

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND ELDER AFFAIRS

Senator Grall, Chair
Senator Garcia, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, January 27, 2026

TIME: 1:00—3:00 p.m.

PLACE: 301 Senate Building

MEMBERS: Senator Grall, Chair; Senator Garcia, Vice Chair; Senators Harrell, Rouson, Sharief, and Simon

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 1002 Gaetz (Similar H 949)	Temporary Custody of Minor Children; Requiring a protective investigator to provide certain information and, if necessary, guidance to a relative of a child contacted during a protective investigation; authorizing a grandparent to petition for temporary or concurrent custody of his or her grandchild, regardless of certain circumstances; including a statement of specific acts or omissions of a child's parents which demonstrate certain use of a controlled substance or alcohol in the statements that may be contained in a petition for temporary or concurrent custody, etc. CF 01/27/2026 Fav/CS JU RC	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 0
2	SB 1016 Bradley (Similar CS/H 915)	Medical Assistance Eligibility for Working Persons with Disabilities; Creating the Working People with Disabilities program within the Agency for Health Care Administration; specifying income and asset requirements for eligibility in the program; requiring the Department of Children and Families to provide a written notice of specified information to eligible adults upon their initial enrollment in certain Medicaid waiver programs, and at least annually thereafter; requiring the department to provide the initial written notice to currently eligible enrollees within a specified timeframe, etc. CF 01/27/2026 Fav/CS AHS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 0

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3	SB 1030 Gruters (Similar H 923)	Recovery Residences; Prohibiting providers licensed for primary inpatient or outpatient mental health services from using certified recovery residences to provide housing to their patients; authorizing service providers certified as Level IV programs to use their certified recovery residences to provide housing to persons who receive primary outpatient mental health services; requiring the Department of Children and Families to issue a regular license after the department receives a complete application from certain existing licensed service providers that are seeking to add licensed services or one or more additional levels of care at an existing licensed location or at one or more new locations within a specified timeframe, if certain requirements are met, etc. CF 01/27/2026 Fav/CS AHS RC	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 0
4	SB 1594 Gaetz (Identical H 1327)	Veteran Benefit Payments to Minor Clients; Authorizing the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health, or the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to access certain benefit payments for specified purposes; prohibiting the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health, or the Agency for Persons with Disabilities from supplanting certain financial assistance, etc. CF 01/27/2026 Favorable MS FP	Favorable Yeas 5 Nays 0
5	SB 1630 Grall (Similar H 1121, Compare H 1295, S 1404)	Aging and Disability Services; Deleting expired requirements for Medicaid recipients to receive an offer for enrollment for long-term care services; requiring the CARES program to review or perform the initial assessment of an enrollee's level of care; providing procurement requirements for area agencies on aging expenditures; authorizing high-risk vulnerable adults to be given priority consideration for receiving community-care-for-the-elderly services; revising professional and public guardians' continuing education requirements to specifically include Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, etc. CF 01/27/2026 Fav/CS AHS FP	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 0
TAB	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION

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

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Director, Agency for Persons with Disabilities			
6	Asztalos, Robert P. (Tallahassee)	Pleasure of Governor	Recommend Confirm Yeas 5 Nays 0
Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County			
7	Chiea, Renee (Dunedin)	07/17/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 5 Nays 0
8	Millican, James A. ()	08/11/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 5 Nays 0
9	McShea, Alicia S. (St. Petersburg)	08/11/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 5 Nays 0
10	Gnage, Kristen Arrojo ()	08/07/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 5 Nays 0

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