

Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

CS/HB 1219 — Veterans' Employment

by Veteran and Military Affairs Subcommittee and Rep. Raburn and others (CS/SB 1538 by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security Committee and Senator Evers)

The bill requires each state agency and authorizes each political subdivision of the state to develop and implement a written veterans recruitment plan that establishes annual goals for ensuring the full use of veterans in the agency's or political subdivision's workforce. Each veterans' recruitment plan must apply to veterans and their family members who are entitled to veterans' preference in appointment and retention in public employment pursuant to s. 295.07(1), F.S.

The Department of Management Services (DMS) must annually collect and publish on its website and include in its annual workforce report statistical data for each state agency on the following:

- The number of persons who claim veterans' preference;
- The number of persons who are hired through the veterans' preference; and
- The number of persons who are hired as a result of the veterans' recruitment plan.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect October 1, 2016.

Vote: Senate 35-0; House 118-0