

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

**BUDGET**  
**Senator Alexander, Chair**  
**Senator Negron, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, March 15, 2011  
**TIME:** 3:15 —5:15 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Alexander, Chair; Senator Negron, Vice Chair; Senators Altman, Benacquisto, Bogdanoff, Fasano, Flores, Gaetz, Hays, Joyner, Lynn, Margolis, Montford, Rich, Richter, Simmons, Siplin, Sobel, Thrasher, and Wise

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	<b>CS/SB 84</b> Higher Education / Lynn (Compare H 35)	Community Colleges; Renames Gulf Coast Community College as "Gulf Coast State College." Renames Pensacola Junior College as "Pensacola State College." Renames St. Johns River Community College as "St. Johns River State College." Renames Valencia Community College as "Valencia College." Amends provisions relating to linkage institutes, the Florida School of the Arts, and the consolidation of certain training schools. Conforms provisions.  HE 02/08/2011 Fav/CS BHI 03/11/2011 Favorable BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
2	<b>SB 172</b> Bennett (Identical H 93)	Security Cameras; Reenacts a specified provision relating to prohibited standards for security cameras. Provides for retroactive operation of the act. Provides for an exception under specified circumstances.  CA 01/11/2011 Favorable JU 01/25/2011 Favorable BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 19 Nays 0
3	<b>SB 174</b> Bennett (Identical H 7001)	Growth Management; Reenacts provisions relating to the definition of "urban service area" and "dense urban land area" for purposes of the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act. Reenacts provisions relating to certain required and optional elements of a comprehensive plan, concurrency requirements for transportation facilities, a required notice for a new or increased impact fee, the process for adopting a comprehensive plan or plan amendment, etc.  CA 01/11/2011 Favorable GO 02/08/2011 Favorable BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 17 Nays 3

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4	<b>SB 176</b> Bennett (Identical H 7003)	Affordable Housing; Reenacts a specified provision relating to the state allocation pool used to confirm private activity bonds. Reenacts a specified provision relating to lands that are owned by a community land trust and used to provide affordable housing. Reenacts a specified provision relating to a tax exemption provided to organizations that provide low-income housing. Reenacts a specified provision relating to a property exemption for affordable housing owned by a nonprofit entity, etc.  CA 01/11/2011 Favorable GO 02/08/2011 Favorable BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
5	<b>SB 228</b> Siplin (Similar H 61)	Code of Student Conduct; Requires the district school board to include in the code of student conduct adopted by the board an explanation of the responsibilities of each student with regard to appropriate dress and respect for self and others and the role that appropriate dress and respect for self and others has on an orderly learning environment, etc.  ED 02/21/2011 Favorable JU 03/09/2011 Favorable BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
6	<b>SB 238</b> Altman (Similar H 11)	Child Safety Devices in Motor Vehicles; Provides child-restraint requirements for children ages 4 through 7 years of age who are less than a specified height. Provides certain exceptions. Redefines the term "motor vehicle" to exclude certain vehicles from such requirements. Provides a grace period.  TR 02/07/2011 Favorable CJ 02/22/2011 Favorable BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 19 Nays 1
7	<b>CS/SB 366</b> Commerce and Tourism / Altman (Similar H 63)	Public Lodging/Public Food Service Establishments; Cites this act as the "Tourist Safety Act." Provides additional penalties for the offense of unlawfully distributing handbills in a public lodging establishment. Specifies that certain items used in committing such offense are subject to seizure and forfeiture under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act. Clarifies provisions relating to the preemption to the state of the regulation of public lodging and public food service establishments etc.  CJ 02/08/2011 Favorable CM 03/09/2011 Fav/CS BC 03/15/2011	Amendments Adopted - Temporarily Postponed

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8	<b>CS/CS/SB 408</b> Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations / Banking and Insurance / Richter (Similar H 803, Compare H 707, H 4115, CS/S 858, S 1462)	Property and Casualty Insurance; Revises the definition of "losses," relating to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, to exclude certain losses. Revises the amount of surplus funds required for domestic insurers applying for a certificate of authority after a certain date. Authorizes the Office of Insurance Regulation to reduce the surplus requirement under specified circumstances. Authorizes the office to disapprove a rate filing because the coverage is inadequate or the insurer charges a higher premium due to certain discriminatory factors, etc.  BI 01/25/2011 BI 02/07/2011 Temporarily Postponed BI 02/22/2011 Fav/CS BGA 03/11/2011 Fav/CS BC 03/15/2011 RC	Amendment Adopted - Temporarily Postponed
9	<b>CS/SB 444</b> Community Affairs / Bogdanoff (Similar H 441)	Scrutinized Companies; Prohibits a state agency or local governmental entity from contracting for goods and services of more than a certain amount with a company that is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List. Provides for a contract provision that allows for termination of the contract if the company is found to have been placed on such list. Provides a statute of repose. Prohibits a private right of action, etc.  GO 02/08/2011 Fav/2 Amendments CA 03/07/2011 Fav/CS BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0
10	<b>CS/SB 478</b> Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax / Thrasher (Similar H 355, Compare H 161, CS/S 382)	Property Taxation; Tolls the expiration period of a tax certificate and the statute of limitations relating to proceedings involving tax lien certificates or tax deeds during the period of an intervening bankruptcy. Revises, updates, and consolidates provisions of ch. 197, F.S., relating to definitions, tax collectors, lien of taxes, returns and assessments, unpaid or omitted taxes, discounts, interest rates, Department of Revenue responsibilities, tax bills, judicial sales, prepayment of taxes, etc.  CA 02/21/2011 Favorable BFT 03/11/2011 Fav/CS BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0

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11	<b>SM 484</b> Hays (Identical HM 617)	Discriminatory Taxes/Reinsurance; Urges Congress to oppose any effort to impose new discriminatory taxes that would significantly limit the use of reinsurance provided by companies located outside the United States.  BI 02/22/2011 Favorable BGA 03/11/2011 Favorable BC 03/15/2011 Favorable	Favorable Yeas 20 Nays 0

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