THE FLORIDA SENATE 2022 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED Committee on Community Affairs

CS/CS/CS/SB 706 — School Concurrency

by Rules Committee; Education Committee; Community Affairs Committee; and Senator Perry

School concurrency is the process by which local governments ensure school capacity is not outpaced by population increase created by development. Concurrency requirements are local laws stating that certain infrastructure must be in place and available to serve new development before the local government may allow new citizens to live in the new development.

The bill provides that school concurrency is deemed satisfied when the developer tenders a written legally binding commitment, rather than actually executes such commitment, to provide mitigation proportionate to the demand created by the development. A district school board must notify the local government that capacity is available for the development within 30 days after receipt of the developer's commitment.

The bill also provides that such mitigation paid by a developer, rather than being immediately directed toward a school capacity improvement, may be set aside and not spent until an appropriate improvement is identified.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2022.

Vote: Senate 38-0; House 113-0

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