Tab 1 SB 778 by **Hooper**; (Identical to H 00675) Florida Tourism Marketing

The Florida Senate

COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, TOURISM, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Senator Gainer, Chair

Senator Hooper, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 10, 2021

TIME: 1:00—2:45 p.m.

PLACE: Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Building

MEMBERS: Senator Gainer, Chair; Senator Hooper, Vice Chair; Senators Ausley, Boyd, Cruz, Garcia, Gibson,

Favorable

Yeas 10 Nays 0

Mayfield, Perry, Taddeo, and Wright

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TAB BILL NO. and INTRODUCER SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS COMMITTEE ACTION

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1 SB 778 Florida Tourism Marketing; Authorizing the Florida Hooper Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to carry

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Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to carry forward unexpended state appropriations into succeeding fiscal years; removing the scheduled repeal of the corporation; removing the scheduled repeal of the Division of Tourism Marketing within

Enterprise Florida, Inc., etc.

CM 02/15/2021 Favorable ATD 03/10/2021 Favorable

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TAB OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY) FOR TERM ENDING COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Confirmation Hearing: A public hearing will be held for consideration of the belownamed executive appointment to the office indicated.

Executive Director, Department of Economic Opportunity

2 Eagle, Dane (Tallahassee) Pleasure of Governor Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0

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Other Related Meeting Documents

The Florida Senate BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By:	The Profession	nal Staff of t		ns Subcommittee or elopment	n Transportation, Tourism, and Economic
BILL:	SB 778				
INTRODUCER:	Senator Ho	oper			
SUBJECT:	Florida To	ırism Mar	keting		
DATE:	March 9, 20	021	REVISED:		
ANAL	YST	STAFF	DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
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I. Summary:

SB 778 authorizes the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation, also known as, VISIT FLORIDA, to carry forward any unexpended state appropriations into succeeding fiscal years.

The bill also removes the scheduled repeal date of October 1, 2023, for both VISIT FLORIDA and the Division of Tourism Marketing within Enterprise Florida, Inc.

The bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

II. Present Situation:

Enterprise Florida, Inc., and VISIT FLORIDA

Enterprise Florida, Inc., (EFI) is a non-profit corporation created to act as the state's economic development organization, using expertise from both the private and public sectors. EFI is not a unit of state government.¹

EFI is statutorily required to maintain at least five divisions related to the following areas:

- International trade and business development;
- Business retention and recruitment;
- Tourism marketing;
- Minority business development; and
- Sports industry development.²

¹ Sections 288.901(1) and (2), F.S.

² Section 288.92, F.S.

EFI's Division of Tourism Marketing is the mechanism created in statute through which EFI interacts and contracts with its direct support organization, VISIT FLORIDA. VISIT FLORIDA is the fictitious name for the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation, a non-profit corporation that serves as Florida's statewide destination marketing organization and represents the state's tourism industry.³ In practice, VISIT FLORIDA is EFI's tourism marketing division. The division is staffed by VISIT FLORIDA, but that staff is not employed by EFI.⁴ VISIT FLORIDA's primary responsibilities include:

- Administering domestic and international advertising campaigns;
- Conducting research on tourism and travel trends;
- Coordinating domestic and international marketing activities; and
- Managing the state's four welcome centers.⁵

VISIT FLORIDA is required to develop a four-year marketing plan for the state which addresses issues such as continuation of tourism growth in Florida, expansion to new or underrepresented markets, coordination with local and private sector partners on tourism advertising, and addressing emergency responses to disasters from a marketing standpoint.⁶

EFI, in conjunction with the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), appoints VISIT FLORIDA's 31-member board of directors. The board "provides guidance, input, and insight into the evolution and development of [VISIT FLORIDA] programs, processes, and messages; acts as a steering council for various committees; and works directly with [VISIT FLORIDA] executive staff to guide strategy." VISIT FLORIDA's board of directors is composed of 16 regional members, with at least two representing each of the six statutorily designated geographic areas of the state, and 15 additional tourism industry related members, including:

- One from the statewide rental car industry;
- Seven from tourist-related statewide associations;
- Three from county destination marketing organizations;
- One from the cruise industry;
- One from an automobile and travel services membership organization;
- One from the airline industry; and
- One from the space tourism industry.⁸

Both VISIT FLORIDA and EFI's division of tourism marketing will sunset on October 1, 2023, unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.⁹

³ Section 288.1226, F.S. The fictitious name is registered with the Department of State, registration no. G18000088414.

⁴ Section 288.923(5), F.S.

⁵ Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, *Florida Economic Development Program Evaluations* – *Year 8*, 13 (December 2020), *available at* https://oppaga.fl.gov/Documents/Reports/20-08.pdf (last visited Feb. 28, 2021). Pursuant to s. 288.12265, F.S., VISIT FLORIDA contracts with the Department of Transportation through EFI to employ staff and operate the welcome centers. See also VISIT FLORIDA, *Florida Welcome Centers, available at* https://www.visitflorida.com/en-us/visitor-services/florida-welcome-centers.html (last visited Feb. 28, 2021).

⁶ Section 288.923(4)(c), F.S.

⁷ Supra note 5, at 12.

⁸ Section 288.1226(4), F.S.

⁹ Sections 288.1226(14) and 288.923(6), F.S.; *see* ch. 2020-16, Laws of Fla. (extending the repeal date of VISIT FLORIDA and EFI's Division of Tourism Marketing from July 1, 2020, to October 1, 2023, effective April 8, 2020).

Appropriations

For the 2020-2021 fiscal year, VISIT FLORIDA received an appropriation of \$50 million. 10 VISIT FLORIDA receives a recurring appropriation of \$50 million - \$26 million from the State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund (SEED TF) and \$24 million from the Tourism Promotional Trust Fund.

Payments are made directly to VISIT FLORIDA from the DEO. VISIT FLORIDA enters into a funding agreement with EFI and the DEO and an operating agreement with EFI.¹¹

Generally, any funds appropriated to agencies that have not been disbursed and not identified as incurred obligations by June 30 of each year revert back to the fund from which the funds were appropriated;¹² funds for incurred obligations carry over to the next fiscal year and revert back if left undisbursed by September 30.¹³ In Fiscal Years 2015-2016 through 2019-2020, VISIT FLORIDA reverted a total of \$5,535.17 to the Tourism Promotional Trust Fund (\$215.58 in Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and \$5319.58 in Fiscal Year 2018-2019); no funds were reverted from the State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund over the same period.¹⁴

Section 288.9015(2)(e), F.S., authorizes EFI to carry forward any unexpended state appropriations into succeeding fiscal years. Similar specific law does not exist in specific statutes related to VISIT FLORIDA. However, on June 30, 2020, VISIT FLORIDA's Fiscal Year 2019-2020 agreement with the DEO and EFI was amended to authorize VISIT FLORIDA "to carry forward into fiscal year 2021-2021 any balance of unexpended state appropriations for VISIT FLORIDA's direct program costs." According to VISIT FLORIDA's auditor's report, approximately \$13 million of state appropriated funds in Fiscal Year 2019-2020 were unspent because the planned campaign activities from March 2020 to June 2020 had to be cancelled due to COVID-19; the DEO determined that the funds could be carried forward to be spent and recorded in Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for a COVID-19 rebound marketing campaign. ¹⁶

¹⁰ Chapter 2020-111, s. 6, Specific Appropriation 2294, Laws of Fla.

¹¹ See Funding Agreement SB21-003 – Agreement between the Department of Economic Opportunity, Enterprise Florida, Inc., and the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation, executed December 18, 2020, available at https://facts.fldfs.com/Search/ContractDetail.aspx?AgencyId=400000&ContractId=S0161 (last visited Feb. 28, 2021).

¹² Section 216.301(1)(a), F.S.

¹³ Section 216.301(1)(b), F.S. Section 216.011(1)(tt), F.S., defines an "incurred obligation" as a legal obligation for goods or services that have been contracted for or received or incurred by the state and referred to as a payable in the state's financial system.

¹⁴ Transparency Florida, Reversion History by Agency, Fund and Appropriation Category: Department of Economic Opportunity, Division of Strategic Business Development, Tourism Promotional Trust Fund, Special Categories Grants and Aids – VISIT FLORIDA, available at

 $[\]underline{http://www.transparencyflorida.gov/Reports/ReversionHistoryReport.aspx?FY=\&RT=RV} \ (last\ visited\ Feb.\ 28,\ 2021).$

¹⁵ See Funding Agreement SB20-003 – Amendment One to Grant Agreement between the Department of Economic Opportunity, Enterprise Florida, Inc., and the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation, executed June 30, 2020, available at https://facts.fldfs.com/Search/ContractDetail.aspx?AgencyId=400000&ContractId=S0118&Tab=1 (last visited Feb. 28, 2021).

¹⁶ VISIT FLORIDA, Financial Statements and Other Financial Information Years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019, Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation, Inc. Management's Discussion and Analysis, 6 and 9 (September 2020), available at https://visitflorida.app.box.com/s/dh5ehr6be4am22qzmlsxrkwe0pxqf435 (last visited Feb. 28, 2021).

Economic Development Programs Evaluations

Pursuant to s. 288.0001(2)(b), F.S., the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) and the Office of Economic and Demographic Research (EDR) must provide a detailed analysis of certain economic development programs according to a recurring schedule established in law. VISIT FLORIDA's most recent evaluation was completed in January 2021 and covered Fiscal Years 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2018-2019.

OPPAGA Review

OPPAGA is required to evaluate programs for effectiveness and value to the state taxpayers and to provide recommendations for consideration by the Legislature. The review determined that between 2010 and 2019 Florida was outpacing several other states in tourism growth and had a significant competitive advantage compared to other states with strong tourism industries, such as California, Nevada, New York, and Texas.¹⁷

As a public-private partnership, VISIT FLORIDA is required to obtain private sector contributions to match public contributions. Eligible matching contributions come from four categories:

- Direct cash contributions;
- Fees for services:
- Cooperative advertising, which is limited to partner expenditures for paid media placement and actual market value of contributed products, air time, and print space; and
- In-kind contributions, which are limited to the actual market value of promotional contributions of partner-supplied benefits or of no partner-supplied airtime or print space. 18

VISIT FLORIDA has continually met the statutorily required one-to-one match of public and private funding. Over the review period, 83 percent of private sector contributions were in the form of industry-contributed promotional value. On average, VISIT FLORIDA spends percent of its annual budget on media and industry cooperative advertising efforts. Most of the remaining expenditures are comprised of fees and services and salaries and benefits. Certain contracts are subject to several reporting and transparency requirements.

VISIT FLORIDA's paying partners, which include members of the hospitality, entertainment, and outdoor recreation industries, have expressed overall support for the agency's mission and services.

EDR Review

The EDR is required to analyze the economic benefits of the programs included in the OPPAGA's program evaluation. Economic benefit is defined as the direct, indirect, and induced gains in state revenues as a percentage of the state's investment, including state grants, tax

¹⁷ *Supra* note 5, at 11.

¹⁸ Section 288.1226(6), F.S.

¹⁹ *Supra* note 5, at 14.

²⁰ *Id*.

²¹ Chapter 2017-233, s. 17, Laws of Fla. (creating reporting and transparency requirements for contracts valued at \$500,000 or more as well as new provisions for private sector contributions, effective July 1, 2017). *See* s. 288.1226(6) and (13), F.S.

exemptions, tax refunds, tax credits, and other state incentives.²² The EDR uses the terms economic benefit and return on investment (ROI) synonymously; these terms do not address the overall effectiveness or benefit of a program and instead focus on tangible financial gains or losses to state revenues.²³

In its most recent review period, VISIT FLORIDA generated a positive ROI of 3.27. For every dollar spent on VISIT FLORIDA's marketing efforts, the state received \$3.27 back in tax revenue. The ROI was an increase of \$1.12 over the previous analysis in 2018 (reviewing the period of Fiscal Years 2013-2014, 2014-2015, and 2015-2016). The report states that the increase is due, in part, to the continued growth in the number of out-of-state visitors to Florida and the limited increase in state payments to VISIT FLORIDA over the period.²⁴

From the state's investment of \$228 million over the review period, VISIT FLORIDA contributed approximately \$15.85 billion to Florida's GDP and \$744.64 million in state revenue. VISIT FLORIDA's positive ROI benefited from both the aggregate amount of spending and the types of purchases made by tourists, the majority of which are subject to state sales and use tax, and from the investments made by VISIT FLORIDA's marketing partners, as VISIT FLORIDA's total share of marketing spend was lower than in previous years.²⁵

Though it is difficult to determine VISIT FLORIDA's precise influence on the state's tourism industry compared to that of other marketing efforts due to the many determinants of tourism demand, the EDR used the agency's Direct Influencer Study to approximate that, over the review period, the agency was responsible for approximately 9.1 percent of all marketing-influenced tourists. This amounts to an estimated 17.57 million domestic out-of-state tourists and 2.35 million international tourists attributable to VISIT FLORIDA's marketing efforts.²⁶

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill amends s. 288.1226, F.S., to authorize VISIT FLORIDA to carry forward any unexpended state appropriations into succeeding fiscal years.

The bill also removes the scheduled repeal date for both VISIT FLORIDA and the Division of Tourism Marketing within Enterprise Florida, Inc. Without the bill, the statutory authorizations for these entities expires on October 1, 2023.

The bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

²² Section 288.005(1), F.S.

²³ Office of Economic and Demographic Research, *Return on Investment for VISIT FLORIDA*, 1 (January 2021), *available at* http://edr.state.fl.us/Content/returnoninvestment/Tourism2021.pdf (last visited Feb. 12, 2021). ROI is calculated by summing state revenues generated by a program less state expenditures invested in the program, and dividing that amount by the state's investment. EDR uses the Statewide Model, a model that simulates Florida's economy and captures the indirect and induced economic activity resulting from direct program effects, to calculate these numbers.

²⁴ *Id*. at 2.

²⁵ *Id.* at 30-31.

²⁶ *Id.* at 24. This label is used to distinguish tourists from those who visited Florida due to other influences, such as visiting family and friends or participating in a specific hobby or pastime.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

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	A.	Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:
		None.
	B.	Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:
		None.
	C.	Trust Funds Restrictions:
		None.
	D.	State Tax or Fee Increases:
		None.
	E.	Other Constitutional Issues:
		None identified.
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	A.	Tax/Fee Issues:
		None.
	B.	Private Sector Impact:
		None.
	C.	Government Sector Impact:
		Unexpended appropriations carried forward by VISIT FLORIDA will not be available for appropriation by the Legislature. Historically, VISIT FLORIDA has reverted very little and in the last fiscal year due to the unexpected impacts of COVID-19, the DEO determined that VISIT FLORIDA could carry forward funds into the next fiscal year. ²⁷
VI.	Tech	nical Deficiencies:
	None.	
VII.	Relat	ed Issues:
	None.	

 $^{^{27}}$ Supra notes 14 and 15.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

This bill substantially amends the following sections of the Florida Statutes: 288.1226 and 288.923.

IX. Additional Information:

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Changes:

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

B. Amendments:

None.

This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

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By Senator Hooper

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to Florida tourism marketing; amending
s. 288.1226, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Tourism
Industry Marketing Corporation to carry forward
unexpended state appropriations into succeeding fiscal
years; removing the scheduled repeal of the
corporation; amending s. 288.923, F.S.; removing the
scheduled repeal of the Division of Tourism Marketing

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

within Enterprise Florida, Inc.; providing an

Section 1. Subsection (14) of section 288.1226, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (q) is added to subsection (5) of that section, to read:

288.1226 Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation; use of property; board of directors; duties; audit.—

(5) POWERS AND DUTIES.—The corporation, in the performance of its duties:

 $\underline{\mbox{(q)}}$ May carry forward any unexpended state appropriations into succeeding fiscal years.

(14) REPEAL.—This section is repealed October 1, 2023,

unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.

Section 2. Subsection (6) of section 288.923, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.923 Division of Tourism Marketing; definitions; responsibilities.—

(6) This section is repealed October 1, 2023, unless

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30 reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature.
31 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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APPEARANCE RECORD

(Deliver BOTH copies of this form to the Senator or Senate Professional Staff conducting the meeting) 3/10/21 Bill Number (if applicable) Meeting Date Florida Tourism Marketino Amendment Barcode (if applicable) Phillip DIFECTOR Job Title Policy Phone Address Street State Zip City Speaking: Information Waive Speaking: In Support Against (The Chair will read this information into the record.) Representing Americans Lobbyist registered with Legislature: v Appearing at request of Chair:

While it is a Senate tradition to encourage public testimony, time may not permit all persons wishing to speak to be heard at this meeting. Those who do speak may be asked to limit their remarks so that as many persons as possible can be heard.

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Topic Florida Tourism Marketing			-	Amendment	Barcode (if applicable)
Name Brewster Bevis					
Job Title Senior Vice President					
Address 513 N Adams St			Phone 224	-7173	
Street					
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March 10, 2021 778 APPEARANCE RECORD Meeting Date Bill Number (if applicable) Florida Tourism Marketing Amendment Barcode (if applicable) Name Samantha Padgett Job Title General Counsel Address 230 South Adams Street Phone 224-2250 Street Email spadgett@frla.org **Tallahassee** FL 32311 City State Zip Speaking: Against Information Waive Speaking: In Support (The Chair will read this information into the record.) Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association Representing Appearing at request of Chair: Lobbyist registered with Legislature: While it is a Senate tradition to encourage public testimony, time may not permit all persons wishing to speak to be heard at this meeting. Those who do speak may be asked to limit their remarks so that as many persons as possible can be heard.

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3/10/21 Meeting Date	APPEARAN	CE RECO	ORD 778 Bill Number (if applicable)
Topic Florida Tourism Marketing			Amendment Barcode (if applicab
Name Carolyn Johnson			
Job Title Senior Policy Director			<u>-</u>
Address 136 S Bronough Street			Phone 850-521-1200
Tallahassee	FL	32301	Email cjohnson@flchamber.com
Speaking: For Against	State Information		Speaking: In Support Against air will read this information into the record.)
Representing Florida Chamb	er of Commerce		
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THE FLORIDA SENATE

3/10/2021 **SB778** APPEARANCE RECORD Meeting Date Bill Number (if applicable) Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development Amendment Barcode (if applicable) Name Nicole Fogarty Job Title Legislative Affairs Director Address 2300 Virginia Ave. Phone 772-708-3954 Street Email FogartyN@stlucieco.org Fort Pierce FL 34982 City State Zip Waive Speaking: Speaking: Information In Support Against (The Chair will read this information into the record.) St. Lucie County Representing Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Appearing at request of Chair: While it is a Senate tradition to encourage public testimony, time may not permit all persons wishing to speak to be heard at this

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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Elections

I, Laurel M. Lee, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Dane Eagle

is duly appointed

Executive Director, Department of Economic Opportunity

for a term beginning on the Second day of September, A.D., 2020, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor and is subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of the Legislature.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the Eighth day of December, A.D.; 2020

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Secretary of State

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PIVISION OF ELECTIONS

December 4, 2020

Secretary Laurel M. Lee Department of State R.A. Gray Building, Room 316 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Lee:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 20.60, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Dane Eagle 107 E. Madison Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399

as the executive director of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective September 2, 2020, for a term ending at the pleasure of the governor.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis

Governor

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OATH OF OFFICE

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ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above O	Path of Office.	
Mailing Address:		
107 E. Madison Street, Suite 212	Dane Eagle	
Street or Post Office Box	Print Name	
Tallahassee, Florida 32399 City, State, Zip Code	Signature	
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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SENATE CONFIRMATION

The information from this questionnaire will be used by the Florida Senate in considering action on your confirmation. The questionnaire MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL. Answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate. Please type or print in blue or black ink.

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	Street	Office #		City
	FL	32399		850-815-1781
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3. Residence Address: 2529 (Goose Pond Ct	Tallahass	ee	Leon
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B. List all your former and cur	rent residences outside of Flor	rida that you have main	tained at any time dur	ng adulthood.
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_	pportunity to work in the Executive Office of the Governor during the economic recession of the late 2000s, which offered a very unique perspective of our state's economic drivers. I vizas able to travel and visit with many of the regional workfore
h	oards and CareerSource centers, providing the opportunity to understand our state's workforce needs and the diversity of our communities. As Deputy Chief of Staff to the Governor, I worked as Ilaison to the Office of Tourism Trade and Economic
-	Development, now an integral part of DEO, to help create jobs in our state. I ran for office in 2012 to help address the poor economic situation of my region and our state, and it remained my primary focus throughout my eight years in the Florid
-	touse. I fully recognize the current status of our economy and the dire need of Floridians to have gainful employment, and I understand the complexities of the problems and their solutions. My experience has prepared me to leverage
a	ill components of DEO and seek collaboration amongst government entites, educational institutions, and business leaders to rebuild our economy. I am up for the challenge and deeply appreciate the opportunit
	Have you received any degree(s), professional certification(s), or designations(s) related to the subject matter of this appointment? Yes 🔳 No 🗌 If "Yes", list:
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CERTIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF
Before me, the undersigned Notary Public of Florida, personally appeared
who, after being duty sworn, say: (1) that he/she has carefully and personally prepared or read the answers to the foregoing questions; (2) that the information contained in said answers is complete and true; and (3) that he/she will, as an appointee, fully support the Constitutions of the United States and of the State of Florida.
Signature of Applicant-Affiant
Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of November, 2021.
Signature of Notary Public-State of Florida TERYL S. BRATCHER Commission # GG 930894 Expires December 20, 2023 Bonded Thru Troy Fain Insurance 800-385-7019
(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)
My commission expires: 12/20/03
Personally Known OR Produced Identification
Type of Identification Produced

MEMORANDUM

AS A GENERAL MATTER, APPLICATIONS FOR ALL POSITIONS WITHIN STATE GOVERNMENT ARE PUBLIC RECORDS WHICH MAY BE VIEWED BY ANYONE UPON REQUEST. HOWEVER, THERE ARE SOME EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAW FOR IDENTIFYING INFORMATION RELATING TO PAST AND PRESENT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, VICTIMS OF CERTAIN CRIMES, ETC. IF YOU BELIEVE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAW APPLIES TO YOUR SUBMISSION, PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX.

Yes, I assert that identifying information provided in this appli-	cation
should be excluded from inspection under the Public Records l	Law.

Because: (please provide cite.)

IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE AS TO THE APPLICABILITY OFANY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW EXEMPTION TO YOUR SITUATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

The Office of the Attorney General PL-01, The Capitol Tallahassee, Florida 32399 (850) 245-0150

Senate Confirmation Questionnaire

Please mail to: Room316, R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

The information from this page has been requested and will be used exclusively for Minority Statistics. Please type or use blue ink. 1. Board of Interest: Executive Director, Department of Economic Opportunity 2. Current Employer and Occupation: CRE Consultants, Commercial Real Estate Broker 3. Are you applying for reappointment: Yes \(\simega\) No \(\begin{array}{c}\) 4. *Do you have a disability? Yes \(\sime\) No \(\begin{align*}\) If "Yes", please describe your disability that would qualify you for this appointment, if applicable. 5. *Sex: Male Female 6. *Race: White African-American Asian/Pacific Islander Hispanic-American Native-American/Alaskan Native 7. Do you now, or have you, within the last three years, been a member of any club or organization that, to your knowledge, in practice or policy, restricts membership or restricted membership during the time that you belonged on the basis of race, religion, national origin, or gender? If so, detail the name and nature of the club(s) or organization(s), relevant policies and practices, and state whether you intend to continue as a member if you appointed by the Governor. 8. One of the Governor's top priorities is to improve the conditions of the children living in our state. Would you be willing to spend an hour a week with a child in need in your community? If so, please identify the type of program and/or activity you would be willing to participate in as a mentor. YES. OF THE COVERNOR'S OR DCF'S CHOOSENE. Applicant's Name, including name commonly used (Please print)

^{*} This information will be used to provide demographic statistics and is not requested for the purpose of discriminating on any basis

The Florida Senate Committee Notice Of Hearing

IN THE FLORIDA SENATE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

IN RE: Executive Appointment of

Dane Eagle

Executive Director, Department of Economic Opportunity

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: Mr. Dane Eagle

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development of the Florida Senate will conduct a hearing on your executive appointment on Wednesday, March 10, 2021, in the Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Building, commencing at 1:00 p.m., pursuant to Rule 12.7(1) of the Rules of the Florida Senate.

Please be present at the time of the hearing. DATED this the 5th day of March, 2021

Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

Senator George B. Gainer

As Chair and by authority of the committee

cc: Members, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic

Development

Office of the Sergeant at Arms

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COMMITTEE WITNESS OATH

CHAIR:

Please raise your right hand and be sworn in as a witness.

Do you swear or affirm that the evidence you are about to give will be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

WITNESS'S NAME:	Dane	Eagle			
ANSWER:	I (20			
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	Appropriat	ons Subcommit	lee on Transportation		
COMMITTEE NAME: Tourism, and Economic Development					
DATE:	3-10	7-2021			

APPEARANCE RECORD

(Deliver BOTH copies of this form to the Senator or Senate Professional Staff conducting the meeting)

Meeting Date	Bill Number (if applicable)
Topic EXECUTEVE CONFERMAN	Amendment Barcode (if applicable)
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Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No	Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No
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S-001 (10/14/14)

This form is part of the public record for this meeting.



SENATOR AUDREY GIBSON 6th District Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

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Appropriations Subcommittee on
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Development
Military and Veterans Affairs, Space,
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JOINT COMMITTEE:
Joint Legislative Budget Commission

March 9, 2021

Senator George B. Gainer 201 The Capitol 404 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Chair Gainer:

I respectfully ask to be excused from this week's Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development committee meeting, due to family matters.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Audrey Gibson State Senator Senate District 6

101 East Union Street, Suite 104, Jacksonville, Florida 32202 (904) 359-2553 410 Senate Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100 (850) 487-5006

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