

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
Senator Bennett, Chair
Senator Norman, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Monday, March 14, 2011
TIME: 10:15 a.m.—12:15 p.m.
PLACE: *Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building*

MEMBERS: Senator Bennett, Chair; Senator Norman, Vice Chair; Senators Dockery, Hill, Richter, Ring, Storms, Thrasher, and Wise

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 830 Thrasher (Similar CS/H 1021)	Labor and Employment; Prohibits a state agency from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity. Prohibits a county, municipality, or other local governmental entity from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity, etc. CA 03/07/2011 CA 03/14/2011 Fav/CS GO BC	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 4
At 11:30 a.m. or upon completion of the above-referenced bill, whichever occurs first, the committee will hear the following bills.			
2	SB 994 Latvala (Identical H 913)	Public Records/Public Airports; Provides definitions. Provides an exemption from public records requirements for proprietary confidential business information submitted to or held by a public airport and for any proposal or counterproposal exchanged between the governing body of a public airport and a nongovernmental entity relating to the sale, use, development, or lease of airport land or airport facilities. Provides for exceptions to the exemptions. Provides for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions under the Open Government Sunset Review Act. Provides a finding of public necessity. CA 03/14/2011 Fav/1 Amendment CM GO	Fav/1 Amendment (138788) Yeas 9 Nays 0
3	SB 510 Latvala (Identical H 535)	Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program; Extends the repeal date of the program. Deletes an obsolete provision relating to the use of funds for programs to retrofit certain existing facilities. CA 03/14/2011 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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4	SB 582 Detert (Identical H 311)	Local Business Taxes; Exempts an individual engaging in or managing a business in an individual capacity as an employee from requirements related to local business taxes. Prohibits a local governing authority from holding an exempt employee liable for the failure of a principal or employer to comply with certain obligations related to a local business tax or requiring an exempt employee to take certain actions related to a local business tax, etc. CA 03/14/2011 Fav/CS RI BC	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
5	SJR 658 Fasano (Compare HJR 273, CS/HJR 381, HJR 537, H 1053, H 1163, SJR 210, SJR 390, SJR 1578, Link S 1564, S 1722)	Homestead/Nonhomestead Property; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to prohibit increases in the assessed value of homestead property if the fair market value of the property decreases, reduce the limitation on annual assessment increases applicable to nonhomestead real property, provide an additional homestead exemption for owners of homestead property who have not owned homestead property for a specified time before purchase of the current homestead property, etc. CA 03/14/2011 Fav/CS JU BC RC	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
6	SB 1144 Margolis (Identical H 767)	Local Government; Authorizes a board of county commissioners to negotiate the lease of certain real property for a limited period. Authorizes transfers of right-of-way between local governments by deed. CA 03/14/2011 Favorable JU TR	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
7	SB 634 Simmons (Identical H 4181)	Citizens Property Ins. Corp./Prohibited Activities; Repeals a provision relating to an obsolete prohibition against Citizens Property Insurance Corporation's use of certain amendments or transfers of funds for rate or assessment increase purposes. BI 02/22/2011 Favorable CA 03/14/2011 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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8	SB 638 Simmons (Identical H 4129)	Residential Property/Evaluation Grant Program; Deletes an obsolete Citizens Property Insurance Corporation residential property structural soundness evaluation grant program. BI 02/22/2011 Favorable CA 03/14/2011 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
9	A proposed committee substitute combining the following 2 bills (SB 800, SB 836) is available:		
	SB 800 Diaz de la Portilla (Similar S 836, Identical H 157)	Education/Training Opportunities/Public Employees; Provides certain educational opportunities for specified local government employees. Authorizes the use of fee waivers for specified local government employees. CA 03/14/2011 Temporarily Postponed HE BC	Temporarily Postponed
	SB 836 Margolis (Similar H 157, S 800)	Education/Training Opportunities Public Employees; Provides certain educational opportunities for specified local government employees. Authorizes the use of fee waivers for specified local government employees. CA 03/14/2011 Temporarily Postponed HE BC	Temporarily Postponed
