

**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**AGRICULTURE**  
**Senator Truenow, Chair**  
**Senator Grall, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, March 11, 2025  
**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 301 Senate Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Truenow, Chair; Senator Grall, Vice Chair; Senators Bernard, Boyd, Burton, and Rouson

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	<b>SB 178</b> Rouson	Agronomic Study on Emerging Crops; Requiring Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University to conduct an agronomic study on emerging crops in this state, subject to legislative appropriation; requiring Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date, etc.  AG 03/11/2025 Favorable AEG FP	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0
2	<b>SB 700</b> Truenow (Similar H 651, Compare H 1159, S 1194)	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; Providing that certain positions in the department are exempt from the Career Service System; prohibiting a person from knowingly or willfully performing certain actions on lands classified as agricultural; requiring that certain lands owned by an electric utility be offered for sale for less than fee simple acquisition of development rights by this state before certain circumstances; requiring local governmental entities to issue permits for electric vehicle charging stations based on specified standards and provisions of law, etc.  AG 03/11/2025 Fav/CS AEG FP	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
3	<b>SB 786</b> Truenow (Identical H 589)	Improvements to Structures on Agricultural Lands; Prohibiting assessment of any agricultural improvements used for certain purposes on specified lands, etc.  AG 03/11/2025 Favorable FT AP	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0

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4	<b>SB 980</b> Bernard (Similar H 1245)	Hunger-Free Campus Pilot Program; Citing this act as the "Hunger-Free Campus Act"; establishing the pilot program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for a specified period; requiring the Commissioner of Agriculture to identify the three state universities or Florida College System institutions with the highest percentage of Pell Grant-eligible students for participation in the pilot program; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a study to evaluate food insecurity on the campuses of state universities and Florida College System institutions, etc.  AG 03/11/2025 Favorable AEG FP	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0

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