

Committee on Judiciary

CS/CS/HB 619 — Sovereign Immunity for Professional Firms

by Transportation & Modals Subcommittee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; and Rep. Tuck (CS/SB 1534 by Judiciary Committee and Senator Bradley)

The bill revises a statute that treats contractors providing monitoring and inspection services for state road and related infrastructure projects as agents of the state for purposes of sovereign immunity protections. As revised, the liability protections are expressly extended to consultants to a contractor performing monitoring and inspection services for the Florida Department of Transportation which are required for a state road or related infrastructure project.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

Vote: Senate 38-1; House 113-1