620.1108, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the names of certain limited partnerships; creating s. 620.11085, F.S.; authorizing a person to reserve the exclusive use of the name of a limited partnership; providing requirements for such reservation; amending ss. 620.2104, 620.2108, and 620.8918, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 621.12, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the names of certain corporations and limited liability companies; amending s. 865.09, F.S.; prohibiting certain fictitious names from containing "PA"; amending s. 662.150, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending ss. 331.355, 339.12, 628.530, 631.0515, 658.44, 663.03, 663.403, and 694.16, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 894**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to individual wine containers; repealing s. 564.05, F.S., relating to the limitation of size of individual wine containers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 896**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance; providing a short title; amending ss. 316.646, 318.18, 320.02, 320.0609, 320.27, 320.771, 322.251, and 322.34, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.011, F.S.; revising legislative intent; creating s. 324.015, F.S.; providing that motor vehicle liability policies issued or renewed after a specified date may not include personal injury protection; providing requirements for, and construction relating to, proof of financial responsibility and motor vehicle liability policies; specifying requirements for insurers relating to changes in coverages and notices to insureds; specifying requirements for such notice; providing for construction relating to certain covered motor vehicle accidents; amending s. 324.021, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “motor vehicle”; increasing the minimum required limits of bodily injury and property damage liability coverages for proof of financial responsibility; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.022, F.S.; revising coverage requirements for combined property damage liability and bodily injury liability policies that may meet financial responsibility requirements; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.0221, F.S.; providing construction; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.032, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending ss. 324.051 and 324.091, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 324.151, F.S.; defining terms; revising requirements, and authorized exclusions from coverage, for motor vehicle liability insurance policies; amending s. 324.161, F.S.; revising the amount of a certain certificate of deposit required before a certain certificate of insurance may be issued as proof of financial responsibility; amending s. 324.171, F.S.; revising minimum net worth requirements for qualification as a self-insurer; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 324.251, F.S.; revising a short title; amending s. 400.9905, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “clinic” to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 400.991, 400.9935, 409.901, 409.910, 456.057, and 456.072, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 624.155, F.S.; deleting provisions authorizing the Department of Financial Services to return a certain notice for lack of specificity which delays a certain time period; revising the information the notice must contain; requiring a trier of fact in bad faith actions against a motor vehicle liability insurer to consider whether certain persons made good faith efforts to cooperate with the insurer’s investigation; requiring certain persons to provide a written notice of loss to the insurer before bringing bad faith actions; providing that a claimant does not have a cause of action for bad faith against the insurer if the insurer meets certain conditions; defining terms; providing that, under certain third-party claims, a motor vehicle liability insurer is not liable beyond available policy limits if it meets certain conditions; requiring the trier of fact to determine the allocation of policy limits among claimants under certain circumstances; requiring third-party claimants to execute and deliver a certain release under certain circumstances; providing construction; amending ss. 626.9541, 626.989, 627.06501, 627.0652, 627.0653, 627.4132, and 627.7263, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.727, F.S.; specifying the legal liability of uninsured motorist coverage insurers for uninsured and underinsured vehicle coverage issued on or after a specified date; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.7275, F.S.; revising liability coverage requirements for motor vehicle insurance policies; amending ss. 627.728 and 627.7295, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 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 ss. 627.748, 627.8405, 628.909, 705.184, and 713.78, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 817.234, F.S.; revising certain acts of insurance fraud to apply to motor vehicle insurance claims generally, rather than only to personal injury protection claims; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 898**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; revising the authorized uses of proceeds from charter county and regional transportation system surtaxes; amending s. 215.68, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reviving, reenacting, and amending s. 319.141, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to oversee a program for authorization of alternatives to private-sector rebuilt motor vehicle inspection services; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 334.046, F.S.; revising the preservation goals of the Department of Transportation to include ensuring that all work on the State Highway System meets department standards; amending s. 334.175, F.S.; requiring the department to approve design plans for all transportation projects relating to department-owned rights-of-way under certain circumstances; amending s. 337.025, F.S.; authorizing the department to establish a program for transportation projects that demonstrate certain innovative techniques for measuring resiliency and structural integrity and controlling time and cost increases; amending s. 337.25, F.S.; providing conditions for repurchase by the previous property owner of certain real or personal property acquired by the department; providing for disposal of such property under certain circumstances; amending s. 338.165, F.S.; prohibiting the department from collecting tolls on facilities of the former Miami-Dade County Expressway Authority after the discharge of bond obligations; deleting cross-references; requiring the department to acquire the assets and assume the liabilities of the authority; providing construction; amending s. 338.166, F.S.; prohibiting the department from using toll revenues from high-occupancy toll lanes or express lanes to offset certain funding; limiting tolls on high-occupancy toll lanes or express lanes in certain counties; amending s. 338.231, F.S.; requiring the department to commit all net toll collections attributable to users of turnpike facilities in certain counties to projects and bond finance commitments in such counties; amending s. 339.175, F.S.; revising the membership criteria of the metropolitan planning organization in certain counties; repealing s. 339.176, F.S., relating to voting membership for certain metropolitan planning organizations; amending s. 343.1003, F.S.; deleting a cross-reference; repealing part I of ch. 348, F.S., relating to the creation and operation of the Florida Expressway Authority Act; transferring the assets and liabilities of the Miami-Dade County Expressway Authority to the department; creating ss. 348.635 and 348.7605, F.S.; providing a legislative declaration; authorizing the Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority and the Central Florida Expressway Authority to enter into public-private partnership agreements; authorizing solicitation or receipt of certain proposals; providing rulemaking authority; providing approval requirements; requiring certain costs to be borne by the private entity; providing notice requirements for requests for proposals; providing for ranking and negotiation of proposals; requiring the authorities to regulate tolls on certain facilities; requiring compliance with specified laws, rules, and conditions; providing for development, construction, operation, and maintenance of transportation projects by the authorities or private entities; providing construction; repealing part V of ch. 348, F.S., relating to the Osceola County Expressway Authority Law; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Harrell—

**SB 900**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse services; amending s. 394.4572, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Children and Families and the Agency for Health Care Administration to grant exemptions from disqualification for certain service provider personnel; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; redefining the terms “clinical supervisor” and “recovery residence”; defining the terms “clinical services supervisor,” “clinical director,” and “peer specialist”; amending s. 397.321, F.S.; providing for the review of certain decisions by a department-recognized certifying entity; authorizing certain persons to request an administrative hearing within a specified timeframe and under certain circumstances; amending s. 397.4073, F.S.; requiring in-

dividuals screened on or after a specified date to undergo specified background screening; requiring the department to grant or deny a request for an exemption from qualification within a certain timeframe; authorizing certain applicants for an exemption to work under the supervision of certain persons for a specified period of time while his or her application is pending; authorizing certain persons to be exempt from disqualification from employment; authorizing the department to grant exemptions from disqualification for service provider personnel to work solely in certain treatment programs and facilities; amending s. 397.4075, F.S.; increasing the criminal penalty for certain unlawful activities relating to personnel; providing a criminal penalty for inaccurately disclosing certain facts in an application for licensure; creating s. 397.417, F.S.; authorizing an individual to seek certification as a peer specialist if he or she meets certain requirements; requiring the department to approve one or more third-party credentialing entities for specified purposes; requiring the credentialing entity to demonstrate compliance with certain standards in order to be approved by the department; requiring an individual providing department-funded recovery support services as a peer specialist to be certified; authorizing an individual who is not certified to provide recovery support services as a peer specialist under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual who is not a certified peer specialist from advertising or providing recovery services unless the person is exempt; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 397.487, F.S.; revising legislative findings relating to voluntary certification of recovery residences; revising background screening requirements for owners, directors, and chief financial officers of recovery residences; authorizing a certified recovery residence to immediately discharge or transfer residents under certain circumstances; amending s. 397.4873, F.S.; expanding the exceptions to limitations on referrals by recovery residences to licensed service providers; amending s. 397.55, F.S.; revising the requirements for a service provider, operator of a recovery residence, or certain third parties to enter into certain contracts with marketing providers; amending s. 435.07, F.S.; authorizing the exemption of certain persons from disqualification from employment; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; requiring that a single-family or two-family dwelling used as a recovery residence be deemed a single-family or two-family dwelling for purposes of the Florida Building Code; amending s. 633.206, F.S.; requiring the Department of Financial Services to establish uniform firesafety standards for recovery residences; exempting a single-family or two-family dwelling used as a recovery residence from the uniform firesafety standards; requiring that such dwellings be deemed a single-family or two-family dwelling for the purposes of the Life Safety Code and Florida Fire Prevention Code; amending ss. 212.055, 397.416, and 440.102, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 902**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to open and expired building permits; creating s. 553.7905, F.S.; specifying conditions under which a building permit is considered an open permit, expired permit, or closed permit; authorizing an open or expired permit to be closed on by or on behalf of the current property owner if certain requirements are met; prohibiting a local enforcement agency from taking certain actions against a subsequent arms-length purchaser of property because a building permit was not properly closed within certain time periods; providing that a local enforcement agency maintains all rights and remedies identified on the permit; providing that certain permits may be closed under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; authorizing the owner of a home for sale to assume the role of an owner-builder in order to resolve an open permit under certain circumstances; providing that such owner is not required to reside in the home for a specified period; authorizing a contractor to hold an unlimited number of permits; providing that certain provisions of the Florida Building Code are not applicable to certain permits; providing an exception; requiring a local enforcement agency to provide written notice to a property owner when issuing a building permit; authorizing a governmental entity to charge a fee for searching for and identifying certain open or unexpired building permits; requiring a local enforcement agency to send a written notice to a property owner within a specified period if a permit has not been properly closed; providing requirements for the notice; providing that failure to receive written notice does not relieve certain persons

from taking action to close a permit; providing construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 904**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the assignment of property insurance benefits; creating s. 627.7152, F.S.; defining the term “assignment agreement”; specifying requirements for an assignee; requiring an assignee to meet certain requirements as a condition precedent to filing suit under a policy; providing that acceptance of an assignment agreement constitutes a waiver of certain claims; providing construction and applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Wright and Lee—

**SB 906**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescribed drug services and audits; creating s. 465.1871, F.S.; prohibiting attorneys from engaging in misleading advertisement related to medicinal drugs; providing causes of action; providing penalties; providing a timeframe for actions for recovery; amending s. 465.1885, F.S.; defining terms; providing applicability; providing requirements for pharmacy contracts and auditing entities; revising the timeframe for notice of audit; revising the rights that pharmacies have if audits are conducted; prohibiting audits from considering as fraud any clerical and recordkeeping error; limiting charge-backs and recoupments; excluding dispensing fees from calculations of overpayment; requiring auditing entities to be responsible for costs associated with audits; prohibiting auditing entities from compensating certain employees or contractors; providing penalties; requiring auditing entities to state the reason for the audits under certain circumstances; revising the timeframes of audit periods; revising the timeframe for the delivery of the preliminary audit report; revising the requirements for pharmacies to address discrepancies or audit findings; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to establish an appeals process; creating s. 624.491, F.S.; defining terms; requiring pharmacy benefit managers to provide the office with an annual report; providing report requirements; prohibiting publication or disclosure of certain information; requiring the office to publish certain information; creating s. 624.495, F.S.; defining the term “pharmacy services administration organization” or “PSAO”; requiring registration of pharmacy services administration organizations with the office; providing registration and reporting requirements; requiring the office to issue registration certificates under certain circumstances; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; amending s. 627.42392, F.S.; defining terms; revising the circumstances under which health insurers and pharmacy benefit managers are required to use prior authorization forms for specified purposes; requiring health insurers and pharmacy benefit managers to establish and offer an online prior authorization process; providing requirements for the process; creating s. 627.42393, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring health insurers to publish and provide to insureds a procedure for exemptions from fail first policies; providing requirements for the procedure; providing requirements for authorization or denial of policy exemptions; amending ss. 627.64741, 627.6572, and 641.314, F.S.; requiring pharmacy benefit managers to publish a list of certain drugs on their websites; providing requirements for the publication; extending the applicability date; creating ss. 627.64742, 627.66998, and 641.3924, F.S.; defining terms; requiring health insurers and health maintenance organizations to disclose to enrollees and prospective enrollees or to subscribers and prospective subscribers, respectively, that they are subject to excess cost sharing under certain circumstances; providing duties for health insurers and health maintenance organizations; prohibiting disclosure of specified information; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hooper—

**SB 908**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firesafety systems; amending s. 163.08, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “qualifying improvement” to include improvements to retrofit existing high-rise residential condominiums with certain fire sprinkler systems; amending s. 633.312, F.S.; requiring that certain fire protection system inspection reports be submitted pursuant to a statewide uniform set of procedures; authorizing local authorities having jurisdiction to accept such reports by certain means; requiring the State Fire Marshal to adopt a certain rule; providing that such inspection reports may not be subject to certain requirements; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; requiring that condominium association bylaws provide requirements for the association’s reasonable compliance with the Florida Fire Prevention Code; defining the term “reasonable compliance”; providing construction; specifying authorized means of compliance for certain residential condominiums; deleting a requirement for association bylaws to contain a certain certificate of compliance provision; deleting an exemption from a requirement to retrofit certain condominium property with a fire sprinkler system; deleting procedures for such exemption; extending the date before which a local authority having jurisdiction may not require completion of retrofitting with a fire sprinkler system; specifying the date before which a local authority having jurisdiction may not require completion of installation of an engineered life safety system; requiring a residential condominium association that is not in compliance with certain requirements to perform certain duties by specified dates; providing a penalty; requiring the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to collect such penalty payments and remit them to the Firefighter Assistance Grant Program within the Division of State Fire Marshal of the Department of Financial Services; deleting an obsolete provision; deleting requirements for condominium associations to report certain information to the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes and for the division to report certain information to the Division of State Fire Marshal; amending s. 718.120, F.S.; authorizing condominium associations, under certain circumstances, to elect to be assessed certain taxes and assessments upon the condominium property as a whole; specifying when such election must be made; authorizing such associations to elect for condominium parcels to be assessed separately after certain conditions are met; reenacting s. 288.9606(7)(c), F.S., relating to the issuance of revenue bonds, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 163.08, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gainer—

**SB 910**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to court-ordered treatment programs; amending s. 394.47891, F.S.; providing that veterans who were discharged or released under any condition, individuals who are current or former United States Department of Defense contractors, and individuals who are current or former military members of a foreign allied country are eligible in a certain Military Veterans and Servicemembers Court Program; amending s. 948.08, F.S.; authorizing a person who is charged with a certain felony and identified as a veteran who is discharged or released under any condition, an individual who is a current or former United States Department of Defense contractor, or an individual who is a current or former military member of a foreign allied country to be eligible for voluntary admission into a pretrial veterans’ treatment intervention program under certain circumstances; amending s. 948.16, F.S.; authorizing a veteran who is discharged or released under any condition, an individual who is a current or former United States Department of Defense contractor, or an individual who is a current or former military member of a foreign allied country and who is charged with a misdemeanor to be eligible for voluntary admission into a misdemeanor pretrial veterans’ treatment intervention program under certain circumstances; amending s. 948.21, F.S.; authorizing the court to impose a condition requiring a probationer or community controllee who is a veteran discharged or released under any condition, an individual who is a current or former United States Department of Defense contractor, or an individual who is a current or former military member of a foreign allied country to participate in a certain treatment program under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Powell—

**SB 912**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Complete Count Committee; creating the committee adjunct to the Department of State for specified purposes; specifying the membership of the committee; providing for the appointment of members and filling of vacancies; prescribing duties of the committee and the department; requiring each state agency to designate a census coordinator; defining the term “state agency”; prescribing reporting requirements; providing for expiration of the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 914**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Educational Dollars for Duty program; amending s. 250.10, F.S.; revising the Educational Dollars for Duty program; revising the ineligibility criteria for members of the Florida National Guard; providing that guard members who have earned certain college degrees before becoming a guard member are eligible for the program; limiting the tuition and fees that the program may cover for doctoral and professional degree programs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 916**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cyberstalking; amending s. 784.048, F.S.; redefining the term “cyberstalk” as the term relates to prohibited acts; reenacting and amending s. 815.06, F.S.; providing that a person commits an offense against users of certain electronic devices if he or she willfully, knowingly, and exceeding authorization performs specified acts; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 790.065(2)(c), 794.056(1), 847.0141(4), 901.41(5), 938.08, 938.085, 943.325(2)(g), 960.001(1)(b), 985.265(3)(b), and 1006.147(3)(e), all relating to the crime of stalking, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 784.048, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 775.30(1) and (2), 775.33(2), 782.04(5), and 934.07(3), F.S., all relating to a violation of s. 815.06, F.S., to incorporate the amendment made to s. 815.06, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Thurston—

**SB 918**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adoption assistance for children in the child welfare system; amending s. 409.166, F.S.; requiring that court costs for all adoptive parents who adopt children in the custody of the Department of Children and Families be waived, rather than reimbursed, by the department; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 920**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the DNA database; amending s. 943.325, F.S.; revising legislative findings relating to the use of the DNA database; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Berman—

**SB 922**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discharging firearms in public or on residential property; providing a short title; amending s. 790.15, F.S.; revising provisions prohibiting the recreational discharge of a firearm outdoors; providing criminal penalties; providing an exception; amending s. 810.09, F.S.; prohibiting the propelling of any potentially lethal projectile over or across private land while target shooting; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 924**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to occupational licensing; creating ss. 455.216 and 456.0155, F.S.; defining the term “apprenticeship”; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and the Department of Health, respectively, to grant an application for licensure if the applicant has completed an apprenticeship and met other specified requirements; requiring the department to establish the grade necessary for an applicant who has completed an apprenticeship to receive a passing grade for an examination; prohibiting the department from requiring an applicant to take an examination under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Berman—

**SB 926**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education in public schools concerning human sexuality; providing a short title; requiring public schools that provide certain information or programs to students relating to human sexuality to provide information that meets specified criteria; providing definitions; requiring schools to make a certain curriculum available to parents and guardians upon request; authorizing students to be excused from certain portions of a program or class under certain circumstances; prohibiting an excused student from receiving disciplinary action, academic penalty, or any other form of punishment for being excused; providing a compliance review process that meets certain requirements; authorizing a parent or guardian to seek review of a school’s compliance; providing for district school superintendents, district schools boards, and the Commissioner of Education to review compliance and corrective actions; repealing s. 1003.46, F.S., relating to health education and instruction in acquired immune deficiency syndrome; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 928**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the rebuilt motor vehicle inspection program; reviving, reenacting, and amending s. 319.141, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “rebuilt inspection services”; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to oversee a pilot program in Miami-Dade County for rebuilt inspection services offered by private sector participants; requiring, by a specified date, the department to expand the pilot program to include Broward County and Hillsborough County; authorizing the department to solicit and receive proposals and select up to two qualified participants per county to provide rebuilt inspection services; requiring participants, upon selection, to enter into a certain memorandum of understanding with the department; requiring that the department ensure that the participant meets basic criteria designed to protect the public before a participant is allowed to furnish the rebuilt inspection services; requiring the participant to meet specified requirements; providing that only a participant selected and approved by the department to provide rebuilt inspection services may charge or receive a fee for providing or facilitating the provision of such services; providing that any applicant that fails an initial rebuilt inspection may have that vehicle reinspected only by the department or the facility that conducted the original inspection; requiring that the department conduct an onsite facility inspection at least once per quarter and immediately

terminate a participant under certain circumstances; requiring that a current operator of a rebuilt inspection facility give the department certain written notice of a transfer; providing requirements for the transferee; requiring the department to submit a certain written report to the Legislature by a specified date; repealing an obsolete provision; providing an effective date.

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

**SR 930**—Not introduced.

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 932**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to autonomous vehicles; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending ss. 316.062, 316.063, 316.065, and 316.1975, F.S.; providing applicability; amending s. 316.303, F.S.; exempting a fully autonomous vehicle being operated with the automated driving system engaged from a prohibition on the active display of television or video; amending s. 316.305, F.S.; exempting a motor vehicle operator who is operating an autonomous vehicle from a prohibition on the use of wireless communications devices; amending s. 316.85, F.S.; providing that a licensed human operator is not required to operate a fully autonomous vehicle; authorizing a fully autonomous vehicle to operate in this state regardless of whether a human operator is physically present in the vehicle; requiring the automated driving system to be deemed to be the operator of an autonomous vehicle operating with the automated driving system engaged; providing construction; authorizing the Florida Turnpike Enterprise to fund, construct, and operate certain test facilities and undertake certain research and development projects; providing requirements for operation of on-demand autonomous vehicle networks; providing legislative intent; prohibiting a local government from imposing any tax, fee, for-hire vehicle requirement, or other requirement on automated driving systems or autonomous vehicles or on a person who operates an autonomous vehicle; amending s. 319.145, F.S.; revising requirements for autonomous vehicles registered in this state; creating s. 322.015, F.S.; providing applicability; amending ss. 339.175, 339.64, 339.83, and 627.0653, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 655.960, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 934**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high-performing charter schools; amending s. 1002.331, F.S.; revising requirements for a high-performing charter school; revising the facility capacity measurement used when a high-performing charter school increases its student enrollment; revising the number of charter schools that a high-performing charter school may establish in any year from two to one; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bracy—

**SB 936**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal history records; creating s. 943.0586, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Information Program to administratively seal the criminal history records of a minor upon notification by the clerk of the court under specified circumstances; providing applicability for the administrative sealing of specified criminal history records; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Bracy—

**SB 938**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 943.059, F.S.; expanding an existing public records exemption to include the administrative sealing of specified criminal history records; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for future review and repeal of the expanded exemption; providing for reversion of specified language if the exemption is not saved from repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 940**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crimes evidencing prejudice; amending s. 775.085, F.S.; expanding grounds for the reclassification of crimes to include prejudice based on the gender or gender identity of any person; specifying that the reclassification occurs if the crime was based in whole or in part on the race, color, ancestry, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, homeless status, advanced age, gender, or gender identity of any person; defining the term “gender identity”; 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 occurs if the crime was based in whole or in part on a disability of any person; reenacting s. 921.0022(2), F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code and the offense severity ranking chart, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 775.085 and 775.0863, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 942**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing honorary designations of certain transportation facilities in specified counties; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Stewart and Rouson—

**SB 944**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; requiring a specified annual appropriation to the Florida Forever Trust Fund; deleting an obsolete provision; prohibiting moneys from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund from being used for specified costs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Powell—

**SB 946**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to background screening; creating s. 435.13, F.S.; prohibiting employers from excluding applicants from an initial interview for employment under certain conditions; providing a civil penalty; providing applicability; providing exceptions; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to enforce the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 948**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student loans and scholarship obligations of health care practitioners; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; establishing that a health care practitioner’s failure to repay a student loan or to comply with service scholarship obligations does not constitute grounds for disciplinary action; removing a civil fine; amending s. 456.0721, F.S.; removing the requirement that the Department of Health investigate and prosecute health care practitioners for failing to repay a student loan or to comply with scholarship service obligations; removing the requirement that the department include specified information related to such investigations and prosecutions in an annual report; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 950**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Statewide Medicaid Residency Program; amending s. 409.909, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “qualifying institution” to include certain community facilities and community mental health centers or clinics; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 952**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic navigation systems; creating s. 316.1897, F.S.; prohibiting electronic navigation systems, for certain purposes, from directing the operator of a vehicle to drive through adjacent residential areas when a school zone speed limit is in effect if the primary purpose of such direction is to avoid the school zone; defining the terms “electronic navigation system” and “residential area”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Infrastructure and Security; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senators Berman and Perry—

**SB 954**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to stem cells; creating s. 385.301, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules by a specified date; providing patient eligibility; requiring eligible patients to sign a written informed consent prior to receiving an investigational stem cell treatment; authorizing the department to adopt a form by rule for the informed consent; requiring an investigational stem cell treatment to be administered directly by a licensed and certified physician, overseen by an institutional review board, and provided at a certain facility; providing construction; prohibiting a licensing board from taking action against a physician’s license under certain circumstances; prohibiting a state entity responsible for Medicare certification from taking action against a physician’s Medicare certification under certain circumstances; prohibiting a state entity from interfering with an eligible patient’s access to or use of a stem cell treatment; requiring institutional review boards to keep records on the treatment of each patient; requiring each institutional review board to submit an annual report analyzing patient records to the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine; requiring that the report exclude the personal identifying information of patients and that it be made available to the public in both written and electronic form; amending s. 873.01, F.S.; clarifying that the purchase or sale of stem cells is a felony; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 956**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to three-dimensional printed firearms; creating s. 790.224, F.S.; defining the term “3D-printed firearm”; prohibiting the printing, transferring, importing into

this state, distributing, selling, possessing, or giving to another person certain 3D-printed firearms as of a specified date; providing criminal penalties; requiring persons in possession of such firearms to relinquish them to a law enforcement agency or to the Department of Law Enforcement or to destroy them before the prohibition takes effect; requiring a law enforcement agency or the department to destroy any relinquished firearms within a specified timeframe; providing for the future repeal of certain provisions; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 958**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to housing discrimination; amending s. 760.07, F.S.; removing housing discrimination as a cause of action for certain relief and damages stemming from violations of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992; amending s. 760.34, F.S.; revising the conditions under which an aggrieved person may commence a civil action in any appropriate court against a specified respondent to enforce specified rights; providing that the aggrieved person does not need to pursue certain other remedies before commencing a civil action; making technical changes; amending s. 760.35, F.S.; authorizing, rather than requiring, a civil action to commence within a specified period after an alleged discriminatory housing practice; authorizing an aggrieved person to commence a civil action regardless of whether a specified complaint has been filed and regardless of the status of any such complaint; prohibiting an aggrieved person from filing a specified action in certain circumstances; providing an exception; prohibiting an aggrieved person from commencing a specified civil action if an administrative law judge has commenced a hearing on the record on the allegation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 960**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Marchman Act; providing a short title; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 397.6760, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, a clerk of the court to disclose certain records; amending s. 397.6772, F.S.; removing provisions authorizing a law enforcement officer to detain a person in certain facilities under certain circumstances; amending s. 397.681, F.S.; authorizing certain petitions to be pled concurrently; providing that a violation of a court order is subject to certain powers; amending s. 397.6811, F.S.; authorizing certain persons to be held at certain facilities for a specified timeframe; prohibiting a licensed service provider from initiating proceedings unless certain conditions are met; amending s. 397.6814, F.S.; requiring certain petitions to include additional specified information; amending s. 397.6815, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the procedures for filing certain petitions; authorizing a petitioner to serve a respondent by private process; requiring a court to schedule a hearing on certain petitions within a specified timeframe; providing duties of the court and the clerk of the court relating to the issuance of a writ of bodily attachment; amending s. 397.6818, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, a court to designate a licensed service provider to perform an involuntary assessment and stabilization in a specified order; requiring the court to make its findings based on certain records within a specified timeframe; requiring the court to schedule a hearing on a certain petition within a specified timeframe; authorizing the court to order a law enforcement agency to take a respondent into custody for involuntary assessment by a licensed service provider; amending s. 397.695, F.S.; prohibiting a licensed service provider from initiating proceedings unless certain conditions are met; amending s. 397.6957, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the duties of a court upon the filing of certain petitions; amending ss. 397.675, 397.6758, 397.6799, 397.6822, 397.693, 397.6951, 397.6955, 397.697, and 397.6975, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 962**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to malt beverages; creating s. 563.061, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting sales and purchases of malt beverages on consignment or any basis other than a bona fide sale; authorizing a vendor to request return of undamaged product, damaged product, and out-of-code product to a distributor; authorizing a distributor to accept such returns under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the exchange of product; specifying that a distributor is not required to accept returns authorized by the act; requiring a distributor to take certain actions if the distributor accepts return of product; requiring the distributor to keep transaction records of each return for a specified time; requiring the records to contain certain information; requiring the distributor to provide a copy of the transaction record to a vendor and the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the maintenance of the transaction records; providing that returns pursuant to the act are not considered gifts, loans, or other forms of financial aid or assistance for purposes of tied house evil; providing for a civil penalty; authorizing the division to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

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By Senator Berman—

**SB 964**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school buses; amending s. 1006.22, F.S.; authorizing district school boards to install and operate, or enter into a contract with a private vendor to install and operate, automated school bus safety cameras; defining the term “automated school bus safety camera”; providing that a photograph or video recorded by such camera is admissible as evidence in a criminal or civil proceeding; providing that such photograph or video is not required for the prosecution of certain violations of certain offenses; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 966**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile diversion expungement; amending s. 943.0582, F.S.; deleting a requirement that limits diversion program expunction to programs for misdemeanor offenses; amending s. 985.126, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Simmons—

**SB 968**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to court reporter registry; creating s. 25.389, F.S.; providing legislative intent; requiring the Supreme Court to create and administer a court reporter registry; requiring the registry to be posted on the Supreme Court website; requiring court reporters to register with the Supreme Court by a specified date; requiring court reporters to update their information within a specified time; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 970**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Voluntary Pre-kindergarten Education Program; creating s. 1002.78, F.S.; requiring the principals of certain public elementary schools to take specified actions to facilitate communication and collaboration with private pre-kindergarten providers; providing requirements for such school principals; requiring the Office of Early Learning and early learning coalitions to provide specified support to such school principals; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 972**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to innovation in the advanced practice registered nursing workforce; amending s. 464.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “advanced or specialized nursing practice” to expand the scope of practice; amending s. 464.012, F.S.; authorizing an advanced practice registered nurse to perform certain functions and acts within his or her specialty without a protocol agreement or supervision if specified requirements are met; creating s. 464.0125, F.S.; providing requirements for advanced practice registered nurses to practice without a protocol agreement or supervision; requiring the Department of Health to notify an advanced practice registered nurse who submits a satisfactory form that he or she is qualified to practice without a protocol agreement or supervision; requiring the department to update such practitioner’s profile; authorizing a qualified advanced practice registered nurse to admit, manage care for, and discharge certain patients and to provide an endorsement that is otherwise required to be provided by a physician; requiring the Board of Nursing to adopt a certain form by rule; providing construction; creating s. 464.0155, F.S.; requiring an advanced practice registered nurse practicing without a protocol agreement or supervision to report adverse incidents to the department; defining the term “adverse incident”; requiring a such report to be made in writing and sent by certified mail within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to review adverse incident reports to make a certain determination; authorizing the board to take disciplinary action against the advanced practice registered nurse if the department makes a certain determination; amending s. 395.0191, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 974**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to damaged, dismantled, derelict, or salvage motor vehicles; amending s. 319.30, F.S.; authorizing a certain notice sent by certified mail that a motor vehicle is available for pickup to be sent by another commercially available delivery service that provides proof of delivery; requiring the notice to state that the owner has a specified period during which to pick up the vehicle; authorizing an independent entity to apply for a certificate of destruction or a certificate of title if the vehicle is not claimed within a specified time after the delivery or attempted delivery of the notice; specifying requirements for an independent entity if the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles’ records do not contain the owner’s address; requiring an independent entity to maintain specified records for a minimum period; authorizing an independent entity to provide an affidavit with specified statements if such entity is unable to obtain a lien satisfaction or a release of all liens on the motor vehicle; providing that notice to lienholders and attempts to obtain a release from lienholders may be by certain written request; amending s. 320.03, F.S.; authorizing an entity that processes certain transactions or certificates for derelict or salvage motor vehicles to be an authorized electronic filing system agent; deleting obsolete provisions; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Powell—

**SB 976**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to care for retired law enforcement dogs; creating s. 943.69, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings; defining terms; creating the Care for Retired Law Enforcement Dogs Program within the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring the department to contract with a corporation not for profit to administer and manage the program; providing requirements for the corporation not for profit; providing requirements for the disbursement of funds for the veterinary care of eligible retired law enforcement dogs; placing an annual cap on the amount of funds

available for the care of an eligible retired law enforcement dog; prohibiting a former handler or adopter from accumulating unused funds from a current year for use in a future year; prohibiting a former handler or adopter from receiving reimbursement if funds are depleted for the year for which such reimbursement is sought; requiring the department to pay to the corporation not for profit, and authorizing the corporation not for profit to use, up to a certain percentage of appropriated funds for administrative purposes; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Torres—

**SB 978**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional and driver licensing during a state of emergency; exempting residents of other states from certain application and licensing fees during a state of emergency and for a certain period thereafter; defining the term “state”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Infrastructure and Security; and Rules.

By Senator Harrell—

**SB 980**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.0714, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for all information contained in a petition for certain protective injunctions, and any related affidavit, notice of hearing, and temporary injunction, until the respondent has been personally served; 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 Thurston—

**SB 982**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human trafficking education in schools; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising the required health education in public schools to include information regarding the dangers and signs of human trafficking; authorizing a student to opt out of a specified portion of the health education under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to develop human trafficking awareness campaigns; requiring the department to develop and operate a hotline to receive reports of potential human trafficking activity; requiring the department to provide certain reports to appropriate law enforcement agencies for investigation and disposition; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 984**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; creating a fee for a certain specialty license plate; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 986**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; creating a fee for a certain specialty license plate; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SR 988**—A resolution requesting the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to consider relisting the Florida black bear as a threatened species under the Endangered and Threatened Species Act.

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

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 990**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unemployment compensation; amending s. 443.101, F.S.; making editorial changes; prohibiting certain victims of domestic violence from being disqualified for benefits for voluntarily leaving work; prohibiting the employment record of an employing unit from being charged in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stewart—

**SB 992**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bump-fire stocks; amending s. 790.222, F.S.; delaying a prohibition of certain actions related to bump-fire stocks until a specified date; requiring a person in possession of a bump-fire stock to relinquish it to a law enforcement agency or the Department of Law Enforcement or to destroy or render the device permanently inoperable before the prohibition takes effect; requiring the law enforcement agency or the department to destroy any relinquished or acquired bump-fire stocks within a reasonable timeframe; requiring the department to develop and oversee the process for receiving the relinquished bump-fire stocks; requiring the department to advertise and promote the collection period throughout the state; providing for the future repeal of certain provisions; providing an effective date.

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

**SB 994**—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 996**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to possession of firearms on school property; amending s. 790.115, F.S.; revising a provision relating to the possession of firearms in student campus parking; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 998**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public notification of pollution; amending s. 403.077, F.S.; defining the term “governmental entity”; redefining the term “reportable pollution release”; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to publish certain notices received from a governmental entity on a website accessible to the public; requiring a governmental entity to notify the owner or operator of an installation and the department of certain releases or discharges within a specified timeframe; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1000**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to communications services taxes; amending s. 202.12, F.S.; reducing the communications services tax rate levied on sales of communications services; amending s. 337.401, F.S.; revising the authority for municipalities and counties to

impose permit fees on providers of communications services that use or occupy municipal or county roads or rights-of-way; deleting the procedures, requirements, and limitations with respect to such fees; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Finance and Tax; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1002**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles and railroad trains; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “railroad train”; amending s. 316.068, F.S.; requiring that, in the event of a crash involving a railroad train, the collection of certain information be at the discretion of the law enforcement officer having jurisdiction to investigate the crash; specifying that certain persons are not considered passengers for the purpose of making crash reports; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1004**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regional agency and regional planning council meetings; amending s. 120.525, F.S.; providing requirements for establishing a quorum for meetings of certain agencies and councils when a voting member appears via telephone, real-time videoconferencing, or similar real-time electronic or video communication; requiring notice of intent to appear via telephone, real-time videoconferencing, or similar real-time electronic or video communication by a specified time; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1006**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public electric utility rates; amending s. 366.06, F.S.; requiring public electric utilities to charge specified electric rates as of a certain date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1008**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; amending s. 112.3143, F.S.; prohibiting a state public officer from voting in an official capacity on any measure that he or she knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of certain principals, parent organizations or subsidiaries of a corporate principal, relatives, or business associates of the officer; revising disclosure requirements applicable to state public officers in the event of a voting conflict; prohibiting any public officer from participating in any matter that would inure to the officer’s special private gain or loss or that he or she knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of certain principals, parent organizations or subsidiaries of a corporate principal, relatives, or business associates of the officer; prescribing disclosure requirements; amending s. 112.317, F.S.; authorizing a person who has filed a complaint against a public officer or employee to recover costs and reasonable attorney fees if he or she prevails against a respondent’s fee petition; requiring the Commission on Ethics to forward information regarding a respondent’s failure to voluntarily pay such costs and fees within a certain timeframe to the Department of Legal Affairs; requiring the department to bring a civil action to recover such costs and fees owed to a complainant; amending ss. 288.1226, 310.151, 627.351, 1002.33, 1002.333, and 1002.83, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 28.35(1)(b), 112.3251, 288.901(1)(c), 288.92(2)(b), and 288.9604(3)(a), F.S., relating to standards of conduct for public officers, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 112.3143, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1010**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory retention; amending s. 1008.25, F.S.; removing the requirement for mandatory retention of a third grade student based on his or her performance on the English Language Arts assessment; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; correcting a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1012**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to jurors; amending s. 40.013, F.S.; requiring that a certain person's voting rights, rather than civil rights, be restored before he or she is qualified to serve as a juror; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 1014**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to film and television production; creating s. 288.1259, F.S.; defining terms; establishing the Florida Motion Picture Capital Corporation to encourage the use of this state as a site for scripted productions by providing financing to certain productions; providing powers of and imposing limitations on the corporation; providing requirements for financing a production; requiring the corporation to give preference to productions that meet specified criteria; requiring that the board be composed of certain members; providing for the appointment of the board, terms for the board, and guidelines for the board; prohibiting board members from discussing certain pending applications with applicants outside of a board meeting for a specified period; requiring board members to serve without compensation; authorizing board members to be reimbursed for certain expenses; requiring the board to adopt bylaws, rules, and policies before the expenditure of funds; requiring the board of directors to adopt specified criteria for evaluating applications for financing; requiring the board to hold regularly scheduled meetings; requiring the board to create the Florida Motion Picture Capital Account and maintain exclusive control of the account; requiring that certain funds be deposited in the account; authorizing the board to deposit funds with certain institutions and to invest certain funds in permissible investments; requiring that certain dividend payments be redeposited in the account for a specified purpose; requiring that the corporation's operating expenses be kept to a minimum and funded by appropriations and certain net returns; requiring that a claim against the account be solely paid from the account; requiring the board to appoint a president who meets specified criteria; limiting the salary and benefits of the president; providing the powers and duties of the president; requiring the corporation to provide certain notice of financing contracts or agreements to the Department of Economic Opportunity and on the corporation's website for a specified period of time; requiring that the notice include specified information; requiring the corporation to submit a supplemental report to the department which contains certain information; requiring the Auditor General to conduct an annual financial audit of the corporation and the account; amending s. 20.60, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 1016**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 288.1259, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain application information submitted to the Florida Motion Picture Capital Corporation; providing for legislative

review and repeal of the exemption; defining terms; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Benacquisto—

**SCR 1018**—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.

—was previously introduced and adopted this day.

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By Senators Bradley and Albritton—

**SB 1020**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hemp; creating s. 581.084, F.S.; providing definitions; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to adopt rules to administer a state hemp program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Agriculture; and Rules.

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1022**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to onsite treatment and disposal systems; transferring the onsite sewage program of the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection by a type two transfer; amending s. 373.036, F.S.; requiring each water management district to submit a copy of its consolidated water management district annual report to the Office of Economic and Demographic Research; revising the contents of such report; amending ss. 373.807, 381.006, and 381.0064, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act and making technical changes; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; defining the term “department” as it relates to onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems provisions; revising duties related to the Department of Environmental Protection research projects; deleting provisions relating to the department's research and review advisory committee; requiring the department to convene a technical advisory committee by a specified date; providing for the purpose and membership of the advisory committee; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing for the expiration of the committee; amending s. 381.00651, F.S.; requiring county health departments to coordinate with the department to administer certain programs; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 381.0068, F.S., relating to the technical review and advisory panel; amending s. 403.067, F.S.; requiring the department to submit certain project cost estimates to the office; amending s. 381.0061, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; re-enacting ss. 373.026(8)(b), 373.0363(5), 373.042(3), 373.199(7), 373.414(1)(b), 373.4592(4)(d), (13), and (14), 373.45926(3), 373.4595(6), 373.463(3), 373.470(7), 373.536(6)(a) and (b), and 373.707(8), F.S., relating to the general powers and duties of the department, the Southern Water Use Caution Area Recovery Strategy, minimum flows and minimum water levels, the Florida Forever Water Management District Work Plan, additional criteria for activities in surface waters and wetlands, Everglades improvement and management, the Everglades Trust Fund, the Northern Everglades and Estuaries Protection Program, the heartland headwaters annual report, Everglades restoration, district budget and hearing thereon, and alternative water supply development, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 373.036, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1024**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to blockchain technology; providing legislative findings; establishing the Florida Blockchain Working Group in the Agency for State Technology; providing for membership and duties of the working group; requiring the working group to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature and make

presentations; requiring the agency to provide support staff and other assistance to the working group; providing for termination of the working group; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 1026**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 383.305, F.S.; providing applicability of licensure fee requirements to advanced birth centers; amending s. 383.324, F.S.; requiring an advanced birth center to pay an inspection fee to the agency; amending s. 408.033, F.S.; providing applicability of an assessment to advanced birth centers; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1028**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school funding; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring that district school boards receive certain funds approved by voter referendum; creating s. 1011.6203, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 1002.333(9)(a), F.S., relating to persistently low-performing schools, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 1002.33, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Bracy—

**SB 1030**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mitigating circumstances in sentencing; amending s. 921.0026, F.S.; revising the mitigating circumstances under which a departure from the lowest permissible sentence is justified, to include when a defendant is amenable to treatment and he or she requires specialized treatment for a certain substance addiction; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Bracy—

**SB 1032**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to inmate placement; amending s. 944.17, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to confine inmates according to specified locational requirements by a specified date; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1034**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assignment of consumer debts; amending s. 559.715, F.S.; clarifying that an assignee must give a debtor certain notice within a specified timeframe before the assignee brings legal action to collect the debt; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1036**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Building Code; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; prohibiting local governments from carrying forward balances resulting from its enforcement of the Florida Building Code which exceed a specified amount; requiring local governments to use any excess funds for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 1038**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to increment revenues; amending s. 163.370, F.S.; providing that law enforcement, fire suppression, emergency rescue, and code enforcement services are not deemed unrelated to the carrying out of a community redevelopment plan, for purposes of financing by increment revenues; authorizing a county or municipality to fund the incremental costs of law enforcement and emergency response for a community redevelopment area using increment revenues under certain circumstances; amending ss. 163.340 and 163.358, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Lee—

**SB 1040**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discretionary sales surtaxes; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; requiring a petition sponsor of an initiative to adopt a charter county and regional transportation system surtax to comply with specified requirements within a specified timeframe before the proposed referendum; requiring a county to make the proposed referendum and a specified legal opinion available on its official website; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, upon receiving a certain notice, to procure a certified public accountant for a performance audit; requiring a supervisor of elections to verify petition signatures and retain signature forms in a specified manner; providing that an initiative sponsor's failure to comply with the specified requirements renders any referendum held void; revising requirements and procedures for discretionary sales surtax performance audits; providing that the failure to comply with certain requirements renders any referendum held to adopt a discretionary sales surtax void; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Torres—

**SB 1042**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marriage and family therapists; amending s. 491.005, F.S.; providing equivalent education requirements for licensure by examination; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 491.006, F.S.; deleting certain education requirements for licensure or certification by endorsement; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1044**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; providing that the Department of Transportation consists of a central office that establishes policies and procedures and districts that carry out certain projects; deleting the requirement that the Governor appoint the Secretary of Transportation from among three persons nominated by the Florida Transportation Commission; providing additional qualification requirements for the secretary; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; requiring that certain mileage be computed on the basis of the most commonly used maps; amending s. 334.046, F.S.; requiring certain preservation goals to include ensuring that a specified percentage of the pavement in each of the department's districts meet department standards by a specified year; creating s. 334.179, F.S.; prohibiting local governments from adopting standards or specifications that are contrary to the department standards or specifications for permissible use of aggregates and materials that have been certified for use; defining the term "certified for use"; amending s. 337.14, F.S.; requiring any contractor, instead of any person, desiring to bid for the performance of certain construction contracts to first be

certified by the department as qualified; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; requiring a contractor desiring to bid on certain contracts to have satisfactorily completed certain projects; amending s. 337.18, F.S.; requiring that a certain schedule include a reduction of the daily liquidated damage charges to certain costs when traffic is in its final configuration and the project is functional for its intended purpose; amending s. 337.185, F.S.; revising the maximum amounts per contract of certain contractual claims that must be arbitrated by the State Arbitration Board under certain circumstances; amending s. 338.166, F.S.; prohibiting the department from using toll revenue from high-occupancy toll lanes or express lanes to offset funding that the facilities would use if the facilities were not high-occupancy toll lanes or express lanes; amending s. 339.135, F.S.; requiring the department to allocate a minimum specified percentage of all transportation capacity funds, with the exception of funds allocated for the transit program and the surface transportation program attributable to areas with certain populations, to the Florida Strategic Intermodal System; amending s. 339.65, F.S.; requiring that priority for certain facility improvements by the department be given to correcting or improving certain sections of interstate highway; requiring that project development and environmental studies for a certain section of interstate highway begin within a specified period; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 1046**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tobacco products; amending s. 569.002, F.S.; redefining the term “tobacco products” to include all recreational nicotine products; creating s. 569.0035, F.S.; defining the term “flavored tobacco products”; prohibiting retail tobacco products dealers from dealing in flavored tobacco products unless they prohibit persons under a specified age on the premises; providing for a civil penalty; amending s. 569.007, F.S.; authorizing the sale or delivery of tobacco products in direct, face-to-face exchanges with dealers or their agents or employees; removing a provision that allowed the sale or delivery of tobacco products from a vending machine equipped with a certain device; adding specified products to the list of products that are exempt from the direct sale requirement; prohibiting certain retailers from placing certain products or devices in an open display unit unless the unit or the establishment in which the unit is located meets specific requirements; repealing s. 877.112, F.S., relating to nicotine products and nicotine dispensing devices; amending ss. 322.056 and 569.14, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senator Torres—

**SB 1048**—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 nonmember state or when a member state withdraws from the agreement; providing for severability; providing definitions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1050**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “practice of the profession of pharmacy”; amending s. 465.0125, F.S.; authorizing a

consultant pharmacist to perform specified services under certain conditions; revising the responsibilities of a consultant pharmacist; requiring a consultant pharmacist and a collaborating practitioner to maintain collaborative practice agreements; requiring collaborative practice agreements to be made available upon request from or upon inspection by the Department of Health; defining the term “health care facility”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Lee and Rouson—

**SB 1052**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance; repealing ss. 627.730, 627.731, 627.7311, 627.732, 627.733, 627.734, 627.736, 627.737, 627.739, 627.7401, 627.7403, and 627.7405, F.S., which comprise the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; repealing s. 627.7407, F.S., relating to application of the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; amending s. 316.646, F.S.; revising a requirement for proof of security on a motor vehicle and the applicability of the requirement; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; revising the motor vehicle insurance coverages that an applicant must show to register certain vehicles with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; 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 applicants; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; 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 intent; amending s. 324.021, F.S.; revising definitions of the terms “motor vehicle” and “proof of financial responsibility”; revising minimum coverage requirements for proof of financial responsibility for specified motor vehicles; defining the term “for-hire passenger transportation vehicle”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 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; conforming cross-references; 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; amending s. 324.023, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 324.031, F.S.; revising the amount of a certificate of deposit required to elect a certain method of proof of financial responsibility; revising excess liability coverage requirements for a person electing to use such method; amending s. 324.032, F.S.; revising financial responsibility requirements for owners or lessees of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; amending ss. 324.051, 324.071, 324.091, and 324.151, F.S.; making technical changes; 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. 324.251, F.S.; revising the short title and an effective date; amending s. 400.9905, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “clinic”; amending ss. 400.991 and 400.9935, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 409.901, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “third-party benefit”; amending s. 409.910, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “medical coverage”; amending s. 456.057, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; revising specified grounds for discipline for certain health professions; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; revising the type of insurance coverage applicable to a certain prohibited act; amending s. 626.989, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “fraudulent insurance act”; amending s. 627.06501, F.S.; revising coverages that may provide for a reduction in motor vehicle insurance policy premium charges under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.0652, F.S.; revising coverages that must provide a premium charge reduction under certain

circumstances; amending s. 627.0653, F.S.; revising coverages subject to premium discounts for specified motor vehicle equipment; amending s. 627.4132, F.S.; revising the coverages of a motor vehicle policy which are subject to a stacking prohibition; amending s. 627.7263, F.S.; revising 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; creating s. 627.7265, F.S.; specifying persons whom medical payments coverage must protect; requiring medical payments coverage to provide specified medical expense coverage and a specified death benefit; specifying coverage options an insurer must and may offer; providing that motor vehicle liability insurance policies are deemed to have medical payments coverage at a certain limit and with no deductible, unless rejected or modified by the policyholder by certain means; specifying requirements for certain forms approved by the Office of Insurance Regulation; requiring insurers to provide policyholders with a certain annual notice; providing construction relating to limits on certain other coverages; requiring insurers, upon receiving a certain notice of an accident, to hold a specified reserve for certain purposes for a specified time; providing that the reserve requirement does not require insurers to establish a claim reserve for accounting purposes; providing that an insurer providing medical payments coverage benefits may not have a lien on a certain recovery and may not have certain causes of action; amending s. 627.727, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.7275, F.S.; revising required coverages for a motor vehicle insurance policy; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.728, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.7295, F.S.; revising the definitions of the terms "policy" and "binder"; revising the coverages of a motor vehicle insurance policy for which a licensed general lines agent may charge a specified fee; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.7415, F.S.; revising additional liability insurance requirements for commercial motor vehicles; amending s. 627.748, F.S.; revising insurance requirements for transportation network company drivers; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.8405, F.S.; revising coverages in a policy sold in combination with an accidental death and dismemberment policy which a premium finance company may not finance; revising rulemaking authority of the 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; defining the term "minimum security requirements"; providing 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; providing that driver license or registration suspensions for failure to maintain required security which were in effect before a specified date remain in full force and effect; providing that such suspended licenses or registrations may be reinstated as provided in a specified section; providing an appropriation; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Lee—

**SB 1054**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community redevelopment agencies; creating s. 112.327, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a person from lobbying a community redevelopment agency until he or she has registered as a lobbyist with that agency; providing registration requirements; requiring an agency to make lobbyist registrations available to the public; requiring a database of currently registered lobbyists and principals to be available on certain websites; requiring a lobbyist to send a written statement to the agency canceling the registration for a principal that he or she no longer represents; authorizing an agency to remove the name of a lobbyist from the list of registered lobbyists under certain circumstances; authorizing an agency to establish an annual lobbyist registration fee, not to exceed a specified amount; requiring an agency to be diligent in ascertaining whether persons required to register have complied, subject to certain requirements; requiring the Commission on Ethics to investigate a lobbyist or principal under certain circumstances, subject to certain requirements;

requiring the commission to provide the Governor with a report of its findings and recommendations in such investigations; authorizing the Governor to enforce the commission's findings and recommendations; authorizing community redevelopment agencies to adopt rules to govern the registration of lobbyists; amending s. 112.3142, F.S.; requiring ethics training for community redevelopment agency commissioners; specifying requirements for such training; amending s. 163.340, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "blighted area"; amending s. 163.356, F.S.; revising reporting requirements; deleting provisions requiring certain annual reports; amending s. 163.367, F.S.; requiring ethics training for community redevelopment agency commissioners; amending s. 163.370, F.S.; revising the list of projects that are prohibited from being financed by increment revenues; requiring community redevelopment agencies to follow certain procurement procedures; creating s. 163.371, F.S.; requiring a community redevelopment agency to publish certain digital boundary maps on its website; providing annual reporting requirements; requiring a community redevelopment agency to publish the annual reports on its website; creating s. 163.3755, F.S.; providing termination dates for certain community redevelopment agencies; creating s. 163.3756, F.S.; providing legislative findings; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to declare inactive community redevelopment agencies that have reported no financial activity for a specified number of years; providing hearing procedures; authorizing certain financial activity by a community redevelopment agency that is declared inactive; providing applicability; providing for construction; requiring the department to maintain a website identifying all inactive community redevelopment agencies; amending s. 163.387, F.S.; specifying the level of tax increment financing that a governing body may establish for funding the redevelopment trust fund; effective on a specified date, revising requirements for the use of redevelopment trust fund proceeds; limiting allowed expenditures; revising requirements for the annual budget of a community redevelopment agency; revising requirements for use of moneys in the redevelopment trust fund for specific redevelopment projects; revising requirements for the annual audit; requiring the audit to be included with the financial report of the county or municipality that created the community redevelopment agency; amending s. 218.32, F.S.; revising criteria for finding that a county or municipality failed to file a report; requiring the Department of Financial Services to provide a report to the Department of Economic Opportunity concerning community redevelopment agencies reporting no revenues, expenditures, or debts; amending s. 163.524, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1056**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Disaster Resilience Task Force; creating s. 373.469, F.S.; establishing the task force adjunct to the Department of Environmental Protection; providing the purpose and membership of the task force; requiring the appointees to be experts from specified subject areas; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; requiring the department to post the report on the department's website; providing for expiration of the task force; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1058**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state hemp program; creating s. 581.217, F.S.; creating the state hemp program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing legislative findings; providing definitions; providing requirements for program registration and distribution and retail sale of hemp, hemp products, and hemp extract; providing applicability; directing the department, in consultation with the Department of Health and the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, to adopt specified rules; providing corrective measures for violations; directing the Commissioner of Agriculture, in consultation with the Governor and Attorney General, to submit a specified plan to the United States Secretary of

Agriculture; amending s. 1004.4473, F.S.; authorizing universities to implement industrial hemp pilot projects pursuant to the state hemp program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Agriculture; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

**SB 1060**—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 Palm Beach Zoo and Conservation Society license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Powell—

**SB 1062**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; creating a fee for a certain specialty license plate; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 1064**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student and parent rights; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; authorizing a public school to purchase a supply or enter into an arrangement to receive a supply of the opioid antagonist naxolone for a certain purpose; specifying requirements for the maintenance of the naxolone; requiring the school district to adopt a protocol for the administration of the naxolone; providing that a school district and its employees, agents, and the physician who provides the protocol are not liable for any injury arising from the administration of the naxolone; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Baxley—

**SB 1066**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sales tax absorption; amending s. 212.07, F.S.; deleting prohibitions against a dealer advertising or holding out to the public that he or she will absorb all or part of the sales and use tax or will relieve the purchaser of all or part of the tax; authorizing dealers, subject to specified conditions, to advertise or hold out to the public that they will absorb all or part of the tax or refund any part thereof to the purchaser; providing that such dealers are solely responsible and liable for the tax; revising a criminal penalty; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SB 1068**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crime victim assistance; amending s. 960.03, F.S.; redefining the term “crime” to include the commission of certain lewd or lascivious offenses; amending s. 960.28, F.S.; increasing the maximum amount the Crime Victims’ Services Office of the Department of Legal Affairs is required to pay for certain medical expenses of victims of specified crimes; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lee—

**SB 1070**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing care contracts; amending s. 651.011, F.S.; adding and revising definitions; amending s. 651.012, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; deleting an obsolete date; amending s. 651.013, F.S.; adding certain Florida Insurance Code provisions to the Office of Insurance Regulation’s authority to regulate providers of continuing care and continuing care at-home; amending s. 651.019, F.S.; revising requirements for providers and facilities relating to financing and refinancing transactions; amending s. 651.021, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 651.0215, F.S.; specifying conditions, requirements, procedures, and prohibitions relating to consolidated applications for provisional certificates of authority and for certificates of authority and to the office’s review of such applications; specifying conditions under which a provider is entitled to secure the release of certain escrowed funds; providing construction; amending s. 651.022, F.S.; revising and specifying requirements, procedures, and prohibitions relating to applications for provisional certificates of authority and to the office’s review of such applications; amending s. 651.023, F.S.; revising and specifying requirements, procedures, and prohibitions relating to applications for certificates of authority and to the office’s review of such applications; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 651.024, F.S.; revising requirements for certain persons relating to provider acquisitions; specifying procedures for rebutting a presumption of control; providing standing to the office to petition a circuit court in certain proceedings; creating s. 651.0245, F.S.; specifying procedures, requirements, and a prohibition relating to an application for the simultaneous acquisition of a facility and issuance of a certificate of authority and to the office’s review of such application; specifying rulemaking requirements and authority of the Financial Services Commission; providing standing to the office to petition a circuit court in certain proceedings; specifying procedures for rebutting a presumption of control; creating s. 651.0246, F.S.; specifying requirements, conditions, procedures, and prohibitions relating to provider applications to commence construction or marketing for expansions of certificated facilities and to the office’s review of such applications; defining the term “existing units”; specifying escrow requirements for certain moneys; specifying conditions under which providers are entitled to secure release of such moneys; providing applicability and construction; amending s. 651.026, F.S.; revising requirements for annual reports filed by providers with the office; revising the commission’s rulemaking authority; requiring the office to annually publish a specified industry benchmarking report; amending s. 651.0261, F.S.; requiring providers to file quarterly unaudited financial statements; authorizing the office to waive such requirement under certain circumstances; providing an exception for filing a certain quarterly statement; revising information that the office may require providers to file and the circumstances under which such information must be filed; revising the commission’s rulemaking authority; amending s. 651.028, F.S.; revising requirements that the office may waive under certain circumstances; revising the entities that may qualify for such waiver; requiring such entities to provide certain information to the office under certain circumstances; amending s. 651.033, F.S.; revising applicability of escrow requirements; revising requirements for escrow accounts and agreements; revising the office’s authority to allow a withdrawal of a specified percentage of the required minimum liquid reserve; revising applicability of requirements relating to the deposit of certain funds in escrow accounts; prohibiting an escrow agent, except under certain circumstances, from releasing or allowing the transfer of funds; creating s. 651.034, F.S.; specifying requirements for the office if a regulatory action level event occurs; specifying requirements for corrective action plans; authorizing the office to use members of the Continuing Care Advisory Council and to retain consultants for certain purposes; requiring affected providers to bear the fees, costs, and expenses of such consultants; specifying requirements for, and authorized actions of, the office and the Department of Financial Services if an impairment occurs; providing construction; authorizing the office to exempt a provider from certain requirements for a certain timeframe; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; amending s. 651.035, F.S.; revising minimum liquid reserve requirements for providers; specifying requirements, limitations, and procedures for a provider’s withdrawal of funds held in escrow and the office’s review of certain requests for withdrawal;

authorizing the office to order certain transfers under certain circumstances; requiring facilities to annually file with the office a minimum liquid reserve calculation; providing construction; creating s. 651.043, F.S.; specifying requirements for certain management company contracts; specifying requirements, procedures, and authorized actions relating to changes in provider management and to the office's review of such changes; requiring that disapproved management be removed within a certain timeframe; authorizing the office to take certain disciplinary actions under certain circumstances; requiring providers to immediately remove management under certain circumstances; amending s. 651.051, F.S.; revising requirements for the maintenance of provider records and assets; amending s. 651.055, F.S.; revising a required statement in continuing care contracts; amending s. 651.057, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 651.071, F.S.; specifying the priority of continuing care contracts and continuing care at-home contracts in receivership or liquidation proceedings against a provider; amending s. 651.091, F.S.; revising requirements for continuing care facilities relating to posting or providing notices; amending s. 651.095, F.S.; adding terms to a list of prohibited terms in certain advertisements; amending s. 651.105, F.S.; adding a certain Florida Insurance Code provision to the office's authority to examine certain providers and applicants; requiring providers to respond to the office's written correspondence and to provide certain information; providing standing to the office to petition certain circuit courts for certain relief; revising, and specifying limitations on, the office's examination authority; amending s. 651.106, F.S.; authorizing the office to deny applications on specified grounds; adding and revising grounds for suspension or revocation of provisional certificates of authority and certificates of authority; creating s. 651.1065, F.S.; prohibiting certain actions by certain persons of an impaired or insolvent continuing care facility; providing that bankruptcy courts or trustees have jurisdiction over certain matters; requiring the office to approve or disapprove the continued marketing of new contracts within a certain timeframe; providing a criminal penalty; amending s. 651.111, F.S.; defining the term "inspection"; revising procedures and requirements relating to requests for inspections to the office; amending s. 651.114, F.S.; revising and specifying requirements, procedures, and authorized actions relating to providers' corrective action plans; providing construction; revising and specifying requirements and procedures relating to delinquency proceedings against a provider; revising circumstances under which the office must provide a certain notice to trustees or lenders; creating s. 651.1141, F.S.; providing legislative findings; authorizing the office to issue certain immediate final orders under certain circumstances; amending s. 651.121, F.S.; revising the composition of the Continuing Care Advisory Council; amending s. 651.125, F.S.; revising a prohibition to include certain actions performed without a valid provisional certificate of authority; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Rader—

**SB 1072**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the limited waiver of sovereign immunity; amending s. 768.28, F.S.; modifying the limitations of liability for tort claims or judgments; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1074**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; creating s. 948.0121, F.S.; defining terms; creating a probationary split sentence for substance use and mental health offenders in accordance with s. 948.012, F.S.; authorizing a court to sentence an offender to a probationary split sentence; specifying requirements an offender must meet to be eligible to receive a probationary split sentence; requiring that an eligible offender be a nonviolent offender; defining the term "nonviolent offender"; providing minimum sentencing requirements for a probationary split sentence; providing an exception to the court's order of a probationary split sentence; authorizing the sentencing court to have the Department of Corrections provide a presentence investigation report in accordance with s. 921.231, F.S., to provide the court with cer-

tain information to determine the type of probation most appropriate for the offender; requiring the department to perform specified duties; authorizing the department to enter into certain contracts; requiring the department to provide written notification to specified parties upon the offender's admission into an in-prison treatment program; providing that the department may find that an offender is not eligible to participate in an in-prison treatment program under certain circumstances; requiring written notification from the department to certain parties if an offender is terminated from or prevented from entering an in-prison treatment program; requiring that an offender be transitioned to probation upon the completion of his or her term of imprisonment; requiring an offender to comply with specified terms of drug offender or mental health probation; requiring the offender to pay specified costs associated with his or her probation; providing that certain violations may result in revocation of probation by the court and imposition of any sentence authorized by law; requiring the department to develop a computerized system to track certain data; requiring the department, on a certain date and annually thereafter, to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring the department to adopt certain rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Brandes and Hutson—

**SB 1076**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clerks of the circuit court; amending s. 28.35, F.S.; providing that funds available for budgets of the clerks of the court include certain revenues from the previous year, budget amendments, and appropriated funds; revising the approval process for proposed budgets; expanding the duties of the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation to include certifying certain variances, preparing and submitting budget requests to the Legislature, requesting certain amendments, requesting the Governor to order the transfer of certain moneys, and prescribing certain forms; adding certain costs to the list of court-related functions that clerks may fund; amending s. 28.36, F.S.; revising the requirements to which a proposed budget by the clerks of the court must conform; requiring the corporation to certify certain revenue needs to the Governor and the Legislature; revising when the corporation may approve increases or decreases to previously authorized budgets; amending s. 28.37, F.S.; requiring the Department of Revenue to deposit certain remitted funds in the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund rather than the General Revenue Fund; requiring the corporation to certify certain estimates for funds and certain unspent funds; requiring the department to review such certification of unspent funds; amending ss. 57.081, 57.082, 394.459, 394.463, 394.467, 394.917, 397.6814, and 790.401, F.S.; authorizing the clerks of the circuit court to submit certified requests for reimbursement to the corporation for certain waived costs or fees; requiring the corporation to certify the amounts of reimbursement to the department and request release authority for funds from the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund; amending ss. 741.30 and 784.0485, F.S.; revising the reimbursement process for the clerks of the circuit court for petitions for protection against domestic violence and petitions for protection against stalking, respectively; requiring the corporation to certify the amounts of reimbursement to the department and request release authority for funds from the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1078**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to chiropractic medicine; amending s. 460.403, F.S.; authorizing chiropractic physicians who have completed specified training to administer articles of natural origin; authorizing licensed pharmacists to fill such chiropractors' orders for articles of natural origin; amending s. 460.408, F.S.; defining the term "contact classroom"; revising provisions relating to continuing chiropractic education requirements to authorize specified continuing education hours to be completed online; providing requirements for such online chiropractic education courses; repealing s. 460.4166, F.S., relating to registered chiropractic assistants; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 1080**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hazing; amending s. 1006.63, F.S.; redefining the term “hazing”; expanding the crime of hazing, a third degree felony, to include when a person solicits others to commit or is actively involved in the planning of hazing; expanding the crime of hazing, a first degree misdemeanor, to include when a person solicits others to commit or is actively involved in the planning of hazing; providing for a person’s immunity from prosecution if certain conditions are met; reenacting s. 1001.64(8)(e), F.S., relating to Florida College System institution boards of trustees and related powers and duties, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 1006.63, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 1082**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to baby-changing tables; creating s. 553.865, F.S.; defining terms; requiring the Florida Building Commission to incorporate into the Florida Building Code specified requirements and a certain exemption related to baby-changing tables; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1084**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the removal of a student for an involuntary examination; amending ss. 381.0056, 1002.20, and 1002.33, F.S.; revising the requirements for parental notification prior to removing a student for an involuntary examination under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1086**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential tenancies; creating s. 83.684, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; prohibiting a landlord from evicting a tenant or terminating a residential rental agreement because the tenant or the tenant’s minor child is a victim of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, sexual violence, or stalking; specifying that a rental agreement may not contain certain provisions; authorizing a victim of such actual or threatened violence or stalking to terminate a residential rental agreement under certain circumstances; providing procedures to notify the landlord; providing for liability for payment of rent; specifying that a tenant does not forfeit any deposit money or advance rent paid to the landlord for terminating the rental agreement under certain circumstances; providing that the perpetrator’s liability for rent and obligations under the rental agreement are not terminated; requiring a landlord to change the locks of the dwelling unit within a specified period, under certain circumstances; authorizing the tenant to change the locks of the dwelling unit under certain circumstances; prohibiting a landlord from refusing to enter into or to negotiate a rental agreement, from making a dwelling unit unavailable, or from retaliating in the rental of a dwelling unit under certain circumstances; requiring a landlord to keep certain information related to tenants confidential; providing exceptions; providing a penalty and awards for damages, court costs, and attorney fees; prohibiting waiver of the provisions of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1088**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing home facility staffing; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; revising direct care staffing requirements for nursing home facilities; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to include such requirements in rule; defining the term “direct care staff”; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1090**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Keep Our Graduates Working Act; creating s. 1009.951, F.S.; providing a short title; providing a purpose; defining terms; prohibiting a state authority from suspending or revoking a person’s professional license, certificate, registration, or permit solely on the basis of a delinquency or default in the payment of his or her student loan; prohibiting a state authority from suspending or revoking a person’s professional license, certificate, registration, or permit solely on the basis of a default in satisfying the requirements of his or her work-conditional scholarship; amending ss. 456.072, 456.074, and 1009.95, F.S., and repealing s. 456.0721, F.S., relating to practitioners in default on student loan or scholarship obligations, to conform provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1092**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reduction of construction contracting fraud; amending s. 489.126, F.S.; deleting an intent requirement for contractor fraud offenses; revising elements of offenses; providing legislative findings; revising criminal penalties for contractor fraud offenses; amending s. 501.1375, F.S.; revising the maximum amount of a prospective buyer’s deposit for a residential dwelling which must be put into escrow; providing that a prospective buyer of a residential dwelling unit may not waive the right to have deposit funds placed in escrow; amending s. 713.345, F.S.; requiring escrow of certain payments received for the improvement of real property; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Criminal Justice; and Rules.

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By Senator Cruz—

**SB 1094**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state emergency communications and warning system; amending s. 252.35, F.S.; requiring the Division of Emergency Management to include a qualified interpreter in emergency broadcasts; defining the term “qualified interpreter”; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 1096**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reemployment after retirement; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; authorizing a retiree of the Florida Retirement System to be reemployed under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Lee—

**SB 1098**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a sales tax refund for eligible job training organizations; creating s. 212.094, F.S.; defining

terms; providing that eligible job training organizations are entitled to receive a refund of a specified percentage of certain sales taxes remitted to the Department of Revenue; requiring such organizations to use the refund only for specified purposes; specifying a limit on the total amount of refunds issued by the department in any state fiscal year; requiring that refunds be granted on a first-come, first-served basis; specifying requirements for applying for a certain certification with the Department of Economic Opportunity; specifying requirements and procedures for the Department of Economic Opportunity in reviewing and approving applications; specifying that certifications remain valid so long as such organizations comply with certain requirements; providing that such organizations must annually apply for refunds with the Department of Revenue within a certain timeframe; providing requirements for refund applications; providing construction; requiring such organizations, under certain circumstances and at certain timeframes, to provide a specified report to the Department of Economic Opportunity; authorizing the Department of Economic Opportunity to adopt rules; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to notify the Department of Revenue under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Department of Revenue from issuing refunds after receiving such notifications; authorizing the Department of Revenue to audit any refunds within a certain timeframe; providing that refund overpayments and refunds issued to ineligible organizations are subject to repayment and specified interest; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Montford—

**SB 1100**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water testing for pollution; creating s. 381.00621, F.S.; defining the term “pollution”; authorizing specified persons or businesses that suspect contamination of their private water system or multifamily water system or certain public water systems to request that the Department of Health or its agents test such system for pollution, under certain circumstances; requiring such testing to be done within a specified timeframe; amending s. 381.0063, F.S.; requiring that certain funds be placed into the appropriate County Health Department Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Harrell—

**SB 1102**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to defendants with mental illness; amending s. 916.105, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 916.106, F.S.; redefining the term “defendant”; creating s. 916.135, F.S.; requiring a jail’s staff to screen each defendant booked into a jail on misdemeanor charges using a certain instrument to determine if there is an indication of a mental health disorder; requiring an authorized professional completing a certain evaluation to issue a professional certificate if an evaluation of the defendant demonstrates that the defendant appears to meet the criteria for involuntary examination under the Baker Act; requiring the jail, upon issuance of the professional certificate, to immediately send a copy of the certificate to the appropriate judge, state attorney, and public defender or private counsel; requiring the judge to sign a transport order; providing requirements for such transport order; requiring that the defendant, once at a designated receiving facility, be assessed and evaluated to determine whether he or she meets the criteria to file a petition for involuntary inpatient placement; providing procedures and requirements depending on the evaluation outcome and decisions of the defendant; providing for the return of the defendant to the custody of the jail under certain circumstances; requiring a judge to refer a defendant charged with a misdemeanor crime for certain assessment if a party or the court raises a concern regarding the defendant’s competency to proceed due to a mental illness; requiring the tolling of speedy trial and the following of certain provisions if a professional certificate is issued; requiring a judge to hold an evidentiary hearing to make a certain determination by clear and convincing evidence; requiring a judge to enter certain orders to require the defendant to complete a mental health assessment under certain circumstances; providing for certain considerations upon a de-

pendant’s successful completion of all recommendations from a mental health assessment; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SB 1104**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation credentials; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; providing an exception to a design requirement for dealer license plates; amending s. 320.0657, F.S.; providing an exception to a design requirement for fleet license plates; authorizing fleet companies to purchase specialty license plates in lieu of standard fleet license plates; requiring fleet companies to be responsible for certain costs; amending s. 320.08, F.S.; authorizing dealers to purchase specialty license plates in lieu of standard graphic dealer license plates; requiring dealers to be responsible for certain costs; amending s. 320.08053, F.S.; revising requirements for presale and issuance of specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; allowing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to authorize dealer and fleet specialty license plates; providing requirements for such plates; making technical changes; deleting fees relating to the American Red Cross, Donate Organs-Pass It On, St. Johns River, and Hispanic Achievers license plates to conform to changes made by the act; revising provisions for discontinuing issuance of a specialty license plate; conforming cross-references; prohibiting use fees received by any entity from being used for certain purposes; requiring certain organizations to establish endowments based in this state for providing scholarships to Florida residents and to provide documentation of consent to use certain images; revising, as of a specified date, the criteria, procedures, and exceptions under which the department discontinues the issuance of an approved specialty license plate; revising applicability; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; revising the design of the Special Olympics Florida license plate; deleting provisions requiring the department to develop the American Red Cross license plate; revising the authorized use of proceeds from the sale of the Live the Dream license plate; deleting provisions requiring the department to develop the Donate Organs-Pass It On license plate; revising the design of the Light-house Association license plate; revising the authorized use of proceeds from the sale of the In God We Trust license plate; deleting provisions requiring the department to develop the St. Johns River and Hispanic Achievers license plate; revising the distribution of proceeds from the sale of the Fallen Law Enforcement Officers license plate; requiring the department to develop certain specialty license plates; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; amending s. 320.08062, F.S.; directing the department to audit certain organizations that receive funds from the sale of specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08068, F.S.; requiring distribution of a specified percentage of motorcycle specialty license plate annual use fees to Preserve Vision Florida; creating s. 320.0875, F.S.; providing for a special motorcycle license plate to be issued to a recipient of the Purple Heart; providing requirements for the plate; amending s. 320.089, F.S.; providing for a special license plate to be issued to a recipient of the Bronze Star; amending s. 322.01, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 322.032, F.S.; directing the department to implement protocols for issuing an optional electronic credential and procure a related technology solution, subject to certain requirements; providing requirements for qualified entities; requiring the department to maintain certain protocols and national standards; requiring the department to timely review and approve all electronic credential provider requests for authorized access to certain interfaces that meet the department’s requirements; providing requirements for an electronic credential provider and the electronic credential and verification solution; requiring the department to procure electronic credential providers and a credential service provider; requiring the department to enter into specified agreements with electronic credential providers; requiring a report to the Legislature and the Governor; requiring that an electronic credential be in a format that allows certain entities to verify the authenticity of such electronic credential and to validate certain privileges; providing that presenting an electronic device displaying an electronic credential does not constitute consent for a law enforcement officer to access any other information on such device; providing for the assumption of liability; amending s. 322.059, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 322.143, F.S.; revising a definition; amending s. 322.15, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by

the act; amending s. 322.61, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing for distribution of certain annual use fees withheld by the department; providing contingent effective dates.

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

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By Senator Bean—

**SB 1106**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; creating a uniform annual use fee collected for a specialty license plate unless otherwise specified; adding annual use fees for certain specialty license plates; providing a contingent effective date.

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

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By Senator Berman—

**SB 1108**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional personnel and school administrator salary schedules; amending s. 1012.22, F.S.; removing the definition of the term “grandfathered salary schedule”; authorizing a district school board to use an advanced degree in setting a salary schedule for specified employees; requiring each district school board to adopt a salary schedule for specified employees; authorizing, rather than requiring, a district school board to adopt a performance salary schedule; providing requirements for setting the base salary for specified personnel under the performance salary schedule; authorizing, rather than requiring, a district school board to provide for specified salary supplements; amending s. 1002.333, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 1110**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the purchase of condominium units; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; prohibiting business entities that are owned by a board member, manager, or management company, or in which such board member, manager, or management company has an ownership interest, from purchasing units at certain foreclosure sales; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1112**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxation; amending s. 192.001, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “inventory,” for purposes of ad valorem taxation, to include certain rented construction, earthmoving, or industrial equipment; defining the terms “dealer of heavy equipment rental property” and “short-term rental”; amending s. 212.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “retail sale”; amending s. 212.031, F.S.; reducing the rate of the tax on rental or licensee fees for the use of real property; amending s. 212.05, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 212.0596, F.S.; replacing the term “mail order sales” with the term “remote sales”; defining the terms “remote sales” and “making a substantial number of remote sales”; revising applicability and construction; deleting an exemption for certain dealers from collecting and remitting local option surtaxes; deleting a provision authorizing the department to establish certain procedures by rule; creating s. 212.05965, F.S.; defining terms; providing that certain marketplace providers are subject to dealer requirements for the registration, collection, and remittance of sales taxes; requiring such marketplace providers to certify to their marketplace sellers that they will collect and remit sales taxes on certain sales; providing that the certification may be included in an agreement between the marketplace provider and the marketplace seller; prohibiting marketplace sellers from collecting and remitting sales taxes under

certain circumstances; requiring such marketplace sellers to exclude certain sales from their tax returns; requiring certain marketplace sellers to register, collect, and remit sales taxes on all taxable retail sales made outside of the marketplace; requiring certain marketplace sellers to remit sales taxes on all taxable sales made outside of the marketplace; requiring marketplace providers to allow the department to examine books and records; prohibiting the department from proposing certain tax assessments under certain circumstances; providing that a marketplace seller, and not the marketplace provider, is liable for sales taxes under certain circumstances; authorizing a marketplace provider to recover paid taxes, interest, and penalties from the marketplace seller under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to compromise certain taxes, interest, or penalties; providing applicability and construction; amending s. 212.06, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “dealer”; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing sales tax exemptions on the sale of specified disaster preparedness supplies during a specified timeframe; providing applicability for certain exemptions; authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules; specifying locations where the exemptions do not apply; providing an appropriation; amending ss. 212.12 and 212.18, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 212.20(4), F.S., relating to refunds of taxes adjudicated unconstitutionally collected, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 212.0596, F.S., in a reference thereto; authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules; providing for expiration of the authorization; providing for severability; providing effective dates.

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

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 1114**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the electronic payment of governmental fees; amending s. 28.246, F.S.; requiring clerks of the circuit court to provide an electronic option for payment of court-related fines and other 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 that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 1116**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to banking services for medical marijuana treatment centers; providing legislative findings and intent; amending s. 655.005, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “financial institution” to include a medical marijuana limited charter bank or credit union licensed under the Marijuana Limited Charter Banking and Credit Union Law; creating s. 655.97, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; creating s. 655.971, F.S.; establishing the Medical Marijuana Limited Charter Bank and Credit Union Advisory Board within the Office of Financial Regulation; specifying the composition of the board; specifying requirements for the board; requiring the Department of Health and the office to submit certain reports to the board; requiring the board to submit certain recommendations to the Financial Services Commission and the Legislature; creating s. 655.972, F.S.; prohibiting persons from providing banking services to medical marijuana treatment centers without a medical marijuana limited charter bank or credit union license; prohibiting the transfer or assignment of licenses; providing application requirements; requiring the commission to adopt rules, and authorizing the commission to adopt emergency rules; creating s. 655.973, F.S.; providing requirements for medical marijuana limited charter banks and credit unions; specifying requirements, limitations, and authorized actions relating to special purpose checks issued by medical marijuana limited charter banks and credit unions; providing authorized and prohibited acts by medical marijuana limited charter banks and credit unions; requiring the commission and the department to adopt certain rules; authorizing the commission and the department to adopt emergency rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1118**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the construction industry workforce; amending s. 468.631, F.S.; requiring that a specified amount of funds relating to the Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Fund be allocated to the University of Florida M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Construction Management; authorizing the school to use the funds for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 1120**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to corporal punishment in public schools; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; prohibiting public school employees from using corporal punishment on a public school student; defining the term “corporal punishment”; amending s. 1003.32, F.S.; removing corporal punishment as an option for teachers and other instructional personnel to use to manage student behavior; amending ss. 414.1251, 1001.11, 1002.01, 1002.3105, 1002.385, 1002.42, 1002.43, 1003.01, 1003.03, 1003.21, 1003.26, 1003.52, 1006.07, 1012.2315, and 1012.28, F.S.; conforming cross-references and conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 1122**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licenses to carry concealed weapons or firearms; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; reducing the number of years that such licenses are valid; requiring that certain persons successfully demonstrate firearms proficiency through a specified course to obtain a license; providing course requirements; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 1124**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dispensing medicinal drugs; amending s. 465.019, F.S.; authorizing individuals licensed to prescribe medicinal drugs to dispense a 48-hour supply, rather than a 24-hour supply, of such drugs to any patient, including a discharged patient, under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 1126**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Pediatric Cardiac Technical Advisory Panel; amending s. 395.1055, F.S.; authorizing the reimbursement of per diem and travel expenses to members of the pediatric cardiac technical advisory panel, established within the Agency for Health Care Administration; revising panel membership to include certain alternate at-large members; providing term limits for voting members; providing immunity from civil and criminal liabilities to members of the panel; requiring the Secretary of Health Care Administration to consult the panel for advisory recommendations on certain certificate of need applications; authorizing the secretary to request announced or unannounced site visits to any existing pediatric cardiac surgical centers or facilities seeking licensure as a pediatric cardiac surgical center through the certificate of need process; providing a process for the appointment of physician experts to a site visit team; requiring each member of a site visit team to submit a report to the panel; requiring the panel to discuss such reports and present an advisory opinion to the secretary; providing requirements for an on-site inspection; requiring the Surgeon General of the Department of Health to provide specified reports to the secretary; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1128**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emotional support animals; amending s. 413.08, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; providing that an individual with a disability who has an emotional support animal or obtains an emotional support animal is entitled to full and equal access to all housing accommodations; prohibiting a housing accommodation from requiring such individual to pay extra compensation for such animal; authorizing a housing accommodation to request certain written documentation under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt rules; specifying that an individual with a disability is liable for certain damage done by her or his emotional support animal; prohibiting the falsification of written documentation or other misrepresentation regarding the use of an emotional support animal; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Bean—

**SB 1130**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.011, F.S.; expanding an existing public records exemption by redefining the term “active” to include an ongoing, good faith reinvestigation that previously resulted in the conviction of the accused person; providing for future review and repeal of the expanded exemption; providing for reversion of specified language if the exemption is not saved from repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Simmons—

**SB 1132**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funds for operation of schools; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; providing that a specified value be used for each student who fulfills specified requirements in the calculation of full-time equivalent student membership; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Simmons—

**SB 1134**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic monitoring devices; amending s. 843.23, F.S.; specifying the jurisdictions under which certain prohibited acts relating to electronic monitoring devices may be prosecuted; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Harrell and Perry—

**SB 1136**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cyberharassment; amending s. 784.049, F.S.; revising legislative intent; redefining the terms “personal identifying information” and “sexually cyberharass”; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 901.15(16), 901.41(5), and 933.18(11), F.S., relating to lawful arrests by officers without a warrant, prearrest diversion programs, and when a warrant may be issued for the search of a private dwelling, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 784.049, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Simmons—

**SB 1138**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voluntary prekindergarten education; amending s. 1002.53, F.S.; providing that a parent may enroll his or her child in a family engagement computer adaptive prekindergarten program; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 1002.64, F.S.; authorizing an early learning coalition to administer the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program to certain students; providing that a family engagement computer adaptive prekindergarten program must include a specified number of academic hours and a specified individualized curriculum; providing additional requirements for such programs; requiring private prekindergarten providers that offer such programs to students to evaluate the programs; providing evaluation requirements; requiring early learning coalitions to reimburse approved private prekindergarten providers for authorized services; providing that such reimbursement may not exceed the amount of a specified allocation; providing that providers are reimbursed from certain allocated funds; amending s. 1002.69, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 1002.71, F.S.; providing for the calculation of full-time equivalency for students participating in a family engagement computer adaptive prekindergarten program; requiring the Office of Early Learning to adopt, for funding purposes, a uniform attendance policy for such students; amending s. 1002.75, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1140**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to attorney fees and costs; creating s. 57.112, F.S.; waiving the sovereign immunity of local governments for liability for certain attorney fees and costs; defining the term “attorney fees and costs”; providing for award of attorney fees and costs and damages in successful civil actions challenging local ordinances as being preempted by the State Constitution or state law; prohibiting an award of attorney fees and costs under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing applicability; providing retroactive application; providing an effective date.

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

**SB 1142**—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Montford—

**SB 1144**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care subsidies for foster parents; amending s. 409.145, F.S.; providing an early education or child care subsidy for certain foster parents; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SB 1146**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 406.136, F.S.; defining the term “killing of a person”; expanding an exemption from public records requirements for a photograph or video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a law enforcement officer to include a photograph or video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a person; specifying that the exemption from public records requirements does not apply to the killing of a person in the care and custody of a state agency; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing retroactive application; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 1148**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vehicles for rent or lease; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “for-hire vehicle”; defining the terms “private motor vehicle” and “private motor vehicle rental program”; amending s. 320.0605, F.S.; authorizing an electronic copy of certain rental or lease documentation to be in the possession of the vehicle operator or carried in the vehicle and to be exhibited upon demand of any authorized law enforcement officer or any agent of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing that the act of presenting a certain electronic device to the officer or agent does not constitute consent for the officer or agent to access any information on the device other than the displayed rental or lease documentation; providing for assumption of liability for any resulting damage to the device; revising requirements for rental or lease documentation; amending s. 322.38, F.S.; prohibiting a person from renting a motor vehicle to another person unless he or she has verified that the renter’s driver license is unexpired; requiring that a person renting a motor vehicle to another person keep a record of the place where the renter’s license was issued; providing that, under certain circumstances, specified requirements are met when a renter is required at certain times to verify that he or she is duly licensed and that the license is unexpired; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 1150**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wildlife protection; creating s. 379.311, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the import, sale, purchase, and distribution of ivory articles and rhinoceros horns; providing exceptions and penalties; directing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to adopt rules, to post information on its website, and to submit a report to the Legislature; creating s. 379.4117, F.S.; providing that it is unlawful to take, possess, injure, shoot, collect, or sell Florida black bears; defining the term “take”; providing that such actions constitute a Level Four violation; amending s. 379.401, F.S.; providing that the illegal taking, possession, injuring, shooting, collecting, or selling of Florida black bears is a Level Four violation, which is subject to criminal and civil penalties; amending s. 379.4015, F.S.; specifying applicability of penalty provisions relating to the illegal import, illegal sale, illegal purchase, and illegal distribution of ivory articles and rhinoceros horns; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 1152**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community association safety systems; amending ss. 718.112 and 719.1055, F.S.; providing that a certificate of compliance from a licensed professional engineer may be accepted as evidence of compliance with certain codes; deleting a provision authorizing the acceptance of a certificate of compliance from a licensed electrical contractor or an electrician as evidence of compliance with certain codes; revising the requirements for retrofitting units, association property, and common elements; revising provisions relating to an association vote to forego retrofitting; providing that a failure to provide timely notice to unit owners does not invalidate certain votes under certain circumstances; providing that the failure to report a membership vote or the recording of a certification to the Division of Corporations of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation does not invalidate an otherwise valid opt-out vote; prohibiting the local authority having jurisdiction from requiring completion of a retrofitting with certain systems before a specified date; requiring certain associations to initiate an application for certain building permits by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Berman—

**SB 1154**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to decedents' property; creating s. 689.151, F.S.; defining the terms "ownership document," "personal property," and "record"; abolishing certain common law requirements relating to joint tenancies with right of survivorship and tenancies by the entirety; providing for the creation of joint tenancies with right of survivorship and tenancies by the entirety; specifying that there are certain rebuttable presumptions for personal property owned by both spouses and joint tenancies with right of survivorship; providing that the presumption may be overcome by a preponderance of the evidence or by clear and convincing evidence under certain circumstances; providing for the conclusive presumption of an intent to create a tenancy by the entirety; providing applicability; providing construction; providing retroactive application; creating s. 731.1065, F.S.; specifying that precious metals are tangible personal property for the purposes of the Florida Probate Code; providing for retroactive application; amending s. 731.301, F.S.; specifying that formal notice is not sufficient to invoke a court's personal jurisdiction over a person receiving such formal notice; providing applicability; amending s. 733.610, F.S.; expanding the list of sales or encumbrances that are voidable by interested persons under certain circumstances; amending s. 733.617, F.S.; specifying that certain attorneys and persons are not entitled to compensation for serving as a personal representative unless the attorney or person is related to the testator or unless certain disclosures are made before a will is executed; requiring the testator to execute a written statement that acknowledges certain disclosures were made; providing requirements for the written statement; specifying when an attorney is deemed to have prepared or supervised the execution of a will; specifying how a person may be related to an individual; specifying when an attorney or person related to the attorney is deemed to have been nominated in a will; providing construction; providing applicability; amending s. 736.0708, F.S.; specifying that certain attorneys and persons are not entitled to compensation for serving as a trustee unless the attorney or person is related to the settlor or unless certain disclosures are made before the trust instrument is executed; requiring a settlor to execute a written statement that acknowledges certain disclosures were made; providing requirements for the written statement; specifying when an attorney is deemed to have prepared or supervised the execution of a trust instrument; specifying how a person may be related to an individual; specifying when an attorney or a person related to the attorney is deemed appointed in a trust instrument; providing construction; providing applicability; providing effective dates.

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

By Senators Berman and Taddeo—

**SB 1156**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the community solar program; creating s. 366.0751, F.S.; defining terms; specifying requirements for utilities; requiring utilities to begin crediting the subscriber accounts of each community solar facility in their respective service territories within a specified timeframe; requiring subscriber organizations to provide subscriber lists to utilities; providing that all environmental attributes associated with a community solar facility are the property of the subscriber organization; authorizing utilities to own or operate a community solar facility; requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt rules by a certain date which meet certain requirements; requiring the commission to make certain information relating to community solar facilities available on its website; requiring the commission to seek a third-party administrator for the program; specifying selection criteria for the administrator; requiring utilities to submit to the commission annual status reports that contain specified information; requiring the commission to review the program within a specified timeframe; authorizing the commission to propose certain program adjustments to achieve specified objectives; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

By Senator Gainer—

**SB 1158**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle lights and signals; amending s. 316.235, F.S.; authorizing any motor vehicle to

be equipped with certain lamps or devices under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; authorizing certain vehicles to display red and white lights; amending s. 316.2398, F.S.; authorizing certain vehicles to display red and white warning signals under certain circumstances; providing requirements and penalties; amending s. 316.224, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gainer—

**SB 1160**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school health services; amending s. 381.0056, F.S.; authorizing a district school board to contract with the county public health department or one or more other entities to provide school health services to students; providing for funding of such contracts with other entities; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gainer—

**SB 1162**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Northwest Florida Rural Inland Affected Counties Recovery Fund; creating s. 288.8055, F.S.; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; creating the Northwest Florida Rural Inland Affected Counties Recovery Fund within the Department of Economic Opportunity; requiring certain payments to be appropriated annually to the fund; prohibiting such payments from diminishing funds transferred to the Triumph Gulf Coast Trust Fund; requiring the department to grant awards to organizations and local governments for specified infrastructure projects and workforce programs; requiring the department to establish an application procedure and prioritize projects and programs that meet certain requirements; requiring the department, in consultation with specified entities, to review and certify applications; exempting certain funds from reversion; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Gainer and Perry—

**SB 1164**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary fee waivers; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; authorizing certain Florida College System institutions serving counties directly impacted by a hurricane to waive out-of-state fees for students for a specified time period; providing reporting requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Torres—

**SB 1166**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to missing persons; amending s. 937.0201, F.S.; defining the term "at-risk veteran"; redefining the term "missing adult"; amending s. 937.021, F.S.; providing that the Department of Law Enforcement, as the state Camo Alert coordinator, and certain agencies, employees, individuals, and entities are immune from civil liability for damages for performing certain actions in good faith; providing that the presumption of good faith is not overcome under certain circumstances; providing construction; amending s. 937.022, F.S.; authorizing only the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over a case to make a request to the clearinghouse for the activation of a state Camo Alert involving a missing adult under certain circumstances; amending s. 937.023, F.S.; providing that the term "missing Florida school child" does not include an at-risk veteran; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1168**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to guardianships and protective proceedings; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision to create part IX of ch. 744, F.S., entitled “Florida Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act”; creating s. 744.74, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 744.75, F.S.; providing purpose and construction; creating s. 744.76, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 744.77, F.S.; providing that a foreign country is to be treated as a state; creating s. 744.78, F.S.; authorizing a court of this state to communicate with a court of another state for specified purposes; creating s. 744.79, F.S.; authorizing a court of this state to request a court of another state to conduct certain activities; creating s. 744.80, F.S.; providing that a witness located in another state may be deposed or may testify by certain means; creating s. 744.81, F.S.; providing factors for a court to consider in determining a significant connection with another state; creating s. 744.82, F.S.; providing that a court has special jurisdiction to undertake certain activities; creating s. 744.83, F.S.; providing when a court has exclusive and continuing jurisdiction over the proceeding; creating ss. 744.84 and 744.85, F.S.; providing when a court may decline jurisdiction; creating s. 744.86, F.S.; requiring notice to specified parties; creating s. 744.87, F.S.; providing rules for when a petition for the appointment of a guardian is filed in this state and in another state; creating s. 744.88, F.S.; providing for the transfer of a guardianship to another state; creating s. 744.89, F.S.; providing procedures for accepting transfer of a guardianship into this state; creating s. 744.90, F.S.; providing for the uniform application and construction of the part; creating s. 744.91, F.S.; providing that the part modifies, limits, and supersedes certain federal laws; creating s. 744.92, F.S.; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1170**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated pharmacy systems; amending s. 465.0235, F.S.; authorizing a community pharmacy to use an automated pharmacy system under certain circumstances; providing that certain medicinal drugs stored in such system for outpatient dispensing are part of the inventory of the pharmacy providing services through such system; requiring the Board of Pharmacy to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1172**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sanitary sewer laterals; defining the term “sanitary sewer lateral”; encouraging counties and municipalities to establish a sanitary sewer lateral inspection program by a specified date; providing parameters for such a program; creating s. 689.301, F.S.; requiring a seller of real property to disclose any actually known defects of the property’s sanitary sewer lateral; defining the term “sanitary sewer lateral”; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Bean—

**SB 1174**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to custody of minor children by extended family; amending s. 751.01, F.S.; revising the purposes of ch. 751, F.S.; amending s. 751.03, F.S.; providing that a petition for concurrent custody may include certain requests; amending s. 751.05, F.S.; authorizing a court to establish conditions for a parent to obtain custody in an order granting temporary custody under certain circumstances; requiring the court to establish any conditions for the transition of custody of the child to the parent which are in the child’s

best interest, and to consider specified factors; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 1176**—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 information obtained by a property appraiser’s office during an investigation of an exemption claim until the office has taken specified actions; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1178**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to franchised motor vehicle dealers; amending s. 320.64, F.S.; prohibiting an applicant or licensee from establishing or implementing additional criteria for measuring the sales or service performance of franchised motor vehicle dealers; requiring an applicant, licensee, or common entity, or an affiliate thereof, which attempts to enforce any performance measurement criteria against a motor vehicle dealer to describe in writing to the dealer how the criteria were designed, calculated, established, and uniformly applied; requiring an applicant or licensee to provide in writing to each dealer of the same line-make certain performance requirements, sales goals, or sales objectives for any sales incentive or reimbursement program, subject to certain requirements; authorizing a dealer that contends that an assigned performance requirement, sales goal, or sales objective violates certain prohibited activities of licensees to maintain certain injunctive and administrative actions; requiring the applicant or licensee to have the burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the criteria for measuring the performance, goal, or objective comply with a provision that prohibits certain activities of licensees; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 1180**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer protection from nonmedical changes to prescription drug formularies; creating s. 627.42393, F.S.; prohibiting specified changes to certain insurance policy prescription drug formularies, except under certain circumstances; providing construction and applicability; amending s. 627.6699, F.S.; requiring small employer carriers to limit specified changes to prescription drug formularies under certain health benefit plans; amending s. 641.31, F.S.; prohibiting certain health maintenance organizations from making specified changes to health maintenance contract prescription drug formularies, except under certain circumstances; providing construction and applicability; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 1182**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency medical services; amending s. 401.23, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 401.272, F.S.; authorizing a paramedic or emergency medical technician to provide other treatment and transport options; revising a definition; amending s. 401.35, F.S.; revising requirements for rules adopted by the Department of Health governing minimum standards for emergency medical services vehicle equipment and supplies and ambulance or vehicle design and construction; requiring the department to adopt rules governing the use of telemedicine by certain licensees; amending s. 401.445, F.S.; providing immunity from liability for certain medical and law enforcement personnel providing emergency

examination and treatment of incapacitated persons in certain circumstances; amending s. 893.05, F.S.; authorizing a certified paramedic to administer a controlled substance only under the supervision of certain health care practitioners; amending ss. 14.33, 252.515, 395.1027, and 401.245, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 1184**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to payments to surviving successors; creating s. 655.795, F.S.; defining the terms “qualified account” and “surviving successor”; authorizing a financial institution to pay to the surviving successor of a decedent depositor, without any court proceeding, order, or judgment authorizing the payment and not earlier than a specified time, the funds in the decedent’s qualified accounts if the sum does not exceed a specified amount; requiring the surviving successor to provide a certified copy of the decedent’s death certificate and a specified affidavit to the financial institution; providing that the financial institution has no duty to make certain determinations; providing construction relating to liability and indemnification; providing a criminal penalty; providing an affidavit form the surviving successor may use; providing construction relating to any conflict with the Florida Probate Code; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Baxley and Perry—

**SB 1186**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal judgments; amending s. 812.014, F.S.; requiring that judgments of guilty or not guilty of petit theft be in a written record, rather than in writing, or in an electronic record with the judge’s electronic signature, recorded by the clerk of the circuit court; providing requirements for such records; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 921.241, F.S.; defining terms; requiring that judgments of guilty or not guilty of a felony be in a written record, rather than in writing, or an electronic record with the judge’s electronic signature, recorded by the clerk of the circuit court; requiring that for an electronic record of a judgment of guilty, the fingerprints of a defendant be electronically captured and a certain certification be included; requiring the judge to place his or her electronic signature on the certificate; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 921.242, F.S.; requiring that specified judgments of guilty be in a written record, rather than in writing, or an electronic record with the judge’s electronic signature, recorded by the clerk of the circuit court; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 775.084(3)(a), (b), and (c), F.S., relating to fingerprinting a defendant for the purpose of identification, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 921.241, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Grutes—

**SB 1188**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to courts; amending s. 28.345, F.S.; specifying that certain exemptions from court-related fees and charges apply to certain entities; amending s. 744.2008, F.S.; requiring the court to waive any court costs or filing fees for certain proceedings involving public guardians; amending s. 744.3675, F.S.; providing that a certain examination report related to annual guardianship plans may be prepared by a physician assistant or an advanced practice registered nurse; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 1190**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Special Risk Class; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; adding specified Florida State Hospital employees to the class; conforming cross-references; declaring that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Bean—

**SB 1192**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electronic prescribing; amending s. 456.42, F.S.; requiring all prescriptions to be electronically generated and transmitted upon a certain practitioner’s license renewal or by a specified date; prohibiting electronic prescribing from interfering with a patient’s freedom to choose a pharmacy; providing restrictions for electronic prescribing software; providing definitions; authorizing electronic prescribing software to display information regarding a payor’s formulary under certain circumstances; amending ss. 409.91196, 409.912, 456.0392, 458.3265, 458.331, 458.347, 459.0137, 459.015, and 459.022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing ss. 456.43, 831.311, and 893.065, F.S., relating to electronic prescribing for medicinal drugs, the unlawful sale, manufacture, alteration, delivery, uttering, or possession of counterfeit-resistant prescription blanks for controlled substances, and counterfeit-resistant prescription blanks for controlled substances listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, Schedule IV, or Schedule V, respectively; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Broxson—

**SB 1194**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to patient safety culture surveys; amending s. 408.05, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop surveys to assess patient safety culture in certain health care facilities; amending s. 408.061, F.S.; revising requirements for the submission of health care data to the agency; amending s. 408.810, F.S.; requiring the submission of facility patient safety culture surveys as a condition of licensure; amending ss. 400.991, 408.8065, and 408.820, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 1196**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vacation rentals; amending s. 509.013, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 509.241, F.S.; requiring licenses issued by the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to be displayed conspicuously to the public; requiring the operator of a vacation rental or specified public lodging establishment to display its license number in advertisements; amending s. 509.242, F.S.; revising the criteria for a public lodging establishment to be classified as a vacation rental; creating s. 509.243, F.S.; authorizing a hosting platform to facilitate booking transactions under certain circumstances; requiring a hosting platform to designate and maintain on file with the division an agent for service of process in this state; requiring a hosting platform to maintain certain records; requiring a hosting platform to remove a listing under certain circumstances; providing penalties; requiring the division to adopt rules; amending s. 509.261, F.S.; requiring the division to revoke, or refuse to issue or renew, a vacation rental license under certain circumstances; amending ss. 159.27, 212.08, 316.1955, 404.056, 477.0135, 509.032, 509.221, 553.5041, 717.1355, and 877.24, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting ss. 196.199(1)(a), 212.031(1)(a), and 413.08(1)(c), relating to government property exemption, tax on rental or license fee for use of real property, and prohibited discrimination in public employment, public accommodations, and housing accommodations, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to s. 509.013, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s.

509.221(9), F.S., relating to sanitary regulations, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 509.242, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing applicability; providing severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Stargel—

**SB 1198**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school board fiscal transparency; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; expanding provisions with which charter schools are required to comply; amending s. 1010.20, F.S.; revising requirements for school districts' reports to the Department of Education on certain costs; amending s. 1011.035, F.S.; revising the requirements for data and information that district school boards must post on their respective websites; amending s. 1011.051, F.S.; deleting a requirement that superintendents reduce certain expenditures under specified circumstances; deleting a requirement that the department contract with certain parties to conduct investigations under specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Stargel—

**SB 1200**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction bonds; amending s. 255.05, F.S.; requiring a notice of nonpayment to be verified; requiring the notice to contain certain statements; requiring a claimant to attach certain documents to a notice of nonpayment; specifying that a claimant who serves a fraudulent notice of nonpayment forfeits his or her rights under a bond; providing that the service of a fraudulent notice of nonpayment is a complete defense to the claimant's claim against the bond and entitles the prevailing party to attorney fees; requiring a notice of nonpayment to be in a prescribed form; amending s. 627.756, F.S.; providing that a provision relating to attorney fees applies to certain suits brought by contractors; deeming contractors to be insured or beneficiaries in relation to bonds for construction contracts; reenacting s. 627.428, F.S., relating to attorney fees; amending s. 713.23, F.S.; requiring a lienor to serve a verified notice of nonpayment to specified entities during a certain period of time; requiring a notice of nonpayment to contain certain statements; requiring a lienor to attach certain documents to a notice of nonpayment; specifying that a lienor who serves a fraudulent notice of nonpayment forfeits his or her rights under the bond; providing that the service of a fraudulent notice of nonpayment is a complete defense to the lienor's claim against the bond and entitles the prevailing party to attorney fees; requiring a notice of nonpayment to be in a prescribed form; amending s. 713.245, F.S.; providing that a contractor may record a notice identifying a project bond as a conditional payment bond before project commencement to make the duty of a surety to pay lienors coextensive with the contractor's duty to pay; providing that failure to list or record a bond as a conditional payment bond does not convert such a bond into a common law bond or a bond furnished under a specified provision; revising the statement that must be included on a conditional payment bond; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 1202**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Companion Animal Public-Private Partnership Act; providing legislative findings; defining terms; prohibiting animal shelters from euthanizing animals under certain conditions; requiring animal shelters to release animals to rescue organizations under certain conditions; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1204**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation network companies; amending s. 627.748, F.S.; authorizing a luxury ground vehicle company or a limousine vehicle company to convert its operations and its for-hire vehicles to a transportation network company and transportation network company vehicles, respectively, after a certain timeframe after providing notification to the Department of Financial Services; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Berman—

**SB 1206**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic violence; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; revising a prohibition on the sale or transfer of firearms to persons convicted of misdemeanor domestic violence offenses; amending s. 790.233, F.S.; defining the term “misdemeanor offense of domestic violence”; prohibiting persons convicted of a misdemeanor offense of domestic violence from possessing a firearm or ammunition; requiring persons convicted of misdemeanor offenses of domestic violence to surrender all firearms and ammunition in their possession upon conviction; requiring a court to order the defendant to surrender to the local law enforcement agency all firearms and ammunition and any license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm; providing requirements for law enforcement officers carrying out the court order and taking possession of the firearms and ammunition; authorizing a law enforcement officer to seek a search warrant under certain circumstances; requiring the law enforcement officer taking possession of the firearms, ammunition, and license to issue a receipt to the defendant, file the original with the court, and ensure his or her law enforcement agency retains a copy; requiring a court to make a certain determination upon a sworn statement or testimony that the defendant did not comply with the required surrender of any firearms, ammunition, or license; authorizing the court to issue a warrant if it finds that probable cause exists; providing for the return of firearms and ammunition to a lawful owner under certain circumstances; requiring all law enforcement agencies to develop certain policies and procedures; authorizing a defendant to elect to transfer all firearms and ammunitions that he or she owns to another person under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; creating s. 790.234, F.S.; requiring a law enforcement officer to remove firearms from the scene of an alleged act of domestic violence under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the law enforcement officer removing such firearms; authorizing the owner of the firearms to retake possession within a specified timeframe; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 1208**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to aircraft liens; amending ss. 329.41 and 329.51, F.S.; specifying that a lienor is not required to possess an aircraft to perfect certain liens; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 1210**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ratification of rules of the Department of Financial Services; ratifying a specified rule relating to implementation of expanded workers' compensation benefits for first responders for the sole and exclusive purpose of satisfying any condition on effectiveness pursuant to s. 120.541(3), F.S., which requires ratification of any rule meeting any specified thresholds for likely adverse impact or increase in regulatory costs; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bracy—

**SB 1212**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gain-time; amending s. 921.002, F.S.; revising a principle of the Criminal Punishment Code relating to a prisoner's required minimum term of imprisonment; amending s. 944.275, F.S.; revising the incentive gain-time that the Department of Corrections may grant a prisoner for offenses committed on or after a specified date; providing exceptions; revising the conditions under which an inmate may be granted a one-time award of 60 additional days of incentive gain-time by the department; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 1214**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child abuse, abandonment, and neglect; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; deleting the term “juvenile sexual abuse”; defining the term “child-on-child sexual abuse”; creating s. 39.101, F.S.; relocating provisions relating to the central abuse hotline of the Department of Children and Families; providing additional requirements relating to the hotline; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; requiring animal control officers and certain agents to provide their names to hotline staff; creating s. 39.208, F.S.; providing a purpose; requiring individuals who are required to investigate child abuse, abandonment, or neglect to also report certain animal abuse to specified persons or agencies; requiring that the report include certain information; providing a criminal penalty for knowingly and willfully failing to make such report; requiring the department to include certain training in the training program for persons required to investigate child abuse, abandonment, or neglect; amending s. 39.302, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; relocating provisions relating to the representation of alleged perpetrators in institutional investigations; amending s. 828.27, F.S.; requiring training for animal control officers to include training for detecting child abuse, neglect, and abandonment; amending s. 39.307, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 39.301 and 934.03, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bracy—

**SB 1216**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health providers; amending s. 395.0197, F.S.; requiring that the report to the Department of Health of allegations of sexual misconduct by a licensed health care practitioner be made within a specified timeframe; increasing penalties for violations by licensed facilities; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 1218**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homelessness; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; requiring that certain taxes of a specified amount be transferred annually to the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Families for the purpose of funding challenge grants; amending s. 420.621, F.S.; revising, adding, and deleting defined terms; amending s. 420.622, F.S.; increasing the number of members on the Council on Homelessness to include a representative of the Florida Housing Coalition and the Secretary of the Department of Elder Affairs or his or her designee; providing that appointed council members are encouraged to have certain experience; revising the duties of the State Office on Homelessness; revising requirements for the state's system of homeless programs; requiring entities that receive state funding to provide summary aggregated data to assist the council in providing certain information; removing the requirement that the office have the concurrence of the council to accept and administer moneys appropriated to it to provide certain annual challenge grants to continuums of care lead agencies; clarifying the source of such appropriation; increasing the maximum amount of grant awards per continuum of care lead agency; conforming provisions to

changes made by the act; revising requirements for use of grant funds by continuum of care lead agencies; revising preference criteria for certain grants; increasing the maximum percentage of its funding which a continuum of care lead agency may spend on administrative costs; requiring such agencies to submit a final report to the Department of Children and Families documenting certain outcomes achieved by grant-funded programs; removing the requirement that the office have the concurrence of the council to administer moneys given to it to provide homeless housing assistance grants annually to certain continuum of care lead agencies to acquire, construct, or rehabilitate permanent housing units for homeless persons; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring grant applicants to be ranked competitively based on criteria determined by the office; deleting preference requirements; increasing the minimum number of years for which projects must reserve certain units acquired, constructed, or rehabilitated; increasing the maximum percentage of funds the office and each applicant may spend on administrative costs; revising certain performance measure requirements; authorizing, instead of requiring, the Department of Children and Families, with input from the council, to adopt rules relating to certain grants and related issues; revising requirements for an annual report the council must submit to the Governor, Legislature, and Secretary of Children and Families; authorizing the office to administer moneys appropriated to it for distribution among certain designated continuum of care lead agencies and entities; creating s. 420.6225, F.S.; specifying the purpose of a continuum of care; requiring each continuum of care, pursuant to federal law, to designate a collaborative applicant that is responsible for submitting the continuum of care funding application for the designated catchment area to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; providing requirements for such designated collaborative applicants; authorizing the applicant to be referred to as the continuum of care lead agency; providing requirements for continuum of care catchment areas and lead agencies; requiring that each continuum of care create a continuum of care plan for specified purposes; specifying requirements for such plans; requiring continuums of care to promote participation by all interested individuals and organizations, subject to certain requirements; creating s. 420.6227, F.S.; providing legislative findings and program purpose; establishing a grant-in-aid program to help continuums of care prevent and end homelessness, which may include any aspect of the local continuum of care plan; requiring continuums of care to submit an application for grant-in-aid funds to the office for review; requiring the office to develop guidelines for the development, evaluation, and approval of spending plans; requiring grant-in-aid funds for continuums of care to be administered by the office and awarded on a competitive basis; requiring the office to distribute such funds to local agencies to fund programs that are required by the local continuum of care plan, based on certain recommendations; limiting the percentage of the total state funds awarded under a spending plan which may be used by the continuum of care lead agency for staffing and administrative expenditures; requiring entities contracting with local agencies to provide services through certain financial assistance programs to provide a specified minimum percentage of the funding necessary for the support of project operations; authorizing in-kind contributions to be evaluated and counted as part or all of the required local funding, at the discretion of the office; repealing s. 420.623, F.S., relating to local coalitions for the homeless; repealing s. 420.624, F.S., relating to local homeless assistance continuums of care; repealing s. 420.625, F.S., relating to a grant-in-aid program; amending s. 420.626, F.S.; revising procedures that certain facilities and institutions are encouraged to develop and implement to reduce the discharge of persons into homelessness when such persons are admitted or housed for a specified period at such facilities or institutions; amending s. 420.6265, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent for Rapid ReHousing; revising the Rapid ReHousing methodology; amending s. 420.6275, F.S.; revising legislative findings relating to Housing First; revising the Housing First methodology to reflect current practice; amending s. 420.507, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SCR 1220**—A concurrent resolution acknowledging the injustices perpetrated against the targets of the Florida Legislative Investigation

Committee between 1956 and 1965, and offering a formal and heartfelt apology to those whose lives, well-being, and livelihoods were damaged or destroyed by the activities and public pronouncements of those who served on the committee.

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

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By Senator Harrell—

**SB 1222**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to services for veterans and their families; creating s. 394.9087, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to establish the Florida Veterans' Care Coordination Program to provide veterans and their families with behavioral health care referral and care coordination services; requiring the department to contract with managing entities to enter into agreements with Florida 211 Network participants to provide such services; providing program goals; providing for the statewide delivery of specified services by program teams; requiring Florida 211 Network participants to collect program implementation data and submit such data to the department; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 1224**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter school employees; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring each charter school principal, governing board member, chief financial officer, or their equivalent, to meet certain certification requirements; amending s. 1012.32, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Taddeo and Cruz—

**SB 1226**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military veterans and servicemembers court programs; amending s. 394.47891, F.S.; requiring the chief judge of each judicial circuit to establish a Military Veterans and Servicemembers Court Program; requiring the chief judge to consider nationally recognized best practices when adopting policies and procedures for the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

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**SR 1228**—Not introduced.

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By Senator Powell—

**SM 1230**—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to call a convention under Article V of the Constitution of the United States for the exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to permanently restore free and fair elections in the United States.

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

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By Senator Rader—

**SB 1232**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 316.235, F.S.; authorizing a motor vehicle to be equipped with certain lamps or devices under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; authorizing certain vehicles to display red and white lights; amending s. 316.2398, F.S.; authorizing certain vehicles to display red and white warning signals under certain circumstances; providing requirements and penalties; amending s. 316.224, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 316.646, F.S.; requiring law

enforcement officers to access certain information during traffic stops or crash investigations for certain purposes; amending s. 319.30, F.S.; revising the manner in which insurance companies must forward motor vehicle or mobile home titles to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles under certain circumstances; revising a specified date by which certain provisions are effective relating to requests for a salvage certificate of title or certificate of destruction; authorizing electronic signatures for certain purposes; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; authorizing insurance online verification for motor vehicle registration; amending s. 324.0221, F.S.; requiring insurers to transmit certain information to the department; authorizing the department to verify certain information; authorizing the department to implement a method of insurance verification; amending s. 324.151, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 324.252, F.S.; requiring the department to establish an online verification system for motor vehicle insurance; providing system requirements; providing powers and duties of the department; providing requirements for insurers and law enforcement officers; providing immunity from liability; prohibiting the use of an online verification request or response for a civil action; providing applicability; providing rulemaking authority; creating s. 324.255, F.S.; creating the Motor Vehicle Insurance Online Verification Task Force; providing duties of the task force; providing membership; providing meeting requirements; requiring the department to provide support; providing report requirements; providing the date by which the task force must complete its work and submit its final report; providing for expiration of the task force; amending s. 627.7295, F.S.; reducing the amount that must be collected from insureds before policies or binders are issued; amending ss. 627.736 and 627.7407, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; deleting obsolete language; creating s. 627.747, F.S.; authorizing motor vehicle policies to exclude named individuals from coverage; providing exceptions; providing effective dates.

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

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By Senator Taddeo—

**SB 1234**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student eligibility requirements for state financial aid awards and tuition assistance grants; amending s. 1009.40, F.S.; providing that a student may not be denied classification as a resident for purposes of receiving state financial aid awards based on his or her immigration status if certain criteria are met; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 1236**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transactions for the possession of animals; amending s. 379.372, F.S.; making technical changes; prohibiting a person, a party, a firm, an association, or a corporation from keeping, possessing, importing, selling, bartering, trading, or breeding for personal use or sale green iguanas or black and white tegus; creating s. 725.09, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining the terms “pet” and “pet dealer”; declaring that certain contracts entered into on or after a specified date for the sale or lease of a pet are against the public policy of this state and are void and unenforceable; providing an exception; providing remedies for noncompliance; providing penalties; reenacting s. 379.2311(1), F.S., relating to the definition of the term “priority invasive species,” to incorporate the amendment made to s. 379.372, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 1238**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the safety of religious institutions; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; authorizing a church, a synagogue, or other religious institution to allow a concealed weapons or concealed firearms licensee to carry a firearm on the property of that

church, synagogue, or other religious institution for certain purposes; authorizing a private school or a religious school to designate a person to carry a firearm on that school's property; requiring the governing board or body of such school to create certain policies and procedures if it designates such person; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Torres—

**SB 1240**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation benefits for correctional officers; creating s. 112.1816, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that, under certain circumstances, post-traumatic stress disorder suffered by a correctional officer is an occupational disease compensable by workers' compensation benefits; specifying that certain benefits do not require a physical injury and are not subject to certain apportionment or limitations; providing a time for notice of injury or death; requiring the Department of Financial Services to adopt certain rules; requiring an employing agency to provide specified mental health training; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 1242**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to chiropractors; amending s. 460.402, F.S.; revising an exemption from regulation under ch. 460, F.S., for certain chiropractic students; amending s. 460.403, F.S.; conforming definitions to changes made by the act; amending s. 460.406, F.S.; revising application requirements for licensure by examination; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; amending s. 460.4062, F.S.; revising requirements for the issuance of a chiropractic medicine faculty certificate without examination; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending ss. 460.4061, 460.4165, 460.4167, and 400.9905, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Wright—

**SB 1244**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community development district bond financing; amending s. 190.016, F.S.; requiring district boards to authorize bonds by a two-thirds vote of the members; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Wright—

**SB 1246**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction defects; amending s. 558.001, F.S.; revising legislative findings; providing applicability; amending s. 558.002, F.S.; deleting terms; creating s. 558.0045, F.S.; providing applicability; requiring courts to require parties in actions involving construction defects to take part in non-binding arbitration; providing requirements for the arbitration; requiring an arbitrator to include certain information in his or her award if he or she makes certain findings; authorizing parties to agree to be bound by the arbitration award; authorizing a party that does not agree to be bound by the award to proceed with certain actions; providing construction; requiring a jury verdict and a final judgment to contain specified information in certain proceedings; specifying that claims against certain parties are subject to certain mandatory nonbinding arbitration; providing applicability relating to insureds and insurance carriers; repealing s. 558.003, F.S., relating to action and compliance; repealing s. 558.004, F.S., relating to notice and opportunity to repair; repealing s. 558.005, F.S., relating to contract provisions and applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Torres—

**SB 1248**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to landlords and tenants; providing a short title; amending s. 83.51, F.S.; requiring a landlord to provide a physical copy of any restrictive covenants that govern the premises to a tenant at a specified time; requiring written notice be provided to a tenant of any changes to the covenants within a specified time; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Judiciary; and Rules.

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By Senator Torres—

**SB 1250**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community development districts; amending s. 190.012, F.S.; requiring community development districts to obtain a just valuation before acquiring property that includes land or is permanently affixed to land; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1252**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public accountancy; amending s. 473.302, F.S.; revising a definition; amending s. 473.312, F.S.; revising the percentage of total hours of accounting-related and auditing-related continuing education required by the Board of Accountancy for license renewal; amending s. 473.313, F.S.; updating provisions relating to license reactivation; amending s. 473.322, F.S.; prohibiting a person from performing or offering to perform certain services without a license; revising criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Banking and Insurance; and Rules.

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By Senator Torres—

**SB 1254**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dependent special districts; creating s. 189.023, F.S.; requiring certain prospective buyers to receive a disclosure summary before closing on a contract for the purchase of property in a dependent special district; specifying contents of the disclosure summary; requiring that certain contracts contain specified information; specifying circumstances under which a sales contract may be voided by a buyer; creating s. 189.024, F.S.; authorizing purchasers of property within a dependent special district to rescind a sales contract or collect damages from the developer under specified conditions; specifying the length of time for which such right applies; authorizing the prevailing party to recover reasonable attorney fees; prohibiting expenditure of specified funds in defense of an action; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Montford—

**SB 1256**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Apalachicola Bay Area of Critical State Concern; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; appropriating a sum annually for a specified timeframe from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to a specified area of critical state concern for specified purposes; amending s. 380.0555, F.S.; providing additional principles for guiding development within the Apalachicola Bay Area of Critical State Concern to include projects that protect and improve water quality; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hooper—

**SB 1258**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a notice of termination; amending s. 713.132, F.S.; revising and providing statements that must be included in a notice of termination; revising when a notice of termination may be recorded; providing requirements for a notice of termination to be effective; requiring that a notice of termination be recorded in the public records of the county where the project is located; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wright—

**SB 1260**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory direct file; amending s. 985.557, F.S.; repealing provisions requiring the mandatory direct filing of charges in adult court against juveniles in certain circumstances; amending s. 985.565, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hooper—

**SB 1262**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mobile home park lot tenancies; amending s. 723.011, F.S.; providing that certain deficiencies are limited to direct violations of a specified chapter; authorizing a park owner to request a certain receipt; amending s. 723.012, F.S.; requiring the disclosure of certain factors that affect the lot rental amount, if applicable; amending s. 723.035, F.S.; authorizing a park owner to enter a homeowner's lot to correct specified violations under certain conditions; prohibiting the date by which specified violations must be corrected from being extended; authorizing a park owner to charge a homeowner a certain fee; providing construction; amending s. 723.061, F.S.; requiring a park owner to provide a copy of an eviction notice to the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes within a specified time; requiring the division to provide a copy of the notice to the Executive Director of the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Corporation; requiring the notice to be sent by United States mail; amending s. 723.076, F.S.; requiring a homeowners' association to notify a park owner upon election or appointment of new officers or members; amending s. 723.078, F.S.; providing election and ballot requirements; requiring the division to adopt rules relating to elections; providing that certain meetings are closed to members; requiring certain board of director nominations to be made at least 27 days before an annual meeting; authorizing electronic transmission of certain notices; providing that certain documents are privileged and confidential; requiring the association to retain meeting minutes within the state for at least 5 years; amending s. 723.079, F.S.; requiring the association to retain certain documents within the state for at least 5 years; requiring the board to make official records available to members for inspection or photocopying within 20 business days after receipt of a written request; revising provisions relating to statutory damages for members who are denied access to official records; requiring mandatory binding arbitration in certain disputes; amending s. 723.1255, F.S.; requiring mandatory binding arbitration in certain disputes; providing for the award of attorney fees and costs; requiring the division to adopt rules relating to mandatory binding arbitration; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

By Senator Perry—

**SB 1264**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lottery games; creating s. 24.1056, F.S.; prohibiting the use of personal electronic devices to play, store, redeem, sell, or purchase lottery tickets or games; providing exceptions; defining the term "personal electronic device";

providing criminal penalties; amending s. 24.107, F.S.; requiring the Department of the Lottery to include a specified warning in advertisements or promotions of lottery games; providing requirements for such warning; amending s. 24.111, F.S.; requiring contracts between the department and a vendor to include a provision that requires the vendor to print a specified warning on all lottery tickets; providing requirements for such warning; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Appropriations.

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 1266**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health care for railroad employees after a critical incident; creating s. 351.38, F.S.; requiring a Class II railroad company operating in this state to develop critical incident stress plans in accordance with specified federal regulations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 1268**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tiny homes; creating s. 553.887, F.S.; requiring the Florida Building Commission to adopt certain regulations and standards; providing definitions; providing regulations and standards; providing for the incorporation of certain codes into the Florida Building Code; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Farmer—

**SB 1270**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to biometric information privacy; creating s. 501.172, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions; establishing requirements and restrictions on private entities as to the use, collection, and maintenance of biometric identifiers and biometric information; creating a private cause of action for relief for violations of the act; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Judiciary; and Rules.

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1272**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to anti-Semitism; amending s. 775.085, F.S.; specifying that the term "religion" includes anti-Semitism; defining the term "anti-Semitism"; specifying duties of law enforcement agencies; providing construction; amending s. 1000.05, F.S.; prohibiting discrimination in the Florida K-20 public education system based on religion; requiring a public K-20 educational institution to take into consideration anti-Semitism under certain instances of discrimination; defining the term "anti-Semitism"; providing construction; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Wright—

**SB 1274**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation facility designations; providing an honorary designation of a certain transportation facility in a specified county; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bean—

**SB 1276**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to attorney compensation; amending s. 733.6171, F.S.; requiring an attorney who accepts certain engagements to obtain a fee disclosure statement signed by the person responsible for administering an estate; requiring such disclosure statement to contain certain statements; deleting provisions relating to the determination of reasonable compensation for attorneys of personal representatives; deleting provisions relating to petitions to increase or decrease compensation for such attorneys; amending s. 736.1007, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the determination of reasonable compensation for attorneys of trustees; deleting provisions relating to petitions to increase or decrease compensation for such attorneys; amending ss. 733.106 and 736.1005, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 1278**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to biosolids management; creating s. 403.0855, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; defining the term “biosolids”; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules for biosolids management which meet certain requirements; exempting the rulemaking from specified requirements; providing applicability; providing that certain ordinances, moratoriums, or regulations remain in effect until they are repealed or expire; defining the term “biosolids”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rouson—

**SB 1280**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substance prescribing; amending s. 456.44, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “acute pain” to exclude pain related to sickle-cell anemia; excluding the treatment of such pain from limitations on the prescription of an opioid drug; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Thurston—

**SB 1282**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wellness examinations; amending s. 381.0056, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “physical examination” to include reference to specified guidelines; amending s. 381.0057, F.S.; specifying that physical examinations are included in support services for purposes of the student support services team program; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; exempting a child from the adolescent well-care examination upon a parent’s written request stating objections on religious grounds; amending s. 1002.42, F.S.; requiring students of private schools to present a proof of an adolescent well-care examination form; creating s. 1003.221, F.S.; defining the term “adolescent well-care examination”; requiring that district school boards and private school governing authorities require and enforce as a policy that certain children present proof of an adolescent well-care examination each year; requiring district school boards and private school governing authorities to refuse to admit children who fail to present proof of such examination; requiring school boards and private school governing authorities to establish and enforce a policy that allows a student to submit proof of the examination within 30 school days under certain conditions; providing exemptions; requiring the Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Health, to develop a proof of adolescent well-care examination form to become a part of each student’s permanent record; providing exemptions from the adolescent well-care examination requirement; requiring each public school or private school to follow up with each student until proper documentation is obtained; requiring an authorized juvenile justice official to follow up with each student until proper documentation is obtained; specifying that the child’s parent bears responsibility for com-

pliance with specified adolescent well-care examination requirements; requiring the State Board of Education, in consultation with the Department of Health, to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Diaz, Rodriguez, and Taddeo—

**SB 1284**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the district cost differential; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising the method of calculating the district cost differential used in determining the annual allocation to school districts from the Florida Education Finance Program; requiring the Department of Education to consult with specified individuals and entities during the development of the wage level index; amending s. 213.053, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 402.22(6), 1002.37(3), 1002.71(3)(b), 1003.52(13)(a), F.S., relating to the education program for students who reside in residential care facilities operated by the Department of Children and Families or the Agency for Persons with Disabilities; the Florida Virtual School; funding and financial and attendance reporting relating to the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; and educational services in Department of Juvenile Justice programs, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 1011.62, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 1286**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the treatment of sexual assault victims; amending s. 395.1021, F.S.; requiring certain licensed facilities to provide to victims of sexual assault information regarding emergency contraception and its availability, if requested; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Braynon—

**SB 1288**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property insurance coverage for explosions; amending s. 624.10, F.S.; defining the term “explosion” for purposes of the Florida Insurance Code; creating s. 627.70105, F.S.; requiring an insurer issuing or renewing a property insurance policy to provide explosion coverage; providing options for exclusions of explosion coverage; providing requirements for such options; providing recordkeeping requirements; providing a presumption; providing applicability; requiring the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; providing effective dates.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 1290**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clinics that perform abortions; amending s. 390.0111, F.S.; deleting a provision prohibiting state agencies, local governmental entities, and Medicaid managed care plans from expending or paying funds or initiating or renewing contracts under certain circumstances with a certain organization that owns, operates, or is affiliated with a licensed clinic that performs abortions; amending s. 390.012, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the Agency for Health Care Administration inspect an abortion clinic’s patient records when performing licensure inspections; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 1292**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the timely administration of justice; amending s. 26.012, F.S.; providing that certain actions in circuit court must be brought by summary procedure; amending s. 34.01, F.S.; providing that certain actions in county court are governed by summary procedure; amending s. 57.105, F.S.; providing that a certain award of fees or damages must be upheld absent a clear abuse of discretion; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 1294**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to peer support for first responders; creating s. 125.272, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a person who is not a health care practitioner who provides peer-to-peer support to a first responder from testifying or divulging information under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; creating s. 166.0494, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a person who is not a health care practitioner who provides peer-to-peer support to a first responder from testifying or divulging information under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1296**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the organization and operation of state universities; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; requiring the Board of Governors to report on the intellectual freedom and viewpoint diversity at each state university; requiring each institution to conduct a certain annual survey of students, faculty, and administrators; requiring the Office of Inspector General to annually verify the accuracy of specified data; requiring the Board of Governors to match certain student information with specified educational and employment records; requiring the Board of Governors to enter into an agreement with the Department of Economic Opportunity for certain purposes; providing requirements for such agreement; amending s. 1001.92, F.S.; revising the state university system performance-based incentive; revising the performance-based metrics to include specific data; authorizing the Board of Governors to approve other metrics; prohibiting the adjustment of such metrics once specified data has been received; requiring the Board of Governors to establish a minimum performance funding eligibility threshold for institutional investments, which must exceed a certain minimum threshold; requiring the use of specified data in establishing initial scores; providing for the scoring of universities by the Board of Governors and the distribution of state investment funds; providing requirements for state universities that do not meet specified requirements relating to the performance funding eligibility thresholds for the state's investment funding; amending s. 1004.28, F.S.; providing that state appropriations transferred to specified entities by state university boards of trustees may only be used for specified purposes; amending s. 1004.335, F.S.; clarifying that the University of South Florida St. Petersburg and the University of South Florida Sarasota/Manatee are branch campuses; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 1004.41, F.S.; requiring the University of Florida Board of Trustees to approve appointments to specified boards of directors and certain subsidiaries and affiliates of Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics, Inc.; providing that, as of a specified date, state appropriations transferred to certain entities by the University of Florida Board of Trustees may be used only for specified purposes; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring the statewide articulation agreement to provide for a reverse transfer agreement; providing for an associate degree to be awarded to certain students by Florida College System institutions; providing requirement for state universities; amending s. 1011.90, F.S.; providing requirements for a certain legislative budget request; prohibiting certain ratios relating to student enrollment from growing faster than a specified rate; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bracy—

**SJR 1298**—A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 28 of Article I of the State Constitution to establish the right of persons over a specified age in this state to possess, use, and cultivate cannabis.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Benacquisto—

**SB 1300**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida ABLE program; repealing s. 11 of chapter 2018-10, Laws of Florida, relating to the scheduled reversion of provisions related to the distribution of funds in an ABLE account upon the death of a designated beneficiary; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Bracy—

**SB 1302**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory minimum sentences; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; authorizing a court to depart from mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for certain drug trafficking offenses if the court makes specified findings; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 1304**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to manufacturers of malt beverages; amending s. 561.221, F.S.; authorizing a manufacturer to transfer to its licensed facility certain malt beverages that are brewed by another manufacturer; exempting certain manufacturers from requirements relating to relations between beer distributors and manufacturers; authorizing certain manufacturers to sell, transport, and deliver certain malt beverages to vendors; providing applicability; requiring certain manufacturers to get written permission from a distributor before making certain deliveries; revising requirements for a licensed vendor to be licensed as a manufacturer of malt beverages; defining the term “barrel”; amending s. 563.022, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; authorizing a manufacturer to terminate a contract with a distributor under certain circumstances; amending s. 561.411, F.S.; revising requirements relating to distributors' warehouse inventory and sales; amending s. 561.5101, F.S.; providing an exception to the come-to-rest requirement for certain deliveries made by specified manufacturers; amending s. 561.57, F.S.; deleting a prohibition on manufacturers with a vendor's license making certain deliveries; authorizing certain manufacturers to use certain vehicles when making specified deliveries; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Rules.

By Senators Book and Pizzo—

**SB 1306**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commemoration Committee; creating the committee adjunct to the Department of State; providing for the purpose of the committee; specifying the composition of the committee and requirements of committee members; prescribing duties of the committee in order to ensure a suitable statewide observance of the centennial of women's suffrage; providing for the establishment of a youth working group; requiring the Division of Historical Resources of the department to provide administrative and staff support; providing for expiration of the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 1308**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pathways to college and career success; creating s. 1004.991, F.S.; requiring the Commissioner of Education to conduct an annual review of career and technical education offerings in the K-12 education system and the Florida College System; providing requirements for the annual review; requiring the commissioner to annually provide a report summarizing the annual review to the Governor and the Legislature; providing requirements for the report; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; requiring the statewide articulation agreement to provide for a reverse transfer agreement; providing requirements for the reverse transfer agreement; amending s. 1007.25, F.S.; requiring state universities to annually notify their students of a specified provision of law; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; authorizing state universities or Florida College System institutions to waive tuition and fees for students who meet specified requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 1310**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to minors posting firearms on social media; creating s. 790.111, F.S.; prohibiting the posting or publishing of a picture of a firearm, BB gun, air or gas-operated gun, or device displayed to resemble a firearm to social media by a minor; providing criminal penalties; authorizing a court to require certain adults to participate in parenting classes subsequent to a violation; providing for community service programs for violations; providing requirements for such programs; requiring seizure of firearms under certain circumstances; providing construction; providing applicability; amending s. 790.174, F.S.; prohibiting storing a firearm in such a way that a minor obtains access to it without permission and posts a picture of it on social media; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 901.15, F.S.; authorizing warrantless arrest when a law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that a minor has violated s. 790.111, F.S.; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 1312**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cannabis; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; providing reduced criminal penalties for distribution or possession of certain amounts of cannabis concentrate or THC in cannabis products or edibles; reenacting ss. 772.12(2)(a) and 893.15, F.S., relating to the Drug Dealer Liability Act and rehabilitation, respectively, to incorporate changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pizzo—

**SB 1314**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to affordable housing tax reductions; amending s. 196.1978, F.S.; defining terms; providing legislative findings; providing a tax reduction to certain entities that provide affordable housing to identified groups; providing criteria for receiving such reduction; providing a formula for determining the amount of the reduction; requiring the taxpayer to submit a covenant for recording that provides specified information; requiring each taxpayer who receives a tax reduction to file an annual report; providing specifications for such report; providing penalties for falsification of reports; requiring specified counties to post certain maps on their websites; requiring the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to adopt specified rules; requiring the taxpayer to pay back taxes, penalties, and

interest under specified circumstances; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1316**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to civic education; providing a short title; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; revising the requirements for a standard high school diploma to include a specified course; providing requirements for such course; creating s. 1003.4321, F.S.; establishing the Florida Seal of Civic Engagement Program; providing the purpose of the program; requiring the State Board of Education to establish criteria for awarding the seal; providing requirements for such criteria; providing duties of the Commissioner of Education and school districts; prohibiting a school district or the Department of Education from charging a fee for the seal; requiring the state board to adopt rules; amending s. 1003.497, F.S.; providing that a nonpartisan civic literacy project may be included in service-learning programs, activities, or policies; creating s. 1003.4971, F.S.; authorizing certain students to complete a nonpartisan civic literacy project; requiring the state board to develop the minimum criteria for such project and a process to confirm completion; providing requirements for such criteria and for nonpartisan civic literacy projects; prohibiting a student from receiving remuneration for specified purposes; authorizing the hours devoted to such project to be used for specified purposes; authorizing a school to integrate a nonpartisan civic literacy project into a service-learning program or activity; requiring the state board to adopt rules; creating s. 1003.632, F.S.; providing a purpose; requiring the state board to annually designate public schools that meet specified criteria as Democracy Schools; requiring the state board to establish the criteria for designation as a Democracy School; providing requirements for such criteria; requiring the state board to adopt rules; amending s. 1007.25, F.S.; providing that earning the Seal of Civic Engagement demonstrates competency in civic literacy for specified purposes; providing membership requirements for a specified faculty committee; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; revising school grade components to include students who complete a specified course with a grade of “B” or higher; providing a weighted calculation for schools designated as a Democracy School; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1318**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem taxation; amending s. 196.031, F.S.; deleting a disqualification from the homestead exemption for persons receiving, but not claiming, certain ad valorem tax exemptions or tax credits in another state; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 1320**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to damages recoverable for health care costs; creating s. 768.755, F.S.; defining the terms “allowed amount benchmark” and “charge benchmark”; requiring that certain evidence of the usual and customary rates for health care services, procedures, or equipment be introduced at trial under specified circumstances in personal injury or wrongful death actions for certain claims of damages; providing requirements for certain organizations that maintain a benchmarking database; providing applicability; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1322**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the availability of marijuana for medical use; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; redefining the term “medical use” to include the possession, use, or administration of marijuana in a form for smoking; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; revising provisions related to the licensure of and functions of medical marijuana treatment centers (MMTCs); requiring the Department of Health to adopt by rule certain operating standards and procedures; requiring the department to adopt by rule a certain MMTC registration form; specifying registration requirements, including the submission of a specified performance and compliance bond that may be forfeited for failure to comply with certain provisions; requiring an applicant for an MMTC to submit registration forms for certain principals, employees, and contractors listed on the application; prohibiting the department from registering an applicant as an MMTC until such principals, employees, and contractors are registered and issued MMTC employee identification cards; providing for expiration of an MMTC registration; specifying that a registered MMTC must obtain separate operating licenses for the cultivation, processing, dispensing, and transportation of marijuana; specifying application requirements for an MMTC to obtain cultivation licenses and processing licenses; providing for the expiration of and renewal of such licenses; specifying that an MMTC facility must obtain a facility permit before cultivating or processing marijuana; authorizing an MMTC licensed to cultivate or process marijuana to use contractors to assist with the cultivation and with the processing of marijuana under certain conditions; providing for the destruction of marijuana byproducts within a specified timeframe after their production; providing requirements for the cultivation and for the processing of marijuana; removing the requirement that each MMTC produce and make available for purchase at least one low-THC cannabis product; removing tetrahydrocannabinol limits for edibles; requiring a licensed processing MMTC to test marijuana before it is sold or dispensed; providing marijuana packaging requirements; providing application requirements for an MMTC to obtain a retail license; providing for the expiration of and renewal of such licenses; requiring an MMTC to obtain a facility permit before dispensing and before storing marijuana; prohibiting onsite consumption of or administration of marijuana at a dispensary facility; providing requirements for the dispensing of marijuana; deleting a provision prohibiting an MMTC from dispensing or selling specified products; providing application requirements for an MMTC to obtain a transportation license; providing marijuana transportation requirements; providing a process for the issuance and cancellation of vehicle permits; requiring that each permitted vehicle be GPS-monitored; specifying that a permitted vehicle is subject to inspection and search without a search warrant by specified persons when transporting marijuana; authorizing an MMTC licensed to transport marijuana and marijuana delivery devices to deliver or contract for the delivery of marijuana to other MMTCs and to qualified patients and caregivers within this state; requiring a person delivering marijuana and a marijuana delivery device to a qualified patient or his or her caregiver to verify the identity of the qualified patient; establishing that a county or municipality may not prohibit deliveries of marijuana to qualified patients and caregivers within the county or municipality; requiring the department to adopt certain rules for the delivery of marijuana; providing for the permitting of cultivation, processing, dispensary, and storage facilities; requiring the department to adopt by rule a facility permit application form; requiring the department to issue or deny a facility permit within a specified timeframe; providing for the expiration of facility permits; requiring the department to inspect a facility for compliance before the renewal of a facility permit; requiring an MMTC to cease applicable operations if a facility’s permit expires or is revoked; requiring cultivation facilities and processing facilities to be insured with specified hazard and liability insurance; providing cultivation facility and processing facility requirements; preempting to the state all matters regarding the permitting and regulation of cultivation facilities and processing facilities; requiring dispensary facilities and storage facilities to be insured with specified hazard and liability insurance; providing dispensary facility and storage facility requirements; clarifying that a county or a municipality may prohibit a dispensary facility from being located in its jurisdiction, but may not prohibit a licensed retail MMTC or its permitted storage facility from being located in such county’s or municipality’s jurisdiction if the MMTC is delivering marijuana to qualifying patients; prohibiting the department from issuing a facility permit for a dispensary facility in a county or municipality that adopts a certain ordinance; authorizing a county or municipality to levy a local tax on a dispensary facility; au-

thorizing the department to adopt specified requirements by rule; requiring the department to adopt rules to administer the registration of certain MMTC principals, employees, and contractors by a specified date; requiring an MMTC to apply to the department for the registration of certain persons before hiring or contracting with any such person; requiring the department to adopt by rule a registration form that includes specified information; requiring the department to register persons who meet specified conditions and issue MMTC employee identification cards; requiring a registered person and the MMTC to update the department within a specified timeframe if the person’s employment status changes; authorizing the department to contract with vendors to issue MMTC employee identification cards; requiring the department to inspect an MMTC and its facilities upon a complaint and to biennially inspect each permitted facility; authorizing the department to conduct additional inspections of a facility; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; establishing that each MMTC licensed by the department before a specified date may continue operations under s. 381.986, F.S. (2018), and any rules adopted thereunder until the department is able to register MMTCs and to issue operational licenses and facility permits under this act; requiring the department to register such licensed MMTC and issue it cultivation, processing, retail, and transportation licenses and the appropriate facility and vehicle permits as soon as practicable; providing for the expiration of such registration, operating licenses, and facility permits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1324**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to require the payment of specified fees relating to the registration of and the operating licenses, facility permits, and vehicle permits for medical marijuana treatment centers (MMTCs); authorizing the department to refuse to issue or renew an operating license or facility permit of an MMTC that has failed to pay an application or renewal fee; authorizing the department to charge a specified fee for issuing and annually renewing an MMTC employee identification card; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Powell—

**SB 1326**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to incarcerated women with newborn children; amending ss. 944.24 and 951.175, F.S.; requiring certain women inmates within the state and county correctional systems who have newborn children to be allowed specified visitation and physical touch privileges with their newborn children; prohibiting such inmates from being relocated during the term of their imprisonment except under certain circumstances; amending s. 944.09, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to adopt rules relating to the visiting hours and privileges of such inmates; amending s. 944.611, F.S.; providing legislative intent regarding the location of such inmates for the term of their imprisonment; amending s. 951.23, F.S.; requiring sheriffs and chief correctional officers to adopt model standards relating to such inmates; deleting obsolete language; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1328**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reciprocity for the medical use of marijuana; providing that a qualified patient identification card or a caregiver identification card, or either’s equivalent, issued by another state, by a United States territory, or by the District of Columbia, has the same force and effect as a medical marijuana use registry identification card issued by the Department of Health; requiring the department to enter a certain out-of-state physician certification, or its equivalent, into the medical marijuana use registry for

the nonresident qualified patient or caregiver; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Policy; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Cruz—

**SB 1330**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public notification of pollution; amending s. 403.077, F.S.; defining the term “local governmental entity”; redefining the term “reportable pollution release”; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to publish certain notices received from the Department of Health or a governmental entity on a website accessible to the public; requiring the department to provide a written notice to certain homeowners via the United States Postal Service; requiring the Department of Health or a local governmental entity to notify the owner or operator of an installation and the department of certain releases or discharges within a specified time-frame; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Cruz—

**SB 1332**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a notice of tobacco smoking policy on rental premises; creating s. 83.491, F.S.; requiring certain persons to provide written notice of the tobacco smoking policy to a tenant or potential tenant that includes certain information before entering into a rental agreement; requiring such persons to obtain written acknowledgment of receipt of the notice before entering into a rental agreement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

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By Senator Brandes—

**SB 1334**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; creating s. 562.112, F.S.; prohibiting the arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization under specified provisions of a person acting in good faith who seeks medical assistance for an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, an alcohol-related overdose; providing requirements for that person; prohibiting the arrest, charge, or prosecution of or imposition of penalties on, under specified provisions, a person who experiences, or has a good faith belief that he or she is experiencing, an alcohol-related overdose; prohibiting the protection from arrest, charge, prosecution, or the imposition of penalties for certain offenses from being grounds for suppression of evidence in other criminal prosecutions; amending s. 812.014, F.S.; increasing threshold amounts for certain theft offenses; revising the list of items the theft of which constitutes theft of the third degree; providing that the value of taken property is based on fair market value at the time of the taking; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study of the threshold amounts every 5 years; providing the scope of the study; requiring OPPAGA to include options, if appropriate; requiring OPPAGA to consult with the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and other interested entities; requiring OPPAGA to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date at certain intervals; amending s. 812.015, F.S.; defining the term “value”; increasing threshold amounts for a certain theft offense; revising the circumstances under which an offense of retail theft constitutes a felony of the second degree; requiring OPPAGA to conduct a study of the threshold amounts every 5 years; providing the scope of the study; requiring OPPAGA to include options, if appropriate; requiring OPPAGA to consult with the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and other interested entities; requiring OPPAGA to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date at certain intervals; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; providing that only offenses involving the sale or manufacturing of a controlled substance are subject to enhanced penalties when committed within a drug-free zone; reducing the distance applicable to certain controlled substance offenses committed within certain drug-free zones; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; defining the term “dosage unit”; providing applicability; prohibiting the sale, purchase, delivery, bringing into this

state, or actual or constructive possession of specified amounts of dosage units of certain controlled substances; providing criminal penalties; creating the offense of “trafficking in pharmaceuticals”; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; authorizing a court to impose a sentence other than a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment and mandatory fine for a person convicted of trafficking if the court makes certain findings on the record; amending s. 893.21, F.S.; prohibiting the arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization under specified provisions of a person acting in good faith who seeks medical assistance for an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, a drug-related overdose; prohibiting the arrest, charge, prosecution, or penalization under specified provisions of a person who experiences, or has a good faith belief that he or she is experiencing, a drug-related overdose; prohibiting a person from being penalized for a violation of a condition of certain programs if that person in good faith seeks medical assistance for himself or herself or an individual experiencing, or believed to be experiencing, a drug-related overdose; prohibiting the protection from arrest, charge, prosecution, or the imposition of penalties for certain offenses from being grounds for suppression of evidence in other criminal prosecutions; creating s. 907.042, F.S.; providing legislative findings; authorizing each county to establish a supervised bond program with the concurrence of the chief judge of the judicial circuit, the county’s chief correctional officer, the state attorney, and the public defender; providing an exception for a county that has already established and implemented a supervised bond program that uses a risk assessment instrument; providing minimum program requirements; requiring each county that establishes a supervised bond program to have the risk assessment instrument validated by the Department of Corrections; requiring each county that establishes a supervised bond program to submit an annual report by a certain date to OPPAGA; requiring OPPAGA to compile such reports and include such information in a specified report sent to the Legislature; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 907.0421, F.S.; providing legislative findings; authorizing the chief judge of each circuit, with the concurrence of the county’s chief correctional officer, the state attorney, and the public defender, to enter an administrative order for the use of a risk assessment instrument in pretrial release determinations; requiring the risk assessment instrument results to be used as supplemental factors for the court’s evaluation of appropriate pretrial release conditions; requiring the court to impose the least restrictive conditions necessary to reasonably ensure the defendant’s appearance at subsequent hearings; providing that a court retains sole discretion to determine the appropriateness of pretrial release and any necessary pretrial release conditions; requiring a circuit that uses a risk assessment instrument to have the instrument validated by the department; authorizing the circuit to implement the risk assessment instrument immediately after validation and completion of training of all local staff who will administer the risk assessment instrument; requiring each circuit that enters an administrative order to use risk assessment instruments in pretrial release determinations to submit an annual report by a certain date to OPPAGA; requiring OPPAGA to compile the reports and include such information in a specified report sent to the Legislature; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 945.091, F.S.; authorizing the department to extend the limits of the place of confinement to allow an inmate to participate in supervised community release, subject to certain requirements, as prescribed by the department by rule; requiring the department to administer a risk assessment instrument to determine an inmate’s appropriateness for release on electronic monitoring; authorizing the department to terminate an inmate’s participation under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement or probation officer to arrest such an inmate without a warrant in accordance with specified authority; requiring a law enforcement officer to report alleged violations to a supervising probation office or to the department’s emergency action center for disposition of disciplinary charges as prescribed by the department by rule; providing that participating inmates remain eligible to earn or lose gain-time, but not in an amount that results in an inmate being released prior to serving a certain percent of the sentence imposed; prohibiting such inmates from being counted in the population of the prison system and their approved community-based housing location from being counted in the capacity figures for the prison system; amending s. 947.005, F.S.; defining the term “conditional medical release”; amending s. 947.149, F.S.; defining the term “inmate with a debilitating illness”; redefining the term “terminally ill inmate”; expanding eligibility for conditional medical release to include inmates with debilitating illnesses; amending s. 893.03, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming a cross-reference; reenacting ss. 95.18(10),

400.9935(3), 409.910(17)(g), 489.126(4), 550.6305(10), 627.743(2), 634.319(2), 634.421(2), 636.238(3), 642.038(2), 705.102(4), 718.111(1)(d), 812.015(2), 812.0155(1) and (2), 812.14(4), (7), and (8), 893.138(3), 932.701(2)(a), 943.051(3)(b), 985.11(1)(b), and 985.557(1)(a) and (2)(c), F.S., relating to adverse possession without color of title; clinic responsibilities; responsibility for payments on behalf of Medicaid-eligible persons when other parties are liable; moneys received by contractors; intertrack wagering; payment of third-party claims; diversion or appropriation of certain funds received by sales representatives; diversion or appropriation of certain funds received by sales representatives; penalties for certain violations; diversion or appropriation of certain funds received by sales representatives; reporting lost or abandoned property; condominium associations; retail and farm theft; suspension of driver license following an adjudication of guilt for theft; trespass and larceny with relation to utility fixtures and theft of utility services; local administrative action to abate drug-related, prostitution-related, or stolen-property-related public nuisances and criminal gang activity; the definition of the term “contraband article”; fingerprinting of certain minors; fingerprinting and photographing of certain children; and discretionary and mandatory criteria for the direct filing of an information, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 812.014, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 538.09(5), F.S., relating to the registration of a secondhand dealer, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 812.015, F.S., in a reference thereto; reenacting ss. 538.23(2) and 812.0155(2), F.S., relating to secondary metals recycler violations and penalties and suspension of driver license following an adjudication of guilt for theft, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 812.014 and 812.015, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 397.4073(6), 414.095(1), 772.12(2), 775.087(2)(a) and (3)(a), 782.04(1)(a), (3), and (4), 810.02(3), 812.014(2)(c), 893.13(8)(d), 893.135(1) and (2), 900.05(3)(e), 903.133, 907.041(4)(c), and 921.0024(1)(b), F.S., relating to background checks of service provider personnel; the determination of eligibility for temporary cash assistance; the Drug Dealer Liability Act; felony reclassification of the possession or use of a weapon in an aggravated battery; murder; burglary; theft; prohibited acts that relate to the prescription of controlled substances; ownership, lease, rental, or possession for trafficking in or manufacturing controlled substances; criminal justice data collection; the prohibition of bail on appeal for certain felony convictions; pretrial detention and release; the scoresheet worksheet key for computation in the Criminal Punishment Code, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 893.135, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 944.516(2), 945.092, and 946.503(2), F.S., relating to money or other property received for personal use or benefit of inmate, deposit, disposition of unclaimed trust funds; limits on work-release and minimum security custody for persons who have committed the crime of escape; and definitions to be used with respect to correctional work programs, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 945.091, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 316.1935(6), 775.084(4)(k), 784.07(3), 790.235(1), 794.0115(7), 893.135(1)(b), (c), and (g) and (3), 944.605(7)(b), 944.70(1)(b), 947.13(1)(h), and 947.141(1), (2), and (7), F.S., all relating to eligibility for conditional medical release under s. 947.149, F.S., to incorporate the amendment made to s. 947.149, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 373.6055(3)(c), relating to criminal history checks of certain water management district employees and others, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 812.014 and 893.135, in references thereto; reenacting ss. 775.087(2)(a) and (b) and (3)(a) and (b) and 921.0024(1)(b) and (2), relating to felony reclassification of aggravated battery with possession or use of a weapon and the Criminal Punishment Code worksheet key computations, respectively, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 893.135 and 947.149, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

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

**SR 1336**—Not introduced.

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1338**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to guardianship; amending s. 744.1097, F.S.; applying provisions relating to the determination of venue in proceedings for the appointment of a guardian to minors; amending s. 744.331, F.S.; requiring that a court dismiss a petition for determination of incapacity if all members of the examining

committee conclude that the person is not incapacitated, unless a certain motion is filed within a specified period; providing requirements for such motion; requiring the court to rule on the motion as soon as practicable; authorizing the court to impose sanctions under certain circumstances; amending s. 744.3701, F.S.; making technical revisions; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 1340**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water pollution operation permits; amending s. 369.20, F.S.; removing the exemption from the requirement to obtain a water pollution permit for the application of herbicides to state waters; defining the term “herbicide”; amending s. 403.088, F.S.; requiring certain pesticide management plans for water pollution operation permits; defining the term “multi-modal biological control”; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Stargel—

**SB 1342**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary education for secondary students; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, instructional materials to be made available to certain dual enrollment students free of charge; prohibiting certain costs associated with a private school student who is enrolled in a dual enrollment course from being passed along to the student’s school; amending s. 1007.273, F.S.; defining the term “early college program”; providing additional options for students participating in an early college program; revising the requirements for an early college program; authorizing certain private school and home education students to enroll in an early college program; prohibiting certain entities from limiting the number of students who may participate in an early college program; revising early college program contract and student performance contract requirements; requiring each district school board to annually notify students in certain grades of specified information about the early college program; authorizing a charter school to establish an early college program; providing that certain students and schools are not responsible for specified costs; providing that students who meet certain requirements generate a full-time equivalent bonus; providing requirements for such bonuses; requiring a district school superintendent to annually report to the Commissioner of Education certain information relating to the early college program; requiring the commissioner to annually submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Cruz—

**SB 1344**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to statewide environmental resource permitting rules; amending s. 373.4131, F.S.; clarifying the duty of the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt, in coordination with the water management districts, specified statewide environmental resource permitting rules; directing the water management districts, with department oversight, to adopt rules for specified design and performance standards relating to new development and redevelopment projects; directing the department to incorporate such rules by reference for use within the geographic jurisdiction of each water management district and to amend such rules into the applicant’s handbook; providing a rebuttable presumption that certain stormwater management systems do not cause or contribute to violations of applicable state water quality standards; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1346**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 420.6231, F.S.; defining terms; creating an exemption from public records requirements for individual identifying information contained in certain homelessness counts and databases; providing for retroactive application of the exemption; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing construction; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1348**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Health Innovation Commission; creating s. 381.995, F.S.; creating the Health Innovation Commission within the Agency for Health Care Administration; specifying the purpose of the commission; providing for membership, meetings, and duties of the commission; providing requirements for proposals for innovative improvements to the health care delivery system and requests for exemptions from specified laws or rules; requiring the commission to review such proposals with the assistance of relevant state agencies, if needed; requiring the commission to provide its findings and decision to the applicant within a specified timeframe; providing limitations on such exemptions; requiring the agency to submit an annual report of the commission's activities to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Health Policy; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1350**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government fiscal transparency; amending s. 11.40, F.S.; expanding the scope of the Legislative Auditing Committee review to include compliance with local government fiscal transparency requirements; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; providing procedures for the Auditor General and local governments to comply with the local government fiscal transparency requirements; amending ss. 125.045 and 166.021, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for certain local government economic development incentives; transferring and renumbering s. 218.80, F.S., relating to the Public Bid Disclosure Act; creating part VIII of ch. 218, F.S., consisting of ss. 218.801, 218.803, 218.805, 218.81, 218.82, 218.83, 218.84, 218.88, and 218.89, F.S.; providing a short title; providing purpose; providing definitions; requiring local governments to post certain voting record information on their websites; requiring the posting of specified links to related sites if certain documentation or details are available; requiring property appraisers to post certain property tax information and history on their websites; requiring local governments to post certain property tax information and history on their websites; requiring public notices for public hearings and meetings prior to certain increases of local government tax levies or issuance of new tax-supported debt; specifying noticing and advertising requirements for such public hearings and meetings; requiring local governments to conduct certain debt affordability analyses under specified conditions; requiring audits of local governments to include affidavits signed by the chair of the local government governing board; providing specified information to accompany audits of local governments and to be filed with the Auditor General; providing a method for local governments that do not operate a website to post certain required information; amending s. 218.32, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; declaring that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1352**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the minimum wage; amending s. 448.110, F.S.; revising the formula for the adjusted state minimum wage; reducing over time the amount of tip credit an em-

ployer may claim; prohibiting an employer from claiming a tip credit beginning on a specified date; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1354**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Sunshine Scholarship Program; creating s. 1009.895, F.S.; establishing the Sunshine Scholarship Program for specified purposes; requiring the Department of Education to administer the program; defining the term “eligible postsecondary institution”; requiring certain financial aid to be credited to a student's tuition and fees before award of a Sunshine Scholarship; providing student eligibility requirements; defining the term “full-time student”; requiring a student to repay the scholarship amount under certain circumstances; providing that the program applies only to a student's tuition and fees; providing that the award of such scholarship is contingent on the appropriation of funds by the Legislature; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1356**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction materials mining activities; amending s. 552.30, F.S.; requiring that the statewide ground vibration limits established by the State Fire Marshal be based on frequency and particle velocity; requiring the State Fire Marshal to establish certain regulations relating to blasting operations conducted in connection with construction materials mining activities; requiring persons permitted by the State Fire Marshal to submit written notification relating to construction materials mining activities to certain counties and municipalities; requiring the State Fire Marshal to create a form for complaint reports regarding blasting operations conducted in connection with construction materials mining activities; requiring that complaint reports be submitted to the State Fire Marshal and include certain information; providing requirements relating to training and continuing education for persons engaged in construction materials mining activities; requiring that certain mining permits issued on or after a specified date be issued for a period of 5 years; requiring the State Fire Marshal to suspend mining permits issued on or after a specified date under certain circumstances; requiring the State Fire Marshal to conduct or contract for a report on the feasibility of conducting a specified study; requiring the State Fire Marshal to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date; requiring that the report contain certain information; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1358**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver licenses and identification cards; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; requiring proof of a taxpayer identification number or other specified identification number for certain applicants for a driver license; authorizing additional specified documents that are issued by foreign governments to satisfy proof-of-identity requirements; providing that a driver license or temporary permit issued based on specified documents is valid for a specified period; making technical changes; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles from waiving certain tests for applicants who provide proof of identity using specified foreign documents; amending s. 322.14, F.S.; requiring the department to mark licenses to indicate compliance with the REAL ID Act of 2005 under specified circumstances; amending ss. 322.17, 322.18, and 322.19, F.S.; prohibiting a licensee from obtaining a duplicate or replacement instruction permit or driver license, renewing a driver license, or changing his or her name or address, except in person and upon submission of specified identification documents under certain circum-

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

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1360**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative treatments to controlled substances; amending s. 456.44, F.S.; requiring a practitioner who prescribes controlled substances to recommend specified alternative treatments for chronic nonmalignant pain before prescribing a controlled substance to a patient; requiring a licensed massage therapist to maintain certain treatment records and submit them to the referring practitioner; clarifying that a practitioner who prescribes controlled substances may simultaneously prescribe a controlled substance and refer a patient to alternative treatment providers for chronic nonmalignant pain; directing applicable boards to adopt rules establishing guidelines for alternative treatments for acute pain; amending s. 627.413, F.S.; requiring certain insurance policies to provide coverage for a minimum number of visits to alternative treatment providers for the treatment of chronic nonmalignant pain under certain conditions; providing an exception; providing restrictions on deductibles, coinsurances, and co-pays required for alternative treatment; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1362**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community associations; amending s. 627.714, F.S.; prohibiting subrogation rights against a condominium association under certain circumstances; amending s. 712.05, F.S.; providing for the preservation and protection of a governing document; revising requirements for the preservation and protection of certain association documents; amending s. 718.110, F.S.; providing that certain condominium documents may be amended if certain conditions are met; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; specifying that certain improvements are considered approved improvements under certain circumstances; requiring certain records to be maintained for a specified time; providing that certain records are not official association records; prohibiting certain rules related to inspection of records; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; authorizing an association to charge certain costs; deleting a prohibition against employing or contracting with certain service providers; amending s. 718.116, F.S.; providing requirements for enforcing a lien under certain circumstances; amending s. 718.128, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the authorization of online voting; amending s. 718.303, F.S.; revising requirements for collecting certain fines; requiring notice of approved fines to certain persons; amending s. 719.104, F.S.; providing that certain records are not official association records; prohibiting certain rules related to inspection of records; amending s. 719.129, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the authorization of online voting; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; authorizing an association to adopt procedures for providing electronic meeting notices; requiring certain records to be maintained for a specified time; providing that certain records are not official association records; amending s. 720.3033, F.S.; revising requirements for the approval of certain contracts and transactions; amending s. 720.305, F.S.; deleting the requirement that certain persons comply with association rules; authorizing an association to levy, and collect assessments for, certain fines; requiring certain notice to be provided to specified persons; amending s. 720.306, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the amendment of governing documents, declarations, articles of incorporation, or bylaws of an association; requiring certain notices to be mailed to specified addresses; amending s. 720.3085, F.S.; providing requirements for enforcing a lien under certain circumstances; amending s. 720.317, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the authorization of online voting; amending s. 720.404, F.S.; revising the requirements for parcel owners to revive a declaration of covenants; amending s. 720.405, F.S.; specifying requirements for providing certain documents to parcel owners; revising the requirements for approving a revived declaration of covenants; amending s. 720.406, F.S.; requiring a copy of certain documents to be provided to the Department of Economic Opportunity in a certain manner; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Community Affairs; and Rules.

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1364**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to comprehensive emergency management planning for assisted living facilities; amending s. 429.41, F.S.; removing provisions related to standards for the preparation and annual update of comprehensive emergency management plans for assisted living facilities for the purpose of revising and relocating the provisions; creating s. 429.43, F.S.; providing legislative intent; preempting the regulation of comprehensive emergency management planning for assisted living facilities to the state; requiring a facility to submit a comprehensive emergency management plan to the county emergency management agency before the facility may be issued a license; requiring a new licensee to submit an emergency management plan within a specified timeframe when ownership of a licensed facility is transferred; requiring the county emergency management agency to annually review the facility plan; requiring the review to be completed within a specified timeframe; requiring the county emergency management agency to approve the plan or advise the facility of required corrections; requiring documentation of any such corrections to be submitted within a specified timeframe; specifying that a county emergency management agency is the final administrative authority for comprehensive emergency management plans prepared by assisted living facilities; requiring a plan to include specified information and provisions, including the acquisition by a specified date of an alternate power source and a fuel supply sufficient to operate the alternate power source; providing for evacuation and offsite sheltering or use of an alternate power source in a declared state of emergency before such date; requiring the facility to submit proof of approval of the plan and a certain consumer-friendly summary to the Agency for Health Care Administration within a specified timeframe; requiring the plan to be available for review upon request by the agency, the Division of Emergency Management, and facility residents and their representatives; requiring the facility to cooperate with the agency, the division, and the county emergency management agency to relocate residents displaced by the emergency event under certain circumstances; authorizing the agency, in consultation with the division, to adopt rules to implement provisions relating to comprehensive emergency management planning; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 1366**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; revising science credits required for a standard high school diploma; amending s. 1007.2616, F.S.; authorizing school districts and consortiums of school districts to apply to the Department of Education for funding for professional development for classroom teachers to provide instruction in computer science courses and content; deleting a provision providing that one credit in computer science and the earning of related industry certifications constitutes the equivalent of up to one credit of the science requirement for high school graduation; amending s. 1008.44, F.S.; expanding the number of CAPE Digital Tool certificates relating to certain areas which the department must annually identify and the Commissioner of Education may recommend; reenacting ss. 1002.20(8), 1002.3105(5), 1003.4281(1), 1003.4285(1), 1003.49(1), 1004.935(1)(c), 1006.15(3)(a), 1007.271(2) and (9), 1008.25(2)(f), 1009.531(1)(b), and 1009.893(4), F.S., relating to Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL) options; K-12 student and parent rights; early high school graduation; standard high school diploma designations; graduation and promotion requirements for publicly operated schools; the Adults with Disabilities Workforce Education Program; student standards for participation in interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular student activities and related regulations; dual enrollment programs; public school student progression, student support, and reporting requirements; Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program and student eligibility requirements for initial awards; and the Benacquisto Scholarship Program, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 1003.4282, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Simpson and Benacquisto—

**SB 1368**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fleet vehicle rebate programs; creating s. 377.813, F.S.; creating an electric and hybrid fleet vehicle rebate program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing the purpose of the program; defining terms; requiring the department to award rebates for the program; providing an application process; requiring the department to adopt rules by a specified date; requiring the department to determine and publish certain information regarding the availability of funds on its website; requiring the department to provide an annual assessment of the program to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

By Senator Farmer—

**SB 1370**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medically essential electric utility service; amending s. 366.11, F.S.; specifying that certain utilities are not exempt from providing medically essential electric service; amending s. 366.15, F.S.; revising and defining terms; providing notification requirements for electric utilities relating to the certification process for obtaining medically essential electric service and service disconnection; providing certification requirements for customers; specifying duties of electric utilities; revising penalties for falsification of such certification; creating s. 456.45, F.S.; requiring certain health care practitioners to inform certain patients of such certification process; requiring such practitioners to provide patients with completed medical certifications and document the certification; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Health Policy; and Rules.

By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1372**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to renewable energy standards; amending s. 366.92, F.S.; defining the terms “renewable energy credit” and “renewable portfolio standard”; requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt rules for a renewable portfolio standard; requiring the commission to present a draft rule to the Legislature for consideration by a specified date; requiring providers to submit annual progress reports to the commission after such rule has been adopted; providing requirements for the reports; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Rules.

By Senator Rouson—

**SB 1374**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victims of reform school abuse; providing a short title; defining the term “victim of Florida reform school abuse”; requiring a person seeking certification under this act to apply to the Department of State by a certain date; prohibiting the estate of a decedent or the personal representative of a decedent from submitting an application on behalf of the decedent; requiring that the application include certain information and documents; requiring the department to examine the application, notify the applicant of any errors or omissions, and request any additional information within a certain timeframe; providing that the applicant has 15 days after notification to complete the application; requiring the department to review and process a completed application within a certain timeframe; prohibiting the department from denying an application for specified reasons and under certain circumstances; requiring the department to notify the applicant of its determination within a certain timeframe; requiring the department to certify an applicant as a victim of Florida reform school abuse if the department determines his application meets the requirements of this act; requiring the department to submit a list

of all certified victims to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by a certain date; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1376**—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 Knights of Columbus license plate; providing for the distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of such plates; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1378**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fees; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; creating a fee for a certain specialty license plate; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 1380**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Gardiner Scholarship; amending s. 1002.385, F.S., and reenacting subsection (18), relating to the Gardiner Scholarship; revising eligibility requirements for the Gardiner Scholarship Program; providing that scholarship funds may be spent for tuition and fees associated with programs relating to art, music, or theatre; revising requirements relating to compliance statements required for program participation; requiring the Department of Education to implement a certain system; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 1382**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to quorum requirements for homeowners’ associations; amending s. 720.306, F.S.; revising the quorum requirements for meetings of homeowners’ associations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By Senator Gibson—

**SB 1384**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Urban and Inner-City Crime and Gun Violence Prevention Commission; providing a short title; providing legislative findings; creating the Urban and Inner-City Crime and Gun Violence Commission; providing for membership; providing for staff support; providing requirements for meetings; providing that members are entitled to certain reimbursements; specifying the duties of the commission; providing for powers of the commission; requiring the executive director of the Department of Law Enforcement to issue subpoenas to aid the commission in specified ways; authorizing the commission to seek assistance from state agencies; authorizing the commission to access certain confidential and exempt information or records; providing requirements for such access; requiring reports; providing for sunset of the commission and repeal of provisions; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senators Rodriguez, Powell, and Braynon—

**SB 1386**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; amending s. 101.048, F.S.; revising the deadline by which a person who casts a provisional ballot must submit any written evidence that supports his or her eligibility to vote; amending s. 101.151, F.S.; revising requirements for Department of State rules governing uniform ballot layout; creating s. 101.201, F.S.; requiring the supervisor of elections to provide an option to allow electors to receive certain notices by electronic delivery; amending s. 101.6104, F.S.; authorizing an elector to file a challenge with the county canvassing board if his or her ballot is rejected due to a signature discrepancy; amending s. 101.65, F.S.; revising instructions for vote-by-mail ballots, to conform; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; clarifying that ballots cast during the early voting period may be canvassed and processed during such period; revising the period for which the supervisor must provide early voting; amending s. 101.67, F.S.; revising the deadline for receiving vote-by-mail ballots; amending s. 101.68, F.S.; requiring the supervisor of elections to immediately compare a voter's signature on a vote-by-mail ballot with registration records, upon receipt; modifying procedures regarding notifications of vote-by-mail ballot defects; revising the deadline for submitting a vote-by-mail cure affidavit; modifying the cure affidavit instructions, to conform; requiring the Division of Elections to develop uniform guidelines regarding certain procedures; creating s. 101.681, F.S.; requiring the division to develop a training curriculum to provide standardization of signature verification practices relating to canvassing; requiring persons who verify signatures to complete the training before making determinations regarding signature validity; amending s. 101.6923, F.S.; revising special vote-by-mail ballot instructions for certain first-time voters, to conform; amending s. 101.6952, F.S.; modifying timeframes regarding the canvassing of federal write-in absentee ballots, to conform; amending s. 102.111, F.S.; revising the date of certification of the primary election by the Elections Canvassing Commission; adding an additional meeting of the commission for certification of any general election races with pending recounts; amending s. 102.112, F.S.; revising deadlines for submission of county returns to the department; amending s. 102.141, F.S.; adding an exception to the deadline for filing returns for any general election races with pending recounts; amending s. 102.166, F.S.; revising certification requirements for voting systems to require functionality for the simultaneous sorting and counting of overvotes and undervotes; amending s. 99.063, F.S.; modifying the deadline for designation of Lieutenant Governor candidates to conform to the new primary certification date; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Cruz—

**SB 1388**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to college and career educational pathways; creating s. 446.093, F.S.; establishing the Task Force on Apprenticeship Expansion adjunct to the Department of Economic Opportunity; providing definitions; specifying the duties of the task force; providing for the composition and meetings of the task force; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity and the Department of Education to provide specified assistance to the task force; requiring the task force to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; providing for termination of the task force; amending s. 464.008, F.S.; authorizing certain persons to take the nursing licensure examination before the Department of Health receives certain documentation for licensure; requiring such persons to complete specified requirements before they are entitled to licensure as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse; amending s. 464.203, F.S.; authorizing certain persons to take the nursing assistant competency examination before the Board of Nursing receives certain documentation for certification; requiring such persons to complete specified requirements before they are entitled to certification as a certified nursing assistant; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; requiring the percentage of students engaged in an apprenticeship or preapprenticeship program to be used in determining a school's grade; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; providing a specified value to be used in the calculation of full-time equivalent student membership for students who fulfill certain requirements; amending ss. 446.011, 446.021, 446.041, 446.052, 446.081,

and 446.091, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Torres—

**SB 1390**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rent control measures; amending ss. 125.0103 and 166.043, F.S.; deleting provisions that require local governmental measures that impose rent controls to expire within a specified period unless extended or renewed in accordance with specified requirements; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gainer—

**SB 1392**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance proceeds held by mortgagees or assignees; amending s. 494.0026, F.S.; providing that an insured or a borrower is entitled to any accrued interest on certain insurance proceeds held by the mortgagee or assignee in a segregated account; specifying when such interest is payable; requiring mortgage lenders to issue an annual statement of the account to the insured or borrower; specifying requirements and procedures for, and authorized actions of, mortgagees and assignees in disbursing insurance proceeds to insureds; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Torres—

**SB 1394**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the entertainment industry financial incentive program; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 288.1254, F.S., relating to the entertainment industry financial incentive program; deleting terms; revising the purpose of the entertainment industry financial incentive program; revising the application process for the program; revising the certification process for tax credit awards under the program; requiring that the names of certain cities, towns, and counties be included in certain credits; revising the process for determining the priority of a qualified production for tax credit awards; revising the eligibility requirements for a tax credit award and the amount of tax credits that may be awarded; revising the date on which or after which a certified production company or certain persons may relinquish tax credits; revising the aggregate amount of tax credits that may be certified per fiscal year; requiring that a specified amount of funding be allocated to counties; authorizing a local film commission to negotiate tax credit awards with a potential certified production company; authorizing allocations that are not encumbered by a specified date to be made available to other counties; providing for a scheduled repeal of the act; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1396**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; providing a definition; conforming cross-references; amending s. 39.6011, F.S.; requiring a case plan to include conditions for return of a child that has been sheltered; requiring that the case plan describe the responsibility of certain persons to communicate effectively; requiring the court to be notified if ineffective communication takes place; amending s. 39.621, F.S.; providing additional factors for a court to consider when deciding certain motions; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; requiring a foster parent or legal custodian to disclose to the court any communication not in compliance with the case plan; requiring a court and citizen review panel to determine whether communications between certain parties are effective; providing an additional requirement for when a court must return a child to the custody of the child's parents; amending ss. 39.302, 39.521, 39.6012, 322.09,

394.495, 627.746, 934.255, and 960.065, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Torres—

**SJR 1398**—A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 22 of Article III and an amendment to Section 10 of Article IV of the State Constitution to authorize the proposal and enactment of legislation by initiative and to provide for Supreme Court review of initiative petitions proposing legislation.

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

By Senator Albritton—

**SB 1400**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to private property rights; creating s. 163.3214, F.S.; prohibiting certain local government ordinances or regulations from requiring a permit, application, notice, fee, or fine for certain activities regarding trees on residential property; prohibiting a local government from requiring a property owner to replant a tree under certain circumstances; creating s. 715.015, F.S.; establishing a property owner bill of rights; requiring county property appraisers to provide information regarding the property owner bill of rights on the appraiser's website; providing that such bill of rights does not provide a cause of action; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Farmer—

**SB 1402**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to inmate confinement; creating s. 944.175, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting the use of solitary confinement; prohibiting the use of restrictive confinement for non-compliance, punishment, harassment, or retaliation for an inmate's conduct; authorizing an inmate to be placed in restrictive confinement only if certain conditions are met; providing restrictions and requirements for such confinement; prohibiting specified inmates from being placed in restrictive confinement; prohibiting youths, young adults, and inmates who have specified medical needs from being placed in restrictive confinement except under specified circumstances; requiring facilities to keep certain records regarding restrictive confinement; requiring the warden of the facility to review the records; requiring the department to provide a report to the Department of Law Enforcement; providing that an inmate is entitled to a review of his or her placement in restrictive confinement by a specified review committee within a specified timeframe; amending s. 944.09, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to adopt rules; amending s. 951.23, F.S.; requiring sheriffs and chief correctional officers to adopt model standards relating to confinement; amending s. 985.601, F.S.; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to adopt rules; reenacting s. 944.279(1), F.S., relating to disciplinary procedures applicable to a prisoner for filing frivolous or malicious actions or bringing false information before a court, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 944.09, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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

**SB 1404**—Withdrawn prior to introduction.

By Senator Flores—

**SB 1406**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expressway tolls; creating s. 338.157, F.S.; prohibiting a person operating a motor vehicle on an expressway from being charged a toll if the average speed of traffic on the expressway falls below 40 miles per hour; defining the term "expressway"; amending ss. 316.1001 and 338.155, F.S.; con-

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

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

By Senator Powell—

**SB 1408**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to opportunity zones; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.001, F.S.; renaming the Florida Enterprise Zone Act as the Florida Opportunity Zone Act; reviving and readopting s. 290.002, F.S.; providing legislative findings; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.003, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.004, F.S.; revising definitions; defining the term "opportunity zone"; creating s. 290.00552, F.S.; providing an approval procedure allowing certain opportunity zones to receive certain state incentives; specifying the documents that a governing body or bodies must provide to the Department of Economic Opportunity; repealing s. 290.0055, F.S., relating to the local nominating procedure; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.0056, F.S.; requiring a county or municipality to create an opportunity zone development agency; specifying procedures for appointing a board of commissioners; specifying how business is to be conducted; specifying powers and responsibilities of the board; providing powers and responsibilities of the governing body as the managing agent; authorizing the agency to invest in community investment corporations under certain circumstances and for specific purposes; requiring the agency to submit an annual report to the department; repealing s. 290.0057, F.S., relating to the enterprise zone development plan; repealing s. 290.0058, F.S., relating to the determination of pervasive poverty, unemployment, and general distress; repealing s. 290.0065, F.S., relating to state designation of enterprise zones; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.0066, F.S.; specifying conditions under which the department may revoke state incentives authorized for an opportunity zone; specifying conditions under which an automatic revocation may occur; specifying that such decision is subject to chapter 120, F.S.; repealing s. 290.00677, F.S., relating to rural enterprise zones and special qualifications; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.007, F.S.; specifying the state incentives available in opportunity zones; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.012, F.S.; providing that certain enterprise zones may still receive certain state incentives for a specified amount of time; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.0135, F.S.; authorizing local governments to review their ordinances to encourage the economic viability and profitability of business and commerce in opportunity zones; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 290.014, F.S.; requiring the Department of Revenue to submit an annual report to the Department of Economic Opportunity concerning state incentives; repealing s. 290.016, F.S., relating to a repeal date for the Enterprise Zone Act; amending ss. 163.2514 and 288.0659, F.S.; requiring a governing body and the department, respectively, to use certain data when determining whether an area suffers from pervasive poverty, unemployment, and general distress; amending ss. 212.08, 212.096, 220.181, 220.182, 159.803, 163.503, 163.522, 166.231, 159.27, 193.077, 193.085, 195.073, 195.099, 196.012, 196.1995, 205.022, 205.054, 212.02, 220.02, 220.03, 220.13, 288.076, 288.106, 288.907, 288.1089, 288.1175, 290.00710, 290.0072, 290.00725, 290.00726, 290.00727, 290.00728, 290.00729, 290.0073, 290.00731, 290.0074, 290.0077, 339.2821, 339.63, and 624.5105, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 196.1996, F.S., relating to specific ad valorem tax exemptions in effect on a specified date; repealing s. 290.06561, F.S., relating to the designation of a rural enterprise zone as catalyst site; preserving certain enterprise zone boundaries for a specified purpose; providing an exception; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1410**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Hope Scholarship Program; amending s. 1002.40, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "school"; revising the Hope Scholarship Program eligibility requirements; revising the term of the scholarship so that it remains in force until a student graduates from high school; revising school district ob-

ligations relating to the program; authorizing parents of certain public school students to apply for a scholarship to a private school by taking a certain action; providing requirements for the application; authorizing parents of certain private school students to apply for a transportation scholarship by taking a certain action; deleting a requirement for the Department of Education to contract with an independent entity for a specified purpose; requiring a parent who applies for a scholarship to notify the student's school district when the parent withdraws his or her student to attend an eligible private school; providing requirements for the notification; authorizing eligible nonprofit scholarship funding organizations to carry forward certain contributions for a specified purpose; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1412**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a sales tax holiday for disaster preparedness supplies; providing exemptions from the sales and use tax for specified disaster preparedness supplies during a specified timeframe; providing applicability for certain exemptions; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; specifying locations where the exemptions do not apply; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1414**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 688.01, F.S.; providing definitions; providing an exemption from public records requirements for trade secrets held by an agency; providing notice requirements for trade secrets submitted to an agency; providing an exception to the exemption; providing that an agency employee is not liable for the release of records in compliance with the act; providing applicability; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; amending ss. 688.001 and 688.006, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1416**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 119.07135, F.S.; providing that certain information related to agency contracts is not confidential or exempt from public records requirements; amending s. 24.105, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to exemptions from public records requirements for certain information held by the Department of the Lottery; amending s. 73.0155, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by governmental condemning authorities; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; deleting a provision declaring that certain data processing software exempt from public records requirements is considered a trade secret; removing the scheduled repeal of the public record exemption; amending s. 119.0713, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets held by local government agencies from public records requirements; amending s. 125.0104, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets held by county tourism development agencies from public records requirements; amending s. 163.01, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets held by public agencies that are electric utilities from public records requirements; amending s. 202.195, F.S.; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets obtained from a telecommunications company or franchised cable company for certain purposes from public records requirements; amending s. 215.4401, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to confidentiality of trade secrets held by the State Board of Administration; amending s. 252.88, F.S.; deleting provisions exempting certain information from public records requirements under the Florida Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act; repealing s. 252.943, F.S., relating to a public records exemption under the Florida Accidental Release Prevention and Risk Management Planning Act; amending s. 287.0943, F.S.; deleting provisions relating

to confidentiality of certain information relating to applications for certification of minority business enterprises; amending s. 288.047, F.S.; deleting provisions exempting potential trade secrets from public records requirements; amending s. 288.075, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by economic development agencies; amending s. 288.1226, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation; amending s. 288.776, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Florida Export Finance Corporation; amending s. 288.9520, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by Enterprise Florida, Inc., and related entities; amending s. 288.9607, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Florida Development Finance Corporation; amending s. 288.9626, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the Florida Opportunity Fund; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 288.9627, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the Institute for Commercialization of Florida Technology; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 331.326, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by Space Florida; amending s. 334.049, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Department of State; amending ss. 350.121 and 364.183, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida Public Service Commission; amending s. 365.174, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the E911 Board and the Technology Program within the Department of Management Services; amending ss. 366.093, 367.156, and 368.108, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida Public Service Commission; repealing s. 381.83, F.S., relating to confidentiality of certain information containing trade secrets obtained by the Department of Health; amending s. 395.3035, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets of hospitals; amending s. 403.7046, F.S.; revising provisions relating to an exemption for trade secrets contained in certain reports to the Department of Environmental Protection; repealing s. 403.73, F.S., relating to confidentiality of certain information containing trade secrets obtained by the Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 408.061, F.S.; deleting a requirement that certain trade secret information submitted to the Agency for Healthcare Administration be clearly designated as such; amending s. 408.185, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for certain trade secrets held by the Office of the Attorney General; amending s. 408.910, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida Health Choices Program; amending s. 409.91196, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 440.108, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Financial Services; amending s. 494.00125, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 497.172, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Financial Services or the Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services; amending ss. 499.012, 499.0121, 499.05, and 499.051, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; repealing s. 499.931, F.S., relating to maintenance of information held by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation which is deemed to be a trade secret; amending s. 501.171, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Legal Affairs; repealing s. 502.222, F.S., relating to trade secrets of a dairy business held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending ss. 517.2015 and 520.9965, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 526.311, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 548.062, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Florida State Boxing Commission; amending s. 556.113, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc.; amending s. 559.5558, F.S.; deleting provisions

relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 559.9285, F.S.; revising provisions specifying that certain information provided to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services does not constitute a trade secret; amending s. 560.129, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 570.48, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Division of Fruit and Vegetables; amending ss. 570.544 and 573.123, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Division of Consumer Services; repealing s. 581.199, F.S., relating to a prohibition on the use of trade secret information obtained under specified provisions for personal use or gain; amending ss. 601.10, 601.15, and 601.152, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Citrus; amending s. 601.76, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to a public records exemption for certain formulas filed with the Department of Agriculture; amending ss. 607.0505 and 617.0503, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for certain information that might reveal trade secrets held by the Department of Legal Affairs; amending s. 624.307, F.S.; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to report certain information on an aggregate basis; amending s. 624.315, F.S.; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to make certain information available on an aggregate basis; amending s. 624.4212, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Insurance Regulation; revising a cross-reference; repealing s. 624.4213, F.S., relating to trade secret documents submitted to the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation; amending ss. 626.84195 and 626.884, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Office of Insurance Regulation; amending s. 626.9936, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Office of Insurance Regulation; amending ss. 627.0628 and 627.3518, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by the Department of Financial Services or the Office of Insurance Regulation; amending s. 655.057, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a public records exemption for trade secrets held by the Office of Financial Regulation; repealing s. 655.0591, F.S., relating to trade secret documents held by the Office of Financial Regulation; amending s. 663.533, F.S.; revising a cross-reference; repealing s. 721.071, F.S., relating to trade secret material filed with the Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 815.04, F.S.; deleting a public records exemption for certain trade secret information relating to offenses against intellectual property; repealing s. 815.045, F.S., relating to trade secret information; amending s. 1004.22, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets received, generated, ascertained, or discovered during the course of research conducted within the state universities; amending s. 1004.30, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets held by state university health support organizations; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; amending s. 1004.4472, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc.; amending s. 1004.78, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets held by the technology transfers centers at Florida College System institutions; amending s. 601.80, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending ss. 663.533, 721.13, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By Senator Powell—

**SB 1418**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to admission to mental health facilities; amending ss. 394.4599 and 394.4785, F.S.; requiring a court to appoint a public guardian for a person who is subject to a petition for involuntary services under certain circumstances; requiring the clerk of the court to immediately notify the public guardian of the appointment; providing requirements for such public guardian; granting access to certain persons and records for an attorney representing a

patient subject to a petition for involuntary services; requiring such attorney to represent the best interests of the patient; amending s. 394.4625, F.S.; requiring the administrator of a receiving facility to file a petition for voluntary placement within a specified timeframe after a person younger than a specified age is admitted for services or transferred to voluntary status except when specified parties agree in writing that treatment is in the person's best interest; providing requirements for such petitions; requiring the court to hold a hearing within a specified timeframe to verify consent under certain circumstances; amending s. 394.499, F.S.; requiring the administrator of a children's crisis stabilization unit or a juvenile addictions receiving facility to file a petition for voluntary placement within a specified timeframe after a person under a specified age is admitted for services except when specified parties agree in writing that treatment is in the person's best interest; requiring the court to hold a hearing within a specified timeframe to verify consent under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1420**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Building Code; amending s. 553.842, F.S.; requiring a manufacturer to submit certain information when seeking to have an insulation product approved by the Florida Building Commission; authorizing the manufacturer to submit certain evaluation reports to supplement the test data; requiring the testing lab to have certain accreditation; requiring the manufacturer to provide test data to certain persons upon request; specifying that the failure to provide the test data is a violation of the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act; amending s. 553.8425, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1422**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health plans; amending s. 624.438, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for multiple-employer welfare arrangements; amending s. 627.6045, F.S.; revising applicability of requirements relating to preexisting conditions; revising the font size for a certain disclosure; amending s. 627.6425, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "individual health insurance" relating to renewability of individual coverage; creating ss. 627.6426 and 627.6525, F.S.; defining the term "short-term health insurance"; providing disclosure requirements for short-term individual, group, blanket, and franchise health insurance policies; amending s. 627.654, F.S.; revising requirements for, and applicability relating to, association and small employer policies; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Powell—

**SB 1424**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to small business microfinancing; amending s. 287.0947, F.S.; renaming the Florida Advisory Council on Small and Minority Business Development; requiring the council to administer the Florida Microfinancing Tax Credit Program; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 287.09475, F.S.; establishing the Florida Microfinancing Tax Credit Program; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; providing eligibility requirements for participation in the program; establishing a tax credit cap amount; authorizing an increase of such amount under certain circumstances; specifying procedures and requirements for applying for, carrying forward, conveying, assigning, transferring, and rescinding the tax credit; specifying procedures for calculating certain tax underpayments and determining certain penalties and interest; specifying obligations of eligible microfinancing organizations for program participation; authorizing a certain percentage of eligible contributions to be collected for administrative expenses; specifying how net contributions are to be handled; authorizing an eli-

gible microfinancing organization to transfer funds under specified circumstances; providing for confidentiality of certain information and documentation; specifying responsibilities of an eligible person to participate in the program; specifying council obligations as part of the program; requiring an annual report to the Department of Management Services providing program parameters; requiring quarterly reports by an eligible microfinancing organization; specifying authorized microfinancing amounts; requiring an eligible person to verify specified information regarding opening or expanding a small business to the eligible microfinancing organization; requiring eligible contributions received by an eligible microfinancing organization to be deposited in a specific manner; providing that credit earned remains unaffected if any other tax credit is declared unconstitutional or is invalid; specifying the application requirements for microfinancing organizations to participate in the program; specifying the disposition of remaining funds held by a microfinancing organization that is disapproved for participation in the program; providing renewal criteria; requiring the Department of Revenue, the Department of Management Services, and the council to develop a cooperative agreement to administer the program; authorizing the Department of Revenue and the Department of Management Services with input from the council to adopt certain rules; creating s. 211.0255, F.S.; providing for a credit against the oil and gas production tax for program contributions for certain eligible microfinancing organizations; requiring the Department of Revenue to disregard certain tax credits for certain purposes; creating s. 212.1835, F.S.; providing for a credit against the sales and use tax for certain eligible microfinancing organizations; requiring the Department of Revenue to disregard certain tax credits for certain purposes; amending s. 220.13, F.S.; revising the determination of additions to adjusted federal income for certain eligible microfinancing organizations; providing for construction of certain provisions; creating s. 220.1877, F.S.; providing for a credit against the corporate income tax for certain eligible microfinancing organizations; providing limitations; providing for adjustments; creating s. 561.1215, F.S.; providing for a credit against certain alcoholic beverage taxes for certain eligible microfinancing organizations; requiring the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to disregard certain tax credits for certain purposes; creating s. 624.51057, F.S.; providing for credits against the insurance premium tax for contributions to certain eligible microfinancing organizations; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Book—

**SB 1426**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victim rights; creating s. 960.0011, F.S.; declaring legislative intent; specifying the rights to which every victim is entitled; creating s. 960.0012, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 960.0013, F.S.; specifying rights that a victim may elect to exercise by providing notice to a state attorney or a law enforcement agency; providing for satisfaction of certain victim rights under certain circumstances; creating s. 960.0014, F.S.; prohibiting the questioning of a victim regarding certain sexual conduct; providing an exception; requiring a state attorney to advise a victim of a certain right; requiring the state attorney to immediately terminate a deposition if certain questions are asked; requiring a law enforcement agency and a state attorney to promptly return a victim's property; providing an exception; providing that a victim has the right to full and timely restitution; requiring a court's restitution order to be part of a sentence; requiring law enforcement agencies and the state attorney to inform victims of certain rights; providing requirements relating to the restitution order; creating s. 960.0016, F.S.; specifying that victims have a right to be informed of their rights; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to design and publish information that advises the general public and crime victims of their rights; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to design and distribute a certain form to each state attorney; providing requirements for such form; requiring law enforcement agencies that investigate offenses to provide a crime victim with a copy of the victim rights information card and an explanation of rights within a specified timeframe; providing requirements relating to the rights of crime victims; specifying that a victim has a right to retain a victim's attorney; specifying that such right does not create a right for a victim to retain an attorney at the public's expense; specifying persons

who have standing and may assert specified rights; providing requirements relating to the assertion of such rights; renumbering and amending s. 960.001, F.S.; revising the persons who are required to develop, publish, post on a website, and implement certain guidelines to implement specified provisions of the State Constitution; revising the objectives those persons must achieve; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; renumbering and amending s. 960.0015, F.S.; providing for enforcement and protection of a victim's right to a prompt and final conclusion of a case and any relating proceedings; authorizing a state attorney at the trial court level to file a good faith demand for speedy trial under certain circumstances; providing court and related hearing requirements; creating reporting requirements based on specified time limits in the State Constitution; requiring a chief judge of a district court of appeal or the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to enter a notice of delay under certain circumstances; providing filing requirements; requiring a chief judge of a district court of appeal or the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court annually and by a certain date to issue an aging report on a case-by-case basis to the Legislature containing specified information; providing requirements relating to the aging report; deleting provisions that authorize a state attorney to file a demand for speedy trial under certain circumstances; deleting provisions relating to a court scheduling a trial; deleting provisions allowing a trial court to postpone a trial date for a specified timeframe under certain circumstances; amending s. 960.0021, F.S.; revising the announcement that a court may make to fulfill an obligation to advise crime victims of certain rights; requiring the Office of the Attorney General, rather than the Department of Legal Affairs, to provide the courts with the posters displaying a certain notification; requiring the chief judge of a circuit court, rather than the circuit court administrator, to coordinate efforts to ensure that victim rights information is provided to the clerk of the court; deleting a provision relating to applicability; amending ss. 945.10 and 958.07, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Perry—

**SB 1428**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the disposition of surplus funds by candidates; amending s. 106.141, F.S.; prohibiting a candidate, or the candidate's spouse, parent, child, or sibling, from receiving anything of value in exchange for a donation of surplus funds to a charitable organization; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Hutson—

**SB 1430**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vacation and timeshare plans; amending s. 721.05, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; creating s. 721.2055, F.S.; providing legislative intent; specifying services included in timeshare exit assistance or relief services; prohibiting specified actions by a timeshare exit assistance or relief services provider during the course of providing certain services; requiring certain disclosures in general and purchaser-specific commercial communications; providing requirements for oral or audible communications; requiring a written agreement to provide certain services; providing requirements for the written agreement; providing requirements for when specific entities are providing relief; prohibiting a person from providing assistance or support to a timeshare exit assistance or relief services provider if the person knows the provider is violating the law; providing exemptions; requiring certain records be maintained for a specific duration; providing requirements for timeshare exit assistance or relief services providers; providing criminal and civil penalties; amending s. 721.21, F.S.; providing that a purchaser or owners' association may bring an action for damages against a resale service provider or timeshare exit assistance or relief services provider; amending s. 721.52, F.S.; requiring timeshare estates in a specific multisite timeshare plan to be offered in a specific manner; clarifying that timeshare estates or timeshare licenses may be offered in a specific or nonspecific multisite timeshare plan; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Commerce and Tourism; and Appropriations.

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By Senator Baxley—

**SB 1432**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to foster parents; creating s. 39.4087, F.S.; establishing certain rights for foster parents; providing requirements for the Department of Children and Families relating to foster parents; specifying that child abuse, abandonment, or neglect investigations involving a foster parent must be conducted according to certain specifications; authorizing an accused foster parent to select a member of a local agency to advocate for the foster parent during such investigation; authorizing the foster parent to contact certain persons or the department when he or she believes there has been a violation of the act; requiring the department to review and respond to a foster parent's contact in order to resolve disputes; authorizing the department to request a background screening of a foster parent during certain emergency situations; prohibiting the placement of a child in, or requiring the immediate removal of a child from, a home if the foster parent refuses such screening; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1434**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Education Finance Program; amending s. 1011.60, F.S.; requiring school districts that participate in the Florida Education Finance Program to expend 80 percent of funds from the program for classroom spending purposes; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gibson—

**SB 1436**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Closing the Gap grant proposals; amending s. 381.7354, F.S.; removing provisions related to Front Porch Florida Communities; amending s. 381.7355, F.S.; adding a priority area that may be addressed in a Closing the Gap grant proposal; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Torres—

**SR 1438**—A resolution enhancing the sister-state relationship and bilateral economic and cultural ties between Florida and the Republic of China (Taiwan), and reaffirming and maintaining the commitment of the State of Florida and the United States to the strong and deepening relationship with Taiwan, as the two nations together embrace the fundamental values of freedom, democracy, and the protection of human rights.

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

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By Senator Farmer—

**SB 1440**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public swimming pools; amending s. 514.0315, F.S.; requiring public swimming pools to have a telephone available by a certain date; specifying that the telephone must meet certain requirements; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Torres—

**SB 1442**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowner association recalls; providing a short title; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; requiring the voting interests of a homeowner association to physically reside in the community in order to recall a board director; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; Judiciary; and Rules.

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1444**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1001.10, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to maintain a disqualification list; providing requirements for the disqualification list; requiring the department to provide certain staff with access to information from such disqualification list; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; prohibiting individuals who are on the disqualification list from being employed or contracted by a charter school or serving as a member of a charter school governing board; amending s. 1002.421, F.S.; revising requirements for private schools relating to employment; authorizing the Commissioner of Education to deny or revoke the authority of an owner or operator of a private school to establish or operate a private school under specified conditions; requiring the commissioner to include such individuals on the disqualification list; amending s. 1012.315, F.S.; expanding ineligibility for educator certification or employment to persons who are on the disqualification list; amending s. 1012.795, F.S.; expanding the authority of the Education Practices Commission to discipline instructional personnel and school administrators; amending s. 1012.796, F.S.; requiring the department to investigate certain complaints involving misconduct by employees or contracted personnel of specified entities; expanding penalties that may be imposed by the commission; prohibiting individuals on the disqualification list from serving or applying to serve as an employee or contract personnel at any public school or private school; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rouson—

**SB 1446**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; amending s. 775.082, F.S.; requiring a defendant who is sentenced for a primary offense of possession of a controlled substance committed on or after a specified date to be sentenced to a nonstate prison sanction under certain circumstances unless the court makes specified written findings; defining the term “possession of a controlled substance”; authorizing a defendant to move the sentencing court to depart from a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment or a mandatory fine if the offense is committed on or after a specified date; authorizing the state attorney to file an objection to the motion; authorizing the sentencing court to grant the motion if the court finds that the defendant has demonstrated by a preponderance of the evidence that specified criteria are met; defining the term “coercion”; providing applicability; amending s. 921.002, F.S.; revising a principle of the Criminal Punishment Code relating to a prisoner's required minimum term of imprisonment; amending s. 944.275, F.S.; revising the incentive gain-time that the Department of Corrections may grant a prisoner for offenses committed on or after a specified date; providing exceptions; revising the conditions under which an inmate may be granted a one-time award of 60 additional days of incentive gain-time by the department; deleting provisions prohibiting inmates from earning or receiving gain-time in amounts that would cause the inmate's sentence to expire, end, or terminate, or result in a prisoner's release, before serving a specified percentage of the imposed sentence; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; providing that persons convicted of a noncapital offense and sentenced for a term of life qualify for conditional release, subject to certain terms and conditions; requiring that the Department of Corrections within a specified timeframe review certain records of persons serving life sentences and compile such information for the Florida Commission on Offender Review to use in making certain determinations regarding conditional release; reenacting ss. 775.084(4)(j), 944.70, 947.13(1)(f), and 947.141(1), (2), and (7), F.S., relating to the conditional release program applying to persons sentenced under certain provisions, con-

ditions for release from incarceration, the powers and duties of the Florida Commission on Offender Review, and violations of certain release or supervision provisions, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 947.1405, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1448**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Transportation Commission; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; removing the requirement that the Secretary of Transportation be nominated by the Florida Transportation Commission; removing the requirement that the secretary provide assistance to the commission; deleting provisions relating to the creation, membership, duties, meetings, executive director and staff, and the budget of the commission; deleting the requirement that the commission review certain transportation policy initiatives; repealing s. 334.045, F.S., relating to transportation performance and productivity standards; amending s. 334.048, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 334.065, F.S.; revising the membership and member approval of the Center for Urban Transportation Research advisory board; amending s. 339.135, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the review and the evaluation of the Department of Transportation's tentative work program; amending s. 339.64, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 348.0004, F.S.; requiring the department to determine certain average administrative costs for expressway authorities; deleting commission rulemaking authority; amending s. 110.205, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1450**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the pension of retired Deputy Scot Peterson; declaring that Deputy Scot Peterson, retired from the Broward County Sheriff's Office, shall forfeit all rights and benefits under the Florida Retirement System due to his wanton or willful neglect in the performance of his assigned duties and contravention of his oath of office; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Gruters—

**SB 1452**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescription drug importation programs; creating s. 381.02035, F.S.; establishing the Canadian Prescription Drug Importation Program within the Agency for Health Care Administration for a specified purpose; defining terms; requiring the agency to contract with a vendor to facilitate wholesale prescription drug importation under the program; providing responsibilities for the vendor; providing eligibility criteria for prescription drugs, for Canadian suppliers, and for importers under the program; requiring participating Canadian suppliers and importers to comply with specified federal requirements in distributing prescription drugs imported under the program; prohibiting Canadian suppliers and importers from distributing, dispensing, or selling prescription drugs imported under the program outside of this state; requiring the agency to request federal approval of the program; providing requirements for such request; requiring the agency to begin operating the program within a specified timeframe after receiving federal approval; requiring the agency, in consultation with the vendor, to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for such report; requiring the agency to adopt rules; creating s. 499.0285, F.S.; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to establish the International Prescription Drug Importation Program for a specified purpose; defining terms; providing eligibility criteria for prescription drugs, exporters, and importers under the program; requiring participating importers to submit certain documentation to the department for prescription drugs imported under

the program; requiring the department to immediately suspend the importation of a specific prescription drug or the importation by a specific importer if a violation has occurred under the program; authorizing the department to revoke such suspension under certain circumstances; requiring the department to adopt rules; creating s. 465.0157, F.S.; establishing an international export pharmacy permit for participation in the International Prescription Drug Importation Program; providing requirements for permit application and renewal; amending s. 465.017, F.S.; authorizing the department to inspect international export pharmacy permittees; amending s. 499.01, F.S.; requiring nonresident prescription drug manufacturers to register with the department to participate in the program; providing an exception; establishing an international prescription drug wholesale distributor permit; providing requirements for such permit; amending s. 499.012, F.S.; providing permit application requirements for international prescription drug wholesale distributors and nonresident prescription drug manufacturers to participate in the program; amending ss. 499.005, 499.0051, and 499.015, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 499.065, F.S.; requiring the department to inspect international prescription drug wholesale distributor establishments and to require the immediate closure of such establishments under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, in collaboration with the Department of Health, to negotiate a federal arrangement to operate a pilot program for importing prescription drugs into this state; providing that implementation of the act is contingent upon such federal arrangement or obtaining federal guidance; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Mayfield—

**SB 1454**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional materials; amending s. 847.001, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 847.012, F.S.; prohibiting a public school employee or volunteer from providing certain materials to minors; revising the requirements for a material to be considered harmful to minors; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; requiring a school principal to notify certain parents of the inclusion of sex education instructional materials in a course; requiring a parent to provide written approval for his or her child to be included in portions of the course containing such instructional materials; prohibiting penalization of students exempt from such portions of the course; amending s. 1006.28, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; requiring the chair of each school district to annually provide a certain certification to the Department of Education; requiring district school boards to make certain information relating to instructional materials available to the public; revising the requirements for a school district policy relating to an objection to the use of a specified instructional material; requiring a school district to evaluate certain materials by a specified date and remove materials meeting certain criteria; providing that certain persons who purchase certain prohibited materials commit a felony of the third degree; providing criminal penalties; revising the district school board process for contesting the adoption of specific instructional materials; providing school district notification requirements; providing requirements for hearing officers; providing that certain persons may attend specified hearings but may not participate; prohibiting an attorney for the school district from designing or establishing the rules of operations for certain hearings; authorizing a petitioner to appeal a school board decision to the State Board of Education; authorizing a petitioner to appeal a state board decision to the circuit court; authorizing the petitioner to recover reasonable attorney fees and costs; revising district school board duties relating to the use of supplemental instructional materials; requiring the district school board to post certain information on its website; requiring the district school superintendent to provide an annual certification relating to instructional materials; amending s. 1006.283, F.S.; revising the requirements for the district school board instructional materials review process; providing requirements for certain hearings and public meetings; requiring instructional materials to comply with department contract provisions; amending s. 1006.31, F.S.; revising duties of the department and school district instructional materials reviewers; requiring instructional materials to comply with certain requirements; amending s. 1006.34, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1006.40, F.S.; encouraging school districts to purchase certain instructional materials and literature; revising the requirements for materials pur-

chased using the instructional materials allocation; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Perry—

**SB 1456**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Office of Early Learning; amending s. 1002.82, F.S.; requiring certain preservice and inservice training requirements established by the Office of Early Learning to include specified professional development pathways; creating s. 1002.995, F.S.; requiring the office to develop certain training and course standards for school readiness program providers; requiring the office to identify certain formal and informal career pathways, stackable credentials, and certifications that meet specified criteria for such providers; requiring such credentials and certifications to align with a specified training when possible; providing for rule-making; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Rodriguez—

**SB 1458**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 11.0431, F.S.; deleting a public records exemption relating to redistricting plans; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Book—

**SB 1460**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to stroke centers; amending s. 395.3038, F.S.; revising the criteria for hospitals to be included on the state list of stroke centers by the Agency for Health Care Administration; removing provisions requiring the agency to adopt rules establishing the criteria for such list; amending s. 395.30381, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the statewide stroke registry to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 395.3039, F.S.; revising provisions prohibiting the advertisement of a hospital as a state-listed stroke center, unless certain conditions are met, to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 395.3041, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health and the medical director of each licensed emergency medical services provider to develop and implement protocols for the assessment, treatment, transport, and rerouting of suspected stroke patients to certain stroke centers; requiring that such protocols include specified plans for the triage and transport of suspected stroke patients; providing an effective date.

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

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By Senator Diaz—

**SB 1462**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1008.37, F.S.; modifying the date on which the Commissioner of Education is required to annually report certain information to the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors, and the Legislature; making a technical change; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Health Policy—

**SB 7000**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 466.051, F.S., relating to an exemption from the public records requirements for personal identifying information contained in dental workforce surveys held by the Department of Health; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Health Policy—

**SB 7002**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 381.82, F.S., relating to an exemption from the public records and meeting requirements for applications provided to the Alzheimer’s Disease Research Grant Advisory Board within the Department of Health and the review of such applications; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Health Policy—

**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., relating to an exemption from the public records requirements for personal identifying and location information and photographs of certain Department of Health personnel; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Judiciary—

**SB 7006**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act; amending s. 92.251, F.S.; revising a short title; defining terms; requiring a party to submit a foreign subpoena to a clerk of court in this state for the issuance of a subpoena in this state; requiring the clerk of court to promptly issue a subpoena for service upon the person to whom the foreign subpoena is directed; providing requirements for the subpoena; requiring that the service of the subpoena be served in compliance with the laws of this state and the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure; specifying that laws and rules governing compliance with subpoenas apply to subpoenas issued pursuant to the act; requiring that applications challenging a subpoena issued pursuant to the act comply with the statutes and rules of this state and be submitted to a specified court; providing for the uniform construction and application of the act; specifying that a subpoena may only be issued pursuant to this act if the foreign jurisdiction that issued the foreign subpoena has adopted the Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act or a substantially similar measure; specifying that the act does not apply to criminal proceedings; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

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By the Committee on Judiciary—

**SB 7008**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 501.171, F.S., which provides a public records exemption for information received by the Department of Legal Affairs pursuant to a notification of a security breach or during the course of an investigation of such breach; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Judiciary—

**SB 7010**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 397.334, F.S., relating to an exemption from public records requirements for certain information relating to screenings for participation in treatment-based drug court programs and subsequent treatment status reports; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Innovation, Industry, and Technology—

**SB 7012**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vaping; implementing s. 20, Art. X of the State Constitution, as amended by Amendment 9 (2018); renaming part II of ch. 386, F.S.; expanding its application to include vaping in indoor areas; amending s. 386.202, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 386.203, F.S.; defining and redefining terms; amending s. 386.204, F.S.; prohibiting vaping in an enclosed indoor workplace, except as otherwise provided; amending s. 386.2045, F.S.; providing exceptions to the prohibition against vaping and smoking in an enclosed indoor workplace; amending s. 386.205, F.S.; revising requirements for customs smoking rooms; amending s. 386.206, F.S.; requiring the proprietor or other person in charge of an enclosed indoor workplace to develop and implement a policy regarding specified smoking and vaping prohibitions; authorizing the proprietor or other person to post signs to indicate that smoking and vaping are prohibited; requiring specified signs to be posted in airport terminals and in enclosed indoor workplaces under certain circumstances; amending s. 386.207, F.S.; making technical changes; reenacting s. 386.208, F.S., relating to penalties; amending s. 386.209, F.S.; clarifying that the preemption to the state of the regulation of smoking does not preclude the adoption of an ordinance on the use of vapor-generating devices; amending s. 386.211, F.S.; revising requirements for public announcements in mass transportation terminals; amending s. 386.212, F.S.; prohibiting vaping near school property; providing civil penalties; amending s. 386.2125, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, in consultation with the State Fire Marshal, to adopt certain rules; providing requirements for assessing a vaping cessation program for approval; amending s. 561.695, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act to allow a vendor that operates a stand-alone bar to authorize tobacco smoking and vaping in the licensed premises; providing requirements, enforcement, and penalties for stand-alone bars that authorize vaping; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

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By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability—

**SB 7014**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to government accountability; amending s. 11.40, F.S.; specifying that the Governor, the Commissioner of Education, or the designee of the Governor or of the commissioner, may notify the Legislative Auditing Committee of an entity's failure to comply with certain auditing and financial reporting requirements; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; revising definitions and defining the terms "abuse," "fraud," and "waste"; excluding water management districts from certain audit requirements; removing a cross-reference; authorizing the Auditor General to conduct audits of tourist development councils and county tourism promotion agencies; revising reporting requirements applicable to the Auditor General; amending s. 11.47, F.S.; specifying that any person who willfully fails or refuses to provide access to an employee, officer, or agent of an entity under audit is subject to a penalty; amending s. 28.35, F.S.; revising reporting requirements applicable to the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation; amending s. 43.16, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the Justice Administrative Commission, each state attorney, each public defender, the criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, the capital collateral regional counsel, and the Guardian Ad Litem Program, to include the establishment and maintenance of certain internal controls; amending ss. 129.03, 129.06, and 166.241, F.S.; requiring counties and municipalities to maintain certain budget documents on the entities' websites for a specified period; amending s. 215.86, F.S.; revising the purposes for which management systems and internal controls must be established and maintained by each state agency and the judicial branch; amending s. 215.97, F.S.; revising certain audit threshold requirements; amending s. 215.985, F.S.; revising the requirements for a monthly financial statement provided by a water management district; amending s. 218.32, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to request additional information from a local governmental entity in preparation of an annual report; requiring a local governmental entity to respond to such requests within a specified timeframe; requiring the department to notify the Legislative Auditing Committee of noncompliance; amending s. 218.33, F.S.; requiring local govern-

mental entities to establish and maintain internal controls to achieve specified purposes; amending s. 218.391, F.S.; revising membership, and restrictions thereof, for an audit committee; requiring an auditor to include certain information in a management letter; prescribing requirements and procedures for selecting an auditor if certain conditions exist; amending s. 373.536, F.S.; deleting obsolete language; requiring water management districts to maintain certain budget documents on the districts' websites for specified periods; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; authorizing additional internal audits as directed by the district school board; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; revising the responsibilities of the governing board of a charter school to include the establishment and maintenance of internal controls; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; requiring completion of an annual financial audit of the Florida Virtual School; specifying audit requirements; requiring an audit report to be submitted to the board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School and the Auditor General; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 1010.01, F.S.; requiring each school district, Florida College System institution, and state university to establish and maintain certain internal controls; creating ss. 1012.8551 and 1012.915, F.S.; specifying applicable standards as to employee background screening and investigations of Florida College System and State University System personnel, respectively; amending s. 218.503, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes made by the act; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability—

**SB 7016**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state-administered retirement systems; amending s. 121.71, F.S.; revising required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class and subclass of the Florida Retirement System; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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By the Committee on Education—

**SB 7018**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 585.611, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for the personal identifying information of a person employed by, under contract with, or volunteering for a public research facility that conducts or is engaged in activities related to animal research; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Education—

**SB 7020**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 1004.28, F.S., relating to an exemption from public meeting requirements for specified meetings of a university direct-support organization at which proposals seeking research funding or research plans are discussed; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources—

**SB 7022**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission citizen support organizations; amending s. 379.223, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions governing citizen support organizations established under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; creating s. 379.2231, F.S.; defining the terms "convicted" and "conviction"; authorizing a court to order persons convicted of certain violations to pay an additional assessment; authorizing a specified citizen support organization to post certain rewards; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources—

**SB 7024**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Environmental Protection citizen support organizations; amending s. 20.2551, F.S.; requiring that contracts between the department and a citizen support organization include a specified provision; requiring the department to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the report; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions governing citizen support organizations established under the department; amending s. 258.015, F.S.; abrogating the scheduled repeal of provisions governing citizen support organizations established under the department for the benefit of the state park system; providing an effective date.

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

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**SB 7026**—Not used.

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By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability—

**SB 7028**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to judicial retirement; amending s. 121.052, F.S.; modifying provisions authorizing justices or judges to purchase additional service credit in the Florida Retirement System under certain circumstances to conform to the revisions made to the mandatory judicial retirement age established in s. 8, Art. V of the State Constitution; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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By the Committee on Education—

**SB 7030**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school safety and security; amending s. 30.15, F.S.; requiring a sheriff to establish a school guardian program under a certain condition; removing the prohibition against classroom teachers serving as school guardians; prohibiting individuals from serving as school guardians unless they are appointed by a superintendent; amending s. 943.082, F.S.; requiring school districts to promote a mobile suspicious activity reporting tool through specified mediums; amending s. 1001.10, F.S.; requiring the Commissioner of Education to review recommendations from the School Hardening and Harm Mitigation Workgroup; requiring the commissioner to submit a summary to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing requirements for the summary; amending s. 1001.11, F.S.; revising the duties of the commissioner to include oversight of compliance with the safety and security requirements of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act by specified persons and entities; amending s. 1001.212, F.S.; requiring the Office of Safe Schools to annually provide training for specified personnel; requiring the office to convene a School Hardening and Harm Mitigation Workgroup; providing for membership and duties of the workgroup; requiring the workgroup to submit a report and recommendations to the commissioner; requiring the office to provide technical assistance for school safety incident reporting; requiring the office to review and evaluate school district reports for compliance; requiring a district school board to withhold a superintendent's salary in response to the superintendent's noncompliance; requiring the office to develop a behavioral threat assessment instrument; providing requirements for the instrument; requiring the office to establish the Statewide Threat Assessment Database Workgroup to make certain recommendations relating to a statewide threat assessment database; providing requirements for the database; requiring the workgroup to report recommendations to the office by a specified date; providing requirements for such recommendations; requiring the office to monitor school district and public school, including charter schools, compliance with requirements relating to school safety; requiring the office to review and approve district school board and charter school active assailant policies and report deficiencies; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring a charter school to comply with specified provisions; amending s. 1006.04, F.S.;

establishing timeframes within which students with mental, emotional, or behavioral disorders must be referred for services; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; requiring that a school safety specialist be a school administrator employed by the school district or a law enforcement officer employed by the sheriff's office located in the school district; providing requirements for a school safety specialist designated from a sheriff's office; providing that a school safety specialist designated from a sheriff's office remains an employee of such office for certain purposes; authorizing the sheriff and school superintendent to determine by agreement the reimbursement of or sharing of costs associated with employment of the law enforcement officer as a school safety specialist; requiring district school boards to adopt and submit to the office an active assailant response policy; requiring that the policy be recommended by the district superintendent; requiring that any school-specific modifications to the policy be approved by the district superintendents; requiring that certain policies adopted by school districts include procedures for behavioral threat assessments; requiring threat assessment teams to utilize the behavioral threat assessment instrument and the threat assessment database developed by the office when they become available; requiring district school boards to adopt policies for accurate and timely reporting of school environmental safety incidents; providing penalties for noncompliance with such policies; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt by rule requirements for school environmental safety incident reports; amending s. 1006.12, F.S.; requiring a charter school governing board to partner with law enforcement agencies to establish or assign a safe-school officer; expanding the categories of individuals who may serve as school guardians; amending s. 1006.1493, F.S.; requiring the Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool (FSSAT) to be the primary site security assessment tool for school districts; requiring the office to provide FSSAT training; requiring the superintendent to certify FSSAT assessments within a certain timeframe; providing penalties for failure to comply with requirements; deleting obsolete language; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; modifying the required use of funds in the safe schools allocation; providing for retroactive application; providing legislative intent; expanding, as of a specified date, the categorical fund that may be accessed to improve classroom instruction or improve school safety; deleting obsolete language; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Infrastructure and Security; and Appropriations.

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By the Committee on Infrastructure and Security—

**SB 7032**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 252.905, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for information furnished by a person or a business to the Division of Emergency Management for emergency planning assistance; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Infrastructure and Security—

**SB 7034**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 316.0777, F.S., which provides a public records exemption for certain images and data obtained through the use of an automated license plate recognition system and for personal identifying information of an individual in data generated from such images; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Infrastructure and Security—

**SB 7036**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 338.155, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information held by the Department of Transportation, a county, a municipality, or an expressway authority for certain purposes;

deleting the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Infrastructure and Security—

**SB 7038**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Law Enforcement; amending s. 943.0321, F.S.; renaming the Florida Domestic Security and Counter-Terrorism Intelligence Center as the Office of Domestic Security and Counterterrorism; renaming the Florida Domestic Security and Counter-Terrorism Database as the Domestic Security and Counterterrorism Database; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules.

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By the Committee on Ethics and Elections—

**SB 7040**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to financial disclosure; creating s. 112.31446, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Commission on Ethics to procure and test an electronic filing system by a certain date; providing minimum requirements for such system; providing duties for units of government, the commission, and persons required to file specified financial disclosure forms; providing for alternative means of filing in the event the electronic filing system is inoperable; amending s. 112.312, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “disclosure period”; amending s. 112.3144, F.S.; requiring the electronic filing of full and public disclosures of financial interests beginning on a specified date; revising requirements with respect to reporting income; prohibiting the commission from requesting, accepting, or retaining certain information; providing for the redaction of protected information if certain conditions are met; modifying requirements regarding preparation of the list of reporting persons; requiring electronic delivery for certain notices; requiring the commission to provide certain verification to a filer upon request; requiring a declaration be submitted with a disclosure; specifying that certain actions do not constitute an unusual circumstance when appealing or disputing a fine; revising a schedule to the State Constitution; amending s. 112.3145, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “specified state employee”; requiring the electronic filing of statements of financial interests beginning on a specified date; modifying the options for reporting thresholds on a statement of financial interests; prohibiting the commission from requesting, accepting, or retaining certain information; providing for the redaction of protected information if certain conditions are met; modifying requirements regarding preparation of the list of reporting persons; requiring electronic delivery for certain notices; requiring the commission to provide certain verification to a filer upon request; requiring a declaration be submitted with a statement; specifying that certain actions do not constitute an unusual circumstance when appealing or disputing a fine; amending s. 112.31455, F.S.; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

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

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By the Committee on Ethics and Elections—

**SB 7042**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 112.31446, F.S.; providing exemptions from public records requirements for certain passwords that are held by the Commission on Ethics and certain information entered into the electronic filing system for financial disclosure forms; specifying conditions under which such information is no longer exempt; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

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

By the Committee on Criminal Justice—

**SB 7044**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 790.0601, F.S., relating to an exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information of an individual who has applied for a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm through a tax collector appointed by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to receive applications and fees; abrogating the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Criminal Justice—

**SB 7046**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to critical infrastructure facilities and staff; amending s. 330.41, F.S.; redefining the term “critical infrastructure facility”; reenacting and amending s. 943.13, F.S.; requiring any person employed as a full-time, a part-time, or an auxiliary correctional officer be at least 18 years of age; reenacting ss. 943.131(1)(a) and (c) and (4), 943.133(1) and (6), 943.137(1), 943.139(2), 943.1395(1), (2), and (3), 943.14(7), 943.17(4), 943.253, 944.105(7), 944.714(2), 945.035(3), 948.01(1)(a), 951.063, and 985.644(3)(b), F.S., all relating to employment qualifications or requirements for certain officers, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 943.13, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs—

**SB 7048**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disclosure of confidential records; amending s. 394.4615, F.S.; requiring service providers to disclose information from a clinical record under certain circumstances relating to threats to cause seriously bodily injury or death; amending s. 456.059, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, psychiatrists to disclose certain patient communications for purposes of notifying potential victims and law enforcement agencies of certain threats; amending s. 490.0147, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, psychologists to disclose certain patient and client communications for purposes of notifying potential victims and law enforcement agencies of certain threats; providing psychologists with immunity from specified liability and actions under certain circumstances; amending s. 491.0147, F.S.; requiring, rather than authorizing, certain license holders and certificate holders to disclose certain patient and client communications for purposes of notifying potential victims and law enforcement agencies of certain threats; providing such persons with immunity from specified liability and actions; reenacting s. 490.009, F.S., relating to discipline of psychiatrists; reenacting s. 491.009, F.S., relating to discipline of psychologists; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Infrastructure and Security; and Rules.

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By the Committee on Banking and Insurance—

**SB 7050**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 559.5558, F.S., which provides an exemption from public records requirements for information collected in connection with investigations and examinations by the Office of Financial Regulation of the Financial Services Commission; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Banking and Insurance—

**SB 7052**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 655.057, F.S., relating to exemptions from public records requirements for informal

enforcement actions by the Office of Financial Regulation and certain trade secrets held by the office under the financial institutions codes; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemptions; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Banking and Insurance—

**SB 7054**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 627.0628, F.S., relating to exemptions from public records and public meetings requirements for certain trade secrets used in designing and constructing hurricane or flood loss models and provided to the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology, the Office of Insurance Regulation, or the Insurance Consumer Advocate, and for certain portions and recordings of meetings at which the trade secrets are discussed; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemptions; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Banking and Insurance—

**SB 7056**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 662.148, F.S., relating to an exemption from public records requirements for certain information held by the Office of Financial Regulation relating to family trust companies, licensed family trust companies, and foreign licensed family trust companies; removing the scheduled repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

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

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By the Committee on Appropriations—

**SB 7058**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 20.242, F.S.; creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing for the purpose of the trust fund and sources of funds; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing an effective date.

—was placed on the Calendar pursuant to Rule 4.6(1).

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By the Committee on Appropriations—

**SB 7060**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the termination of the Working Capital Trust Fund within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; terminating the Working Capital Trust Fund within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing for the transfer of balances in and revenues of the trust fund; requiring that the department pay outstanding debts and obligations of the trust fund; requiring that the Chief Financial Officer close out and remove the terminated fund from the state accounting systems; repealing ch. 2002-151, Laws of Florida, which saved the trust fund from termination; providing an effective date.

—was placed on the Calendar pursuant to Rule 4.6(1).

## COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

### FIRST READING

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Book—

**CS for SB 58**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to contempt and disorderly conduct before a legislative committee; amending s. 11.143, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 11.1435, F.S.; prohibiting a person, including a member of the Legis-

lature, from engaging in disorderly or contemptuous conduct; specifying applicable penalties, including fines and imprisonment; providing a procedure for investigating and punishing disorderly or contemptuous conduct while the Legislature is in session; providing that the procedures apply in the absence of certain legislative rules; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Infrastructure and Security; and Senators Simpson, Passidomo, Hooper, Mayfield, Book, Rouson, Berman, Perry, Taddeo, and Cruz—

**CS for SB 76**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving while distracted; amending s. 316.305, F.S.; revising the short title; defining the term “driving while distracted”; redefining the term “wireless communications device”; revising legislative intent; prohibiting a person from operating a motor vehicle when driving while distracted; authorizing a law enforcement officer during a specified period to stop motor vehicles to issue warnings to persons who are driving while distracted; providing for repeal of a provision; authorizing a law enforcement officer, after a specified date, to stop motor vehicles and issue citations to persons who are driving while distracted; revising exceptions to such prohibition; revising crash results for which a user’s billing records for a wireless communications device or the testimony of or written statements from certain authorities are admissible as evidence; requiring that law enforcement officers indicate specified information in the uniform traffic citation; providing penalties for driving while distracted; authorizing participation in a distracted driving safety program for a first offense, in lieu of specified penalties; authorizing a clerk of the court to dismiss a case and assess court costs under certain circumstances; requiring the deposit of fines into the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund; deleting a provision requiring that enforcement of this section be accomplished only as a secondary action; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the Department of Transportation, to implement a statewide campaign to raise awareness and prevent drivers from driving while distracted; authorizing the department to use certain messaging to implement the campaign; authorizing the department to contract with certain entities for certain purposes; providing contract authority; providing effective dates.

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By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Book—

**CS for SB 90**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to early childhood courts; creating s. 39.01304, F.S.; providing legislative intent; authorizing circuit courts to create early childhood court programs; requiring that early childhood court programs have certain components present; providing requirements and guidelines for the Office of the State Courts Administrator when hiring community coordinators and a statewide training specialist; authorizing the office to provide funding to circuit courts that choose to establish a coordination system in lieu of creating a community coordinator position; requiring the office to contract with certain university-based centers; requiring the university-based centers to hire a clinical director; requiring the Florida Institute for Child Welfare to submit certain status reports to the Governor and the Legislature by specified dates; requiring the institute, in consultation with the Department of Children and Families, the office, and the contracted university-based centers, to conduct an evaluation of the court programs’ impact; requiring the evaluation to include the analysis of certain data and recommendations; requiring the institute to submit the results of its evaluation to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and Senators Book and Mayfield—

**CS for SB 92**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the C-51 reservoir project; amending s. 373.4598, F.S.; revising the portions of the C-51 reservoir project for which the South Florida Water Management District may negotiate; revising water storage and use requirements specified for the project if state funds are appropriated for the project; specifying that Phase II of the project may be funded by appropriation, in addition to other sources; authorizing the district to enter into certain capacity allocation agreements and to request a waiver for repayment of certain loans; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection

to waive such loan repayment under certain conditions; specifying that the district is not responsible for repayment of such waived loans; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Bean, Hutson, Book, Wright, and Perry—

**CS for SB 96**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to police, fire, and search and rescue dogs and police horses; amending s. 843.19, F.S.; revising the defined terms “police dog” to “police canine,” “fire dog” to “fire canine,” and “SAR dog” to “SAR canine”; increasing the penalty for intentionally and knowingly causing great bodily harm, permanent disability, or death to, or using a deadly weapon upon, police canines or horses, fire canines, or SAR canines; amending s. 767.16, F.S.; revising the term “dog” to “canine” to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senators Book and Harrell—

**CS for SB 104**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Prescription Drug Donation Repository Program; creating s. 465.1902, F.S.; providing a short title; defining terms; creating the Prescription Drug Donation Repository Program within the Department of Health; specifying the purpose of the program; authorizing the department to contract with a third-party vendor to administer the program; specifying entities that are eligible donors; authorizing certain local repositories to accept a donation from specified persons under certain conditions; prohibiting a centralized repository or a local repository from accepting donations from unauthorized donors; providing criteria and procedures for eligible donations; prohibiting donations to specific patients; providing that certain prescription drugs eligible for return to stock must be credited to Medicaid and may not be donated under the program; prohibiting the donation of certain drugs pursuant to federal restrictions; clarifying that a repository is not required to accept donations of prescription drugs or supplies; providing inspection, inventory, and storage requirements for centralized and local repositories; requiring inspection of donated prescription drugs and supplies by a licensed pharmacist; requiring a local repository to notify the centralized repository within a specified timeframe after receiving a donation of prescription drugs or supplies; authorizing the centralized repository to redistribute prescription drugs or supplies; authorizing a local repository to transfer prescription drugs or supplies to another local repository with authorization from the centralized repository; requiring a local repository to notify the department of its intent to participate in the program; providing notification requirements; providing a procedure for a local repository to withdraw from participation in the program; requiring the department to adopt rules regarding the disposition of prescription drugs and supplies of a withdrawing local repository; specifying conditions for dispensing donated prescription drugs and supplies to eligible patients; providing intake collection form requirements; requiring a local repository to issue an eligible patient who completes an intake collection form a program identification card; prohibiting the sale of donated prescription drugs and supplies under the program; authorizing a repository to charge the patient a nominal handling fee for the preparation and dispensing of prescription drugs or supplies under the program; requiring repositories to establish a protocol for notifying recipients of a prescription drug recall; providing for destruction of donated prescription drugs under certain circumstances; providing recordkeeping requirements; requiring the centralized repository to submit an annual report to the department; requiring the department or contractor to establish, maintain, and publish a registry of participating local repositories and available donated prescription drugs and supplies; requiring the department to publish certain information and forms on its website; providing immunity from civil and criminal liability and from professional disciplinary action for participants under certain circumstances; providing immunity to pharmaceutical manufacturers, under certain circumstances, from any claim or injury arising from the donation of any prescription drug or supply under the program; requiring dispensers to provide certain notice to patients; authorizing the department to establish a direct-support organization to provide assistance, funding, and promotional support for program activities; providing organizational requirements for a direct-support organization; specifying direct-support organization purposes and objectives; prohibiting the direct-support organization from lobbying; specifying that the direct-support organization is not a lobbying firm; prohibiting the direct-support organization from possessing prescription drugs on behalf of the program; providing limitations on expenditures of such direct-support organizations; specifying that the di-

rect-support organization must operate under contract with the department; specifying required contract terms; providing for the direct-support organization board of directors; specifying the board's membership requirements; specifying requirements and requiring the department to adopt rules relating to a direct-support organization's use of department property; specifying requirements for the deposit and use of funds by the direct-support organization; providing for annual audits of a direct-support organization; providing for future legislative review and repeal of provisions relating to the direct-support organization; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 252.36, F.S.; authorizing the Governor to waive program patient eligibility requirements during a declared state of emergency; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Bean, Montford, and Harrell—

**CS for SB 124**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dependent children; amending s. 744.1097, F.S.; specifying the venue in proceedings for the appointment of a guardian for a child or young adult who has been adjudicated dependent; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 985.43, F.S.; authorizing a court to receive and consider any information provided by the Guardian Ad Litem Program and the child's attorney ad litem if a child is under the jurisdiction of a dependency court; amending s. 985.441, F.S.; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice, if a child is under the jurisdiction of a dependency court, to provide notice to the dependency court and the Department of Children and Families, and, if appointed, the Guardian Ad Litem Program and the child's attorney ad litem; amending s. 985.455, F.S.; authorizing a court to receive and consider any information provided by the Guardian Ad Litem Program or the child's attorney ad litem if a child is under the jurisdiction of a dependency court; amending s. 985.461, F.S.; adding the Guardian Ad Litem Program as an authorized entity of community reentry teams under which the Department of Juvenile Justice is authorized to provide transition-to-adulthood services to certain children; reenacting ss. 322.051(9), 322.21(1)(f), and 382.0255(3), F.S., relating to identification cards, license fees, and fees, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 985.461, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Bean—

**CS for SB 128**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child abuse; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; expanding the list of incidents or injuries that constitute harm to a child's health or welfare to include incidents or injuries resulting from violations of child restraint and seatbelt requirements; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; requiring the central abuse hotline to accept certain reports or calls for investigation for children who do not live in this state; requiring the Department of Children and Families to initiate an investigation when a report is received from an emergency room physician; amending s. 39.303, F.S.; expanding the types of reports that the Department of Health must refer to Child Protection Teams; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Rouson—

**CS for SB 132**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drones; amending s. 934.50, F.S.; defining the terms “dangerous or deadly weapon” and “large-scale event”; authorizing the use of a drone by a law enforcement agency to prepare for or monitor safety and security at a large-scale event; prohibiting a law enforcement agency using a drone in an authorized manner from equipping it with specified attachments or using it to fire projectiles; reenacting s. 330.41(4), F.S., relating to the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Act, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 934.50, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Book—

**CS for SB 160**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prohibited acts in connection with obscene or lewd materials; amending s. 847.011, F.S.; prohibiting a person from knowingly selling, lending, giving away, distributing, transmitting, showing, or transmuting; offering to commit such actions; having in his or her possession, custody, or control with the intent to commit such actions; or advertising in any manner an obscene, child-like sex doll; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting a person from knowingly having in his or her possession, custody, or

control an obscene, child-like sex doll without the intent to commit certain actions; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 772.102(1)(a), 847.02, 847.03, 847.09(2), 895.02(8)(a), 921.0022(3)(f), 933.02, 933.03, and 943.325(2)(g), F.S., relating to the definition of the term “criminal activity,” the confiscation of obscene material, an officer seizing obscene material, legislative intent, the definition of the term “racketeering activity,” level 6 of the offense severity ranking chart, grounds for the issuance of a search warrant, destruction of obscene prints and literature, and the definition of the term “qualifying offender,” respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 847.011, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Gruters and Bean—

**CS for SB 168**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to federal immigration enforcement; creating chapter 908, F.S., relating to federal immigration enforcement; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; prohibiting sanctuary policies; requiring state entities, local governmental entities, and law enforcement agencies to use best efforts to support the enforcement of federal immigration law; prohibiting restrictions by the entities and agencies on taking certain actions with respect to information regarding a person’s immigration status; providing requirements concerning certain criminal defendants subject to immigration detainers or otherwise subject to transfer to federal custody; authorizing a law enforcement agency to transport an alien unlawfully present in the United States under certain circumstances; providing an exception to reporting requirements for crime victims or witnesses; requiring recordkeeping relating to crime victim and witness cooperation in certain investigations; specifying duties concerning immigration detainers; requiring county correctional facilities to enter agreements for payments for complying with immigration detainers; providing for injunctive relief; providing for applicability to certain education records; prohibiting discrimination on specified grounds; providing for implementation; requiring repeal of existing sanctuary policies within a specified period; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Brandes—

**CS for SB 182**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to smoking marijuana for medical use; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; redefining the term “medical use” to include the possession, use, or administration of marijuana in a form for smoking; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring a patient’s informed consent form to include the risks specifically associated with smoking marijuana; requiring a certifying physician to make a determination in concurrence with a second physician who meets specified requirements before certifying a patient not diagnosed with a terminal condition to smoke marijuana for medical use; deleting a provision prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from dispensing or selling specified products; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Health Policy; and Senators Brandes and Stewart—

**CS for CS for SB 182**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the safe medical use of marijuana; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; redefining the term “marijuana delivery device” to eliminate the requirement that such devices must be purchased from a medical marijuana treatment center; redefining the term “medical use” to include the possession, use, or administration of marijuana in a form for smoking; restricting smoking of marijuana in enclosed indoor workplaces; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring a patient’s informed consent form to include the risks specifically associated with smoking marijuana; requiring a certifying physician to make a determination in concurrence with a second physician who meets specified requirements before certifying a patient under 18 years of age who is not diagnosed with a terminal condition to smoke marijuana for medical use; requiring that marijuana in a form for smoking meet certain packaging and labeling requirements; deleting a provision prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from dispensing or selling specified products; allowing marijuana delivery devices to be purchased from a vendor other than a medical marijuana treatment center; providing applicability; repealing proviso language in s. 3, ch. 2018-9, Laws of Florida, relating to salaries and benefits positions and other personnel services of the Department of Health; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Rules; Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Health Policy; and Senators Brandes and Stewart—

**CS for CS for CS for SB 182**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the medical use of marijuana; amending s. 381.986, F.S.; redefining the term “marijuana delivery device” to eliminate the requirement that such devices must be purchased from a medical marijuana treatment center; redefining the term “medical use” to include the possession, use, or administration of marijuana in a form for smoking; restricting the smoking of marijuana in enclosed indoor workplaces; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring a patient’s informed consent form to include the risks specifically associated with smoking marijuana; prohibiting a physician from certifying a patient under 18 years of age to smoke marijuana for medical use unless the patient is diagnosed with a terminal condition and the physician makes a certain determination in concurrence with a second physician who is a pediatrician; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; requiring the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine to adopt certain practice standards by rule; requiring the Department of Health to provide the boards with certain information from the medical marijuana use registry, as necessary; establishing supply limits for physician certifications for marijuana in a form for smoking; requiring each medical marijuana treatment center to produce and make available for purchase at least one type of pre-rolled marijuana cigarette; requiring that marijuana in a form for smoking meet certain packaging and labeling requirements; requiring a medical marijuana treatment center to ensure that a marijuana delivery device meets certain packaging and labeling requirements; requiring the department to adopt rules specifying certain packaging and labeling requirements for marijuana delivery devices; prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from dispensing more than a specified supply limit of marijuana in a form for smoking; deleting a provision prohibiting a medical marijuana treatment center from dispensing or selling specified products; allowing marijuana delivery devices to be purchased from a vendor other than a medical marijuana treatment center; providing applicability; amending s. 1004.4351, F.S.; renaming the Coalition for Medical Marijuana Research and Education as the Consortium for Medical Marijuana Clinical Outcomes Research; establishing the consortium for a specified purpose; renaming the Medical Marijuana Research and Education Board as the Medical Marijuana Research Board; requiring the board to direct the operations of the consortium; providing membership of the board; providing for the appointment of a consortium director; providing duties of the consortium director; requiring the board to annually adopt a plan for medical marijuana research; requiring the plan to include specified information; providing research requirements for the plan; requiring the board to issue an annual report to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; requiring the department to submit certain data sets to the board; amending s. 381.987, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing proviso language in s. 3, ch. 2018-9, Laws of Florida, relating to salaries and benefits positions and other personnel services of the department; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Brandes and Perry—

**CS for SB 204**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to detention facilities; creating s. 900.06, F.S.; defining terms and specifying covered offenses; requiring that a custodial interrogation at a place of detention be electronically recorded in its entirety in connection with certain offenses; requiring law enforcement officers who do not comply with the electronic recording requirement or who conduct custodial interrogations at a place other than a place of detention to prepare a specified report; providing exceptions to the electronic recording requirement; requiring a court to consider a law enforcement officer’s failure to comply with the electronic recording requirements in determining the admissibility of a statement, unless an exception applies; requiring a court, upon the request of a defendant, to give cautionary instructions to a jury under certain circumstances; providing immunity from civil liability to law enforcement agencies that enforce certain rules; providing that no cause of action is created against a law enforcement officer; amending s. 951.22, F.S.; prohibiting introduction into or possession of any cellular telephone or other portable communication device on the grounds of any county detention facility; defining the term “portable communication device”; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Brandes—

**CS for SB 210**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to searches of cellular phones and other electronic devices; amending s. 933.02, F.S.; expanding the grounds for issuance of a search warrant; providing that

content held within a cellular phone, microphone-enabled household device, or portable electronic communication device may constitute evidence relevant to proving that a felony has been committed; amending s. 933.04, F.S.; adopting the constitutional protection against unreasonable interception of private communications by any means for purposes of obtaining a search warrant; amending s. 934.01, F.S.; revising and providing legislative findings; amending s. 934.02, F.S.; redefining the term “oral communication”; defining the terms “microphone-enabled household device” and “portable electronic communication device”; amending s. 934.03, F.S.; authorizing specified persons to provide information, facilities, or technical assistance to a person authorized by law to intercept wire, oral, or electronic communications if the person has been provided with a search warrant; prohibiting specified persons from disclosing the existence of any interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication with respect to which the person has been served with a search warrant; amending s. 934.06, F.S.; to requiring a search warrant to obtain certain communication content; amending s. 934.07, F.S.; authorizing a judge to issue, instead of granting, a search warrant in conformity with specified provisions; authorizing the Department of Law Enforcement to request a law enforcement agency that provided it with certain information to join with the department in seeking a new search warrant; amending s. 934.08, F.S.; authorizing certain disclosure or use when an investigative or law enforcement officer intercepts wire, oral, or electronic communications relating to offenses other than those specified in a search warrant; amending s. 934.09, F.S.; requiring that each application for a search warrant, rather than an order, authorizing or approving the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications be made in writing and state the applicant’s authority; authorizing a judge to authorize a search warrant *ex parte*, rather than an *ex parte* order, based on the application under certain circumstances; specifying requirements for search warrants, rather than orders, issued under certain circumstances; authorizing an aggrieved person to move to suppress the contents of certain wire, oral, or electronic communications before, as well as during, a trial, hearing, or proceeding; providing for inadmissibility of certain evidence if a certain motion is granted; authorizing a judge of competent jurisdiction to authorize interception within this state under specified circumstances; amending s. 934.10, F.S.; providing that a good faith reliance on a search warrant issued under certain provisions constitutes a complete defense against specified actions; amending s. 934.21, F.S.; revising the exceptions to conduct that constitutes unlawful access to stored communications; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 934.42, F.S.; defining the terms “mobile tracking device,” “real-time location tracking,” and “historical location data”; authorizing an investigative or law enforcement officer to apply to a judge of competent jurisdiction for a search warrant, rather than an order, authorizing real-time location tracking or acquisition of historical location data; requiring an application for a search warrant to include a statement of a reasonable period of time that the mobile tracking device may be used or the location data may be obtained in real time, not to exceed a specified limit; authorizing a court to grant extensions that do not individually exceed a specified limit, for good cause; deleting a provision requiring a certification to be included in the application; providing that the court, if it finds probable cause and finds the required statements in the application, must grant a search warrant; specifying the search warrant may authorize real-time location tracking or acquisition of historical location data; providing the search warrant may authorize the tracking as specified; requiring the search warrant to command the officer to complete any initiation of the location tracking authorized by the search warrant within a certain timeframe; providing requirements for the return of the search warrant to the judge and service of a copy of the search warrant on the person who was tracked or whose property was tracked; specifying how a search warrant authorizing the acquisition of historical location data must be returned and served; authorizing a court, for good cause, to postpone the notice requirement for a specified time period; requiring that the standards established by Florida courts for the installation, use, or monitoring of mobile tracking devices and the acquisition of location data apply to the installation, use, or monitoring of any devices and the acquisition of location data as authorized; deleting the definition of “tracking device”; authorizing any investigative or law enforcement officer who is specially designated by certain persons and who makes specified determinations to engage in real-time location tracking if a search warrant is later obtained as specified; providing requirements for engaging in real-time location tracking; specifying when real-time location tracking must terminate; reenacting s. 934.22(2)(b), F.S., relating to voluntary disclosure of customer communications or records, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 934.03 and 934.07, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 934.27(1) and (4), F.S., relating to relief, damages, and defenses for certain civil actions, to incorporate the amendments made to ss. 934.09 and 934.21, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 934.23(6), 934.24(6) and (7), 934.25(5), and 934.28, F.S., relating to required disclosures of customer communications or records, a subscriber or customer filing a motion for certain relief and customer

notification, delayed notice, and the exclusivity of remedies and sanctions for certain violations, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 934.21, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Brandes and Stewart—

**CS for SB 220**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; repealing s. 564.05, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual wine containers; repealing s. 564.055, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual cider containers; amending s. 564.09, F.S.; revising provisions that authorize a restaurant to allow patrons to remove partially consumed bottles of wine from a restaurant for off-premises consumption; amending s. 565.03, F.S.; redefining the terms “branded product” and “craft distillery”; revising the requirements for the sale of branded products by a licensed craft distillery to consumers; deleting a provision that prohibits a craft distillery from selling more than six individual containers of a branded product to a consumer; revising requirements relating to the shipping of distilled spirits to consumers by a craft distillery; providing that it is unlawful to transfer a distillery license, or ownership in a distillery license, for certain distilleries to certain individuals or entities; prohibiting a craft distillery from having its ownership affiliated with certain other distilleries; authorizing a craft distillery to transfer specified distilled spirits from certain locations to its souvenir gift shop; requiring a craft distillery making certain transfers of distilled spirits to submit certain excise taxes with its monthly report to the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 561.221, F.S.; authorizing the division to issue vendor’s licenses to certain distilleries for the sale of alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises, on a seaport facility’s licensed premises, or at an airport terminal; requiring that the licensed vendor premises be included on certain sketches and diagrams under certain circumstances; requiring that all revisions to a sketch or diagram be approved by the division; capping the number of vendor’s licenses the division is authorized to issue to a distillery; requiring the division to issue permits to distilleries for conducting tastings and sales at certain events; requiring distilleries to pay entry fees and to have a representative present at such events; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Infrastructure and Security; and Senator Baxley—

**CS for SB 234**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to registration and titling of vehicles and vessels; amending s. 320.055, F.S.; revising registration periods for certain vehicles; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop methodology to prorate motor vehicle renewal registration fees for certain registrations; requiring the methodology to give customers certain renewal options; amending s. 320.0609, F.S.; authorizing the surviving spouse of a motor vehicle owner to present certain electronic death records when requesting a registration certificate and license plate transfer; amending ss. 320.07 and 320.0705, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 328.01, F.S.; authorizing a new owner or surviving coowner of a vessel to submit certain electronic death records when applying for transfer of title; providing effective dates.

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By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Book—

**CS for SB 236**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; providing an exception to the expiration of certain public records and public meetings exemptions under specified circumstances; prohibiting the disclosure of the personal identifying information of an alleged victim of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, or information that could assist an individual in determining the identity of such alleged victim, in any portion of a proceeding conducted by the Commission on Ethics, a commission on ethics and public trust, or a county or a municipality that has established a local investigatory process which is open to the public; providing for future legislative review and repeal; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for complaints, referrals, and reports alleging sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, and any related records, which are held by an agency; specifying conditions upon which the exemption expires; providing that the personal identifying information of an alleged victim of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, or information that could assist an individual in determining the identity of such alleged victim, remains confidential and exempt from public records requirements; authorizing disclosure under specified circumstances; providing for future legislative review and repeal; amending s. 286.0113, F.S.; providing an ex-

emption from public meetings requirements for any portion of a meeting that would reveal records involving an allegation of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct made confidential and exempt under the act; specifying conditions upon which the exemption expires; prohibiting the disclosure of the personal identifying information of an alleged victim of sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, or information that could assist an individual in determining the identity of such alleged victim, in any portion of a meeting open to the public; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Senator Hooper—

**CS for SB 246**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public construction; amending s. 218.735, F.S.; revising the amounts of retainage that local governmental entities and contractors may withhold from progress payments for any construction services contract; amending s. 255.05, F.S.; revising requirements for Department of Management Services rules governing certain contracts; amending s. 255.078, F.S.; revising the amounts of retainage that certain public entities and contractors may withhold from progress payments for any construction services contract; specifying nonapplicability of the act; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Hooper, Baxley, Simpson, and Perry—

**CS for SB 248**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; expanding exemptions from public records requirements for agency personnel information by defining the term “home addresses” for purposes of public records exemptions for personal identifying and location information of certain agency personnel and their family members; exempting personal identifying and location information of active or former civilian personnel employed by a law enforcement agency, and of spouses and children of such personnel, from public records requirements; providing for legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing statements of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Flores—

**CS for SB 250**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state housing tax credits; amending s. 213.053, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to provide information on taken state workforce housing tax credits to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; amending ss. 220.02 and 220.13, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 220.185, F.S., relating to the state housing tax credit; amending s. 420.502, F.S.; providing legislative intent; amending s. 420.503, F.S.; defining the term “essential services personnel”; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 420.5093, F.S.; replacing provisions relating to the State Housing Tax Credit Program with provisions relating to the State Workforce Housing Tax Credit Program; providing the purpose of the program; providing for an insurance premium and retaliatory tax credit to certain workforce housing developments; requiring the corporation to administer the program; specifying requirements, procedures, and authorized actions of the corporation in determining eligibility for, and awarding, tax credits; defining terms; requiring the corporation to prepare a certain plan; authorizing the corporation to adopt rules; requiring the corporation to establish specified procedures for agency awards; specifying application requirements; specifying limits on, and criteria for determining, final agency awards; specifying requirements for cost certifications and eligibility statements; requiring the executive director of the Department of Revenue to apply annual credit amounts to tax liabilities in a certain manner; requiring that an extended workforce housing commitment be in effect, under certain circumstances, for a certain tax credit to be allowed; defining the term “extended workforce housing commitment”; requiring the corporation to establish certain procedures; amending s. 624.509, F.S.; specifying the order in which certain credits must be taken against the premium tax; creating s. 624.51056, F.S.; authorizing certain taxpayers to claim a credit against the premium tax and retaliatory tax; specifying a limitation on claiming the credit; providing requirements for the eligibility statement; requiring the corporation to make preliminary agency awards in certain years; specifying the limit on such awards; authorizing certain owners of eligible workforce housing developments to distribute credit amounts among its constituent taxpayers; specifying requirements for such owners; providing for the carryforward of unused tax credits for a specified period; providing that unused credits may not be refunded; providing that certain insurers are not required to pay additional retaliatory tax; specifying

requirements and procedures for credit recapture; providing applicability; reenacting s. 624.5091(1)(a), F.S., relating to the retaliatory tax, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 624.509, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Infrastructure and Security; and Senator Flores—

**CS for SB 252**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle registration applications; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the application form for motor vehicle registration and renewal of registration include language permitting a voluntary contribution to the Auto Club Group Traffic Safety Foundation; requiring that such application form include language permitting a voluntary contribution to the Live Like Bella Childhood Cancer Foundation; requiring that the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles distribute such contributions to the Live Like Bella Childhood Cancer Foundation; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Albritton, Harrell, Montford, and Rader—

**CS for SB 262**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; providing for the name of a child’s guardian ad litem or attorney ad litem to be entered on court orders in dependency proceedings; amending s. 39.0136, F.S.; requiring cooperation between certain parties and the court to achieve permanency for a child as soon as possible; requiring the Department of Children and Families to ensure that parents have the information necessary to contact their case manager; requiring that a new case manager who is assigned to a case notify the parent and provide updated contact information; specifying that continuances and extensions of time by the court on its own motion may not exceed a certain period of time; amending s. 39.402, F.S.; specifying that time limitations governing placement of a child in a shelter do not include continuances requested by the court; requiring the court to advise parents in plain language what is expected of them to achieve reunification with their child; expanding the requirements that parents must meet to achieve reunification with their child; amending s. 39.507, F.S.; requiring the court during an adjudicatory hearing to advise parents in plain language of certain requirements to achieve permanency with their child; expanding the requirements that parents must meet to achieve reunification with their child; amending s. 39.521, F.S.; requiring the department to serve copies of the case plan and the family functioning assessment on the parents of the child and provide copies of the plan and assessment to the other parties; amending s. 39.522, F.S.; specifying that a postdisposition hearing, if needed, must occur before a child achieves a permanency placement; amending s. 39.6011, F.S.; requiring that the written notice in a case plan include certain responsibilities and actions required of the parents and inform the parent that a breach of the case plan by the parent’s action or inaction may result in an earlier filing of a petition for termination of parental rights; requiring the department to ensure that the parent has certain contact information and to explain certain strategies included in the case plan; providing a timeframe for referrals for services; amending s. 39.6012, F.S.; expanding the tasks and services a case plan must describe; amending s. 39.6013, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 39.621, F.S.; requiring the court to hold permanency hearings within specified timeframes; requiring that the case plan be updated at a permanency hearing unless the child will achieve permanency within a specified timeframe; amending s. 39.806, F.S.; specifying that grounds for termination of parental rights may be established when a case plan is materially breached by a parent or parents’ action or inaction; amending s. 39.811, F.S.; requiring the court to enter a written order of disposition within a specified timeframe following termination of parental rights; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Ethics and Elections; and Senator Baxley—

**CS for SB 268**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voting methods; amending s. 101.56075, F.S.; authorizing voting to be conducted using a voter interface device that produces a voter-verified paper output; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Brandes—

**CS for SB 302**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonemergency medical transportation services; amending s. 316.87, F.S.; authorizing Medicaid nonemergency transportation services to be provided to a Medicaid recipient by certain transportation network companies or transportation brokers, subject to compliance with certain require-

ments; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to update certain regulations, policies, or other guidance by a specified date; providing that the requirements for transportation network companies and transportation network company drivers may not exceed specified requirements, except as necessary to conform to federal Medicaid transportation requirements administered by the agency; providing construction; amending s. 401.25, F.S.; authorizing a licensed basic life support or licensed advanced life support ambulance service to provide nonemergency Medicaid transportation in permitted ambulances in any county at the request of a certain eligible plan; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and Senators Montford, Stewart, Berman, and Rader—

**CS for SB 314**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advanced well stimulation treatment; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; defining the terms “high-pressure well stimulation” and “matrix acidization”; creating s. 377.2405, F.S.; prohibiting the performance of high-pressure well stimulation or matrix acidization; clarifying that permits for drilling or operating a well do not authorize the performance of high-pressure well stimulation or matrix acidization; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Montford—

**CS for SB 318**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child abuse, abandonment, and neglect; amending s. 39.202, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Children and Families from releasing the names of school personnel who have provided information during a protective investigation except under certain circumstances; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Simpson—

**CS for SB 322**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to preexisting conditions; creating s. 627.6046, F.S.; defining the terms “operative date” and “preexisting medical condition” with respect to individual health insurance policies; requiring insurers, contingent upon the occurrence of either of two specified events, to make at least one comprehensive major medical health insurance policy available to all residents of this state within a specified timeframe; prohibiting such insurers from excluding, limiting, denying, or delaying coverage under such policies due to preexisting medical conditions; requiring such policies to have been actively marketed on a specified date and during a certain timeframe before that date; providing applicability; creating s. 627.65612, F.S.; defining the terms “operative date” and “preexisting medical condition” with respect to group health insurance policies; requiring insurers, contingent upon the occurrence of either of two specified events, to make at least one comprehensive major medical health insurance policy available to all residents of this state within a specified timeframe; prohibiting such insurers from excluding, limiting, denying, or delaying coverage under such policies due to preexisting medical conditions; providing applicability; amending s. 641.31, F.S.; defining the terms “operative date” and “preexisting medical condition” with respect to health maintenance contracts; requiring health maintenance organizations, contingent upon the occurrence of either of two specified events, to make at least one comprehensive major medical health maintenance contract available to all residents of this state within a specified timeframe; prohibiting such health maintenance organizations from excluding, limiting, denying, or delaying coverage under such contracts due to preexisting medical conditions; requiring such contracts to have been actively marketed on a specified date and during a certain timeframe before that date; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Brandes—

**CS for SB 328**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to courts; creating s. 25.025, F.S.; authorizing certain Supreme Court justices to have an appropriate facility in their district of residence designated as their official headquarters; providing that an official headquarters may serve only as a justice’s private chambers; providing that such justices are eligible for a certain subsistence allowance and reimbursement for certain transportation expenses; requiring that such allowance and reimbursement be made to the extent appropriated funds are available,

as determined by the Chief Justice; requiring the Chief Justice to coordinate with certain persons in designating official headquarters; providing that a county is not required to provide space for a justice in a county courthouse; authorizing counties to enter into agreements with the Supreme Court for the use of county courthouse space; prohibiting the Supreme Court from using state funds to lease space in specified facilities to allow a justice to establish an official headquarters; amending s. 26.012, F.S.; revising the appellate jurisdiction of the circuit courts; amending s. 29.008, F.S.; providing applicability and construction; amending s. 30.15, F.S.; requiring sheriffs to coordinate with the board of county commissioners and the chief judge of the circuit on a comprehensive plan for the provision of security for trial court facilities; requiring sheriffs to retain operational control over how they provide security for such facilities; specifying that the chief judge retains certain decisionmaking authority; specifying that sheriffs and their deputies, employees, and contractors are officers of the court when providing security for trial court facilities; amending s. 34.01, F.S.; increasing the limit on the amount in controversy in certain actions at law under which the county court has original jurisdiction, beginning on a specified date; specifying that certain actions relating to damages or losses covered by insurance policies are not within the jurisdiction of the county court; providing for adjustments to limits at specified intervals due to inflation or deflation; requiring the State Courts Administrator to make certain recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 28.241, F.S.; adjusting filing fees for appeals of certain county court cases; amending s. 34.041, F.S.; adjusting county court civil filing fees based on claim values; providing for distribution of the fees; amending s. 44.108, F.S.; prohibiting a filing fee from being levied on an appeal from the county court to the circuit court for a claim for more than a specified amount; amending s. 105.031, F.S.; requiring the Department of State or the supervisor of elections to refund the full amount of certain qualifying fees; conforming a cross-reference; providing effective dates.

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By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Pizzo, Rodriguez, Book, Thurston, Taddeo, Farmer, Brandes, Gibson, Torres, Rouson, and Braynon—

**CS for SB 332**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to incarcerated women; providing a short title; creating s. 944.242, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring correctional facilities to provide incarcerated women with certain health care products, subject to certain requirements; requiring a correctional facility to make health care products available in common housing areas and in medical care facilities; providing requirements for male correctional facility employees in certain circumstances; requiring documentation of certain incidents involving male correctional facility employees; requiring the correctional facility to review and retain such documentation; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Brandes and Perry—

**CS for SB 338**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to extension of confinement; amending s. 945.091, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to extend the limits of confinement to allow an inmate to participate in supervised community release, subject to certain requirements, as prescribed by the department by rule; requiring the department to administer a risk assessment instrument to appropriately determine an inmate’s ability to be released; authorizing the department to terminate the inmate’s supervised community release and return him or her to the same or another institution under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement or probation officer to arrest an inmate without a warrant under certain circumstances; requiring the law enforcement officer to report alleged violations to a supervising probation office or the department’s emergency action center for disposition of disciplinary charges as prescribed by the department by rule; requiring an inmate participating in supervised community release to remain eligible to earn or lose gain-time, subject to certain restrictions; prohibiting the inmate from being counted in the population of the prison system; prohibiting the inmate’s approved community-based housing location from being counted in the capacity figures for the prison system; reenacting s. 944.516(2), 945.092, and 946.503(2), F.S., relating to money or other property received for personal use or benefit of an inmate, limits on work-release and minimum security custody for persons who have committed the crime of escape, and definitions to be used with respect to correctional work programs, respectively, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 945.091, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Brandes and Perry—

**CS for SB 346**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to conditional medical release; amending s. 947.005, F.S.; defining the terms “conditional medical release”; amending s. 947.149, F.S.; expanding eligibility for conditional medical release to include inmates with debilitating illnesses; defining the term “inmate with a debilitating illness”; redefining the term “terminally ill inmate”; reenacting ss. 316.1935(6), 775.084(4)(k), 775.087(2)(b) and (3)(b), 784.07(3), 790.235(1), 794.0115(7), 893.135(1)(b), (c), and (g), and (3), 921.0024(2), 944.605(7)(b), 944.70(1)(b), 947.13(1)(h), and 947.141(1), (2), and (7), F.S., all relating to authorized conditional medical release granted under s. 947.149, F.S., to incorporate the amendment made to s. 947.149, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senators Braynon, Pizzo, and Book—

**CS for SB 366**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to infectious disease elimination programs; providing a short title; amending s. 381.0038, F.S.; providing that a county commission may authorize a sterile needle and syringe exchange program; defining the term “exchange program”; prohibiting the establishment of an exchange program under certain conditions; providing requirements for establishing an exchange program; specifying entities that may operate an exchange program; requiring the development of an oversight and accountability system for certain purposes; specifying requirements for exchange programs; requiring the collection of data and submission of reports; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt certain rules; providing for immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; authorizing sources of funding for exchange programs; authorizing the continuation of a specified pilot project under certain circumstances; providing severability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Harrell and Perry—

**CS for SB 370**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victims of human trafficking; amending s. 796.07, F.S.; providing a definition; providing construction; requiring a specified period of incarceration for solicitation of prostitution offenses involving victims of human trafficking; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Brandes—

**CS for SB 380**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners’ insurance policy disclosures; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; revising circumstances under which insurers issuing homeowners’ insurance policies must include a specified statement relating to flood insurance with the policy documents at initial issuance and renewals; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Brandes and Perry—

**CS for SB 408**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drug offenses; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; defining the term “dosage unit”; providing applicability; prohibiting the sale, purchase, delivery, bringing into this state, or actual or constructive possession of specified amounts of dosage units of certain controlled substances; creating the offense of “trafficking in pharmaceuticals”; providing criminal penalties; reenacting ss. 373.6055(3)(c), 397.4073(6), 414.095(1), 772.12(2), 775.087(2)(a) and (3)(a), 782.04(1)(a), (3)(a), and (4)(a), 810.02(3)(f), 812.014(2)(c), 893.13(8)(d), 893.1351(1) and (2), 900.05(3)(e), 903.133, 907.041(4)(c), and 921.0024(1)(b), F.S., relating to criminal history checks for certain water management district employees and others; background checks of service provider personnel; the determination of eligibility for temporary cash assistance; the Drug Dealer Liability Act; felony reclassification of the possession or use of a weapon in an aggravated battery; murder; burglary; theft; prohibited acts that relate to the prescription of controlled substances; ownership, lease, rental, or possession for trafficking in or manufacturing controlled substances; criminal justice data collection; the prohibition of bail on appeal for certain felony convictions; pretrial detention and release; the scoresheet worksheet key for computation in the Criminal Punishment Code; respectively, to in-

corporate the amendment made to s. 893.135, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Harrell—

**CS for SB 434**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ambulatory surgical centers; amending s. 395.002, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “ambulatory surgical center”; amending s. 395.1055, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration, in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to adopt rules that establish requirements related to the delivery of surgical care to children in ambulatory surgical centers, in accordance with specified standards; specifying that ambulatory surgical centers may provide certain procedures only if authorized by agency rule; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Gibson—

**CS for SB 452**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elder abuse fatality review teams; creating s. 415.1103, F.S.; authorizing the establishment of elder abuse fatality review teams in each judicial circuit and housing the review teams, for administrative purposes only, in the Department of Elderly Affairs; providing conditions for review team membership, establishment, and organization; specifying requirements for the review team operations and meeting schedules; assigning responsibility for paying the administrative costs of review team operations to the team members or the entities they represent; authorizing elder abuse fatality review teams in existence on a certain date to continue; requiring such existing teams to comply with specified requirements; specifying review team duties; requiring each review team to submit annually a summary report by a certain date to the Department of Elderly Affairs containing specified information; requiring the department to prepare annually a summary report on the review teams’ information and submit the summary to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Department of Children and Families; exempting certain information and records from discovery; providing an exception; restricting the testimony of certain persons about information or records presented during meetings or activities of the review teams; providing immunity from monetary liability for review team members under certain conditions; prohibiting review teams and review team members from disclosing confidential information; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Gibson—

**CS for SB 454**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and public meetings; amending s. 415.1103, F.S.; specifying that information obtained by an elder abuse fatality review team which is exempt or confidential and exempt from public records requirements retains its protected status; providing an exemption from public records requirements for identifying information of an elder abuse victim in records created by a review team; providing an exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of review team meetings at which exempt or confidential and exempt information or the identity of an elder abuse victim is discussed; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing statements of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Powell—

**CS for SB 462**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to judicial process; amending s. 48.23, F.S.; providing that a person who acquires for value a lien on property during the course of specified legal actions takes such lien free of claims in certain circumstances; specifying the effect of a valid, recorded notice of lis pendens in certain circumstances involving a judicial sale; providing applicability; amending s. 48.021, F.S.; revising authority of special process servers; revising a cross-reference; requiring that civil witness subpoenas be served by certain persons; amending s. 48.031, F.S.; revising requirements for substituted service on the spouse of the person to be served; revising requirements for documenting service of process; conforming terminology; amending s. 48.062, F.S.; revising requirements for service on limited liability companies; amending s. 48.194, F.S.; revising provisions specifying who may serve process outside of the state; revising requirements for documenting that service has been properly made outside the state; amending s. 48.21, F.S.; revising requirements for return-of-service

forms; authorizing certain persons to electronically sign return-of-service forms; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Powell—

**CS for SB 498**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire safety and prevention; creating s. 633.217, F.S.; prohibiting a person from committing or attempting to commit certain acts to influence firesafety inspectors; providing criminal penalties; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Gruters and Stewart—

**CS for SB 526**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the entertainment industry; creating the Film, Television, and Digital Media Targeted Grant Program within the Department of Economic Opportunity under the supervision of the Commissioner of Film and Entertainment; providing purposes for the program; defining terms; requiring that film, television, and digital media projects being produced in this state meet specified criteria for grant eligibility; authorizing applicants to receive grants up to a specified amount, including bonuses; requiring an applicant that receives funding to make a good faith effort to use existing providers of infrastructure or equipment in this state and Florida-resident cast and crew; requiring the commissioner to set application windows for the grant; providing requirements for the department relating to earmarking and setting aside grant funds; providing procedures and requirements for applicants applying for the grant; requiring the commissioner to take specified action within a reasonable period of time; specifying that an applicant is may submit only one application per application window; creating the Grant Advisory Board within the Office of Film and Entertainment of the department; providing membership requirements for the board; requiring the commissioner to select an alternate board member when certain conflicts of interest are present; providing meeting requirements for the board; requiring the board to determine a score for each qualified project using specified criteria; requiring the board to make a recommendation for certification or rejection of a qualified project within a specified timeframe; requiring the commissioner to determine the priority order and scoring system of the specified criteria with assistance from the board and certain other persons; requiring the board to use certain criteria; requiring the commissioner to take certain actions relating to the certification or rejection of qualified projects in a timely manner; requiring the department to earmark and set aside funding necessary to fund the total maximum that may be awarded to the certified projects, if funds are available; requiring the commissioner to develop a verification process to verify the actual certified expenditures of a certified project after the project's work in this state is complete; providing requirements for the verification process; requiring that the grant be issued within a reasonable period of time upon approval of the final grant amount by the department; requiring the department to deduct a specified percentage of the grant and to credit the amount to the department to offset certain expenses; requiring that certain marketing be included with a project; requiring certified projects to allow certain persons to visit the production site upon request of the commissioner and after providing the commissioner with reasonable notice; specifying that a visit to the production site is not required; requiring the department to disqualify a project under certain circumstances; providing for liability and imposing civil penalties for an applicant that submits fraudulent information; providing for rulemaking; requiring the commissioner to provide an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature on a specified date; providing for the expiration of the program; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Senator Rouson—

**CS for SB 528**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health and substance use disorders; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 394.4572, F.S.; requiring a specific level of screening for peer specialists working in mental health programs and facilities; amending s. 394.4573, F.S.; specifying that the use of peer specialists for recovery support is an essential element of a coordinated system of behavioral health care; amending s. 397.311, F.S.; defining the term "peer specialist"; amending s. 397.4073, F.S.; con-

forming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 397.417, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; authorizing a person to seek certification as a peer specialist if he or she meets specified qualifications; requiring a background screening, completion of a training program, and a passing score on a competency exam for a qualified person to obtain certification as a peer specialist; requiring the Department of Children and Families to develop a training program for peer specialists and to give preference to trainers who are certified peer specialists; requiring the training program to coincide with a competency exam and to be based on current practice standards; requiring the department to certify peer specialists directly or by designating a nonprofit certification organization; requiring that a person providing peer specialist services be certified or supervised by a licensed behavioral health care professional or a certified peer specialist; authorizing the department, a behavioral health managing entity, or the Medicaid program to reimburse a peer specialist service as a recovery service; encouraging Medicaid managed care plans to use peer specialists in providing recovery services; requiring peer specialists to meet the requirements of a background screening as a condition of employment and continued employment; requiring the department to forward fingerprints to the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring that fees for state and federal fingerprint processing be borne by the peer specialist applying for employment; providing that any arrest record identified through background screening be forwarded to the department; authorizing the Department of Children and Families or the agency to contract with certain vendors for fingerprinting; specifying requirements for vendors; specifying offenses to be considered in the background screening of a peer specialist; authorizing a person who does not meet background screening requirements to request an exemption from disqualification from the department or the agency; providing that all peer specialists certified as of the effective date of this act are recognized as having met the requirements of this act; amending s. 397.487, F.S.; revising legislative findings relating to voluntary certification of recovery residences; requiring recovery residences to comply with specified Florida Fire Prevention Code provisions; revising background screening requirements for owners, directors, and chief financial officers of recovery residences; amending s. 397.4873, F.S.; providing exceptions to limitations on referrals by recovery residences to licensed service providers; prohibiting recovery residences and specified affiliated individuals from benefiting from certain referrals; amending s. 435.07, F.S.; authorizing the exemption of certain persons from disqualification from employment; amending ss. 212.055, 394.495, 394.496, 394.9085, 397.416, 409.972, 440.102, 464.012, and 744.2007, F.S.; conforming cross-references; making technical changes; providing an effective date.

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By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Book—

**CS for SB 540**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human trafficking; creating s. 509.096, F.S.; requiring a public lodging establishment to train certain employees and create certain policies relating to human trafficking by a specified date; providing requirements for such training; permitting the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to take disciplinary action against a public lodging establishment for failure to comply with such requirements; providing that this section does not establish a private cause of action against a public lodging establishment; creating s. 787.08, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families, in consultation with the Department of Law Enforcement and the Attorney General, to establish a certain direct-support organization; providing requirements for the direct-support organization; requiring the direct-support organization to focus on human trafficking issues by forming strategic partnerships and serving as a liaison with specified public and private sector partners; requiring the direct-support organization to assist agencies in creating training on certain topics; requiring the direct-support organization to provide resources for such training and strategize the funding of inpatient care for victims of human trafficking in treatment centers throughout the state; requiring the direct-support organization to operate under a written contract with the Department of Children and Families; providing contractual requirements; providing for the membership of and the appointment of directors to the board of the direct-support organization; providing for future review and repeal by the Legislature; amending s. 796.07, F.S.; requiring that the criminal history record of a person who is convicted of, or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, soliciting, inducing, enticing, or procuring another to commit prostitution, lewdness, or assignation be added to the Soliciting for Prostitution Registry; requiring

the clerk of the court to forward the criminal history record of such persons to the Department of Law Enforcement for certain purposes; creating s. 943.0433, F.S.; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to create and administer the Soliciting for Prostitution Registry; requiring the department to add certain criminal history records to the registry; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 943.0583, F.S.; creating an exception to a prohibition that bars certain victims of human trafficking from petitioning for the expunction of a criminal history record for offenses committed while the person was a victim of human trafficking as part of the human trafficking scheme or at the direction of an operator of the scheme; creating s. 943.17297, F.S.; requiring each certified law enforcement officer to successfully complete training on identifying and investigating human trafficking before a certain date; requiring that the training be developed in consultation with specified entities; specifying that an officer's certification shall be inactive if he or she fails to complete the required training until the employing agency notifies the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission that the officer has completed the training; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Albritton—

**CS for SB 598**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearms; amending s. 790.115, F.S.; authorizing a concealed weapon or concealed firearm licensee to carry a concealed firearm on the property of a religious institution when the property also contains a school; providing exceptions; reenacting s. 775.30(2), F.S., relating to terrorism, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 790.115, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Rules; and Judiciary—

**CS for SB 7006**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act; amending s. 92.251, F.S.; revising a short title; defining terms; requiring a party to submit a foreign subpoena to a clerk of court in this state for the issuance of a subpoena in this state; requiring the clerk of court to promptly issue a subpoena for service upon the person to whom the foreign subpoena is directed; providing requirements for the subpoena; requiring that the service of the subpoena be served in compliance with the laws of this state and the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure; specifying that laws and rules governing compliance with subpoenas apply to subpoenas issued pursuant to the act; requiring that applications challenging a subpoena issued pursuant to the act comply with the statutes and rules of this state and be submitted to a specified court; providing for the uniform construction and application of the act; specifying that the act does not apply to criminal proceedings; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

**REFERENCE CHANGES  
PURSUANT TO RULE 4.7(2)**

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Brandes and Stewart—

**CS for SB 220**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Beverage Law; repealing s. 564.05, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual wine containers; repealing s. 564.055, F.S., relating to limitations on the size of individual cider containers; amending s. 564.09, F.S.; revising provisions that authorize a restaurant to allow patrons to remove partially consumed bottles of wine from a restaurant for off-premises consumption; amending s. 565.03, F.S.; redefining the terms “branded product” and “craft distillery”; revising the requirements for the sale of branded products by a licensed craft distillery to consumers; deleting a provision that prohibits a craft distillery from selling more than six individual containers of a branded product to a consumer; revising requirements relating to the shipping of distilled spirits to consumers by a craft distillery; providing that it is unlawful to transfer a distillery license, or ownership in a distillery license, for certain distilleries to certain individuals or entities; prohibiting a craft distillery from having its ownership affiliated with certain other distilleries; authorizing a craft distillery to transfer specified distilled spirits from certain locations to its souvenir gift shop; requiring a craft distillery

making certain transfers of distilled spirits to submit certain excise taxes with its monthly report to the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 561.221, F.S.; authorizing the division to issue vendor's licenses to certain distilleries for the sale of alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises, on a seaport facility's licensed premises, or at an airport terminal; requiring that the licensed vendor premises be included on certain sketches and diagrams under certain circumstances; requiring that all revisions to a sketch or diagram be approved by the division; capping the number of vendor's licenses the division is authorized to issue to a distillery; requiring the division to issue permits to distilleries for conducting tastings and sales at certain events; requiring distilleries to pay entry fees and to have a representative present at such events; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Rules.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Brandes—

**CS for SB 302**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonemergency medical transportation services; amending s. 316.87, F.S.; authorizing Medicaid nonemergency transportation services to be provided to a Medicaid recipient by certain transportation network companies or transportation brokers, subject to compliance with certain requirements; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to update certain regulations, policies, or other guidance by a specified date; providing that the requirements for transportation network companies and transportation network company drivers may not exceed specified requirements, except as necessary to conform to federal Medicaid transportation requirements administered by the agency; providing construction; amending s. 401.25, F.S.; authorizing a licensed basic life support or licensed advanced life support ambulance service to provide nonemergency Medicaid transportation in permitted ambulances in any county at the request of a certain eligible plan; providing an effective date.

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 976

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space recommends the following pass: SB 212

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

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 780

**The bill was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government under the original reference.**

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 406; SB 554; SB 782

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 910

**The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice under the original reference.**

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 120

**The bill was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education under the original reference.**

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 184

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 192; SB 592; SB 716; SB 778

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

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The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 178; SB 414; SB 738

The Committee on Infrastructure and Security recommends the following pass: SB 64; SB 72

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

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The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 448; SB 1026

**The bills were referred to the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Innovation, Industry, and Technology recommends the following pass: SB 220

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

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The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 310

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends the following pass: SB 426

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

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The Committee on Infrastructure and Security recommends the following pass: SB 116

**The bill was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 354

**The bill was referred to the Committee on Education under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SJR 74; SJR 690

**The bills were referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 176

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 60; SB 298

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 336

**The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 670

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 186

The Committee on Infrastructure and Security recommends the following pass: SB 404

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SJR 362; SB 746; SB 980

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

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 102; SB 374

**The bills were referred to the Committee on Health Policy under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 94

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 136

**The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Infrastructure and Security under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Agriculture recommends the following pass: SB 666

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 198; SB 596

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 142

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 648

**The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Innovation, Industry, and Technology under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 124; SB 256; SB 262

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 116; SB 130; SB 530; SB 966

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

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The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 180

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 82

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 114

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SJR 74

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends the following pass: SB 186; SJR 362; SB 7002; SB 7004; SB 7008; SB 7010; SB 7018; SB 7020

The Committee on Health Policy recommends the following pass: SB 374

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: CS for SB 160; CS for SB 204; SB 530

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

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The Committee on Appropriations recommends the following pass: SB 212

The Committee on Rules recommends the following pass: SB 2; SB 4; SB 6; SB 8; SB 180

**The bills were placed on the Calendar.**

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The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 496; SB 626

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 92

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

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 90

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 332; SB 338; SB 346; SB 370; SB 624; SB 822; SB 828

**The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 528; SB 646

The Committee on Health Policy recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 104; SB 188; SB 302; SB 366; SB 434

**The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.**

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The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 740

The Committee on Infrastructure and Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 252

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 380

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 588

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 540

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 268

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 246

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 462

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

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 128

The Committee on Judiciary recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 58; SB 598

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

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 318

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

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The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 750; SB 878

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 250

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

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 454

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 236; SB 248; SB 498

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

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The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 322

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

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The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for SB 128; SB 132

The Committee on Judiciary recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 168; SB 328

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

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 526

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 314

The Committee on Health Policy recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 182

The Committee on Infrastructure and Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 76

**The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Innovation, Industry, and Technology under the original reference.**

The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 452

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 96; SB 160; SB 204; SB 210; SB 408

The Committee on Infrastructure and Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 234

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

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 220

The Committee on Health Policy recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 322

The Committee on Innovation, Industry, and Technology recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 182

The Committee on Judiciary recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 124; SB 262; SM 804

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

The Committee on Rules recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for CS for SB 182; SB 7006

**The bills with committee substitute attached were placed on the Calendar.**

## REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services recommends the following pass: CS for SB 104; SB 184

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development recommends the following pass: SB 178; SB 414

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

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 92

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 188

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

## MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

### EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The following Executive Orders were filed with the Secretary:

### SUSPENSION REPORTS

#### EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-273 (Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Kirk Reams is currently serving as the Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, an investigation by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement ("FDLE") has revealed Kirk Reams improperly used his official position to gain access to a government facility after business hours in February 2013 for the purpose of engaging in inappropriate conduct with a paramour therein; and

WHEREAS, the FDLE investigation further revealed Kirk Reams misappropriated the resources of his public office between January 2013 and February 2014 by providing the paramour with unauthorized access to, and personal use of, a government laptop computer purchased and owned by the Jefferson County Commission; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, drunkenness, incompetence, permanent inability to perform official duties, or commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Jefferson County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Kirk Reams be immediately suspended from the public office he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this Executive Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

- A. Kirk Reams is, and at all times material hereto, was serving as the Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida.
- B. The office of Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- C. An investigation by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement revealed Kirk Reams committed malfeasance and/or misfeasance in the abuse of his position of public trust through the improper acts described above, as evidenced by the Affidavit in Support of Arrest Warrant attached hereto, which is incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.
- D. Kirk Reams has been arrested and charged with one count of Petit Theft (\$100 or more), a first-degree misdemeanor in violation of section 812.014(2)(e), Florida Statutes, as evidenced by the Warrant attached hereto, which is incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

*Section 1.* Kirk Reams is suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: Clerk of Court of Jefferson County, Florida.

Section 2. Kirk Reams is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 18th day of October, 2017.

Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Ken Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 18-341

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2017, I issued Executive Order 17-273 suspending Kirk Reams from the Office of Clerk of the Court for Jefferson County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, section 7, Florida Constitution provides that a suspended officer may be reinstated by the Governor at any time prior to removal;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to section Article IV, Section 7(a), Florida Constitution, issue this Executive Order:

Section 1. Effective December 1, 2018, Kirk Reams is reinstated to the public office that he held at the time of the above-mentioned suspension, to-wit Clerk of the Court for Jefferson County, Florida.

Section 2. Effective December 1, 2018, Executive Order 17-273 is revoked and the suspension of Kirk Reams is terminated.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee this 30th day of November, 2018.

Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Ken Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

[This matter having been resolved was closed.]

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 18-121
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Nicholas William Nicholson (Nicholson) is currently serving as County Commissioner for District One of the Hernando Board of County Commissioners in Hernando County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2018, Nicholson was arrested based on an arrest warrant alleging that he committed the following offenses: two counts of purchasing the services of any person engaged in prostitution and one count of owning, maintaining, or operating any place, structure, building, or conveyance for the purpose of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2018, Nicholson was charged by information with two counts of purchasing the services of any person engaged in prostitution and one count of owning, maintaining, or operating any place, structure, building, or conveyance for the purpose of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for mal-

feasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, drunkenness, incompetence, permanent inability to perform official duties, or commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Hernando County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Nicholson be immediately suspended from the public office he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

- A. Nicholas William Nicholson is, and at all times material hereto was, serving as County Commissioner in and for Hernando County, Florida.
B. The office of County Commissioner for Hernando County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
C. On April 26, 2018, Nicholson was charged by information with two counts of purchasing the services of any person engaged in prostitution and one count of owning, maintaining, or operating any place, structure, building, or conveyance for the purpose of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution in violation of section 796.07, Florida Statutes,
D. Nicholson has committed malfeasance through the improper acts described above, as evidenced by the attached Information, which is incorporated as if fully stated in this Executive Order, necessitating his suspension from office.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

Section 1. Nicholas William Nicholson is suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: County Commissioner, Hernando County, Florida.

Section 2. Nicholas William Nicholson is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 26th day of April, 2018.

Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Ken Detzner
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Rules]

The Florida Senate
Office of the Secretary
404 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

February 21, 2019

In Re: EO Number 18-121

Dear Secretary Brown,

I understand that my previous letter did not make clear my intentions. I am resigning my office immediately.

Very Truly Yours,
Nicholas W. Nicholson

## MEMORANDUM

To: Debbie Brown, Secretary  
 From: Bill Galvano, President  
 Subject: Executive Order of Suspension Number 18-121  
 Date: March 4, 2019

On February 4, 2019, I referred Executive Order Number 18-121 regarding the suspension of Nicholas W. Nicholson from the office of County Commissioner for District One of the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners to the Senate Committee on Rules.

The Senate has received a letter of resignation from Nicholas W. Nicholson, dated February 21, 2019, in which he has resigned from office as County Commissioner for District One of the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners.

Based on the resignation, the referral to the Senate Committee on Rules is withdrawn. There being no further action required by the Senate on this suspension, the matter is closed.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 18-203**

WHEREAS, Nichole Cummings (Cummings) is presently serving as a member of the Putnam County School Board; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2018, Cummings was charged by Information with Grand Theft, a third-degree felony in violation of section 812.014, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, drunkenness, incompetence, permanent inability to perform official duties, or commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Putnam County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Cummings be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, find as follows:

- A. Nichole Cummings is, and at all times material hereto was, a School Board Member for Putnam County, Florida.
- B. The office of School Board Member for Putnam County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution.
- C. On June 29, 2018, Cummings was charged by Information with Grand Theft, a third-degree felony in violation of section 812.014, Florida Statutes, as evidenced by the attached Information filed in the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, which is incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

*Section 1.* Nichole Cummings is suspended from the public office which she now holds, to wit: School Board Member for Putnam County, Florida.

*Section 2.* Nichole Cummings is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida, this 13th day of July, 2018.

*Rick Scott*  
 GOVERNOR

ATTEST:  
*Ken Detzner*  
 SECRETARY OF STATE

**[Nichole Cummings' term having expired prior to Senate action, this matter was closed.]**

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 18-342**  
 (Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Brenda Snipes is presently serving as the Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida, having been reelected by the voters of Broward County in 2016 for a four-year term; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2018, Florida voters cast ballots in the 2018 General Election; and

WHEREAS, in the hours and days following the 2018 General Election, Supervisor Snipes demonstrated repeatedly that she was unable to accurately respond to basic requests from candidates, news media, and the general public regarding the number of ballots that had been cast, the number of ballots that had been counted, and the number of ballots remaining to be canvassed; and that Supervisor Snipes was unwilling to permit the inspection of public records containing this information; and

WHEREAS, a judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit held that Supervisor Snipes had improperly failed to produce public records containing information that the court found "should be a matter of record at this time and immediately available," in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Snipes improperly permitted her staff to open unverified provisional and vote-by-mail ballots that had not been canvassed by the county canvassing board, in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Snipes failed to ensure that ballots accepted and rejected by the county canvassing board were appropriately segregated, thereby permitting the commingling of more than 200 valid and invalid ballots in a manner that precluded subsequent actions to ensure that only valid ballots were counted, in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, based on the results of the First Unofficial Returns, Florida's Secretary of State ordered a statewide recount of the votes cast with respect to the offices of United States Senator, Governor, and Commissioner of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the statutory deadline for each county to file the Second Unofficial Returns reflecting the results of the recount was 3 p.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County Canvassing Board completed its recount and announced the results of the recount and the Second Unofficial Returns for Broward County before the statutory deadline; and

WHEREAS, after the results of the recount were known, Supervisor Snipes failed to file the Second Unofficial Returns for Broward County to the Department of State until after the statutory deadline, in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, following the recount, Supervisor Snipes reported that more than 2,000 ballots cast in Broward County had been lost, misplaced, or misfiled between November 6 and November 15, but that the missing ballots were allegedly somewhere "in the building," and has subsequently provided no explanation for the unexplained disappearance of thousands of ballots; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Snipes has a history of violating the election laws of this state; and

WHEREAS, in the 2016 Primary Election, Supervisor Snipes posted the results of early voting and some vote-by-mail ballots thirty minutes before the polls closed at 7 p.m., in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, in the 2016 General Election, Supervisor Snipes mailed vote-by-mail ballots to voters that omitted a constitutional amendment, in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, in the 2016 General Election, Supervisor Snipes authorized the opening of vote-by-mail ballots before they had been canvassed by the county canvassing board, in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, a judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit has concluded that in 2017 Supervisor Snipes improperly authorized the destruction of ballots cast in the 2016 Primary Election, in violation of state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2018, Brenda Snipes submitted a letter requesting the acceptance of her resignation from her office as Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the requested effective date of the resignation was January 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the duties of a Supervisor of Elections continue throughout her entire term of office; and

WHEREAS, Supervisors of Elections must carry out their duties in a manner consistent with state and federal law to preserve public confidence in the integrity of the elections process and the competence of elections officials; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Snipes has repeatedly failed in her duties as Broward County Supervisor of Elections; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Snipes has contravened her oath of office as set forth in Article II, section 5, of the Florida Constitution, to "...faithfully perform the duties" of Supervisor of Elections of Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, due to her demonstrated misfeasance, incompetence, and neglect of duty, Supervisor Snipes can no longer demonstrate the qualifications necessary to meet her duties in office; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Broward County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Supervisor Snipes be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

- A. Brenda Snipes is, and at all times material was, the Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida.
- B. The office of Supervisor of Elections is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- C. The actions and omissions of Brenda Snipes referenced above constitute misfeasance, incompetence, neglect of duty—or all of these—for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- D. If, after execution of this suspension, additional facts are discovered that illustrate further misfeasance, incompetence, or neglect of duty—or other constitutional grounds for suspension of Supervisor Snipes—this Executive Order may be amended to allege those additional facts.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

*Section 1.* Brenda Snipes is hereby suspended from the public office that she now holds, to wit: Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida.

*Section 2.* Brenda Snipes is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privi-

leges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further executive order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

*Section 3.* As of the signing of this executive order, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, assisted by other law enforcement agencies as necessary, is requested to: (i) assist in the immediate transition of Brenda Snipes from the Broward County Supervisor of Elections Office, with access only to retrieve her personal belongings; (ii) ensure that no files, papers, documents, notes, records, computers, or removable storage media are removed from the Broward County Supervisor of Elections Office by Brenda Snipes or any of her staff; and (iii) allow Florida Department of State employees immediate access to all files within the Broward County Supervisor of Elections Office for review, analysis, and copying for any and all purposes.

*Section 4.* I hereby appoint Peter Antonacci as the Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida, effective immediately.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 30th day of November, 2018.

Rick Scott  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:  
Ken Detzner  
SECRETARY OF STATE

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 19-18**

WHEREAS on November 19, 2018, Dr. Brenda Snipes submitted her letter of resignation from the office of Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida, effective January 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2018, Governor Rick Scott issued Executive Order 18-342 suspending Dr. Brenda Snipes from the office of Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the State is litigating the matter of *Dr. Brenda Snipes v. Rick Scott*; and

WHEREAS, the State bears costs in litigating this matter and will likely incur significant costs in the future; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of protecting the best interests of Florida taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, our efforts should be focused on ensuring that future elections are conducted with transparency and in accordance with law;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, pursuant to section Article IV, Section 7(a), Florida Constitution, issue this Executive Order:

*Section 1.* I hereby acknowledge the resignation of Dr. Brenda Snipes, effective January 4, 2019, terminating her duties.

*Section 2.* Effective January 18, 2019, Executive Order 18-342 is superseded by this Executive Order.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 18th day of January, 2019.

Ron DeSantis  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:  
Michael Ertel  
SECRETARY OF STATE

**[This matter having been resolved was closed.]**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 19-13**  
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution provides in relevant part that, “the Governor may suspend from office ... any county officer for ... neglect of duty ... [or] incompetence”; and

WHEREAS, Mary Beth Jackson is presently serving as the Superintendent of Schools for Okaloosa County, Florida, having been re-elected by the voters of Okaloosa County in 2016 for a four-year term; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 1001.32, the school district superintendent is responsible for the “administration and management of the schools and for the supervision of instruction in the district”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 1001.33, the school district superintendent serves as the executive officer of all public schools within the school district; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 1001.42, the district school board, under the executive direction of the superintendent shall exercise power and perform the following duties: (1) recruiting and hiring personnel; (2) training, promoting, suspending and dismissing personnel; and (3) adopting policies for ethical conduct of personnel and school administrators; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 1001.42(6), the school district superintendent is required to “report to law enforcement misconduct by instructional personnel or school administrators that would result in disqualification from educator certification or employment”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 1001.49, the school district superintendent shall exercise the following powers: general oversight over the entire school district and recommend policies, rules and minimum standards; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 1001.51, the school district superintendent shall exercise the following powers and perform the following duties: recommend the organization and operation of the schools to provide adequate educational opportunities for all children in the district; be responsible for directing the work of personnel of the school district; prepare all reports required by law or the rules of the State Board of Education; visit schools within the district to observe management and instruction to provide suggestions for improvement; and recommend procedures for implementing and maintaining a system of school improvement; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2018, Commissioner of Education, Richard Corcoran wrote a letter addressed to me in my official capacity as Governor of the State of Florida presenting two Okaloosa County Grand Jury Reports, dated February 20, 2018 and June 13, 2018; and

WHEREAS, based on the contents of the two Okaloosa County Grand Jury Reports, Commissioner Corcoran provided the following in his January 9, 2018, letter: “Based on the Grand Jury’s findings, which are within the appropriate scope of grand jury review, the investigation of this matter conducted by my General Counsel’s Office, and the grave and serious nature of these failures, I strongly recommend you exercise your authority under Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Florida Constitution and immediately suspend Superintendent Mary Beth Jackson from office.”; and

WHEREAS, according to the abovementioned reports during the 2015-2016 school year in Okaloosa County, there were numerous allegations and complaints made against Marlynn Stillions, a teacher at Kenwood Elementary School, involving inappropriate physical conduct with special needs students, including that Ms. Stillions kicked, tripped and grabbed students, withheld food and sprayed students with vinegar solution as punishment; and

WHEREAS, personnel in charge of reviewing complaints and human resources for Okaloosa County School District confirmed the allegations but failed to take any disciplinary action against Ms. Stillions and failed

report Ms. Stillions to the Department of Children and Families, as required by Florida law; and

WHEREAS, personnel in charge of reviewing the allegations and complaints made against Ms. Stillions failed to report the conduct to the Office of Professional Practices of the Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, personnel within the Okaloosa County School District failed to report the allegations to the parents of the child involved in the investigation; and

WHEREAS, a subsequent investigation conducted by Okaloosa County Sheriff’s Office and the State Attorney’s Office led to Ms. Stillions being charged with four counts of child abuse; and

WHEREAS, a subsequent investigation conducted by Okaloosa County Sheriff’s Office and the State Attorney’s Office led to three other Okaloosa County School District employees being charged with failure to report suspected child abuse; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Jury found that Superintendent Jackson failed to implement proper procedures for record management and mandatory reporting to both the Department of Children and Families and the Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Jury found that Superintendent Jackson failed to implement a proper procedure for removing any teacher who faces allegations that involve the health or safety of a student; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Jury found that Superintendent Jackson failed to provide adequate, necessary and frequent trainings for school district personnel, especially in the areas of ethics, child abuse and mandatory reporting obligations; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent Jackson is responsible for the conduct of school personnel and the safety and well-being of the students; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent Jackson has failed her responsibilities and duties to the parents and students of the Okaloosa County School District due to her failure to provide adequate, necessary and frequent training, a lack of supervision of school district personnel, and a failure to implement adequate safe-guards, policies, and reporting requirements to protect the safety and well-being of the students; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent Jackson has contravened her oath of office as set forth in Article II, section 5, of the Florida Constitution, to “...faithfully perform the duties” of Superintendent of Schools for Okaloosa County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, due to her clear neglect of duty and incompetence, Superintendent Jackson can no longer demonstrate the qualifications necessary to meet her duties in office; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents and students of Okaloosa County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Superintendent Jackson be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

- A. Mary Beth Jackson is, and at all times material was, the Superintendent of Schools for Okaloosa County, Florida.
- B. The office of Superintendent is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- C. The actions and omissions of Mary Beth Jackson as referenced constitute neglect of duty and incompetence for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- D. If, after execution of this suspension, additional facts are discovered that illustrate further neglect of duty and incompetence—or other constitutional grounds for suspension of Mary Beth Jackson—this Executive Order may be amended to allege those additional facts.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

*Section 1.* Mary Beth Jackson is hereby suspended from the public office that she now holds, to wit: Superintendent of Schools for Okaloosa County, Florida.

*Section 2.* Mary Beth Jackson is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further executive order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 11th day of January, 2019.

Ron DeSantis  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:  
Michael Ertel  
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Senate Special Master.]

MEMORANDUM

To: Debbie Brown, Secretary  
From: Bill Galvano, President  
Subject: Executive Order of Suspension 19-13,  
In re Mary Beth Jackson  
Date: March 4, 2019

On Friday, March 1, 2019, Executive Order of Suspension 19-13 was challenged by way of a Petition for Writ of Quo Warranto in the Florida Supreme Court. Subsequent to filing the Writ, Ms. Jackson requested the matter be held in abeyance and the Governor had no objection.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 12.9(2), the proceedings regarding EO 19-13 are held in abeyance.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 19-14**  
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution provides in relevant part that, “the Governor may suspend from office ... any county officer for ... neglect of duty ...[or] incompetence”; and

WHEREAS, Scott Israel is presently serving as the Sheriff for Broward County, Florida, having been reelected by the voters of Broward County in 2016 for a four-year term; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 30.15, it is the duty of elected sheriffs to be the conservators of the peace in their respective counties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statute § 30.07, “sheriffs may appoint deputies to act under them who shall have the same power as the sheriff appointing them, and for the neglect and default of whom in the execution of their office the sheriff shall be responsible”; and

WHEREAS, sheriffs are responsible for appointing command staff who are responsible for the training, response and security within the counties, including airports, seaports and schools within their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, sheriffs are responsible for the recruitment, hiring and promotion of their command staff and deputy sheriffs; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2018, Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Broward County, Florida, experienced a tragic shooting, taking the lives of seventeen students and staff members; and

WHEREAS, prior to the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, Broward County Sheriff’s Office had a total of 21 interactions with the shooter, including two incidents that an internal affairs investigation later found warranted additional follow-up; and

WHEREAS, the first of the above incidents occurred in February 2016 when the Marjory Stoneman Douglas shooter posted a picture of a gun with a statement similar to “I am going to get this gun when I turn 18 and shoot up the school”; and

WHEREAS, Broward County Deputy Eason, acting on behalf of and in place of Sheriff Israel, did not complete an incident report, but instead noted in CAD, “No threats noted and info forwarded to (SRO) Peterson at school.”; and

WHEREAS, the second of the above incidents occurred in November 2017 when Broward County Sheriff’s Office received a call that the Marjory Stoneman Douglas shooter “had weapons and wanted to join the military to kill people” and “that [he] ‘might be a Columbine in the making’ and was a threat to kill himself.”; and

WHEREAS, Broward County Deputy Treijs, acting on behalf and in place of Sheriff Israel, did not complete an incident report, but instead noted in CAD that the Marjory Stoneman Douglas shooter was autistic, his location was unknown, and directed the caller to contact another police department; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2018, Broward County Deputy Scot Peterson was at all times acting on behalf of and in place of Sheriff Israel while serving as the School Resource Officer at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2018, Broward County Deputy Peterson exercised the discretion of Sheriff Israel consciously deciding not to engage the Marjory Stoneman Douglas shooter, while the shooter was actively killing and attempting to kill the students and teachers of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School; and

WHEREAS, according to the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Public Safety Commission Report dated January 2, 2019, there were six other Broward County Sheriff Deputies acting on behalf of and in place of Sheriff Israel who were in close proximity to the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School that “did not immediately move towards the gunshots to confront the shooter”; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Israel is responsible for developing, implementing and training his deputies on policy related to active shooters; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Israel is responsible for inserting into the Broward County Sheriff’s Office Active Shooter Policy that a deputy “may” enter the area or structure to engage an active shooter and preserve life; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2018, Sheriff Israel stated to the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Public Safety Commission “that he wanted his deputies to exercise discretion and he did not want them engaging in ‘suicide missions.’”; and

WHEREAS, as noted by the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Public Safety Commission Report dated January 2, 2019, Broward County Sheriff’s Office policy for responding to an active shooter situation is inconsistent with current and standard law enforcement practices; and

WHEREAS, even if the duty to engage an active shooter was discretionary, the responsibility for the exercise of that discretion falls upon the elected sheriff; and

WHEREAS, the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Public Safety Commission Report further revealed a failure on the part of Sheriff Israel and his deputies to timely establish an incident command center; and

WHEREAS, to meet the Sheriff’s duty to be the conservator of the peace, it is necessary for the Sheriff to provide adequate, up-to-date, frequent, thorough and realistic training to handle high-risk, high-stress situations, including mass casualty incidents; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Israel's deputies interviewed by the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Public Safety Commission could not remember the last time they attended active shooter training or what type of training they received; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2017, a tragic shooting occurred at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood Airport in Broward County, Florida, taking the lives of five and injuring dozens more; and

WHEREAS, during the shooting at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood Airport the Broward County Sheriff's Office failed to contain and maintain security resulting in a breach of airport security; and

WHEREAS, an internal investigation into the Fort Lauderdale Airport shooting uncovered a lack of leadership by Sheriff Israel, including: a failure by Sheriff Israel to establish proper containment procedures for the crime scene, a failure by Sheriff Israel to establish a centralized command and response, a failure by Sheriff Israel to provide his deputies adequate, thorough and realistic training, and a failure by Sheriff Israel to establish an appropriate response to a mass casualty incident; and

WHEREAS, the investigation also revealed that Sheriff Israel's neglect of duty and incompetence lead to "most of the law enforcement personnel who responded [lacking] clear instructions, objectives, and roles."; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Israel has egregiously failed in his duties as Sheriff for Broward County; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Israel failed to maintain a culture of vigilance and thoroughness amongst his deputies in protecting the peace in Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Israel has demonstrated during multiple incidents that he has not provided for the proper training of his deputies; and

WHEREAS, two separate reports into the recent mass casualty shootings in Broward County specifically found that Sheriff Israel has not and does not provide frequent training for his deputies resulting in the deaths of twenty-two individuals and a response that is inadequate for the future safety of Broward County residents; and

WHEREAS, two separate reports into the recent mass casualty shootings in Broward County specifically found that Sheriff Israel has not implemented proper protocols to provide guaranteed access to emergency services, nor proper protocols to have timely, unified command centers setup to control a crime scene, leading to confusion, a lack of recognized chain-of-command, and ultimately a failure to contain the dangerous situation; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Israel has contravened his oath of office as set forth in Article II, section 5, of the Florida Constitution, to "...faithfully perform the duties" of Sheriff of Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, due to his demonstrated neglect of duty and incompetence, Sheriff Israel can no longer demonstrate the qualifications necessary to meet his duties in office; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Broward County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Sheriff Israel be immediately suspended from the public office, which he now holds;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

- A. Scott Israel is, and at all times material was, the Sheriff for Broward County, Florida.
- B. The office of sheriff is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- C. The actions and omissions of Scott Israel as referenced above and as noted in the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Public Safety Commission Report, dated January 2, 2019 and attached hereto, constitute neglect of duty and incompetence for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.

- D. If, after execution of this suspension, additional facts are discovered that illustrate further neglect of duty and incompetence—or other constitutional grounds for suspension of Sheriff Israel—this Executive Order may be amended to allege those additional facts.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

*Section 1.* Scott Israel is hereby suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: Sheriff for Broward County, Florida.

*Section 2.* Scott Israel is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further executive order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 11th day of January, 2019.

*Ron DeSantis*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:  
*Michael Ertel*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

**[Referred to the Senate Special Master.]**

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 19-19**  
(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution provides in relevant part that, "the Governor may suspend from office ... any county officer for ... misfeasance ... neglect of duty ... [or] incompetence"; and

WHEREAS, Susan Bucher is presently serving as the Supervisor of Elections for Palm Beach County, Florida, having been reelected by the voters of Palm Beach County in 2016 for a four-year term; and

WHEREAS, throughout the voting process and in the days after the November 6, 2018 General Election, Supervisor Bucher demonstrated on a national stage that she was unable to comply with the laws of the state and her statutory duties as the Supervisor of Elections, as well as accurately report information related to the number of ballots that had been cast, counted and remaining to be counted, and failed in properly conducting the recount, by failing to act in a diligent and prudent manner, including being the only county to completely fail to complete the recounts; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2019, Florida Secretary of State Michael Ertel wrote a letter addressed to me in my official capacity as Governor of the State of Florida presenting a detailed assessment of the failures of Supervisor Bucher and a request to suspend her from office to protect integrity of elections in Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, prior to the 2018 Election Cycle, Supervisor Bucher was the only supervisor in the state to refuse and reject Department of Homeland Security-sponsored servers and extra security measures to combat the threat of cyber-terrorism; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher failed in her duties to select polling locations under Chapter 101, Florida Statutes, by failing to select polling locations with consideration of potential barriers, including selecting a polling location within a gated community that denied the opportunity for other voters to enter the community and cast their vote; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statute § 102.141 requires timely reporting of election results; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2018, including the hours and days afterwards, Supervisor Bucher failed to properly report the number of ballots that had been canvassed as required by Florida Statute § 102.141; and

WHEREAS, during the machine and manual recount, Supervisor Bucher failed to provide for a controlled, efficient, transparent and responsive recount operation in Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, a judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit held that Supervisor Bucher failed to submit improperly completed ballots to the Canvassing Board in violation of Florida Statutes §§ 101.5614 and 101.68; and

WHEREAS, a judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit found that Supervisor Bucher was allowing her staff to make voter intent determinations and fill out duplicate ballots in violation of the duties and responsibilities delegated to the Canvassing Board, as well as outside of the transparency requirements of handling ballots, in violation of Florida Statutes §§ 101.5614 and 101.68; and

WHEREAS, various media outlets had to file a lawsuit to require Supervisor Bucher to allow for transparency and sunshine in the review of ballots during the recounts; and

WHEREAS, based on the results of the First Unofficial Returns, Florida's Secretary of State ordered a statewide recount of the votes cast with respect to the offices of United States Senator, Governor, and Commissioner of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the statutory deadline for each county to file the Second Unofficial Returns reflecting the results of the machine recount was 3 p.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2018; and

WHEREAS, having knowledge of the statutory deadlines for the completion of the machine recount, Supervisor Bucher consciously decided to not follow her duties to complete the machine recount for the applicable races; and

WHEREAS, during the machine recount, various media outlets documented the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections office with no machines running or staff working throughout the days and evenings; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher made a premediated decision to not complete the statutorily required machine recount or submit Second Unofficial Returns by the 3 p.m. deadline, in violation of Florida law; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher and her staff were documented altering ballot tabulation machines to the point where they overheated and failed to work; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher failed to prepare for and implement a plan to comply with the statutory deadline for the machine recount; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher is solely responsible for advocating and securing funding for new, efficient and reliable ballot tabulation machines for the 3rd largest voting county in the state; and

WHEREAS, having knowledge of the statutory deadlines for the completion of the manual recount, Supervisor Bucher consciously decided to not follow her duties to complete the manual recount for the applicable races; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher took 50 days after Election Day to complete her statutory duties to conduct the recounts; and

WHEREAS, post-Election, Supervisor Bucher failed to provide a complete, sufficient and accurate Conduct of Election Report, as required by Florida Statute § 102.141(9), which is impeding the ability of the Department of State, Palm Beach County Canvassing Board, and members of the public to adequately assess and review the elections process; and

WHEREAS, as of January 18, 2019, the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections website has failed to adequately provide information to voters in Palm Beach County about upcoming municipal elections in March, including failing to identify which municipalities have elections,

early voting times and locations, links to the municipal websites for more information, or Election Day precincts and polling locations; and

WHEREAS, Supervisors of Elections must carry out their duties in a manner consistent with state and federal law to preserve public confidence in the integrity of the elections process and the competence of elections officials; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher has failed in her duties as Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections; and

WHEREAS, her failures tarnished the State of Florida and cause people to question the ability to properly run elections; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bucher has contravened her oath of office as set forth in Article II, section 5, of the Florida Constitution, to "...faithfully perform the duties" of Supervisor of Elections of Palm Beach County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, due to her demonstrated misfeasance, incompetence, and neglect of duty, Supervisor Bucher can no longer demonstrate the qualifications necessary to meet her duties in office; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Palm Beach County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Supervisor Bucher be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

- A. Susan Bucher is, and at all times material was, the Supervisor of Elections for Palm Beach County, Florida.
- B. The office of Supervisor of Elections is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- C. The actions and omissions of Susan Bucher referenced above, and in the letter from Secretary of State Michael Ertel, dated January 17, 2019 and attached hereto, constitute misfeasance, incompetence, neglect of duty—or all of these—for the purposes of Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution.
- D. If, after execution of this suspension, additional facts are discovered that illustrate further misfeasance, incompetence, or neglect of duty—or other constitutional grounds for suspension of Supervisor Bucher—this Executive Order may be amended to allege those additional facts.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

*Section 1.* Susan Bucher is hereby suspended from the public office that she now holds, to wit: Supervisor of Elections for Palm Beach County, Florida.

*Section 2.* Susan Bucher is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further executive order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

*Section 3.* As of the signing of this executive order, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, assisted by other law enforcement agencies as necessary, is requested to: (i) assist in the immediate transition of Susan Bucher from the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Office, with access only to retrieve her personal belongings; (ii) ensure that no files, papers, documents, notes, records, computers, or removable storage media are removed from the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Office by Susan Bucher or any of her staff; and (iii) allow Florida Department of State employees immediate access to all files within the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Office for review, analysis, and copying for any and all purposes.

Section 4. I hereby appoint Wendy S. Link as the Supervisor of Elections for Palm Beach County, Florida, effective immediately.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 18th day of January, 2019.

Ron DeSantis  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Michael Ertel

SECRETARY OF STATE

Office of Governor Ron DeSantis  
State of Florida  
PL-1 The Capitol  
400 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

January 25, 2019

Gov. DeSantis:

Please consider this my official letter of resignation as the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections effective immediately.

Sincerely,  
Susan Bucher

[This matter having been resolved was closed.]

#### EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS WITHDRAWN

President Bill Galvano  
The Florida Senate  
The Capitol, Suite 409  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

January 18, 2019

Dear President Galvano:

I am writing to inform you that I have retracted the following appointments made on January 4 and 7, 2019, that require Senate confirmation. Please see the complete list below:

Philip Diaz, Board of Chiropractic Medicine  
Dr. Zachariah Zachariah, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Dr. Jay Patel, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Fred Salerno, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Nicole Washington, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Dr. Enrique Ginzburg, Board of Medicine  
Nicolas Romanello, Board of Medicine  
Linville Atkins, Board of Optometry  
Dr. Mario Cabrera, Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Dr. Christopher Smith, Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Dr. Shobha Gupta, Broward College District Board of Trustees  
David Maymon, Broward College District Board of Trustees  
G. Edward Clement, Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Randy Glisson, Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Jay Madara, Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Hannah Causseaux, Chipola College District Board of Trustees  
Avis Craig, College of Central Florida District Board of Trustees  
Robert Durrance, College of Central Florida District Board of Trustees  
William Edgar, College of Central Florida District Board of Trustees  
Robert Winsler, College of Central Florida District Board of Trustees  
Richard Kane, Construction Industry Licensing Board  
Carlos Beruff, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission  
Joshua Kellam, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission  
Christopher Groom, Florida Citrus Commission  
Vernon Hollingsworth, Florida Citrus Commission  
Robert Stork, Florida Polytechnic University Board of Trustees  
Michael Roy, Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board  
Poul Hornsleth, Florida Real Estate Commission  
John Sherrard, Florida Real Estate Commission  
Jeffrey Novotny, Florida Transportation Commission

Charles Powell, Gulf Coast State College District Board of Trustees  
Joe Tannehill, Jr., Gulf Coast State College District Board of Trustees  
Dipa Shah, Hillsborough Community College District Board of Trustees  
Mark Feurer, Indian River State College District Board of Trustees  
Christa Luna, Indian River State College District Board of Trustees  
Brantley Schirard, Indian River State College District Board of Trustees  
Trustees  
Robert Richter, Miami-Dade College District Board of Trustees  
Dr. Cindy Roe Littlejohn, Northwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board  
John Drew, Northeast Regional Planning Council  
Tamela Cullens, South Florida State College District Board of Trustees  
Nathan Stonecipher, St. Petersburg College District Board of Trustees  
Thomas Grady, State Board of Education  
Andrew Pollack, State of Board Education  
Mark Goodson, State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota District Board of Trustees  
Maicel Green, Tallahassee Community College District Board of Trustees  
Michael Millett, Tampa Bay Regional Transit Authority

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis  
Governor

The Honorable Ron DeSantis  
Governor  
State of Florida  
PL05, The Capitol  
400 South Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

January 25, 2019

Dear Governor DeSantis:

On behalf of the Florida Senate and pursuant to Senate Rule 12.8, attached is all evidence of the following gubernatorial appointments withdrawn as outlined in your letter dated January 18, 2019.

Philip Diaz, Board of Chiropractic Medicine  
Dr. Zachariah Zachariah, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Dr. Jay Patel, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Fred Salerno, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Nicole Washington, Board of Governors of the State University System  
Dr. Enrique Ginzburg, Board of Medicine  
Nicolas Romanello, Board of Medicine  
Linville Atkins, Board of Optometry  
Dr. Mario Cabrera, Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Dr. Christopher Smith, Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Dr. Shobha Gupta, Broward College District Board of Trustees  
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Robert Stork, Florida Polytechnic University Board of Trustees  
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 Dr. Cindy Roe Littlejohn, Northwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board  
 John Drew, Northeast Regional Planning Council  
 Tamela Cullens, South Florida State College District Board of Trustees  
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 Thomas Grady, State Board of Education  
 Andrew Pollack, State Board of Education  
 Mark Goodson, State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota District Board of Trustees  
 Maicel Green, Tallahassee Community College District Board of Trustees  
 Michael Millett, Tampa Bay Regional Transit Authority

Please let me know of any questions.

Regards,

*Debbie Brown*  
 Secretary

President Bill Galvano  
 The Florida Senate  
 The Capitol, Suite 409  
 Tallahassee, FL 32399

February 22, 2019

Dear President Galvano:

I am writing to inform you that I have retracted the following appointments that require Senate confirmation. Please see the complete list below:

Steve Moreau, Board of Acupuncture  
 Darrin Rashad Williams, Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services  
 Matthew Caldwell, District Board of Trustees, Broward College  
 Randall Ewers, District Board of Trustees, College of Central Florida  
 Donald Cesarone, Construction Licensing Board  
 Edward McCullers, Construction Licensing Board  
 Scott Thomason, Construction Licensing Board  
 Garry Lubi, District Board of Trustees, Daytona State College  
 Anne Cogges Patterson, District Board of Trustees, Daytona State College  
 Angela Sissine, Board of Dentistry  
 Bruce Deardoff, District Board of Trustees, Eastern Florida State College  
 Edgar Allan Figueroa, District Board of Trustees, Eastern Florida State College  
 Ronald Hodge, Board of Employee Leasing Companies  
 William Meggs, Commission on Ethics  
 Garrett Richter, Commission on Ethics  
 Donald Shearer, Florida Board of Auctioneers  
 Matthew Varble, Florida Board of Auctioneers  
 Kerr Leuzinger, Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board  
 Hamid Bahadori, Florida Building Commission  
 James Batts, Florida Building Commission  
 John Gatlin, Florida Building Commission  
 David John, Florida Building Commission  
 Drew Smith, Florida Building Commission  
 John Wiseman, Florida Building Commission  
 Patrick Schirard, Florida Citrus Commission  
 Chucha Barber, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Christina Bonarrigo, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Lorena Jayne Cerio, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Meghan Collins, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Todd Demko, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Ashton Hayward, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Kyle Hill, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Autumn Karlinsky, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Natalia Martinez, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Patricia Miller, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Maritza Rovira Forino, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Lys Rubin, Florida Commission on Community Service

Kerry Anne Schultz, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Sabeen Perwaiz Syed, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Charles Jeffrey Vickers, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Kelli Walker, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Sherry Wheelock, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Maryam Lagun Borrego, Florida Commission on Human Relations  
 Samantha Hoare, Florida Commission on Human Relations  
 Melinda Coonrod, Florida Commission on Offender Review  
 Jason Allen, Florida Elections Commission  
 John Martin Hayes, Florida Elections Commission  
 Lindsey Lander, District Board of Trustees, Florida Gateway College  
 James Surrency, District Board of Trustees, Florida Gateway College  
 Miguel Tepedino, District Board of Trustees, Florida Gateway College  
 Ashely Coone, Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University  
 Mario Facella, Florida Housing Finance Corporation  
 David Leben, District Board of Trustees, Florida Keys Community College  
 James Rasmussen, Florida Prepaid College Board  
 JoAnn Rooney, Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board  
 Christine Chapman, Board of Trustees, Florida School for the Deaf and Blind  
 Ralph Hadley, Board of Trustees, Florida School for the Deaf and Blind  
 Christopher Wagner, Board of Trustees, Florida School for the Deaf and Blind  
 Michael Boose, District Board of Trustees, Florida SouthWestern State College  
 Christian Cunningham, District Board of Trustees, Florida SouthWestern State College  
 Jonathan Martin, District Board of Trustees, Florida SouthWestern State College  
 Danny Nix, District Board of Trustees, Florida SouthWestern State College  
 Laura Perry, District Board of Trustees, Florida SouthWestern State College  
 Julia Richmon du Plooy, District Board of Trustees, Florida SouthWestern State College  
 Ryan Felipe Estevez, Florida State Boxing Commission  
 Marco Lopez, Florida State Boxing Commission  
 Michael Yormark, Florida State Boxing Commission  
 Karen Bowling, District Board of Trustees, Florida State College at Jacksonville  
 J. Palmer Clarkson, District Board of Trustees, Florida State College at Jacksonville  
 Laura DiBella, District Board of Trustees, Florida State College at Jacksonville  
 Candace Holloway, District Board of Trustees, Florida State College at Jacksonville  
 Orrin Wayne Young, District Board of Trustees, Florida State College at Jacksonville  
 Julius Davis, Florida Transportation Commission  
 David Genson, Florida Transportation Commission  
 Dean Asher, Greater Orlando Aviation Authority  
 Julian Fouche, Greater Orlando Aviation Authority  
 Maria Montalvo, Greater Orlando Aviation Authority  
 Randy Ellsworth, Board of Hearing Aid Specialists  
 Maria Hernandez, Board of Hearing Aid Specialists  
 Anthony George, District Board of Trustees, Indian River State College  
 J. Palmer Clarkson, Jacksonville Port Authority  
 Jennifer Hooten, District Board of Trustees, Lake-Sumter State College  
 Emily Lee, District Board of Trustees, Lake-Sumter State College  
 Jaymie Carter, District Board of Trustees, State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota  
 John Horne, District Board of Trustees, State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota  
 Rodney Thomson, District Board of Trustees, State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota  
 Steven Falcone, Board of Medicine  
 Andre Perez, Board of Medicine  
 Merle Preston Stringer, Board of Medicine  
 Susan Amat, District Board of Trustees, Miami Dade College  
 Benjamin Leon, District Board of Trustees, Miami Dade College  
 Rolando Montoya, District Board of Trustees, Miami Dade College  
 Juan Zapata, District Board of Trustees, Miami Dade College  
 Mark Aesch, Board of Trustees, New College of Florida  
 Felipe Colon, Board of Trustees, New College of Florida  
 Garin Hoover, Board of Trustees, New College of Florida

Sandra Haas, District Board of Trustees, North Florida Community College  
 David Howell, District Board of Trustees, North Florida Community College  
 Alton Williams, District Board of Trustees, North Florida Community College  
 Charlotte Ann Flynt, District Board of Trustees, Northwest Florida State College  
 Fox Reynold Henderson, District Board of Trustees, Northwest Florida State College  
 Lori Kelley, District Board of Trustees, Northwest Florida State College  
 Donald Paul Vitke, District Board of Trustees, Northwest Florida State College  
 Thomas Wright, District Board of Trustees, Northwest Florida State College  
 George Roberts, Northwest Florida Water Management District  
 Heather Baumwald, Board of Nursing  
 Jennifer Raymond, Board of Nursing  
 Mary Julie Talmadge, Board of Nursing  
 Elna Rose Vizvary, Board of Occupational Therapy Practice  
 Katie Gilbert-Spear, Board of Optometry  
 John Edmund Griffin, Board of Optometry  
 David Rouse, Board of Optometry  
 Paul Weott, Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists  
 Darcy Davis, District Board of Trustees, Palm Beach State College  
 Phillip Ward, District Board of Trustees, Palm Beach State College  
 Raymond Gadd, District Board of Trustees, Pasco-Hernando State College  
 David Garcia, District Board of Trustees, Pasco-Hernando State College  
 Alvaro Hernandez, District Board of Trustees, Pasco-Hernando State College  
 Lee Maggard, District Board of Trustees, Pasco-Hernando State College  
 John Mitten, District Board of Trustees, Pasco-Hernando State College  
 Robin Schneider, District Board of Trustees, Pasco-Hernando State College  
 Wendell Smith, District Board of Trustees, Pensacola State College  
 Sherif Assal, Board of Pilot Commissioners  
 Mark Block, Board of Podiatric Medicine  
 Soorena Sadri, Board of Podiatric Medicine  
 Ashley Bell Barnett, District Board of Trustees, Polk State College  
 Daniel Dorrell, District Board of Trustees, Polk State College  
 Gregory Littleton, District Board of Trustees, Polk State College  
 Teresa Martinez, District Board of Trustees, Polk State College  
 Mark Turner, District Board of Trustees, Polk State College  
 Dylan Albergo, Board of Professional Engineers  
 Scott Drury, Board of Professional Engineers  
 Walid Sobh, Board of Professional Engineers  
 Robert Crum, District Board of Trustees, Saint Johns River State College  
 Wendell Davis, District Board of Trustees, Saint Johns River State College  
 Leslie Dougher, District Board of Trustees, Saint Johns River State College  
 Samuel Paul Garrison, District Board of Trustees, Saint Johns River State College  
 James Reid, District Board of Trustees, Saint Johns River State College  
 John Miklos, Saint Johns River Water Management District  
 Janet Price, Saint Johns River Water Management District  
 Allan Bruce Roberts, Saint Johns River Water Management District  
 Caridad Estevez Lee, District Board of Trustees, Santa Fe College  
 Jeffrey Oody, District Board of Trustees, Santa Fe College  
 Robert Lee Woody, District Board of Trustees, Santa Fe College  
 Tina Calderone, District Board of Trustees, Seminole State College  
 Daniel O'Keefe, District Board of Trustees, Seminole State College  
 Jeffrey Adams, Southwest Florida Water Management District  
 Ed Armstrong, Southwest Florida Water Management District  
 Scott Wiggins, Southwest Florida Water Management District  
 Pete Debelius-Enemark, State of Florida Correctional Medical Authority  
 Alphonas Alexander, Suwanne River Water Management District  
 Charles Keith, Suwanne River Water Management District  
 Eugene Lamb, District Board of Trustees, Tallahassee Community College  
 Eric Grant, District Board of Trustees, Tallahassee Community College  
 Arezou Jolly, Jacksonville Transportation Authority  
 Shaun Oxtal, Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority  
 Hung Mai, Tampa Port Authority

Stephen Swidal, Tampa Port Authority  
 Douglas Bournique, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region Ten  
 Robert Lowe, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region Ten  
 Erica Whitfield, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region Ten  
 Alonzie Scott, Board of Trustees, University of West Florida  
 Jill Singer, Board of Trustees, University of West Florida  
 Daisy Lopez-Cid, District Board of Trustees, Valencia State College  
 Raymer Maguire, District Board of Trustees, Valencia State College  
 Beth Smith, District Board of Trustees, Valencia State College  
 Karen Cuchens, West Florida Regional Planning Council, Region One  
 James Roy Foreman, West Florida Regional Planning Council, Region One  
 Tom Grady, Investment Advisory Council

Sincerely,

*Ron DeSantis*  
 Governor

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President Bill Galvano  
 The Florida Senate  
 The Capitol, Suite 409  
 Tallahassee, FL 32399

February 28, 2019

Dear President Galvano:

I am writing to inform you that I have retracted the following appointment:

William Washington, District Board of Trustees, North Florida Community College

Sincerely,

*Ron DeSantis*  
 Governor

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The Honorable Ron DeSantis  
 Governor, State of Florida  
 PL05, The Capitol  
 400 South Monroe Street  
 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

March 1, 2019

Dear Governor DeSantis:

On behalf of the Florida Senate and pursuant to Senate Rule 12.8, attached is all evidence of the following gubernatorial appointments withdrawn as outlined in your letters dated February 22 and February 28, 2019.

Steve Moreau, Board of Acupuncture  
 Darrin R. Williams, Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services  
 Matthew Caldwell, Board of Trustees of Broward College  
 Randall Ewers, Board of Trustees of College of Central Florida  
 Donald M. Cesarone, Jr., Construction Industry Licensing Board  
 Edward M. McCullers, Construction Industry Licensing Board  
 Scott Thomason, Construction Industry Licensing Board  
 Garry R. Lubi, Board of Trustees of Daytona State College  
 Anne Coggeshall Patterson, Board of Trustees of Daytona State College  
 Angela M. Sissine, Board of Dentistry  
 Robert "Bruce" Deardoff, Board of Trustees of Eastern Florida State College  
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 Ronald Hodge, Board of Employee Leasing Companies  
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 Donald L. Shearer, Florida Board of Auctioneers  
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 Kerry A. Leuzinger, Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board  
 Hamid R. Bahadori, Florida Building Commission  
 James T. Batts, III, Florida Building Commission

John S. Gatlin, Florida Building Commission  
David A. John, Florida Building Commission  
Drew M. Smith, Florida Building Commission  
John P. Wiseman, Florida Building Commission  
John Patrick Schirard, Florida Citrus Commission  
Chucha S. Barber, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Lorena Jayne Cerio, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Meghan Collins, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Todd D. Demko, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Kyle J. Hill, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Autumn Karlinsky, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Natalia Martinez, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Patricia Penny Miller, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Maritza Rovira Forino, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Kerry Anne Schultz, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Sabean Perwaiz Syed, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Charles Jeff Vickers, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Kelli L. Walker, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Sherry Wheelock, Florida Commission on Community Service  
Jason Allen, Florida Elections Commission  
John Martin Hayes, Florida Elections Commission  
Lindsey Lander, Board of Trustees of Florida Gateway College  
James Surrency, Board of Trustees of Florida Gateway College  
Miguel J. Tepedino, Board of Trustees of Florida Gateway College  
Ashely Coone, Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University  
Mario Facella, Jr., Florida Housing Finance Corporation  
Daniel S. Leben, Board of Trustees of Florida Keys Community College  
James W. Rasmussen, Florida Prepaid College Board  
JoAnn Rooney, Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board  
Ralph V. Hadley, III, Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind  
Christopher D. Wagner, Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind  
Michael Boose, Board of Trustees of Florida SouthWestern State College  
Christian J. Cunningham, Board of Trustees of Florida SouthWestern State College  
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Thomas B. Wright, Board of Trustees of Northwest Florida State College  
George A. Roberts, Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District  
Jenifer Raymond, Board of Nursing  
Mary Julie Talmadge, Board of Nursing  
Katie Gilbert-Spear, Board of Optometry  
John Edmund Griffin, Board of Optometry  
David W. Rouse, Board of Optometry  
Darcy Johnson Davis, Board of Trustees of Palm Beach State College  
Phillip H. Ward, III, Board of Trustees of Palm Beach State College  
Raymond "Ray" E. Gadd, Jr., Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College  
David A. Garcia, Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College  
Alvaro A. Hernandez, Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College  
Lee Maggard, Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College  
John Richard Mitten, Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College  
Robin L. Schneider, Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College  
Wendell E. Smith, Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College  
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Mark S. Block, Board of Podiatric Medicine  
Soorena Sadri, Board of Podiatric Medicine  
Ashley B. Barnett, Board of Trustees of Polk State College  
Daniel F. Dorrell, Board of Trustees of Polk State College  
Gregory A. Littleton, Board of Trustees of Polk State College  
Teresa V. Martinez, Board of Trustees of Polk State College  
Mark G. Turner, Board of Trustees of Polk State College  
Dylan Albergo, Board of Professional Engineers  
Scott R. Drury, Board of Professional Engineers  
Walid M. Sobh, Board of Professional Engineers  
Robert Crum, Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College  
Wendell D. Davis, Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College  
Samuel P. Garrison, Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College  
James E. Reid, Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College  
Janet Price, Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District  
Allan Roberts, Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District  
Caridad E. Lee, Board of Trustees of Santa Fe College  
Jeffrey L. Oody, Board of Trustees of Santa Fe College  
Robert Lee Woody, Board of Trustees of Santa Fe College  
Tina Calderone, Board of Trustees of Seminole State College  
Daniel James O'Keefe, Board of Trustees of Seminole State College  
Jeffrey M. Adams, Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District  
Elijah D. Armstrong, III, Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District  
Terrell Scott Wiggins, Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District  
Alphonas Alexander, Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District  
Charles G. Keith, Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District  
Eugene Lamb, Jr., Board of Trustees of Tallahassee Community College  
William Eric Grant, Board of Trustees of Tallahassee Community College  
Arezou C. Jolly, Jacksonville Transportation Authority  
Hung T. Mai, Tampa Port Authority  
Stephen W. Swindal, Tampa Port Authority  
Douglas C. Bournique, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region Ten

Robert J. Lowe, Sr., Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region Ten  
 Erica Whitfield, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region Ten  
 Alonzie Scott, III, Board of Trustees, University of West Florida  
 Jill Anne Singer, Board of Trustees, University of West Florida  
 Daisy Lopez-Cid, Board of Trustees of Valencia State College  
 Raymer F. Maguire III, Board of Trustees of Valencia State College  
 Beth Anne Smith, Board of Trustees of Valencia State College  
 James Roy Foreman, West Florida Regional Planning Council, Region One  
 William Washington, Board of Trustees, North Florida Community College

The Senate has not received the following appointments:

Christina Bonarrigo Villamil, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Ashton Hayward, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Lys Rubin, Florida Commission on Community Service  
 Maryam Lagun Borrego, Florida Commission on Human Relations  
 Samantha Hoare, Florida Commission on Human Relations  
 Christine M. Chapman, Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind  
 Michael Yormark, Florida State Boxing Commission  
 David Genson, Florida Transportation Commission  
 Felipe J. Colon, Board of Trustees, New College of Florida  
 David Alfonso Howell, Board of Trustees of North Florida Community College  
 Heather Baumwald, Board of Nursing  
 Elna Rose Vizvary, Board of Occupational Therapy Practice  
 Paul Weott, Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists  
 Leslie Dougher, Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College  
 John A. Miklos, Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District  
 Pete C. Debelius-Enemark, State of Florida Correctional Medical Authority  
 Shaun R. Oxtal, Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority  
 Karen Cuchens, West Florida Regional Planning Council, Region One  
 Thomas R. Grady, Investment Advisory Council

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Debbie Brown  
 Secretary

#### 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>
Secretary of Management Services Appointee: Satter, Jonathan R., North Palm Beach	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation Appointee: Beshears, Halsey, Monticello	Pleasure of Governor
Secretary of the Department of the Lottery Appointee: Poppell, James "Jim" W., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; and Innovation, Industry, and Technology; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Secretary of Corrections Appointee: Inch, Mark S., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; and Criminal Justice; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Executive Director, Department of Economic Opportunity Appointee: Lawson, Kenneth E., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Commerce and Tourism; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Secretary of Transportation Appointee: Thibault, Kevin J., Groveland	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; and Infrastructure and Security; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Secretary of Children and Families Appointee: Poppell, Patterson Chad, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of Governor

Director, Agency for Persons with Disabilities Appointee: Palmer, Barbara Jo, Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor
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**Referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Secretary of Juvenile Justice Appointee: Marsteller, Simone, Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Secretary of State Appointee: Lee, Laurel M., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Ethics and Elections.**

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Executive Director of Department of Veterans' Affairs Appointee: Burgess, Daniel W., Jr., Confidential pursuant to s. 119.071(4), F.S.	Pleasure of Governor

**Referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space; and Ethics and Elections.**

**SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA**

The following certificate was received:

No. SC18-1970

**IN RE: CERTIFICATION OF NEED  
FOR ADDITIONAL JUDGES.**

[December 28, 2018]

PER CURIAM.

This opinion fulfills our constitutional obligation to determine the State’s need for additional judges in fiscal year 2019/2020 and to certify our “findings and recommendations concerning such need” to the Legislature.<sup>1</sup> Certification is “the sole mechanism established by our constitution for a systematic and uniform assessment of this need.” *In re Certification of Need for Additional Judges*, 889 So. 2d 734, 735 (Fla. 2004).

In this opinion, we certify the need for two additional circuit court judgeships in the Ninth Judicial Circuit, one additional circuit court judgeship in the First Judicial Circuit, one additional circuit court judgeship in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, four additional county court judgeships in Hillsborough County, and no additional judgeships in the district courts of appeal. We decertify the need for two county court judgeships in Brevard County and one county court judgeship in Pasco County.

To make this decision, the Florida Supreme Court continues to use a verified objective weighted caseload methodology as a primary basis for assessing judicial need.<sup>2</sup> The objective data are supplemented by judgeship requests submitted by the lower courts, including various secondary factors. These secondary factors identified by each chief judge reflect local differences in support of their requests for more judgeships or in support of their requests to not decertify judgeships in situations where the objective case weights alone would indicate excess judicial capacity. Applying the criteria in this two-step methodology, this Court concludes that the First, Ninth, and Fourteenth circuits have a demonstrable need for additional circuit judges. Using the same criteria, this Court has concluded that the secondary factor analysis and uncertainty that are further explained below warrant fewer decertifications than the raw numbers alone would indicate.

A number of issues require additional study, review, and consideration because they impact our ability to accurately project judicial need. First is the potential impact of a jurisdiction change in county court. In view of the attention given during the 2018 legislative session to the issue of county court jurisdiction, this Court issued *In re Work Group on County Court Jurisdiction*, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC18-39 (Aug. 1, 2018), establishing the Work Group on County Court Jurisdiction within the Judicial Management Council. We directed that work group to review the county court and small claims jurisdictional limits, which have not been adjusted since 1992 and 1996 respectively, and we instructed the work group to further consider and examine operational and workload issues that would be affected if those limits were to be adjusted upward. The report of that work group was submitted on November 30 of this year and is currently under review by this Court. Given the recent interest by the Florida Legislature in adjusting county court jurisdiction, it is possible county court jurisdiction thresholds for civil cases, the procedures and path for appeals in certain cases, and small claims jurisdiction amounts may be adjusted. Precise estimates of how these changes would affect objective measures are challenging when considered individually and more so when multiple adjustments are contemplated. Any of the changes can reasonably be expected to shift workload in county, circuit, and appellate courts.

Additionally, trial court judges report that changes in law since the current case weights were developed in 2015 have resulted in more judicial involvement in cases generally. An example is the recent amendments to section 790.401, Florida Statutes (2018), creating an action known as a petition for a risk protection order to prevent persons

who are at high risk of harming themselves or others from accessing firearms or ammunition. Since enactment of this legislation in March 2018, the courts have handled approximately 100 of these actions per month around the state. The impact of this and other legislation, such as section 825.1035, Florida Statutes (2018), the statute creating vulnerable adult injunctions, requires careful assessment.

Similarly, with the growth of problem-solving courts throughout the state and the increased number of cases handled by those problem-solving courts, it is important for this Court, in its consideration of assessment of judicial need, to evaluate the impact to judicial workload these courts create. While these courts show positive results in reduced recidivism and better outcomes for citizens, they also require significantly more judicial time.

This Court is reluctant to decertify judgeships while important reviews it has ordered, some of which may revise the very rules governing its analysis, are pending. Specifically, this Court has directed the Commission on Trial Court Performance and Accountability to review Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.240. This review will include an assessment of the secondary factors influencing judicial certification to determine if there are areas of inconsistency, overlap, or gaps between current factors in the case-weight formula and the unique local differences reported by the chief judges in the secondary factors portion of the evaluation of judicial need. The Commission has been specifically instructed to review rules 2.240(b)(1)(B) and 2.240(c), Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, concerning secondary factors to determine if there is a need to recommend modifications.

Finally, we note a need to monitor and consider any increases in litigation in the storm-impacted areas of the state, especially indebtedness and contract cases associated with Hurricane Irma in 2017 and Hurricane Michael in October 2018.

Having conducted a quantitative assessment of trial court and appellate court judicial workload and, as noted above, having also considered the various qualitative factors, workload trends, and uncertainties under consideration by this Court, we certify the need for eight additional trial court judges in Florida, consisting of four in circuit court and four in county court, as set forth in the appendix to this opinion. We are also recommending the decertification of three county court judgeships, also identified in the appendix, and we certify no need for additional judges in the district courts of appeal.

It is so ordered.

CANADY, C.J., and PARIENTE, LEWIS, QUINCE, POLSTON, LABARGA, and LAWSON, JJ., concur.

Original Proceeding – Certification of Need for Additional Judges

**APPENDIX**

**Trial Court Need**

Circuit	Circuit Court Certified Judges	County	County Court Certified Judges	County Court Decertified Judges
1	1	N/A	0	0
2	0	N/A	0	0
3	0	N/A	0	0
4	0	N/A	0	0
5	0	N/A	0	0
6	0	Pasco	0	1
7	0	N/A	0	0
8	0	N/A	0	0

9	2	N/A	0	0
10	0	N/A	0	0
11	0	N/A	0	0
12	0	N/A	0	0
13	0	Hillsborough	4	0
14	1	N/A	0	0
15	0	N/A	0	0
16	0	N/A	0	0
17	0	N/A	0	0
18	0	Brevard	0	2
19	0	N/A	0	0
20	0	N/A	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>

1. Article V, section 9, of the Florida Constitution provides in pertinent part:

**Determination of number of judges.**—The supreme court shall establish by rule uniform criteria for the determination of the need for additional judges except supreme court justices, the necessity for decreasing the number of judges and for increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits. If the supreme court finds that a need exists for increasing or decreasing the number of judges or increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits, it shall, prior to the next regular session of the legislature, certify to the legislature its findings and recommendations concerning such need.

2. Our certification methodology relies primarily on case weights and calculations of available judge time to determine the need for additional trial court judges. *See Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.240.*

## COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

(Pursuant to motion adopted at the 2018 Organization Session and as revised on December 14, 2018. Revisions shown in italics.)

### Agriculture

Senator Albritton, Chair; Senator Gainer, Vice Chair; Senators Broxson, Montford, and Rader

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Senator Bradley, Chair; Senator Simpson, Vice Chair; Senators Bean, Benacquisto, Book, Brandes, Braynon, Flores, Gainer, Gibson, Hutson, Lee, Mayfield, Montford, Passidomo, Powell, Rouson, Simmons, Stargel, Stewart, and Thurston

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### Appropriations Subcommittee on Education

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Senator Wright, Chair; Senator Cruz, Vice Chair; Senators *Broxson*, Gainer, Harrell, Pizzo, and *Torres*

### Reapportionment

*(Membership to be considered for appointment at a later date)*

### Rules

Senator Benacquisto, Chair; Senator Gibson, Vice Chair; Senators Book, Bradley, Brandes, Braynon, Farmer, Flores, Hutson, Lee, Montford, Passidomo, Rodriguez, Simmons, Simpson, *Stargel*, and Thurston

**Joint Legislative Committees:**

**Joint Administrative Procedures Committee**

Senator Stewart, Alternating Chair; Senators Cruz, Hooper, Perry, and Wright

**Joint Committee on Public Counsel Oversight**

Senator Powell, Alternating Chair; Senators Broxson, Farmer, Gruters, and Harrell

**Joint Legislative Auditing Committee**

Senator Brandes, Alternating Chair; Senators Baxley, Lee, Montford, and Rader

**Joint Select Committee on Collective Bargaining**

Senator Hooper, Alternating Chair; Senators Diaz, Stargel, Thurston, and Torres

**Other Legislative Entity:**

**Joint Legislative Budget Commission**

Senator Bradley, Alternating Chair; Senators Benacquisto, Book, Brandes, Braynon, Gibson, and Simpson

**COMMUNICATION**

MEMORANDUM

To: Debbie Brown, Secretary  
From: Bill Galvano, President  
Subject: Committee Assignments  
Date: December 14, 2018

Pursuant to Senate Rule 1.5, I am making the following committee assignments effective immediately:

- Add Senator Stargel to the Senate Committee on Rules;
- Add Senator Torres to the Senate Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space;
- Add Senator Broxson to the Senate Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Space.

**MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**RETURNING MESSAGES — FINAL ACTION**

The Honorable Bill Galvano, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted SCR 1018.

*Jeff Takacs, Clerk*

The bill contained in the foregoing message was ordered enrolled.

**CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL**

The Journals of March 11, 2018, Regular Session; and November 20, 2018, Organization Session were corrected and approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Pursuant to the motion by Senator Benacquisto previously adopted, upon dissolution of the joint session at 12:04 p.m., the Senate adjourned for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business to reconvene at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 7 or upon call of the President.

**SENATE PAGES**

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Aislynn Baker, Ocala; Zharia Bowles, Jacksonville; Ayianna Bradley, Monticello; Matthew Citty, Gainesville; Wyatt Falardeau, Vero Beach; Liam Fineout, Tallahassee; Natalia Gomez, Delray Beach; Kennedy Jennings, Aventura; William Moore, Tallahassee; Zandrick Pennywell, Midway; Anthony Petrolia, Delray Beach; Ezra Rader, Delray Beach; Alexis Van Dien, Naples