

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

APPROPRIATIONS
Senator Stargel, Chair
Senator Bean, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 31, 2021
TIME: 1:00—6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

MEMBERS: Senator Stargel, Chair; Senator Bean, Vice Chair; Senators Albritton, Book, Bracy, Brandes, Broxson, Diaz, Farmer, Gainer, Gibson, Hooper, Hutson, Mayfield, Passidomo, Perry, Pizzo, Powell, Rouson, and Stewart

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
PUBLIC TESTIMONY WILL BE RECEIVED FROM ROOM A3 AT THE DONALD L. TUCKER CIVIC CENTER, 505 W PENSACOLA STREET, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301			
Consideration of proposed bill:			
1	SPB 2500	Appropriations; Providing moneys for the annual period beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, and supplemental appropriations for the period ending June 30, 2021, to pay salaries, and other expenses, capital outlay - buildings, and other improvements, and for other specified purposes of the various agencies of state government, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0
Consideration of proposed bill:			
2	SPB 2502	Implementing the 2021-2022 General Appropriations Act; Incorporating by reference certain calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program; extending for 1 fiscal year authorization for the Department of Education to provide certain appropriated funds to certain education television stations and public colleges and universities for public broadcasting; extending for 1 year the exemption of certain rules pertaining to the medical use of marijuana from certain rulemaking requirements; authorizing the Department of Children and Families to submit a budget amendment to realign funding for implementation of the Guardianship Assistance Program, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0
Consideration of proposed bill:			
3	SPB 2504	State Employees; Providing for the resolution of collective bargaining issues at impasse between the state and certified bargaining units of state employees, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0

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4	SB 7018 Governmental Oversight and Accountability	Employer Contributions to Fund Retiree Benefits; Revising the employer contribution rates for the retiree health insurance subsidy as of a specified date; revising required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class and subclass of the Florida Retirement System, etc. AP 03/31/2021 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
Consideration of proposed bill:			
5	SPB 2506	State Group Insurance Program; Authorizing persons eligible to participate in the program to elect membership with certain health maintenance organization plans; requiring that at least one health maintenance organization plan be made available to each enrollee residing in this state; deleting a requirement that health plans be offered in specified benefit levels; removing a limitation on the annual maximum amount for coverage for medically necessary prescription and nonprescription enteral formulas and amino-acid-based elemental formulas for home use; requiring the department to ensure that the prescription drug program receives certain benefits; requiring the department to perform annual audits of such benefits, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0
Consideration of proposed bill:			
6	SPB 2508	Employee Compensation; Revising a limitation on remuneration from appropriated state funds for Florida College System institution presidents; redefining the term "public funds"; prohibiting the issuance of general salary increases without regard to employee performance when using appropriated state funds, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0
Consideration of proposed bill:			
7	SPB 2510	State Agency Law Enforcement Radio System; Revising expiration dates of provisions relating to the remission of surcharges for specified criminal offenses and noncriminal moving traffic violations to the Department of Revenue to fund the state agency law enforcement radio system and to provide technical assistance with respect to statewide systems of regional law enforcement communications, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0

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8	CS/SB 1954 Environment and Natural Resources / Rodrigues (Similar CS/H 7019, Compare H 901, H 5401, H 7021, S 1252)	Statewide Flooding and Sea-level Rise Resilience; Establishing the Resilient Florida Grant Program within the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the department to notify the Legislature when specifically referenced sources or standards are updated or replaced; requiring the department to develop a Statewide Flooding and Sea-Level Rise Resilience Plan and annually submit the plan to the Governor and Legislature by a specified date; establishing the Florida Flood Hub for Applied Research and Innovation within the University of South Florida College of Marine Science for a specified purpose; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to include specified information relating to inland and coastal flood control in certain assessments, etc. EN 03/15/2021 Fav/CS AP 03/31/2021 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 20 Nays 0
Consideration of proposed bill:			
9	SPB 2512	Documentary Stamp Tax Distributions; Revising and deleting distributions of the documentary stamp tax; providing that specified distributions may not be transferred to the General Revenue Fund; revising the purposes for which distributions may be made from the Water Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 12 Nays 8
Consideration of proposed bill:			
10	SPB 2514	Resilient Florida Trust Fund; Creating the Resilient Florida Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the purpose of the fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the fund, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0
Consideration of proposed bill:			
11	SPB 2516	Water Storage North of Lake Okeechobee; Requiring the South Florida Water Management District to request that the United States Army Corps of Engineers seek congressional approval of a project implementation report for the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project by a specified date; requiring the district, in partnership with the corps, to expedite the development and implementation of aquifer storage and recovery wells; requiring an annual appropriation from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund for the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 19 Nays 0

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12	SPB 2518	Health Care; Revising the amount of money residents of a veterans' nursing home must receive monthly before being required to contribute to their maintenance and support; revising eligibility for Medicaid coverage for children according to the resource limits under the Temporary Cash Assistance Program; deleting authorization for payment for chiropractic, hearing, optometric, podiatric, and visual services provided to Medicaid recipients; revising the years of audited disproportionate share data the agency must use for calculating an average for purposes of calculating disproportionate share payments, etc.	Submitted and Reported Favorably as Committee Bill Yeas 20 Nays 0
13	SB 84 Rodrigues	Retirement; Providing for compulsory membership in the Florida Retirement System Investment Plan for employees initially enrolled on or after a specified date; modifying provisions governing participation in the investment plan for individuals who are eligible to participate in the State University System Optional Retirement Program to conform to changes made by the act; modifying provisions governing the administration of the investment plan to reflect compulsory membership for specified employees, etc. GO 02/04/2021 Favorable AP 03/31/2021 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 12 Nays 8
A proposed committee substitute for the following bill (CS/SB 86) is available:			
14	CS/SB 86 Education / Baxley (Compare H 281, CS/CS/S 52)	Student Financial Aid; Requiring the Board of Governors of the State University System to create an online dashboard; revising eligibility for an award under the Bright Futures Scholarship Program or the Benacquisto Scholarship Program; revising the formula for calculating how Florida Public Student Assistance Grant Program funds are distributed; authorizing a Florida Bright Futures Scholarship recipient to apply the unused portion of a Florida Academic Scholars award or Florida Medallion Scholars award toward graduate study for a specified academic year; establishing the Florida Bright Opportunities Grant Program; establishing the Florida Endeavor Scholarship Program, etc. ED 03/09/2021 Temporarily Postponed ED 03/16/2021 Fav/CS AED 03/23/2021 Fav/CS AED 03/24/2021 AP 03/31/2021 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 8
With subcommittee recommendation - Education			

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15	SB 274 Perry (Identical H 93, Compare H 95, S 164, Linked CS/S 166)	Juvenile Diversion Program Expunction; Requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to expunge the nonjudicial arrest record of certain minors who have successfully completed a diversion program for any offense, rather than only a misdemeanor offense; authorizing a minor who successfully completes a diversion program for any offense, rather than only for a first-time misdemeanor offense, to lawfully deny or fail to acknowledge certain information, etc. CJ 01/26/2021 Favorable ACJ 02/09/2021 Favorable AP 03/31/2021 Not Considered	Not Considered
With subcommittee recommendation – Criminal and Civil Justice			
16	CS/SB 166 Criminal Justice / Perry (Similar H 95, Compare H 93, Linked S 274)	Public Records/Nonjudicial Record of the Arrest of a Minor; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for a nonjudicial record of the arrest of a minor who has successfully completed a diversion program; providing for retroactive application; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. CJ 01/26/2021 Fav/CS GO 02/17/2021 Favorable AP 03/31/2021 Not Considered	Not Considered
With subcommittee recommendation – Criminal and Civil Justice			
17	SB 588 Book (Identical H 217)	Conservation Area Designations/Kristin Jacobs Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Area; Designating the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Area as the Kristin Jacobs Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Area; directing the Department of Environmental Protection to erect suitable markers, etc. EN 02/01/2021 Favorable AEG 02/17/2021 Favorable AP 03/31/2021 Not Considered	Not Considered
With subcommittee recommendation - Agriculture, Environment, and General Government			

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18	CS/SB 1892 Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security / Diaz (Identical CS/H 1595)	Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund; Creating the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund within the Executive Office of the Governor; providing for the deposit and use of funds; providing for future review and termination of the fund, etc. MS 03/23/2021 Fav/CS AP 03/31/2021 Not Considered	Not Considered
19	SB 2006 Burgess (Compare H 1353, H 7047, S 1760)	Emergency Management; Revising the definition of the term "natural emergency" to include public health emergencies; requiring the Division of Emergency Management's comprehensive emergency plan to include specified provisions regarding public health emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation; redefining the term "essentials" to include personal protective equipment used during public health emergencies; limiting the duration of emergency orders; requiring that emergency spending from the Budget Stabilization Fund be consistent with legislative policy and intent, etc. MS 03/16/2021 Favorable AP 03/31/2021 Not Considered RC	Not Considered
Other Related Meeting Documents			