

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

**COMMERCE AND TOURISM**  
**Senator Detert, Chair**  
**Senator Dockery, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 22, 2011  
**TIME:** 1:00 —3:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** James E. "Jim" King, Jr., Committee Room, 401 Senate Office Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Detert, Chair; Senator Dockery, Vice Chair; Senators Flores, Gaetz, Lynn, Montford, and Ring

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Consideration of proposed committee bill (Interim Project 2011-107 - Identification, Review, and Recommendations Relating to Obsolete Statutory References to the Former Florida Departments of Labor and Employment Security, and Commerce):		
	<b>SPB 7052</b>	Obsolete References and Programs; Removes an obsolete reference to the Department of Commerce. Updates a reference to the Department of Commerce to refer instead to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. Removes an obsolete reference to the Department of Labor and Employment Security. Repeals provisions relating to agreements of the Department of Labor and Employment Security with county tax collectors. Updates references to the Workforce Development Board of Enterprise Florida, Inc., etc.	Submitted as Committee Bill
2	<b>SB 728</b> Detert (Compare CS/H 7005, S 1058)	Unemployment Compensation; Increases the number of employer payroll service providers who qualify for access to unemployment tax information by filing a memorandum of understanding. Requires that an applicant for benefits complete an initial skills review. Revises provisions relating to the effect of criminal acts on eligibility for benefits. Requires an employer to pay a fee for paying contributions on a quarterly schedule. Provides for repayment of benefits in cases of agency error, etc.	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 1
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3	Facilitating Economic Development in Florida: Assessments and Strategies Related to Tourism:		Presented
	Chris Thompson, President & Ceo, VISIT FLORIDA		Presented
	Robert Skrob, Executive Director, FL Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus		Presented
	Carol Dover, President & CEO, Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association		Presented

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	Sharon Long, President, Florida Cultural Alliance		Presented
	John McKay, former Senate President, discussing the impact of arts and culture in Sarasota and Manatee Counties		Presented

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