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

**ETHICS AND ELECTIONS**  
**Senator Richter, Chair**  
**Senator Legg, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016  
**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Richter, Chair; Senator Legg, Vice Chair; Senators Braynon, Clemens, Flores, Gaetz, Hays, Negron, Smith, and Thompson

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8	Bramlitt, Denise M. (East Palatka)	05/31/2018	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
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<b>Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida</b>			
19	Conte, Joseph D. (Winter Park)	01/06/2020	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
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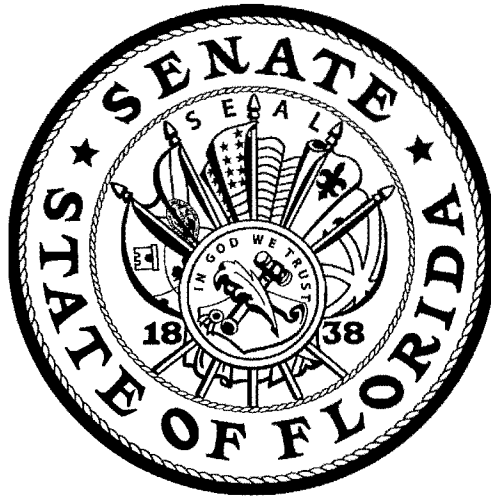
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**Requirements:** The authority shall consist of seven members:

- Four appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate
- Three appointed by the Mayor of the City of Jacksonville and confirmed by the Jacksonville City Council

**Additional Requirements:** Members shall serve four year terms. Members shall initially serve staggered terms with two gubernatorial appointments and two mayoral appointments being for initial two year terms, which shall count as a full term for the purpose of term limits herein. Terms commence on October 1 of the year of the appointment or for the unexpired portion of a term deemed to commence on October 1. Members shall not be eligible for more than two consecutive full terms. Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 11 - The Commission on Ethics reported Complaint No. 15-080, which alleged that Mr. Mackesy, as Chief of Police of the University of North Florida, violated s. 11.061, F.S., state university employee lobbyists and s. 11.062 F.S., using state funds for lobbying in 2015. The Commission dismissed the complaint for legal insufficiency on June 10, 2015.  
Number 19 - Mr. Mackesy worked for the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office from 1979 to 2011. Mr. Mackesy was the Director of Emergency and Security Training at the Florida State College of Jacksonville, 7/2011-10/2014. Mr. Mackesy is currently the Chief of Police at the University of North Florida, 10/2014-Present.

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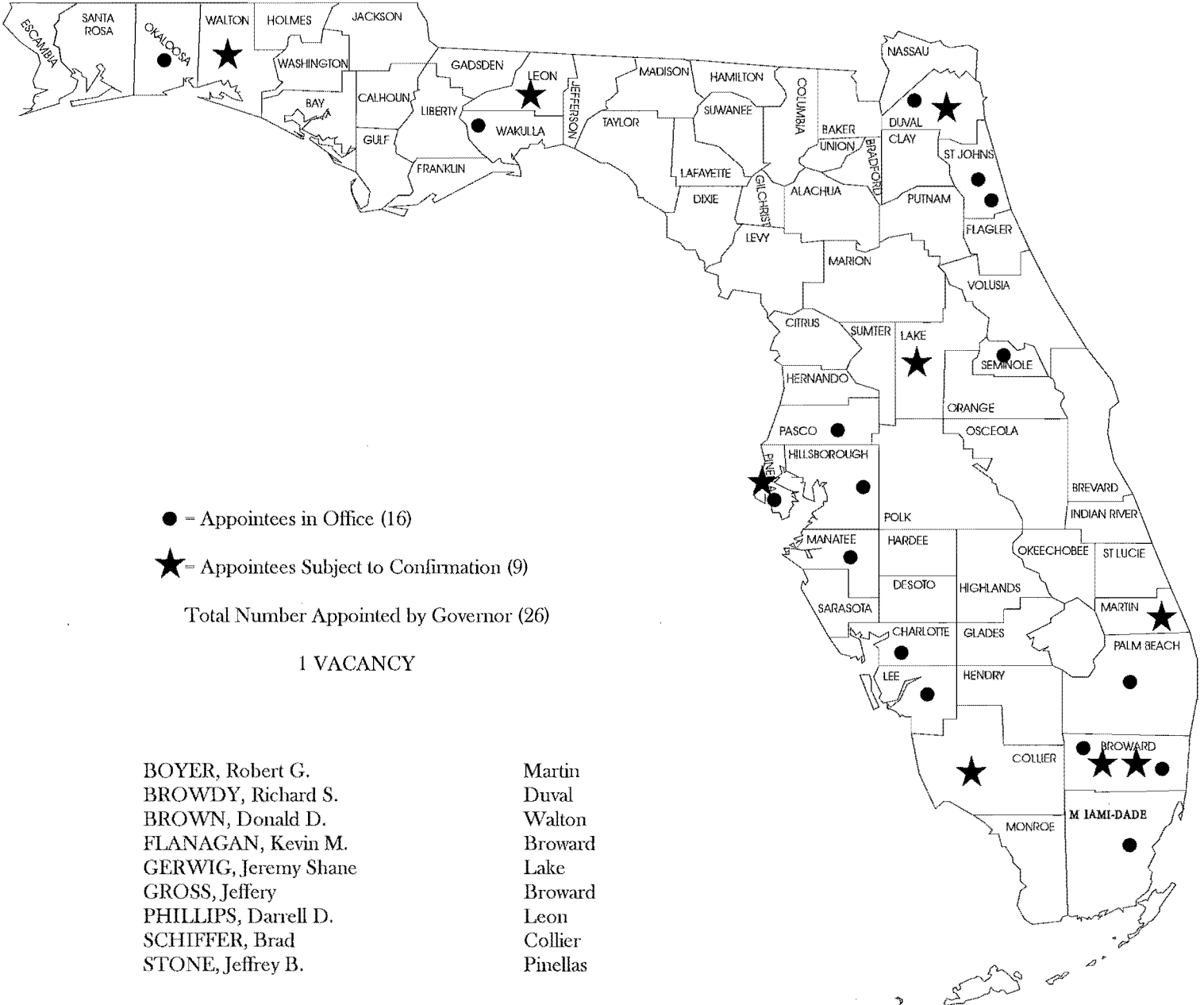
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# Florida Building Commission



# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Browdy, Richard S. Appointed: 12/18/2015  
 Term: 12/18/2015 – 10/13/2019 Prior Term: 04/23/2012 - 10/13/2015  
 City/County: Jacksonville/Duval  
 Office: Florida Building Commission, Member  
 Authority: 553.74, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)	X		See Below
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 5/29/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			No Report
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** President of Browdy & Browdy (Real Estate Dev./Construction)

**Attendance:** Attended 22 of 22 meetings (100%) from April 23, 2012 through January 11, 2016.

**Compensation:** Members of the board serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses as provided by s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** The 27 member commission shall be composed of the following:

- One architect registered to practice in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One structural engineer registered to practice in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One mechanical contractor certified to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One electrical contractor certified to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One member from fire protection engineering or technology who is actively engaged in the profession;
- One general contractor certified to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One plumbing contractor licensed to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One roofing, sheet metal, or air-conditioning contractor certified to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One residential contractor licensed to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- Three members who are municipal or district codes enforcement officials, one of whom is also a fire official;
- One member who represents the Department of Financial Services;
- One member who is a county codes enforcement official;
- One member of a Florida-based organization of persons with disabilities or a nationally chartered organization of persons with disabilities with chapters in this state;
- One member of the manufactured buildings industry who is licensed to do business in this state and is actively engaged in the industry;
- One mechanical or electrical engineer registered to practice in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One member who is a representative of a municipality or a charter county;
- One member of the building products manufacturing industry who is authorized to do business in this state and actively engaged in the industry;
- One member who is a representative of the building owners and managers industry who is actively engaged in commercial building ownership or management;
- One member who is a representative of the insurance industry; and,
- One member who is a representative of public education;
- One member who is a swimming pool contractor licensed to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession; and
- One member who is a representative of the green building industry and who is a third-party commission agent, a Florida board member of the United States Green Building Council or Green Building Initiative, a professional who is accredited under the International Green Construction Code, or a LEED-accredited professional;
- One member who is a representative of the natural gas distribution system and who is actively engaged in the distribution of natural gas in this state;
- One member who is a representative of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Office of Energy.
- One member who shall be chair.

**Additional Requirements:** All appointments shall be for terms of four years.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 6 - Mr. Browdy served in the U.S. Naval Reserve in 1970  
Number 8 - Chair, Florida Building Commission  
Number 18 - Mr. Browdy has served on the Florida Building Commission since 7/29/1999. Mr. Browdy served on the Board of Building Codes and Standards from June 1989 to January 1999. Mr. Browdy served as the Chairman of the Duval County Housing Finance Authority, a special district and he is a past Chairman of the Building Codes Adjustment Board, City of Jacksonville.



# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Gross, Jeffery Appointed: 12/18/2015  
 Term: 12/18/2015 – 11/21/2019 Prior Term: 11/30/2012 - 11/21/2015  
 City/County: Hollywood/Broward  
 Office: Florida Building Commission, Member  
 Authority: 553.74, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 5/29/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			No Report
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/15/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office	X		See Below
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Architect/President of Jeffery Gross Associates Architects, PA

**Attendance:** Attended 16 of 19 meetings (84%) from November 30, 2012 through January 15, 2016.

**Compensation:** Members of the board serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses as provided by s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** The 27 member commission shall be composed of the following:

- One architect registered to practice in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One structural engineer registered to practice in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
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- One member from fire protection engineering or technology who is actively engaged in the profession;
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- One residential contractor licensed to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- Three members who are municipal or district codes enforcement officials, one of whom is also a fire official;
- One member who represents the Department of Financial Services;
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**Additional Requirements:** All appointments shall be for terms of four years.

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**Notes:** Number 8 - Mr. Gross represents the building owners and managers industry.  
Number 16 - Mr. Gross is the President of an Architect firm that provides contract consulting services to state and local government agencies.  
Number 18 - Mr. Gross served on the City of Hollywood Planning and Zoning Board for eight years. Mr. Gross previously served on the Town of Davie Unsafe Structures Board. Mr. Gross has served on the Florida Building Commission since 11/2003.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Schiffer, Brad  
 Term: 12/18/2015 – 08/11/2019  
 City/County: Naples/Collier  
 Office: Florida Building Commission, Member  
 Authority: 553.74, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 12/18/2015  
 Prior Term: 12/30/2012 - 08/11/2015

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19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** President of TAXIS, Inc. (Architect)

**Attendance:** Attended 18 of 18 meetings (100%) from December 30, 2012 through January 13, 2016.

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- One member of the manufactured buildings industry who is licensed to do business in this state and is actively engaged in the industry;
- One mechanical or electrical engineer registered to practice in this state and actively engaged in the profession;
- One member who is a representative of a municipality or a charter county;
- One member of the building products manufacturing industry who is authorized to do business in this state and actively engaged in the industry;
- One member who is a representative of the building owners and managers industry who is actively engaged in commercial building ownership or management;
- One member who is a representative of the insurance industry; and,
- One member who is a representative of public education;
- One member who is a swimming pool contractor licensed to do business in this state and actively engaged in the profession; and
- One member who is a representative of the green building industry and who is a third-party commission agent, a Florida board member of the United States Green Building Council or Green Building Initiative, a professional who is accredited under the International Green Construction Code, or a LEED-accredited professional;
- One member who is a representative of the natural gas distribution system and who is actively engaged in the distribution of natural gas in this state;
- One member who is a representative of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Office of Energy.
- One member who shall be chair.

**Additional Requirements:** All appointments shall be for terms of four years.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Registered Architect

Number 18 - Mr. Schiffer served on the Collier County Planning Commission from March 2003 to October 2012.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON  
EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT**

**COMMITTEE:** Committee on Regulated Industries  
**MEETING DATE:** Wednesday, November 18, 2015  
**TIME:** 3:00—4:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Office Building

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Regulated Industries

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation

**Appointee:** Lawson, Kenneth E.

**Term:** 5/4/2015-Pleasure of Governor

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Governor.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Lawson, Kenneth E. Appointed: 05/04/2015  
 Term: 05/04/2015 – Pleasure of Governor Prior Term:  
 City/County: Tallahassee/Leon  
 Office: Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation, Secretary  
 Authority: 20.165(1), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections  
 Committee on Regulated Industries-Recommend Confirm-11/18/2015

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)	X		See Below
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 5/29/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report		X	
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 7/10/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist	X		See Below

**Occupation:** Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation

**Compensation:** \$141,000.08 per year as of November 16, 2015.

**Requirements:** The Secretary is appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation of the Senate.

**Additional Requirements:** The Secretary shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 6 - Secretary Lawson served in the United States Marine Corps from 10/1991 to 11/1994.  
Number 18 - Secretary Lawson began serving as Secretary of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation on 5/2/2011 and was subsequently reappointed to a new term. Secretary Lawson served on the Hillsborough Judicial Nominating Committee in 2001 and on the Hillsborough County Housing Finance Authority from 2010 to 2011.  
Number 20 - Legislative  
Education Verified



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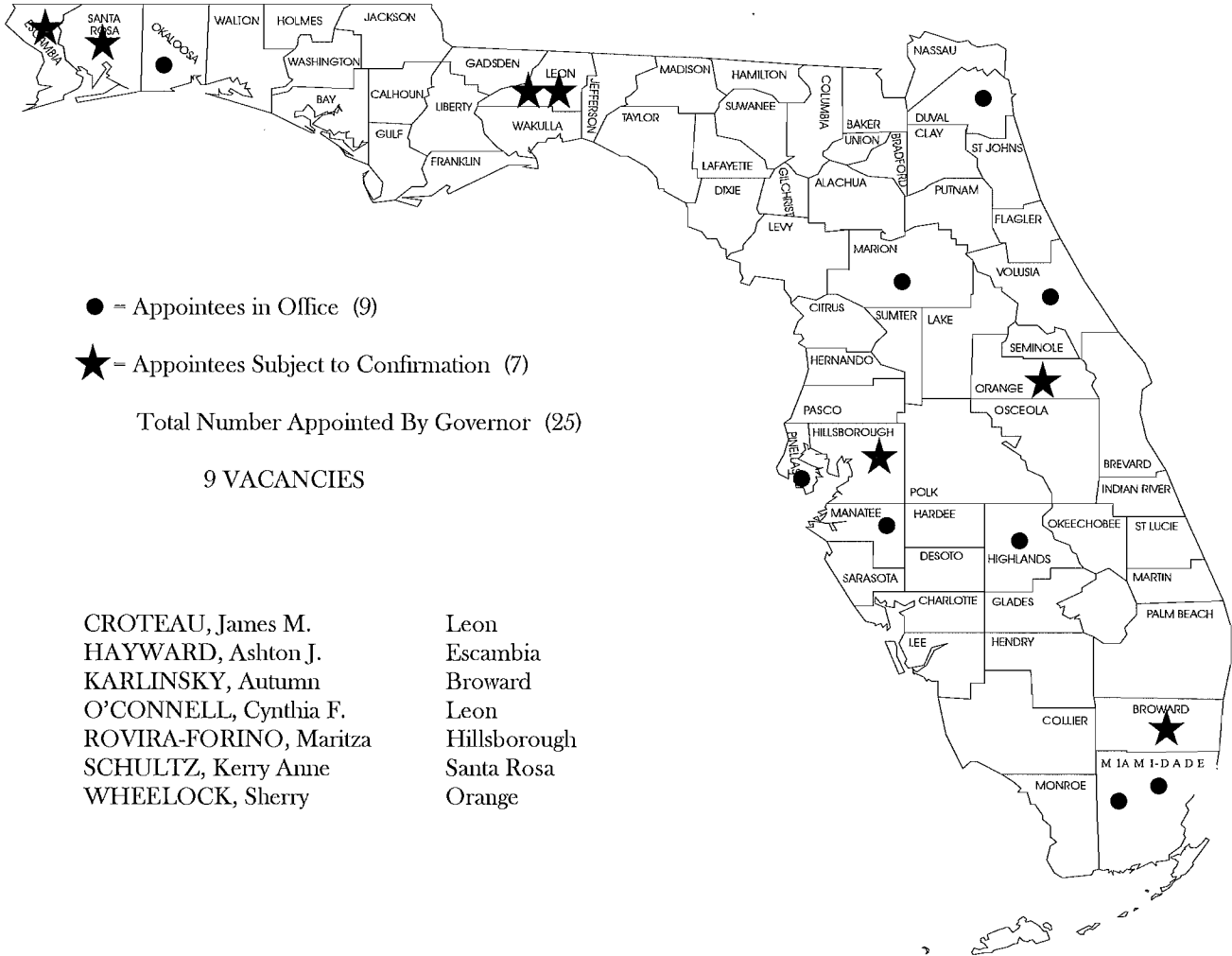
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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

# Florida Commission on Community Service



# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Schultz, Kerry Anne  
 Term: 11/13/2015 – 09/14/2018  
 City/County: Gulf Breeze/Santa Rosa  
 Office: Florida Commission on Community Service, Member  
 Authority: 14.29, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 11/20/2015  
 Prior Term: 01/24/2014 - 09/14/2015

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 5/28/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			No Report
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Attorney, Fountain, Schultz and Associates

**Attendance:** Attended 4 of 8 meetings (50%) from January 24, 2014 through January 5, 2016.

**Attendance Notes:** Mrs. Schultz disclosed she was absent from several meetings due personal medical reasons.

**Compensation:** Members are not entitled to compensation, but shall be reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** The commission consists of no fewer than 15 and no more than 25 voting members, to be appointed on a bipartisan basis by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Voting members may represent one, or any combination of the following, so long as each of the respective categories are represented:

- The Commissioner of Education or a designee from that office;
- A representative of a community-based agency or organization;
- A representative of a local labor organization;
- A representative of local government;
- A representative of business;
- An individual between the ages of 16 and 25, inclusive, who is a participant in, or a supervisor of, a service program for school-aged youth or a campus-based or national service program;
- An individual who is a representative of a national service program;
- An individual with expertise in the educational, training, and developmental needs of youth, particularly disadvantaged youth; and
- An individual with experience in promoting service and volunteerism among older adults.
- Other voting members may include educators; experts in the delivery of human educational, environmental, or public safety services; representatives of Indian tribes; out-of-school or at-risk youth; and representatives of programs that are administered by or receive assistance under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, as amended.

Not more than 50 percent plus one of the voting members of the commission may be aligned with the same political party.

In addition, the number of voting members of the commission who are officers or employees of the state may not exceed 25 percent.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for three years. Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Representative of Business

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Wheelock, Sherry  
 Term: 06/12/2015 – 09/14/2017

Appointed: 06/15/2015  
 Prior Term: 11/08/2012 - 09/14/2014

City/County: Windermere/Orange

Office: Florida Commission on Community Service, Member

Authority: 14.29, F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/30/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			No Report
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 12/16/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** CEO of Special Olympics Florida

**Attendance:** Attended 4 of 9 meetings (44%) from November 8, 2012 through December 1, 2015.

**Attendance Notes:** Ms. Wheelock was excused from several meetings because of the arrival of new baby in the family.

**Compensation:** Members are not entitled to compensation, but shall be reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** The commission consists of no fewer than 15 and no more than 25 voting members, to be appointed on a bipartisan basis by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Voting members may represent one, or any combination of the following, so long as each of the respective categories are represented:

- The Commissioner of Education or a designee from that office;
- A representative of a community-based agency or organization;
- A representative of a local labor organization;
- A representative of local government;
- A representative of business;
- An individual between the ages of 16 and 25, inclusive, who is a participant in, or a supervisor of, a service program for school-aged youth or a campus-based or national service program;
- An individual who is a representative of a national service program;
- An individual with expertise in the educational, training, and developmental needs of youth, particularly disadvantaged youth; and
- An individual with experience in promoting service and volunteerism among older adults.
- Other voting members may include educators; experts in the delivery of human educational, environmental, or public safety services; representatives of Indian tribes; out-of-school or at-risk youth; and representatives of programs that are administered by or receive assistance under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, as amended.

Not more than 50 percent plus one of the voting members of the commission may be aligned with the same political party.

In addition, the number of voting members of the commission who are officers or employees of the state may not exceed 25 percent.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for three years. Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Gupta, Rajendra P.  
 Term: 09/25/2015 – 05/31/2019  
 City/County: Ft. Lauderdale/Broward  
 Office: Board of Trustees of Broward College, Member  
 Authority: 1001.61(1)(2), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 10/21/2015  
 Prior Term:

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 1/23/16
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record	X		See Below
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	



**Occupation:** Physician/Owner/RP Gupta & Associates

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S., including mileage to and from official board meetings.

**Requirements:** Florida College System institution District Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Governor and comprised of:

Five members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district.

Seven members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district and the board of trustees so elect.

Not more than nine members when the district contains two or more school board districts.

**Additional Requirements:** Trustees shall be appointed for four-year terms. Terms shall expire May 31 of the year of expiration or as soon thereafter as the successors shall be qualified to serve.  
It is the duty of the chair to notify the Governor, in writing, when a board member fails to attend three consecutive regular board meetings in any one fiscal year; absences may be grounds for removal.

Required to file Form 1 with the SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Broward County Resident  
Number 9 - Dr. Gupta previously disclosed he was charged with a D.U.I. in Broward County in 1989 and was placed on probation for one year. The HSMV report indicated this violation occurred on 2/18/90 and his driver's license was revoked for 180 days.  
Number 18 - Dr. Gupta served on the Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University, 2003 - 2011.



**Occupation:** President of Continental Public Adjusters

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S., including mileage to and from official board meetings.

**Requirements:** Florida College System institution District Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Governor and comprised of:

Five members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district.

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Not more than nine members when the district contains two or more school board districts.

**Additional Requirements:** Trustees shall be appointed for four-year terms. Terms shall expire May 31 of the year of expiration or as soon thereafter as the successors shall be qualified to serve.  
It is the duty of the chair to notify the Governor, in writing, when a board member fails to attend three consecutive regular board meetings in any one fiscal year; absences may be grounds for removal.

Required to file Form 1 with the SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Broward County Resident

Number 14 - The Department of Financial Services, Bureau of Licensing reported an administrative complaint (case 89801-07-Ag) was filed against Mr. Rump in 2008 and he was fined \$2500. The complaint alleged aiding an unlicensed individual. Mr. Rump provided an explanation stating the incident did not involve him directly but an employee and the alleged claim was that the licensee in charge of the company should have known and was responsible.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Wahl, Peter F.

Appointed: 11/06/2015

Term: 10/30/2015 – 05/31/2019

Prior Term: 03/26/2014 - 05/31/2015

City/County: The Villages/Sumter

Office: Board of Trustees of Lake-Sumter State College, Member

Authority: 1001.61(1)(2), F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)	X		See Below
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/24/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report		X	See Below
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee	X		See Below
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** District Secretary, District 33, Florida House of Representatives

**Attendance:** Attended 14 of 17 meetings (82%) from March 26, 2014 through January 5, 2016.

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S., including mileage to and from official board meetings.

**Requirements:** Florida College System institution District Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Governor and comprised of:

Five members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district.

Seven members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district and the board of trustees so elect.

Not more than nine members when the district contains two or more school board districts.

**Additional Requirements:** Trustees shall be appointed for four-year terms. Terms shall expire May 31 of the year of expiration or as soon thereafter as the successors shall be qualified to serve. It is the duty of the chair to notify the Governor, in writing, when a board member fails to attend three consecutive regular board meetings in any one fiscal year; absences may be grounds for removal. Required to file Form 1 with the SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 6 - Mr. Wahl served in the U.S. Army from 1966 to 1968.  
Number 8 - Sumter County Resident  
Number 10 - Report 2015-144  
Number 18 - Mr. Wahl served on the 5th District Judicial Selection Committee.  
Number 19 - Mr. Wahl is currently a District Secretary, District, 33, Florida House of Representatives, 2013-Present. Mr. Wahl was the District Manager for the Village Center Community Development Authority from 1995 - 2010. Mr. Wahl worked as the County Manager for the Lake County Commission from 1992 - 1995. Mr. Wahl held various positions with the Brevard County Commission from 1973 - 1992.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

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# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Moran, Lori A.

Appointed: 10/20/2015

Term: 09/04/2015 – 05/31/2019

Prior Term: 04/23/2012 - 05/31/2015

City/County: Sarasota/Sarasota

Office: Board of Trustees of State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, Member

Authority: 1001.61(1)(2), F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/29/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report		X	See Below
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee	X		See Below
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	



**Occupation:**

**Attendance:** Attended 40 of 43 meetings (93%) from April 23, 2012 through January 5, 2016.

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S., including mileage to and from official board meetings.

**Requirements:** Florida College System institution District Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Governor and comprised of:

Five members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district.

Seven members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district and the board of trustees so elect.

Not more than nine members when the district contains two or more school board districts.

**Additional Requirements:** Trustees shall be appointed for four-year terms. Terms shall expire May 31 of the year of expiration or as soon thereafter as the successors shall be qualified to serve.  
It is the duty of the chair to notify the Governor, in writing, when a board member fails to attend three consecutive regular board meetings in any one fiscal year; absences may be grounds for removal. Required to file Form 1 with the SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Sarasota County Resident  
Number 10 - Report 2015-099  
Number 19 - Mrs. Moran was a legislative aide with the Florida House of Representative from 12/14-4/15.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Bramlitt, Denise M.  
 Term: 06/12/2015 – 05/31/2018

Appointed: 06/16/2015  
 Prior Term: 08/19/2014 - 05/31/2018

City/County: East Palatka/Putnam

Office: Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College, Member

Authority: 1001.61(1)(2), F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/19/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report		X	See Below
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 8/28/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)	X		See Below
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Owner, Bramlitts, Inc. (Retail Supply House)

**Attendance:** Attended 10 of 13 meetings (77%) from August 19, 2014 through December 9, 2015.

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S., including mileage to and from official board meetings.

**Requirements:** Florida College System institution District Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Governor and comprised of:

Five members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district.

Seven members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district and the board of trustees so elect.

Not more than nine members when the district contains two or more school board districts.

**Additional Requirements:** Trustees shall be appointed for four-year terms. Terms shall expire May 31 of the year of expiration or as soon thereafter as the successors shall be qualified to serve.  
It is the duty of the chair to notify the Governor, in writing, when a board member fails to attend three consecutive regular board meetings in any one fiscal year; absences may be grounds for removal. Required to file Form 1 with the SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Putnam County Resident  
Number 10 - Report 2015-125  
Number 15 - Ms. Bramlitt disclosed her company, Bramlitts, Inc., is a plumbing and electric supply vendor for the Putnam County School Board.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Duren, Joseph M., Sr.

Appointed: 06/16/2015

Term: 06/12/2015 – 05/31/2018

Prior Term: 08/19/2014 - 05/31/2018

City/County: St. Augustine/St. Johns

Office: Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College, Member

Authority: 1001.61(1)(2), F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)	X		See Below
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/24/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report		X	See Below
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 8/28/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee	X		See Below
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** VP of Product Development for Island Doctors

**Attendance:** Attended 10 of 13 meetings (77%) from August 19, 2014 through December 9, 2015.

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S., including mileage to and from official board meetings.

**Requirements:** Florida College System institution District Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Governor and comprised of:

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Seven members when a Florida College System institution district is confined to one school board district and the board of trustees so elect.

Not more than nine members when the district contains two or more school board districts.

**Additional Requirements:** Trustees shall be appointed for four-year terms. Terms shall expire May 31 of the year of expiration or as soon thereafter as the successors shall be qualified to serve.  
It is the duty of the chair to notify the Governor, in writing, when a board member fails to attend three consecutive regular board meetings in any one fiscal year; absences may be grounds for removal. Required to file Form 1 with the SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 6 - Colonel Duren served in the Florida Army National Guard, 1975 - 2015.  
Number 8 - St. Johns County Resident  
Number 10 - Report 2015-125  
Number 19 - Colonel Duren was employed by the Department of Military Affairs as the Director of Logistics from 1984 to 2014.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON  
EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT**

**COMMITTEE:** Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs  
**MEETING DATE:** Thursday, December 03, 2015  
**TIME:** 1:00—3:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** 301 Senate Office Building

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President  
**FROM:** Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Secretary of Elderly Affairs  
**Appointee:** Verghese, Samuel P.  
**Term:** 5/4/2015-Pleasure of Governor

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Governor.





**Notes:** Number 19 - Secretary Verghese was the External Affairs Director for the Executive Office of the Governor from 4/14-12/14. He was employed by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation as the Chief of Staff from 8/13-4/14, and Legislative Affairs Director from 10/12-8/13. From 11/10-10/12, Secretary Verghese was a Staff Director in the Florida House of Representatives.  
Number 20 - Legislative  
Education Verified

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**Notes:** Number 9 - Mr. Harper disclosed he was arrested for a misdemeanor and fined less than \$150 around 1980. The FDLE report did not include this charge.

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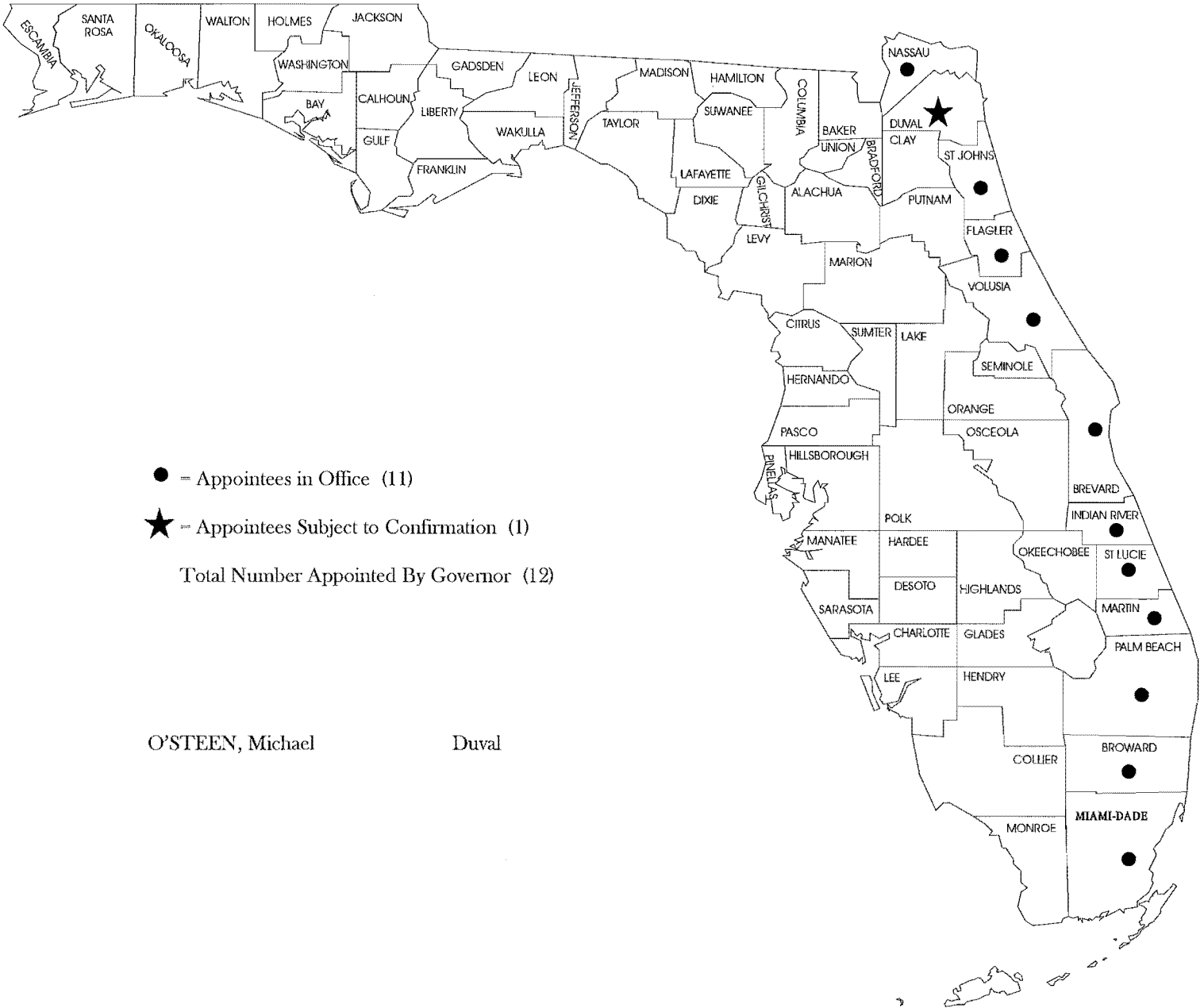
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# Florida Inland Navigation District



# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: O'Steen, Michael  
 Term: 09/04/2015 – 01/09/2019  
 City/County: Jacksonville Beach/Duval  
 Office: Florida Inland Navigation District, Member  
 Authority: 374.983, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 09/08/2015  
 Prior Term:

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 1/19/16
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	See Below
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 12/16/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	



**Occupation:** Director of Planning & Development for 'The PARC Group' (Land Development)

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** The Florida Inland Navigation District is a special taxing district composed of 12 members, appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate.

One member shall be appointed for each of the following counties:

- Broward;
- Miami-Dade;
- Duval;
- Flagler;
- Indian River;
- Martin;
- Nassau;
- Palm Beach;
- St. Johns;
- St. Lucie; and
- Volusia.

No two members shall reside in the same county in the district.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for four years. Commencing on January 10, 1997, the Governor shall appoint the Commissioners from Broward, Indian River, Martin, St. Johns, and Volusia Counties. On January 10, 1999, the Governor shall appoint the Commissioners from Brevard, Dade, Duval, Flagler, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie Counties. Required to file Form 1 with the SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Represents Duval County  
Number 9 - Mr. O'Steen disclosed on his questionnaire that in 2009 he was charged with public intoxication in Orange Beach, AL. The FDLE report did not include this violation.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON  
EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT**

**COMMITTEE:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability  
**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, January 26, 2016  
**TIME:** 9:00—11:00 a.m.  
**PLACE:** James E. "Jim" King, Jr. Committee Room, 401 Senate Office Building

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Investment Advisory Council

**Appointee:** Daniels, Leslie B.

**Term:** 5/5/2015-12/12/2018

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Board of Administration.



**Requirements:** Beginning February 1, 2011, the membership of the council is nine members, appointed by the Board of Administration, who must have special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with financial investments and portfolio management.

These individuals shall possess special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with portfolio management, institutional investments, and fiduciary responsibilities.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for four years. Not required to file financial disclosure form.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Governor's Nominee  
Education Verified

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Investment Advisory Council

**Appointee:** Jones Jr., J. Robert

**Term:** 5/5/2015-2/1/2019

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Board of Administration.



**Requirements:** Beginning February 1, 2011, the membership of the council is nine members, appointed by the Board of Administration, who must have special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with financial investments and portfolio management.

These individuals shall possess special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with portfolio management, institutional investments, and fiduciary responsibilities.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for four years. Not required to file financial disclosure form.

**Notes:** Number 8 - C.F.O.'s Nominee  
Education Verified



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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Investment Advisory Council

**Appointee:** Olmstead, Vinny

**Term:** 9/1/2015-2/1/2019

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Board of Administration.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Olmstead, Vinny Appointed: 09/21/2015  
 Term: 09/01/2015 – 02/01/2019 Prior Term:  
 City/County: Vero Beach/Indian River  
 Office: Investment Advisory Council, Member  
 Authority: 215.444, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections  
 Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability-Recommend Confirm-01/26/2016

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed		X	Not Required
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	See Below
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 10/8/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Manager/Director, VOCAP Investment Partners

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061.

**Requirements:** Beginning February 1, 2011, the membership of the council is nine members, appointed by the Board of Administration, who must have special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with financial investments and portfolio management.

These individuals shall possess special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with portfolio management, institutional investments, and fiduciary responsibilities.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for four years. Not required to file financial disclosure form.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Attorney General Nominee  
Number 9 - Mr. Olmstead disclosed on his questionnaire that in 1985 he was fined for 'underage drinking' in South Carolina. The FDLE report did not include this charge.  
Education Verified

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON  
EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT**

**COMMITTEE:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability  
**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, January 26, 2016  
**TIME:** 9:00—11:00 a.m.  
**PLACE:** James E. "Jim" King, Jr. Committee Room, 401 Senate Office Building

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Investment Advisory Council

**Appointee:** Price, Michael F.

**Term:** 5/5/2015-12/12/2018

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Board of Administration.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Price, Michael F. Appointed: 06/03/2015  
 Term: 05/05/2015 – 12/12/2018 Prior Term: 03/24/2015 - 12/12/2018  
 City/County: New York/Non-Florida  
 Office: Investment Advisory Council, Member  
 Authority: 215.444, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections  
 Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability-Recommend Confirm-01/26/2016

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)		X	See Below
5. Registered Voter in Florida		X	
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed		X	Not Required
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			No Report
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 7/10/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Managing Member, MFP Investors, LLC (Money Manager)

**Attendance:** Attended 3 of 4 meetings (75%) from March 24, 2015 through June 23, 2015.

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061.

**Requirements:** Beginning February 1, 2011, the membership of the council is nine members, appointed by the Board of Administration, who must have special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with financial investments and portfolio management.

These individuals shall possess special knowledge, experience, and familiarity with portfolio management, institutional investments, and fiduciary responsibilities.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for four years. Not required to file financial disclosure form.

**Notes:** Number 4 - New York Resident  
Number 8 - Governor's Nominee  
Education Verified

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

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**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON  
EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT**

**COMMITTEE:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability  
**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, January 19, 2016  
**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** James E. "Jim" King, Jr. Committee Room, 401 Senate Office Building

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Secretary of Management Services

**Appointee:** Poppell, Patterson Chad

**Term:** 5/4/2015-Pleasure of Governor

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Governor.



# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Poppell, Patterson Chad  
 Term: 05/04/2015 – Pleasure of Governor  
 City/County: Tallahassee/Leon  
 Office: Secretary of Management Services, Secretary  
 Authority: 20.22(1), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability-Recommend Confirm-01/19/2016  
 Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 05/04/2015  
 Prior Term:

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 1/23/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report		X	
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 7/10/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee	X		See Below
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist	X		See Below

**Occupation:** Secretary, Department of Management Services

**Compensation:** \$141,000.00 per year as of July 21, 2015.

**Requirements:** The Secretary is appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate.

**Additional Requirements:** The Secretary shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 19 - Secretary Poppell was the Chief of Staff for the Department of Economic Opportunity from 2013 to 2014. Secretary Poppell was the Director of Employee Services for the Jacksonville Electric Authority from 2011-2013 and he was the Chief of Human Relations for the City of Jacksonville from 1999 to 2011.

Number 20 - Legislative  
Education Verified

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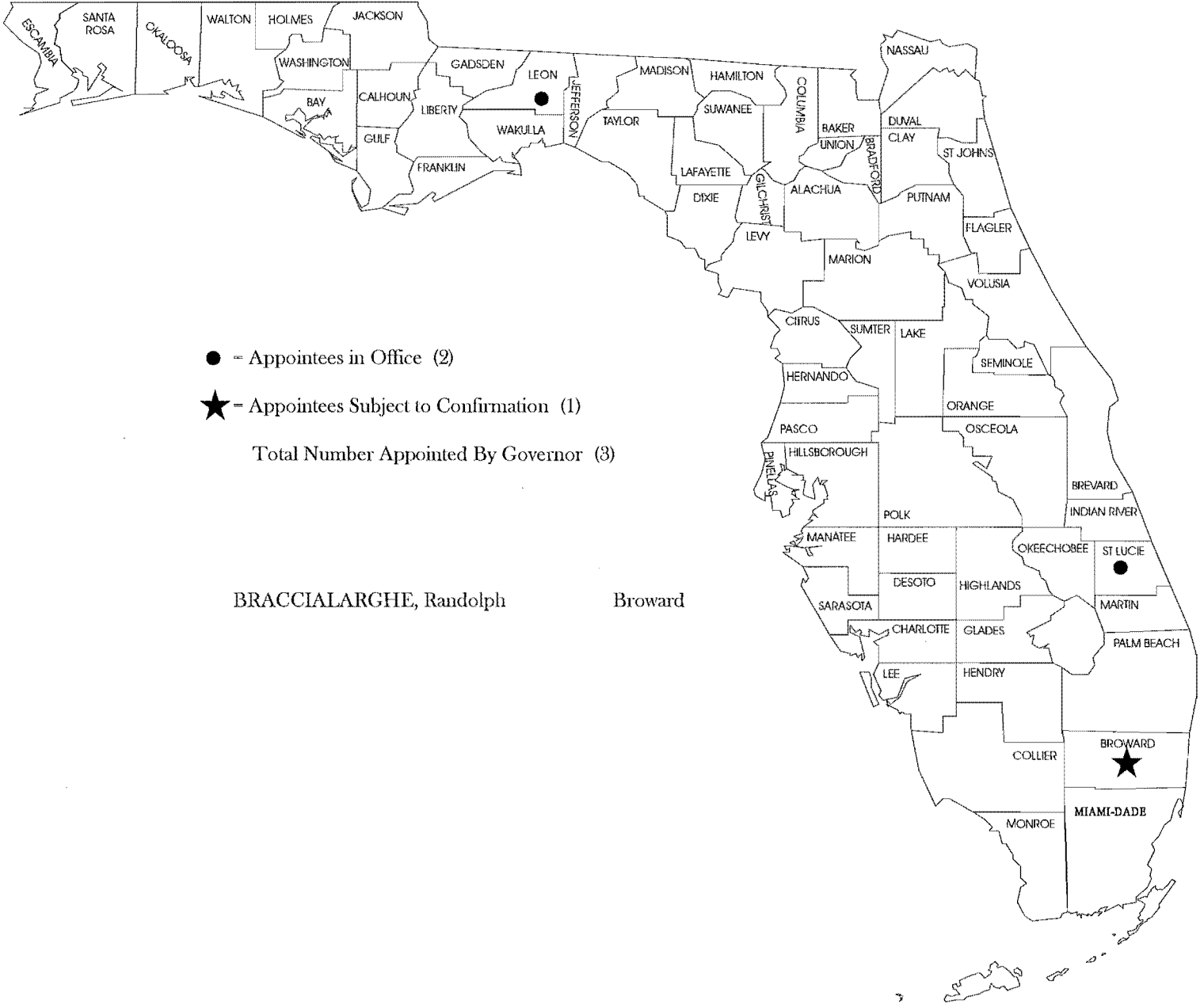
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# National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws



# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Braccialarghe, Randolph  
 Term: 10/29/2015 – 06/05/2019  
 City/County: Plantation/Broward  
 Office: National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, Member  
 Authority: 11.249(1)  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 11/04/2015  
 Prior Term: 04/23/2012 - 06/05/2015

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed		X	Not Required
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee	X		See Below
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Law Professor at NSU

**Attendance:** Attended 2 of 2 meetings (100%) from April 23, 2012 through January 5, 2016.

**Attendance** 100% attendance was reported.

**Notes:**

**Compensation:** Reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** Florida's representatives to the national conference consist of three commissioners, together with any residents of the state who because of long service in the cause of the uniformity of state legislation shall have been elected life members from this state of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

**Additional** Terms are for four years.

**Requirements:** Not required to file financial disclosure form.

**Notes:** Number 19 - Mr. Braccialarghe was the Assistant State Attorney for the State Attorney's Office, 17th Judicial Circuit from 1977 to 1981.

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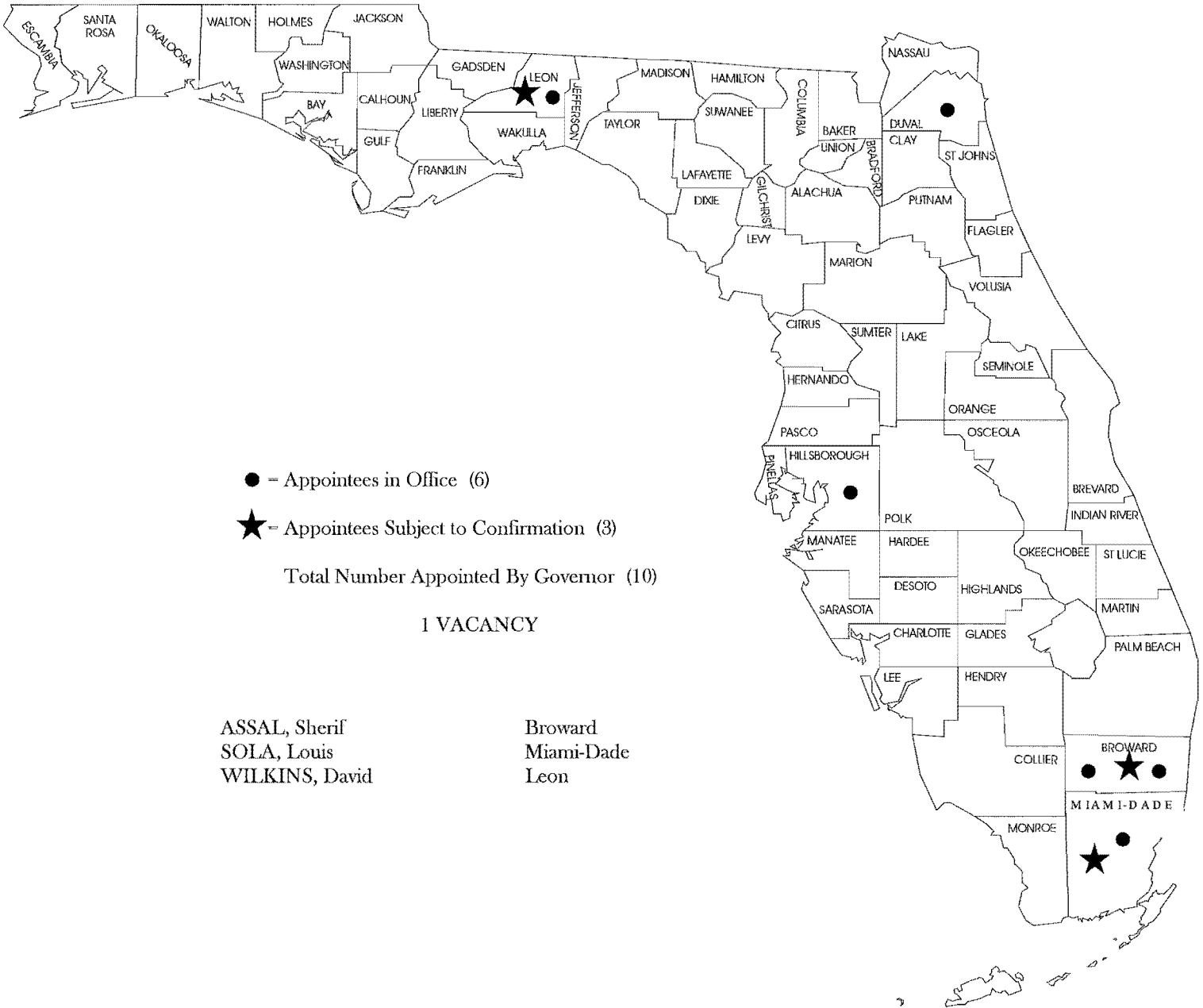
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# Board of Pilot Commissioners



ASSAL, Sherif  
 SOLA, Louis  
 WILKINS, David

Broward  
 Miami-Dade  
 Leon



# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Wilkins, David  
 Term: 12/04/2015 – 10/31/2018  
 City/County: Tallahassee/Leon  
 Office: Board of Pilot Commissioners, Member  
 Authority: 310.011, F.S. & 20.165(5)( F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 12/10/2015  
 Prior Term:

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 12/21/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Consultant at DTW Strategies

**Compensation:** Fifty dollars per day while attending to the business of the board; reimbursed for expenses pursuant to s. 112.061, F.S.

- Requirements:** The ten-member board consists of:
- Five licensed state pilots who are actively practicing their profession. The Governor shall appoint:
    - one member from the state at large;
    - one member from any of the following ports: Pensacola, Panama City, or Port St. Joe;
    - one member from any of the following ports: Tampa Bay, Boca Grande, Punta Gorda, Charlotte Harbor or Key West;
    - one member from any of the following ports: Fernandina, Jacksonville, or Port Canaveral; and
    - one member from any of the following ports: Ft. Pierce, Miami, Port Everglades, or Palm Beach.
  - Five members who are citizens of the state who are not licensed pilots, three of whom are not involved in or monetarily interested in the piloting profession, the maritime industry or marine shipping, one whom shall be actively involved in a professional or business capacity in maritime or marine shipping, and one who shall be a user of piloting services. The "user of piloting services" may be an owner, manager, or employee of a business which regularly uses the piloting services of licensed state pilots.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for four years.

Terms expire on October 31.

No member shall serve more than the remaining portion of a previous member's unexpired term, plus two consecutive 4-year terms.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Citizen Member

Number 18 - Mr. Wilkins served as the Secretary of Children and Family Services, 2011-2013.

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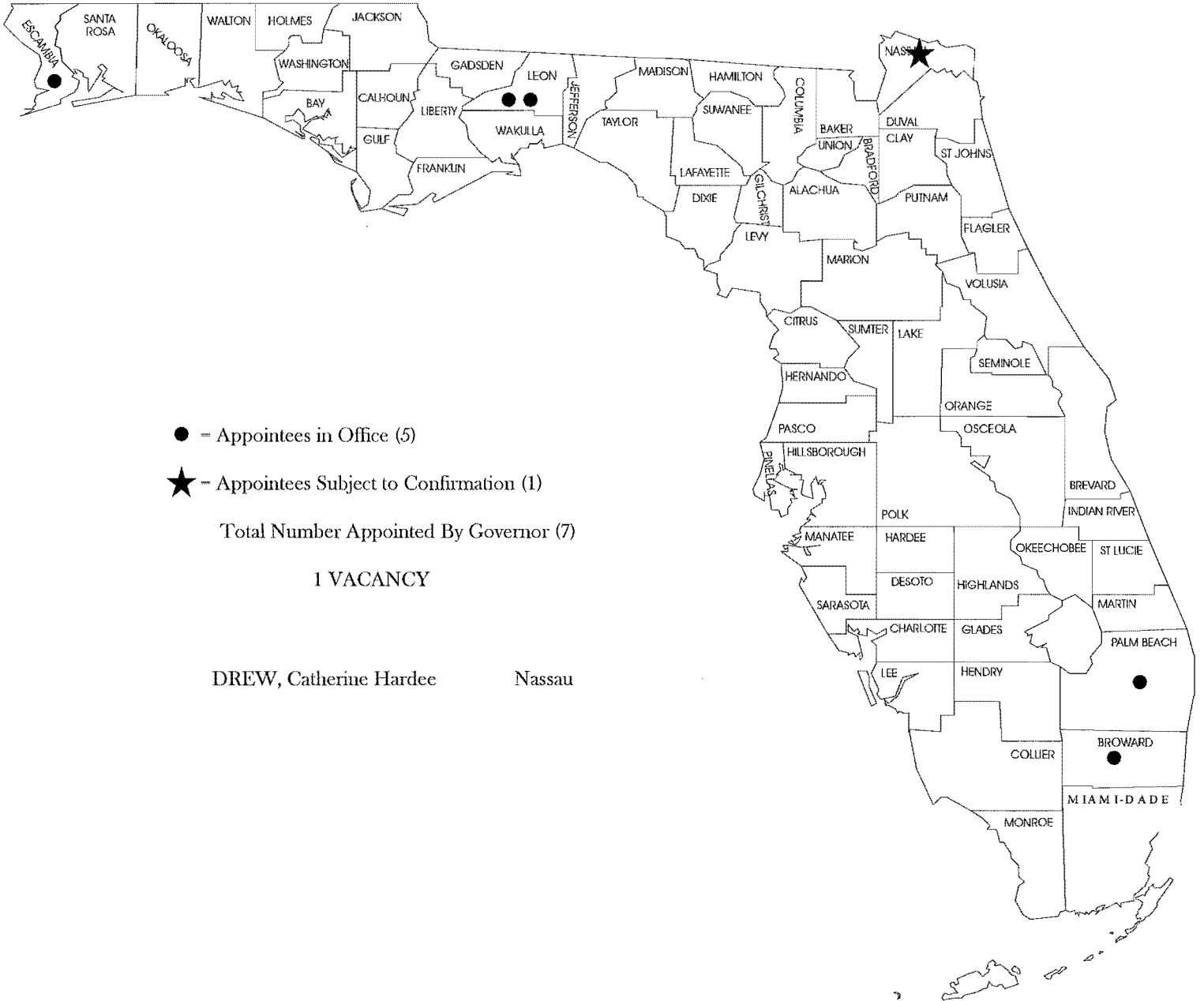
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**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

# Board of Psychology



● - Appointees in Office (5)  
 ★ - Appointees Subject to Confirmation (1)  
 Total Number Appointed By Governor (7)  
 1 VACANCY  
 DREW, Catherine Hardee      Nassau

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Drew, Catherine Hardee  
 Term: 11/24/2015 – 10/31/2019  
 City/County: Yulee/Nassau  
 Office: Board of Psychology, Member  
 Authority: 490.004(1), F.S. & 20.43(3)(g)27, F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Appointed: 11/24/2015  
 Prior Term:

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 1/12/16
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/13/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)	X		See Below
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee	X		See Below
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** CEO of Florida Psychological Associates; Project Director, Nassau County School District

**Compensation:** Fifty dollars per day while attending to the business of the board; reimbursed for expenses pursuant to s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** The seven-member board consists of:

- Five members who are licensed psychologists in good standing in this state;
- Two members who are citizens of this state who are not and have never been licensed psychologists and who are in no way connected with the practice of psychology; and
- At least one member who is sixty years of age or older.

**Additional Requirements:** Terms are for four years.

Terms expire on October 31.

No member shall serve more than the remaining portion of a previous member's unexpired term, plus two consecutive 4-year terms.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Licensed Psychologist

Number 15 - Dr. Drew disclosed she is the CEO of a company that contracted with the Nassau County School District to oversee onsite mental health services.

Number 19 - Dr. Drew is a Project Director of School Climate Transformation Grant, for the Nassau County School Board, 10/2014-Present. Dr. Drew was an outpatient counselor for the Northeast Florida State Hospital, 2011 - 2014. Dr. Drew was a research assistant for the Florida State University, 2005 - 2011. Dr. Drew was a special assistant for the Governor's Communication Office and the Lieutenant Governor's Office, 2002 - 2004.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Asseff, Patricia T.

Appointed: 06/15/2015

Term: 06/12/2015 – 10/01/2016

Prior Term: 03/27/2015 - 10/01/2016

City/County: Hollywood/Broward

Office: South Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 11, Member

Authority: 186.504, F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/23/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			No Report
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 1/15/16
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)	X		See Below
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Broker/Owner of Asseff Realty LLC

**Attendance:** Attended 8 of 9 meetings (89%) from March 27, 2015 through January 13, 2016.

**Compensation:** The Florida Statutes make no provision for compensation.



**Requirements:** No less than two-thirds of the representatives serving as voting members on the governing bodies of regional planning councils shall be elected officials of local general-purpose governments chosen by the cities and counties of the region, provided each county shall have at least one vote. The remaining one-third of the voting members on the governing board shall be appointed by the Governor, to include one elected school board member, subject to confirmation by the Senate, and shall reside in the region from each of the following counties:

- Broward;
- Miami-Dade; and
- Monroe.

The elected school board member, appointed by the Governor, will be nominated by the Florida School Board Association.

No two appointees of the Governor shall have their places of residence in the same county until each county within the region is represented by a Governor's appointee.

Nothing contained in this section shall deny to local governing bodies or the Governor the option of appointing either locally elected officials or lay citizens provided at least two-thirds is composed of locally elected officials.

**Additional Requirements:** The Florida Statutes make no provision for terms.

Each county shall be a member of the Regional Planning Council created within the comprehensive planning district encompassing the county.

Required to file Form 1 with SOE's office.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Broward County Resident  
Number 17 - Mrs. Asseff is a City of Hollywood Commissioner, 2008-Present.  
Number 18 - Mrs. Asseff served on the City of Hollywood Planning and Zoning Board, 1992-2000. In addition, Mrs. Asseff has served on the South Florida Regional Planning Council since 5/19/2000.

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**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 2, 2016

**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ON  
EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT**

**COMMITTEE:** Committee on Higher Education  
**MEETING DATE:** Monday, January 25, 2016  
**TIME:** 1:00—3:30 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Higher Education

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Board of Trustees, Florida A & M University

**Appointee:** Washington, T. Nicole

**Term:** 9/3/2015-1/6/2020

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Board of Governors.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Washington, T. Nicole Appointed: 09/09/2015  
 Term: 09/03/2015 – 01/06/2020 Prior Term:  
 City/County: Miami Beach/Miami-Dade  
 Office: Board of Trustees, Florida A & M University, Member  
 Authority: 1001.71(1), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections  
 Committee on Higher Education-Recommend Confirm-01/25/2016

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 9/25/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 11/18/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee	X		See Below
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Self Employed (Education Consultant)

**Compensation:** Members of the board of trustees shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** Each university in the State University System shall have a 13-member board of trustees.

- Six citizen members shall be appointed by the Governor subject to Senate confirmation.
- Five citizen members shall be appointed by the Board of Governors subject to Senate confirmation.

In addition, the chair of the faculty senate, or the equivalent, and the president of the student body of the university shall also be members.

There shall be no state residency requirement for university board members, but the Governor shall consider diversity and regional representation.

**Additional Requirements:** Members of the board of trustees shall be appointed for staggered 5-year terms.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

No citizen member of a board of trustees of a local constituent university, shall have or hold any employment or contractual relationship as a legislative lobbyist requiring annual registration and reporting pursuant to s. 11.045.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Board of Governors' Appointment

Number 19 - Ms. Washington was the Associate Director of Governmental Relations for the State University System, Board of Governors, 2012-2013. Ms. Washington worked as an Analyst in the Executive Office of the Governor, 2011-2012.

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Higher Education

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida

**Appointee:** Conte, Joseph D.

**Term:** 7/31/2015-1/6/2020

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Governor.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Conte, Joseph D. Appointed: 08/24/2015  
 Term: 07/31/2015 – 01/06/2020 Prior Term:  
 City/County: Winter Park/Orange  
 Office: Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida, Member  
 Authority: 1001.71(1), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Higher Education-Recommend Confirm-01/25/2016  
 Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 10/21/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 11/4/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)	X		See Below
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	



**Occupation:** Sr. Vice Chair/CEO of Consulate Health Care

**Compensation:** Members of the board of trustees shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** Each university in the State University System shall have a 13-member board of trustees.

- Six citizen members shall be appointed by the Governor subject to Senate confirmation.
- Five citizen members shall be appointed by the Board of Governors subject to Senate confirmation.

In addition, the chair of the faculty senate, or the equivalent, and the president of the student body of the university shall also be members.

There shall be no state residency requirement for university board members, but the Governor shall consider diversity and regional representation.

**Additional Requirements:** Members of the board of trustees shall be appointed for staggered 5-year terms.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.  
No citizen member of a board of trustees of a local constituent university, shall have or hold any employment or contractual relationship as a legislative lobbyist requiring annual registration and reporting pursuant to s. 11.045.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Governor's Appointment  
Number 15 - Mr. Conte disclosed that his employer, Consulate Health Care, is a provider of senior healthcare services through Florida Medicaid.  
Education Verified

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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Higher Education

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida

**Appointee:** Yeargin, William E.

**Term:** 7/31/2015-1/6/2020

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Governor.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Yeargin, William E.

Appointed: 08/24/2015

Term: 07/31/2015 – 01/06/2020

Prior Term:

City/County: Chuluota/Seminole

Office: Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida, Member

Authority: 1001.71(1), F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Higher Education-Recommend Confirm-01/25/2016  
 Committee on Ethics and Elections

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 9/14/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 11/4/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	See Below
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** CEO of Correct Craft

**Compensation:** Members of the board of trustees shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** Each university in the State University System shall have a 13-member board of trustees.

- Six citizen members shall be appointed by the Governor subject to Senate confirmation.
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In addition, the chair of the faculty senate, or the equivalent, and the president of the student body of the university shall also be members.

There shall be no state residency requirement for university board members, but the Governor shall consider diversity and regional representation.

**Additional Requirements:** Members of the board of trustees shall be appointed for staggered 5-year terms.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.  
No citizen member of a board of trustees of a local constituent university, shall have or hold any employment or contractual relationship as a legislative lobbyist requiring annual registration and reporting pursuant to s. 11.045.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Governor's Appointment  
Number 17 - Mr. Yeargin serves on the Manufacturing Council, a private sector advisory committee to the Secretary of Commerce on the United States manufacturing sector.  
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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Higher Education

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Board of Trustees, Florida International University

**Appointee:** Boord, Leonard

**Term:** 8/26/2015-1/6/2020

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Governor.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Boord, Leonard Appointed: 08/27/2015  
 Term: 08/26/2015 – 01/06/2020 Prior Term:  
 City/County: Miami/Miarni-Dade  
 Office: Board of Trustees, Florida International University, Member  
 Authority: 1001.71(1), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections  
 Committee on Higher Education-Recommend Confirm-01/25/2016

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 1/11/16
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 12/16/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)	X		See Below
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Founder of Slon Capital (Private Equity) Board Member of Celistics (Logistics) Investor of Masterconcessionair (Airport Concessions)

**Compensation:** Members of the board of trustees shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

**Requirements:** Each university in the State University System shall have a 13-member board of trustees.

- Six citizen members shall be appointed by the Governor subject to Senate confirmation.
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In addition, the chair of the faculty senate, or the equivalent, and the president of the student body of the university shall also be members.

There shall be no state residency requirement for university board members, but the Governor shall consider diversity and regional representation.

**Additional Requirements:** Members of the board of trustees shall be appointed for staggered 5-year terms.

Required to file Form 1 with the Commission on Ethics.

No citizen member of a board of trustees of a local constituent university, shall have or hold any employment or contractual relationship as a legislative lobbyist requiring annual registration and reporting pursuant to s. 11.045.

**Notes:** Number 8 - Governor's Appointment

Number 15 - Mr. Boord is an investor and board member of Masterconcessionair. This company is a contract airport concession operator to various government run airports.



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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Higher Education

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Board of Trustees, Florida International University

**Appointee:** Lowell, Natasha

**Term:** 3/19/2015-1/6/2020

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Board of Governors.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Lowell, Natasha Appointed: 03/25/2015  
 Term: 03/19/2015 – 01/06/2020 Prior Term:  
 City/County: Coral Gables/Miami-Dade  
 Office: Board of Trustees, Florida International University, Member  
 Authority: 1001.71(1), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections  
 Committee on Higher Education-Recommend Confirm-01/25/2016

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 10/16/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 10/22/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** Senior Vice President, Commercial Lender, The First National Bank of South Miami

**Compensation:** Members of the board of trustees shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

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**Additional Requirements:** Members of the board of trustees shall be appointed for staggered 5-year terms.

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**Notes:** Number 8 - Board of Governors' Appointment  
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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Higher Education

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Board of Trustees, University of North Florida

**Appointee:** Burnett, Douglas

**Term:** 7/2/2012-1/6/2020

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Governor.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: Burnett, Douglas Appointed: 07/15/2015  
 Term: 07/02/2012 – 01/06/2020 Prior Term:  
 City/County: St. Augustine/St. Johns  
 Office: Board of Trustees, University of North Florida, Member  
 Authority: 1001.71(1), F.S.  
 Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections  
 Committee on Higher Education-Recommend Confirm-01/25/2016

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)	X		See Below
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/10/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report			Not Applicable
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 11/4/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended			Not Applicable
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)	X		See Below
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)	X		See Below
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** President, Doug Burnett Associates, LLC (Consulting)

**Compensation:** Members of the board of trustees shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

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**Additional Requirements:** Members of the board of trustees shall be appointed for staggered 5-year terms.

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**Notes:** Number 6 - Major General Burnett served in the United States Air Force Florida National Guard from 1963 to June 2010.  
Number 8 - Governor's Appointment  
Number 17 - Major General Burnett serves on the Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District, 5/21/2013-Present.  
Number 18 - Major General Burnett served on the Board of Trustees of the Florida State College at Jacksonville from 2011 to 2012. Major General Burnett served as the Adjutant General of Florida National Guard from 2001 to 2010. Major General Burnett served as the Assistant Adjutant General of Florida National Guard from 1996 to 2001.  
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**TO:** The Honorable Andy Gardiner, President

**FROM:** Committee on Higher Education

The committee was referred the following executive appointment subject to confirmation by the Senate:

**Office:** Board of Trustees, University of West Florida

**Appointee:** O'Sullivan III, John Mortimer

**Term:** 3/19/2015-1/6/2020

After inquiry and due consideration, the committee recommends that the Senate **confirm** the aforesaid executive appointment made by the Board of Governors.

# Recommendation for Senate Confirmation of Executive Appointment

Appointee: O'Sullivan, John Mortimer, III

Appointed: 03/25/2015

Term: 03/19/2015 – 01/06/2020

Prior Term: 03/17/2010 - 01/6/2015

City/County: Pensacola/Escambia

Office: Board of Trustees, University of West Florida, Member

Authority: 1001.71(1), F.S.

Reference(s): Committee on Ethics and Elections

Committee on Higher Education-Recommend Confirm-01/25/2016

Executive Appointment Questionnaire	Yes	No	Notes
1. Questionnaire completed	X		
2. Questionnaire notarized	X		
3. US Citizen (sworn statement)	X		
4. Florida Resident (sworn statement)	X		
5. Registered Voter in Florida	X		
6. Honorable Discharge (sworn statement)			Not Applicable
7. Financial Disclosure Filed	X		Form 1 filed as of 6/11/15
8. Meets Requirements of Law	X		See Below
9. Conviction Record		X	
10. Adverse Auditor General Report		X	See Below
11. Adverse Ethics Commission Action		X	As of 8/11/15
12. Previously Suspended from Office		X	
13. Previously Refused Bond (sworn statement)		X	
14. Licenses or Certification Revoked/Suspended		X	
15. Contracts with State/Local Governments (sworn statement)		X	
16. Contracts with Pending Office		X	
17. Holds Another Public Office (sworn statement)		X	
18. Previously a Public Officer (sworn statement)		X	
19. Present or Past Government Employee		X	
20. Currently a Registered Lobbyist		X	

**Occupation:** C.P.A., Warren Averett, LLC

**Attendance:** Attended 21 of 22 meetings (95%) from March 17, 2010 through July 7, 2015.

**Compensation:** Members of the board of trustees shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses as provided in s. 112.061, F.S.

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**Notes:** Number 8 - Board of Governors' Appointment  
Number 10 - Report 2015-046  
Education Verified

The Florida Senate  
**Committee Notice Of Hearing**

IN THE FLORIDA SENATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

IN RE: Executive Appointment of  
Kenneth E. Lawson  
Secretary of Business and Professional Regulation

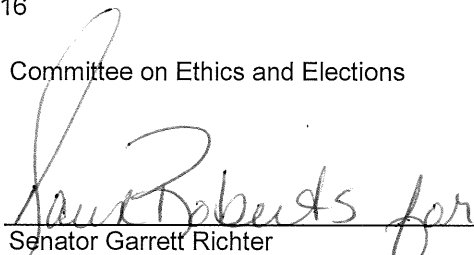
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

TO: Mr. Kenneth E. Lawson

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Committee on Ethics and Elections of the Florida Senate will conduct a hearing on your executive appointment on Tuesday, February 02, 2016, in the Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building, commencing at 4:00 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 28th day of January, 2016

Committee on Ethics and Elections

  
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Senator Garrett Richter  
As Chair and by authority of the committee

cc: Members, Committee on Ethics and Elections  
Office of the Sergeant at Arms

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APPEARANCE RECORD

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

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Meeting Date

N/A  
Bill Number (if applicable)

Topic Confirmation

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against  
(The Chair will read this information into the record.)

Representing Dept. of Business and Professional Regulation

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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The Florida Senate  
**Committee Notice Of Hearing**

IN THE FLORIDA SENATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

IN RE: Executive Appointment of  
Samuel P. Verghese  
Secretary of Elderly Affairs

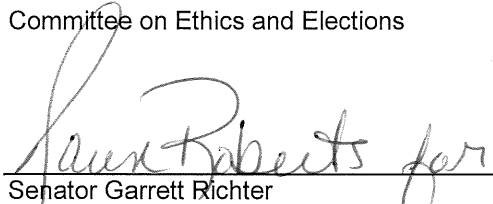
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

TO: Mr. Samuel P. Verghese

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Committee on Ethics and Elections of the Florida Senate will conduct a hearing on your executive appointment on Tuesday, February 02, 2016, in the Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building, commencing at 4:00 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 28th day of January, 2016

Committee on Ethics and Elections

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Senator Garrett Richter  
As Chair and by authority of the committee

cc: Members, Committee on Ethics and Elections  
Office of the Sergeant at Arms

Job # 9 ✓

THE FLORIDA SENATE  
**APPEARANCE RECORD**

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2/2/2016  
Meeting Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bill Number (if applicable)

Topic Confirmation Hearing

\_\_\_\_\_  
Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name Samuel Verghese

Job Title Secretary

Address 4040 Esplanade Way

Phone 850-414-2000

Street

TLH  
City

FL  
State

32399  
Zip

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against  
(The Chair will read this information into the record.)

Representing Dept. of Elder Affairs

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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The Florida Senate  
**Committee Notice Of Hearing**

IN THE FLORIDA SENATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

IN RE: Executive Appointment of  
Patterson Chad Poppell  
Secretary of Management Services

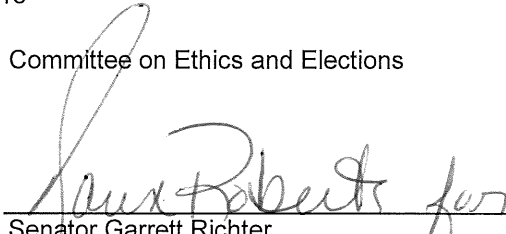
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Committee on Ethics and Elections

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Senator Garrett Richter  
As Chair and by authority of the committee

cc: Members, Committee on Ethics and Elections  
Office of the Sergeant at Arms



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**THE FLORIDA SENATE**

**APPEARANCE RECORD**

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Feb. 2, 2016

*Meeting Date*

N/A

*Bill Number (if applicable)*

N/A

*Amendment Barcode (if applicable)*

Topic Senate Ethics and Elections - Confirmation Hearing

Name Chad Poppell

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Tallahassee

Florida

32399-0950

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*City*

*State*

*Zip*

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against  
*(The Chair will read this information into the record.)*

Representing Department of Management Services

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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**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.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Ethics and Elections

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BILL: SJR 942

INTRODUCER: Senator Garcia and others

SUBJECT: Composition of Cabinet/Election of Commissioner of Education/State Board of Education

DATE: January 28, 2016

REVISED: 02/02/16 \_\_\_\_\_

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	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Carlton</u>	<u>Roberts</u>	<u>EE</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
2.	_____	_____	<u>ED</u>	_____
3.	_____	_____	<u>RC</u>	_____

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**I. Summary:**

SJR 942 makes the Commissioner of Education an elected member of the Florida Cabinet who is responsible for supervising matters pertaining to the public education system. Under the joint resolution, the State Board of Education will consist of the Governor, the Chief Financial Officer, the Attorney General, the Commissioner of Agriculture, and the Commissioner of Education. The first election of the Commissioner of Education will occur on November 6, 2018.

If passed by a 3/5ths vote of each House of the Legislature, the proposal will be voted on at the general election in November 2016; 60% of those voting on the measure is required for approval.

**II. Present Situation:**

Prior to 1998, the Commissioner of Education was an elected Cabinet position. In November 1998, Florida voters approved changes in the State Constitution to mandate a new public education governance system led by an appointed, rather than elected, State Board of Education and Commissioner of Education.<sup>1</sup> That change was a recommendation proposed by the Constitution Revision Commission that restructured the Cabinet from 6 to 3 officers (plus the governor), as well as other governmental operations changes.<sup>2</sup> Since 2003, the position has been an appointed, non-Cabinet position.

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<sup>1</sup> Article IX, s. 2, of the State Constitution provides: *The state board of education shall be a body corporate and have such supervision of the system of free public education as is provided by law. The state board of education shall consist of seven members appointed by the governor to staggered 4 year terms, subject to confirmation by the senate. The state board of education shall appoint the commissioner of education.*

<sup>2</sup> Constitution Revision Commission Amendment 8 (1998), *Restructuring the State Cabinet* (available at Florida Secretary of State's website at: <http://dos.elections.myflorida.com/initiatives/fulltext/pdf/11-4.pdf> (last accessed 28 Jan. 2016)).

**III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

SJR 942 restores the election of the Commissioner of Education as of the 2018 general election and thereafter makes the Commissioner a member of the Florida Cabinet.<sup>3</sup> The joint resolution also revises the members of the State Board of Education to include: the governor as chair, the chief financial officer, the attorney general, the commissioner of agriculture, and the commissioner of education as secretary and executive officer.

**IV. Constitutional Issues:****A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

None.

**B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:**

None.

**C. Trust Funds Restrictions:**

None.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:****A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

**B. Private Sector Impact:**

None.

**C. Government Sector Impact:**

Each constitutional amendment is required to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in each county, once in the sixth week and once in the tenth week preceding the general election. Costs for advertising vary depending upon the length of the amendment; however, the Division of Elections estimates the cost of this amendment at a minimum of approximately \$115,710.47.<sup>4</sup>

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

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<sup>3</sup> As such, the Commissioner of Education would be subject to the eight year term limits applicable to members of the Cabinet pursuant to Art. VI., s. 4, Fla. Const.

<sup>4</sup> Department of State, *Senate Joint Resolution 942 Fiscal Analysis* (December 14, 2015) (on file with the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections).

**VII. Related Issues:**

SJR 1424 by Senator Bean adds back the Secretary of State to the Florida Cabinet. If both joint resolutions were to pass and be approved by the electors, the Cabinet would expand from 3 to 5 statewide officers (plus the governor), one member shy of the total number prior to the CRC Cabinet changes that took effect in 2003.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This joint resolution substantially amends Article IV and Article IX of the Florida Constitution and creates an implementation schedule in Article XII.

**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.

By Senator Garcia

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Senate Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article IV and Section 2 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to provide for the election of the Commissioner of Education, the inclusion of the commissioner as a member of the Cabinet, and the establishment of the Governor and Cabinet as the State Board of Education.

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

That the following amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article IV and Section 2 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution are agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose:

ARTICLE IV  
EXECUTIVE

SECTION 3. Succession to office of governor; acting governor.—

(a) Upon vacancy in the office of governor, the lieutenant governor shall become governor. Further succession to the office of governor shall be prescribed by law. A successor shall serve for the remainder of the term.

(b) Upon impeachment of the governor and until completion of trial thereof, or during the governor's physical or mental incapacity, the lieutenant governor shall act as governor.

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Further succession as acting governor shall be prescribed by law. Incapacity to serve as governor may be determined by the supreme court upon due notice after docketing of a written suggestion thereof by ~~four~~ three cabinet members, and in such case restoration of capacity shall be similarly determined after docketing of written suggestion thereof by the governor, the legislature or ~~four~~ three cabinet members. Incapacity to serve as governor may also be established by certificate filed with the custodian of state records by the governor declaring incapacity for physical reasons to serve as governor, and in such case restoration of capacity shall be similarly established.

SECTION 4. Cabinet.—

(a) There shall be a cabinet composed of an attorney general, a chief financial officer, ~~and~~ a commissioner of agriculture, and a commissioner of education. In addition to the powers and duties specified herein, they shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed by law. In the event of a tie vote of the governor and cabinet, the side on which the governor voted shall be deemed to prevail.

(b) The attorney general shall be the chief state legal officer. There is created in the office of the attorney general the position of statewide prosecutor. The statewide prosecutor shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the state attorneys to prosecute violations of criminal laws occurring or having occurred, in two or more judicial circuits as part of a related transaction, or when any such offense is affecting or has affected two or more judicial circuits as provided by general law. The statewide prosecutor shall be appointed by the attorney

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59 general from not fewer ~~less~~ than three persons nominated by the  
60 judicial nominating commission for the supreme court, or as  
61 otherwise provided by general law.

62 (c) The chief financial officer shall serve as the chief  
63 fiscal officer of the state, and shall settle and approve  
64 accounts against the state, and shall keep all state funds and  
65 securities.

66 (d) The commissioner of agriculture shall have supervision  
67 of matters pertaining to agriculture except as otherwise  
68 provided by law.

69 (e) The commissioner of education shall supervise matters  
70 pertaining to the public education system except as otherwise  
71 provided by law.

72 (f) ~~(e)~~ The governor as chair, the chief financial officer,  
73 and the attorney general shall constitute the state board of  
74 administration, which shall succeed to all the power, control,  
75 and authority of the state board of administration established  
76 pursuant to Article IX, Section 16 of the Constitution of 1885,  
77 and which shall continue as a body at least for the life of  
78 Article XII, Section 9(c).

79 (g) ~~(f)~~ The governor as chair, the chief financial officer,  
80 the attorney general, ~~and~~ the commissioner of agriculture, and  
81 the commissioner of education shall constitute the trustees of  
82 the internal improvement trust fund and the land acquisition  
83 trust fund as provided by law.

84 (h) ~~(g)~~ The governor as chair, the chief financial officer,  
85 the attorney general, ~~and~~ the commissioner of agriculture, and  
86 the commissioner of education shall constitute the agency head  
87 of the Department of Law Enforcement.

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88 ARTICLE IX  
89 EDUCATION

90 SECTION 2. State board of education. The governor as chair,  
91 the chief financial officer, the attorney general, the  
92 commissioner of agriculture, and the commissioner of education  
93 as secretary and executive officer shall constitute the state  
94 board of education shall be a body corporate and have such  
95 supervision of the system of free public education as is  
96 provided by law. The state board of education shall consist of  
97 seven members appointed by the governor to staggered 4-year  
98 terms, subject to confirmation by the senate. The state board of  
99 education shall appoint the commissioner of education.

100 ARTICLE XII  
101 SCHEDULE

102 Commissioner of education. The amendments to Sections 3 and  
103 4 of Article IV and Section 2 of Article IX providing for the  
104 election of a commissioner of education as a member of the  
105 cabinet and establishing the governor and cabinet as the state  
106 board of education shall take effect upon the election of a  
107 commissioner effective January 8, 2019, but shall govern with  
108 respect to the qualifying for and the holding of the election  
109 for the commissioner of education in 2018.

110 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be  
111 placed on the ballot:

112 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT  
113 ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 3 AND 4  
114 ARTICLE IX, SECTION 2  
115 ARTICLE XII

116 COMPOSITION OF CABINET; ELECTION OF COMMISSIONER OF

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117 EDUCATION; STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.—This amendment provides for  
118 statewide election of Commissioner of Education; includes  
119 commissioner as a member of the Cabinet; establishes Governor  
120 and Cabinet as the State Board of Education; provides for  
121 commissioner to supervise the public education system; includes  
122 commissioner as a member of the Board of Trustees of the  
123 Internal Improvement Trust Fund and the Land Acquisition Trust  
124 Fund and as a component of the head of the Department of Law  
125 Enforcement.

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**The Florida Senate**  
State Senator René García  
38<sup>th</sup> District

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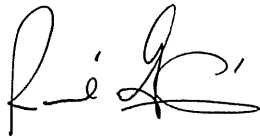
January 20, 2016

The Honorable Garrett Richter  
Chairman, Ethics and Elections  
420 Knott Building  
404 S. Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Dear Senator Richter:

Please have this letter serve as my formal request to have **SJR 942 Composition of Cabinet/Election of Commissioner of Education/State Board of Education** be heard in the next possible Ethics and Elections Committee Meeting. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,



State Senator René García  
District 38  
RG:AD

CC: Dawn Roberts, Diane Vause



# APPEARANCE RECORD

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2-2-16  
Meeting Date

942  
Bill Number (if applicable)

Topic ELECTION OF EDUCATION COMMISSIONER

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against  
(The Chair will read this information into the record.)

Representing Liberty First Network

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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2-2-16  
Meeting Date

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942  
Bill Number (if applicable)

Topic Elected Commissioner of Education

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Job Title Chair

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Tallahassee FL 32308  
City State Zip

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against  
(The Chair will read this information into the record.)

Representing The Tea Party Network

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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**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.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Ethics and Elections

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BILL: SJR 1424

INTRODUCER: Senator Bean

SUBJECT: Election of Secretary of State/Membership of Cabinet

DATE: January 27, 2016

REVISED: 02/02/16

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	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Fox	Roberts	EE	<b>Favorable</b>
2.			GO	
3.			RC	

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**I. Summary:**

SJR 1424 restores the election of the Secretary of State as of the 2018 general election and subsequently makes the Secretary a member of the Florida Cabinet — again.

The joint resolution specifically directs the legislature to enact implementing legislation by January 8, 2019.

If passed by a 3/5ths vote of each House of the Legislature, the proposal will be voted on at the general election in November 2016; 60% of those voting on the measure is required for approval.

**II. Present Situation:**

Since 2003, the position of Florida Secretary of State has been an *appointed, non-Cabinet* post.

Prior to that time, the Secretary was an *elected Cabinet* position — one of six serving members in addition to the Governor. The 2003 change was the result of a 1998 amendment to the Florida Constitution that restructured the Cabinet from 6 to 3 officers<sup>1</sup> (plus the governor), as well as making other governmental operations changes<sup>2</sup>; the amendment was one of several proposed by the Constitution Revision Commission (“CRC”).

**III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

SJR 1424 restores the election of the Secretary of State as of the 2018 general election and thereafter makes the Secretary a member of the Florida Cabinet once again. As such, the

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<sup>1</sup> Florida’s Attorney General, Chief Financial Officer, and the Commissioner of Agriculture.

<sup>2</sup> Constitution Revision Commission Amendment 8 (1998), *Restructuring the State Cabinet* (available at Florida Secretary of State’s web site at: <http://dos.elections.myflorida.com/initiatives/fulltext/pdf/11-4.pdf> (last accessed 27 Jan 2016)).

Secretary would be subject to the eight-year term limits applicable to other members of the Cabinet pursuant to Art. VI., section 4, of the Florida Constitution.

**IV. Constitutional Issues:**

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

The Division of Elections is required to advertise the full text of proposed constitutional amendments in English and Spanish twice in a newspaper of general circulation in each county before the election in which the amendment shall be submitted to the electors. The Division is also required to provide each Supervisor of Elections with either booklets or posters displaying the full text of proposed amendments.

According to the Division, the cost to advertise constitutional amendments for the 2014 general election was \$135.97 per word. Using 2014 rates, the cost to advertise this amendment for the 2016 general election could be \$106,328.54 at a minimum.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

SJR 942 by Senator Garcia adds back the Commissioner of Education to the Florida Cabinet. If both joint resolutions were to pass and be approved by the electors, the Cabinet would expand from 3 to 5 statewide officers (plus the governor), one member shy of the total number prior to the CRC Cabinet changes that took effect in 2003.

**VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This joint resolution substantially amends Article IV of the Florida Constitution and creates an implementation schedule in Article XII.

**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.

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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 Bean

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Senate Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article IV and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to provide for the election of the Secretary of State and the inclusion of the secretary as a member of the Cabinet.

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ARTICLE IV  
EXECUTIVE

SECTION 3. Succession to office of governor; acting governor.-

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(b) Upon impeachment of the governor and until completion of trial thereof, or during the governor's physical or mental incapacity, the lieutenant governor shall act as governor. Further succession as acting governor shall be prescribed by law. Incapacity to serve as governor may be determined by the supreme court upon due notice after docketing of a written suggestion thereof by four ~~three~~ cabinet members, and in such case restoration of capacity shall be similarly determined after docketing of written suggestion thereof by the governor, the

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legislature or four ~~three~~ cabinet members. Incapacity to serve as governor may also be established by certificate filed with the custodian of state records by the governor declaring incapacity for physical reasons to serve as governor, and in such case restoration of capacity shall be similarly established.

SECTION 4. Cabinet.-

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(b) The attorney general shall be the chief state legal officer. There is created in the office of the attorney general the position of statewide prosecutor. The statewide prosecutor shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the state attorneys to prosecute violations of criminal laws occurring or having occurred, in two or more judicial circuits as part of a related transaction, or when any such offense is affecting or has affected two or more judicial circuits as provided by general law. The statewide prosecutor shall be appointed by the attorney general from not less than three persons nominated by the judicial nominating commission for the supreme court, or as otherwise provided by general law.

(c) The chief financial officer shall serve as the chief fiscal officer of the state, and shall settle and approve accounts against the state, and shall keep all state funds and

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62 securities.

63 (d) The commissioner of agriculture shall have supervision  
64 of matters pertaining to agriculture except as otherwise  
65 provided by law.

66 (e) The secretary of state shall keep the records of the  
67 official acts of the legislative and executive departments and  
68 perform the functions conferred by this constitution upon the  
69 custodian of state records.

70 (f)(e) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer,  
71 and the attorney general shall constitute the state board of  
72 administration, which shall succeed to all the power, control,  
73 and authority of the state board of administration established  
74 pursuant to Article IX, Section 16 of the Constitution of 1885,  
75 and which shall continue as a body at least for the life of  
76 Article XII, Section 9(c).

77 (g)(f) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer,  
78 the attorney general, ~~and~~ the commissioner of agriculture, and  
79 the secretary of state shall constitute the trustees of the  
80 internal improvement trust fund and the land acquisition trust  
81 fund as provided by law.

82 (h)(g) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer,  
83 the attorney general, ~~and~~ the commissioner of agriculture, and  
84 the secretary of state shall constitute the agency head of the  
85 Department of Law Enforcement.

## ARTICLE XII

## SCHEDULE

Cabinet reorganization.-

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89 (a) The amendments to Sections 3 and 4 of Article IV  
90 relating to election of the secretary of state and the inclusion

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91 of the secretary as a member of the cabinet shall take effect  
92 January 8, 2019, but shall govern with respect to the qualifying  
93 for and the holding of the primary and general elections for the  
94 office of the secretary of state in 2018.

95 (b) By January 8, 2019, the legislature shall enact  
96 implementing legislation that includes any conforming changes to  
97 the Florida Statutes necessitated by the reorganization of the  
98 cabinet.

99 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be  
100 placed on the ballot:

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

## ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 3 AND 4

## ARTICLE XII

104 ELECTION OF SECRETARY OF STATE; MEMBERSHIP OF CABINET.-  
105 Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to provide for  
106 the statewide election of the Secretary of State, beginning with  
107 the 2018 primary and general elections; revising membership of  
108 the Cabinet to include the secretary; making technical revisions  
109 necessary to conform the State Constitution to the revised  
110 membership of the Cabinet; and requiring the Legislature to  
111 enact implementing legislation. Under current law, the secretary  
112 is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor.

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The Florida Senate

## Committee Agenda Request

**To:** Senator Garrett Richter, Chair  
Committee on Ethics and Elections

**Subject:** Committee Agenda Request

**Date:** January 14, 2016

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I respectfully request that **Senate Bill #1424**, relating to Election of Secretary of State/Membership of Cabinet, be placed on the:

- committee agenda at your earliest possible convenience.
- next committee agenda.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Aaron Bean".

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Senator Aaron Bean  
Florida Senate, District 4



**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.)

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Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Ethics and Elections

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BILL: SB 702

INTRODUCER: Senators Altman and Dean

SUBJECT: Public Records/Voters and Voter Registration

DATE: January 14, 2016

REVISED: 01/19/16

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	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Fox	Roberts	EE	<b>Pre-meeting</b>
2.			GO	
3.			RC	

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**I. Summary:**

SB 702 makes confidential and exempt from public records the residential address, birth date, telephone number, and e-mail address of voter registration applicants and voters, as well as ALL information concerning 16 and 17-year-old minors who preregister to vote; *notwithstanding*, a canvassing board, election official, the voter himself or herself, and specific election-related, political persons and groups (opposed candidates, political parties, and registered political committees, for political purposes only) may continue to examine and copy such information for *non-minor* voters and voter registration applicants.

This public records issue is one of the Florida Association of Supervisors of Elections' 2016 legislative priorities.

The bill provides for repeal of the exemption on October 2, 2021, unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature. It also provides a statement of public necessity as required by the State Constitution.

Because this bill creates a new public records exemption, it requires a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting in each house of the Legislature for final passage.

This bill will take effect July 1, 2016.

**II. Present Situation:**

With relatively few exceptions, voter registration information in Florida is a public record<sup>1</sup>; this has been the case for a long time.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 97.0585, F.S. In addition to protections afforded in other parts of the statutes, Florida election law makes confidential and exempt from disclosure by an agency a voter registration applicant's or voter's social security number, driver's license number, Florida I.D. number, the place where a person registered to vote or updated a registration, and all

*Any person* is currently entitled to request a copy of the non-confidential portion of the entire statewide voter registration list, and may use that information for *any purpose whatsoever*;<sup>2</sup> this, conversely, has only been the case only since 1998 — when the State authorized the first *statewide* voter registration database.

Floridians have long-enjoyed the right to *inspect* the non-confidential portion of the voter registration records of each county. Until about 20 years ago, however, copying those voter records was the *exclusive* province of certain governmental entities (the courts, cities, agencies) and certain election-related, political persons and groups (candidates, registered political committees, committees of continuous existence, political parties and incumbent officeholders).<sup>3</sup>

Prior to 1998, *use* of non-confidential voter information by such individuals and groups was largely limited to specific purposes: a) candidates could only use the information to further their candidacy; b) registered political committees, committees of continuous existence, and political parties or officials for political purposes only; and, c) incumbent officeholders in order to report to their constituents. Further, there was a *specific prohibition* against using such information for *commercial purposes*.<sup>4</sup> In fact, someone seeking this information was required to swear and subscribe a written oath that he or she would only use the information as prescribed by the law and not permit any unauthorized person to use or copy it.<sup>5</sup>

All this changed in 1997, when the Legislature authorized the initial statewide voter registration database which for the first time compiled, in *a single location*, all 67 counties' "official" voter registration lists.<sup>6</sup> The idea of this Central Voter File ("CVF"), the precursor to the current Florida Voter Registration System ("FVRS"), was to make it easier for those engaged in statewide and multicounty races to compile the necessary voter data without having to run around to the individual supervisors' offices.<sup>7</sup>

At the time, however, the Legislature made an important change that is at the heart of this bill: it specifically designated the CVF as a public record, and allowed *any person* to request a copy of non-protected information and to use it for *any purpose whatsoever, without limitation*.<sup>8</sup> This is essentially the situation that persists to this day with current FVRS.<sup>9</sup>

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declinations to vote. *Id.* It also exempts from copying, but not inspection, the signature of a voter registration applicant or a voter. *Id.*

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

<sup>3</sup> Notwithstanding, anyone could request a copy of non-confidential voter registration information following an election. *See e.g.*, Section 98.095, F.S. (1995).

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

<sup>5</sup> *Id.*

<sup>6</sup> Ch. 97-13, s. 39, LAWS OF FLA.

<sup>7</sup> Senate Ethics and Elections Committee Bill Analysis, CS/SB 568, at p. 22 (March 18, 1997) (on file with the Senate EE Committee).

<sup>8</sup> *Id.*; *see also*, Ch. 97-13, s. 39, LAWS OF FLA.

<sup>9</sup> In 2001, the Legislature sought to adopt a much more restrictive public records scheme similar to the one proposed in the current bill, in connection with a then-newly-authorized statewide voter registration database. Ch. 2001.40, s. 70-72, LAWS OF FLA. (codified at s. 98.0979, F.S. (2002)). Three years later, a Leon County circuit court judge struck the statute down void *ab initio* on *procedural grounds*, finding that it was adopted in a general elections bill without the requisite statement of public necessity in violation of Art. I, s. 24 of the Florida Constitution —the effect being that the statute never existed or was never on the books. *See Cable News Network, et al. v. Florida Dep't of State*, Case No. 2004 CA 001259 (2<sup>nd</sup> Jud. Cir., July

In the context of the CVF change that took effect in 1998, voter privacy was likely not the paramount concern. Folks would have had to acquire a copy of the entire voter list — possibly in printed, hard copy form — from the Division of Elections in Tallahassee, and process the information for their purposes. Further, the information could only be disseminated to a relatively finite number of people by word-of-mouth or letter without incurring great expense. In other words, there were a number of pragmatic and economic safeguards in place to prevent widespread dissemination of this material.

Fast-forward about 20 years to today and the *Brave New World* of the Internet and so-called “Big Data,” and the problem becomes clear. Anyone can request an electronic copy of all the non-confidential voter registration information in the State and quickly post it on the Internet for literally the entire world to see at miniscule to no cost, thereby raising serious personal privacy issues.

It should come as no surprise that this is precisely what has transpired. At least one web site *that contains commercial or sponsored links*, <http://flvoters.com/>, provides extensive details about every registered voter in the State — including the voter’s name, date of birth, residence address, mailing address, voter ID number, when the person registered to vote, what political party the person is affiliated with, the voter’s telephone number, e-mail address, race, precinct number, as well as other information about district races in which the person is eligible to vote. This information can be accessed by voter’s name, birth date, or address.

As it turns out, *not every voter takes kindly to having their personal information put out there on the web* — or maybe having their neighbors know which political party they belong to. Committee staff and some Senators’ aides have fielded numerous calls from constituent voters in the past few months, upset that *personal* information that they provided to government officials in order to vote is posted online.

The bill’s public necessity statement provides that putting a voter’s address, date of birth, telephone number, and e-mail address in the public domain might make them easier targets for identity fraud, or may lead to consumer scams, unwanted solicitations, or other invasive contacts. It notes that having a voter’s e-mail address out there may lead to fraudulent absentee ballot requests. Further, it could discourage voters from disclosing their e-mail address, which could slow down and increase the cost of transmitting absentee ballots to voters requesting them. With respect to 16 and 17-year-old minors who are entitled to pre-register to vote,<sup>10</sup> it cites the need for increased protection for this class of persons who may potentially be subject to additional solicitations, harassment, stalking, or intimidation. It also cites the possibility that this might discourage some minors from preregistering to vote, a rationale that arguably applies to non-minors.

On the other side of the coin, the First Amendment Foundation is on record in opposition to the bill. An excerpt from the open letter on its web site to the bill sponsor states as follows:

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1, 2004) (Final Declaratory Summary Judgment). The Legislature repealed the statute the following year. *See*, Ch. 2005-278, s. 55, LAWS OF FLA.; Ch. 2005-277, s. 77, LAWS OF FLA.

<sup>10</sup> Sec. 97.041(1)(b), F.S.

While we understand the rationale for the proposed exemption, much of the information the bill purports to protect in a voter record is currently available from a variety of public sources. Of specific concern is the exemption for ... address and date of birth — if I know a voter's name, for example, such information is readily and easily accessible. ... Additionally, researchers and statisticians compiling information about voters and specific elections commonly use this information, and to close access to important historical information is contrary to the public interest.<sup>11</sup>

### III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

SB 702 makes confidential and exempt from public disclosure:

- The legal residence address, date of birth, telephone number, and e-mail address of a voter registration applicant or voter, and,
- All information relating to 16 and 17-year-old minors who apply for preregistration.

The bill, however, *does* allow the following persons and groups to continue to inspect and copy such information as it relates to *non-minors*:

1. The voter or voter registration applicant, limited to his or her own record;
2. A canvassing board;
3. An election official;
4. A political party or official thereof;
5. A candidate who has filed qualification papers and is opposed in an upcoming election; and,
6. A registered political committee, for political purposes only.

The bill provides that the exemption is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act and will repeal on October 2, 2021, unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature.

The bill provides a statement of public necessity as required by the State Constitution.

Because this bill creates a new public records exemption, it requires a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting in each house of the Legislature for final passage.

### IV. Constitutional Issues:

#### A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

#### B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

##### **General Public Records Law**

The Florida Constitution provides that the public has the right to inspect or copy records made or received in connection with official governmental business.<sup>12</sup> This applies to the

<sup>11</sup> See letter from Barbara A. Peterson, President, First Amendment Foundation, to The Honorable Thad Altman (12 January 2016), available at <http://floridafaf.org/files/2015/09/SB-702.pdf> (last accessed 14 Jan. 2016).

<sup>12</sup> FLA. CONST., Art. I, s. 24(a).

official business of any public body, officer or employee of the state, including all three branches of state government, local governmental entities and any person acting on behalf of the government.<sup>13</sup>

In addition to the Florida Constitution, the Florida Statutes provides that the public may access legislative and executive branch records.<sup>14</sup> Chapter 119, F.S., constitutes the main body of public records laws, and is known as the Public Records Act.<sup>15</sup> The Public Records Act states that:

It is the policy of this state that all state, county and municipal records are open for personal inspection and copying by any person. Providing access to public records is a duty of each agency.<sup>16</sup>

According to the Public Records Act, a public record includes virtually any document or recording, regardless of its physical form or how it may be transmitted.<sup>17</sup> The Florida Supreme Court has interpreted public records as being “any material prepared in connection with official agency business which is intended to perpetuate, communicate or formalize knowledge of some type.”<sup>18</sup> A violation of the Public Records Act may result in civil or criminal liability.<sup>19</sup>

The Legislature may create an exemption to public records requirements.<sup>20</sup> An exemption must pass by a two-thirds vote of the House and the Senate.<sup>21</sup> In addition, an exemption must explicitly lay out the public necessity justifying the exemption, and the exemption must be no broader than necessary to accomplish the stated purpose of the exemption.<sup>22</sup> A statutory exemption which does not meet these criteria may be unconstitutional and may not be judicially saved.<sup>23</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> FLA. CONST., art. I, s. 24(a).

<sup>14</sup> The Public Records Act does not apply to legislative or judicial records. *Locke v. Hawkes*, 595 So. 2d 32 (Fla. 1992). Also see *Times Pub. Co. v. Ake*, 660 So. 2d 255 (Fla. 1995). The Legislature’s records are public pursuant to s. 11.0431, F.S. Public records exemptions for the Legislature are primarily located in s. 11.0431(2)-(3), F.S.

<sup>15</sup> Public records laws are found throughout the Florida Statutes.

<sup>16</sup> Section 119.01(1), F.S.

<sup>17</sup> Section 119.011(12), F.S., defines “public record” to mean “all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business by any agency.” Section 119.011(2), F.S., defines “agency” to mean as “any state, county, district, authority, or municipal officer, department, division, board, bureau, commission, or other separate unit of government created or established by law including, for the purposes of this chapter, the Commission on Ethics, the Public Service Commission, and the Office of Public Counsel, and any other public or private agency, person, partnership, corporation, or business entity acting on behalf of any public agency.”

<sup>18</sup> *Shevin v. Byron, Harless, Schaffer, Reid and Assoc. Inc.*, 379 So. 2d 633, 640 (Fla. 1980).

<sup>19</sup> Section 119.10, F.S. Public records laws are found throughout the Florida Statutes, as are the penalties for violating those laws.

<sup>20</sup> FLA. CONST., art. I, s. 24(c).

<sup>21</sup> FLA. CONST., art. I, s. 24(c).

<sup>22</sup> FLA. CONST., art. I, s. 24(c).

<sup>23</sup> *Halifax Hosp. Medical Center v. New-Journal Corp.*, 724 So.2d 567 (Fla. 1999). In *Halifax Hospital*, the Florida Supreme Court found that a public meetings exemption was unconstitutional because the statement of public necessity did not define important terms and did not justify the breadth of the exemption. *Id.* at 570. The Florida Supreme Court also declined to narrow the exemption in order to save it. *Id.* In *Baker County Press, Inc. v. Baker County Medical Services, Inc.*, 870 So. 2d

An exemption may provide that a record is ‘confidential and exempt’ or ‘exempt.’ Records designated as ‘confidential and exempt’ may be released by the records custodian only under the circumstances defined by the Legislature. Records designated as ‘exempt’ may be released at the discretion of the records custodian.<sup>24</sup>

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

The bill will adversely affect commercial web sites in the business of sharing Florida voter registration data. While the precise impact is unclear, the reduction will likely be significant.

C. Government Sector Impact:

None.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

**Governor’s Veto (2013)**

Governor Scott vetoed a public records exemption for voters’ e-mail addresses in 2013 (CS/HB 249 [2013]), despite it having passed the Legislature with only one “NO” vote in each chamber. The veto message provides in pertinent part:

This bill seeks to create a public records exemption for email addresses obtained as part of the voter registration process. The mailing addresses of Florida’s registered voters have traditionally been part of the public record as a means of delivering important information on election-related issues, and to facilitate communication from elected officials to their constituents. In the modern age of electronic communications, email is

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189 (Fla. 1st DCA 2004), the court found that the intent of a statute was to create a public records exemption. The *Baker County Press* court found that since the law did not contain a public necessity statement, it was unconstitutional. *Id.* at 196.

<sup>24</sup> If the Legislature designates a record as confidential, such record may not be released to anyone other than the persons or entities specifically designated in the statutory exemption. *WFTV, Inc. v. The School Board of Seminole*, 874 So. 2d 48 (Fla. 5th DCA 2004). A record classified as exempt from public disclosure may be disclosed under certain circumstances. *Williams v. City of Minneola*, 575 So. 2d 687 (Fla. 5th DCA 1991).

increasingly the most convenient and efficient means to receive information that was previously sent through the mail. In order to ensure that voters continue to have efficient access to election-related materials and information, it is essential to keep these channels of communication open to the public.<sup>25</sup>

The 2013 bill may be distinguishable, however, because it *did not allow* access to voter information by political and election-related individuals and groups with “skin in the game.” The current bill would still allow opposed candidates, political parties, and political committees to view and copy voter e-mail addresses, as well as the other items of non-minor voter information being made confidential.

#### **VIII. Statutes Affected:**

This bill substantially amends section 97.0585 of the Florida Statutes.

#### **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.

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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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<sup>25</sup> Governor Scott’s Veto Letter, CS/HB 249 (14 June 2013), available at: <http://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/Veto-Letter-HB-249.pdf> (last accessed on 14 January 2014).



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The Committee on Ethics and Elections (Hays) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 97.0585, Florida  
Statutes, is amended, and subsection (3) of that section is  
reenacted, to read:

97.0585 Public records exemption; information regarding  
voters and voter registration; confidentiality.—

(1) The following information held by an agency as defined





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11 in s. 119.011, and obtained for the purpose of voter  
12 registration, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and  
13 s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution and may be used only  
14 for purposes of voter registration:

15 (a) All declinations to register to vote made pursuant to  
16 ss. 97.057 and 97.058.

17 (b) Information relating to the place where a person  
18 registered to vote or where a person updated a voter  
19 registration.

20 (c) The social security number, driver license number, and  
21 Florida identification number of a voter registration applicant  
22 or voter.

23 (d) All information concerning preregistered voter  
24 registration applicants who are 16 or 17 years of age. This  
25 paragraph is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in  
26 accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2,  
27 2021, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment  
28 by the Legislature.

29 (3) This section applies to information held by an agency  
30 before, on, or after the effective date of this exemption.

31 Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public  
32 necessity that all information concerning preregistered voter  
33 registration applicants who are 16 or 17 years of age which is  
34 held by an agency, and obtained for the purpose of voter  
35 registration, be confidential and exempt from public records  
36 requirements and be used only for purposes of voter  
37 registration. Information concerning preregistered 16-year-old  
38 and 17-year-old voter registration applicants could be misused  
39 if released. Minors are more vulnerable members of society, and



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40 the widespread release of information acquired through  
41 preregistration activities may be used to solicit, harass,  
42 stalk, or intimidate such individuals. Without such protection,  
43 a minor may be less likely to take advantage of preregistering  
44 to vote, thus hindering the effective and efficient  
45 administration of a program that otherwise encourages greater  
46 participation in the democratic process.

47 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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49 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

50 And the title is amended as follows:

51 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
52 and insert:

53 A bill to be entitled  
54 An act relating to public records; amending s.  
55 97.0585, F.S., and reenacting subsection (3), relating  
56 to a public records exemption for information  
57 regarding voters and voter registration; providing an  
58 exemption from public records requirements for  
59 information concerning minor preregistered voter  
60 registration applicants; providing for future  
61 legislative review and repeal; providing for  
62 retroactive application; providing a statement of  
63 public necessity; providing an effective date.



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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Ethics and Elections (Flores) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment**

Delete line 44  
and insert:  
committees for political purposes only. A person's social security number obtained for the purpose of voter registration may be disclosed as authorized under s. 119.071(5)(a).



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The Committee on Ethics and Elections (Flores) recommended the following:

**Senate Substitute for Amendment (774498)**

Delete line 44  
and insert:  
committees for political purposes only. A person's information  
made confidential and exempt under paragraph (1)(d) and obtained  
for the purpose of voter registration may be disclosed as  
authorized under s. 119.071(5).

By Senator Altman

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1 A bill to be entitled  
 2 An act relating to public records; amending s.  
 3 97.0585, F.S.; providing an exemption from public  
 4 records requirements for specified information  
 5 regarding a voter or voter registration applicant and  
 6 information concerning preregistered voter  
 7 registration applicants; authorizing disclosure of  
 8 confidential and exempt information under certain  
 9 circumstances; providing for future legislative review  
 10 and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity;  
 11 providing an effective date.  
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 13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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 15 Section 1. Section 97.0585, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
 16 read:  
 17 97.0585 Public records exemption; information regarding  
 18 voters and voter registration; confidentiality.—  
 19 (1) The following information held by an agency as defined  
 20 in s. 119.011, and obtained for the purpose of voter  
 21 registration, is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and  
 22 s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution and may be used only  
 23 for purposes of voter registration, unless disclosure is  
 24 authorized under subsection (2):  
 25 (a) All declinations to register to vote made pursuant to  
 26 ss. 97.057 and 97.058.  
 27 (b) Information relating to the place where a person  
 28 registered to vote or where a person updated a voter  
 29 registration.

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30 (c) The social security number, driver license number, and  
 31 Florida identification number of a voter registration applicant  
 32 or voter.  
 33 (d) The legal residential address, date of birth, telephone  
 34 number, and e-mail address of a voter registration applicant or  
 35 voter.  
 36 (e) All information concerning preregistered voter  
 37 registration applicants who are 16 or 17 years of age.  
 38 (2) A person's information made confidential and exempt  
 39 under paragraph (1)(d) shall be made available to or reproduced  
 40 only for that voter registration applicant or voter, a  
 41 canvassing board, an election official, a political party or  
 42 official thereof, a candidate who has filed qualification papers  
 43 and is opposed in an upcoming election, and registered political  
 44 committees for political purposes only.  
 45 (3)(2) The signature of a voter registration applicant or a  
 46 voter is exempt from the copying requirements of s. 119.07(1)  
 47 and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.  
 48 (4)(3) This section applies to information held by an  
 49 agency before, on, or after the effective date of this  
 50 exemption.  
 51 (5) Paragraph (1)(d), paragraph (1)(e), and subsection (2)  
 52 are subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in  
 53 accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2,  
 54 2021, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment  
 55 by the Legislature.  
 56 Section 2. (1) The Legislature finds it a public necessity  
 57 that the following information held by an agency, and obtained  
 58 for the purpose of voter registration, be confidential and

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59 exempt from public records requirements and used only for  
 60 purposes of voter registration:

61 (a) The legal residential address, date of birth, telephone  
 62 number, and e-mail address of a voter registration applicant or  
 63 voter.

64 (b) All information concerning preregistered voter  
 65 registration applicants who are 16 or 17 years of age.

66 (2) Information such as a voter registration applicant's or  
 67 a voter's legal residential address, date of birth, telephone  
 68 number, and e-mail address are personal and sensitive and could  
 69 be misused by a dishonest person if placed in the public domain  
 70 with the applicant's or the voter's name. By matching a name and  
 71 legal residential address, date of birth, telephone number, or  
 72 e-mail address, a dishonest person could commit identity theft,  
 73 which could result in financial harm to a voter registration  
 74 applicant or a voter. The potential for harm that results from  
 75 unfettered access to a voter registration applicant's or a  
 76 voter's legal residential address, date of birth, telephone  
 77 number, and e-mail address, accompanied by the person's name,  
 78 exceeds any public benefit that may be derived from disclosure  
 79 of such information. In addition, such information may be used  
 80 for consumer scams, unwanted solicitations, or other invasive  
 81 contacts.

82 (3) The Legislature also finds that e-mail addresses are  
 83 personal information that could be misused and could result in  
 84 voter fraud if released. A voter may request an absentee ballot  
 85 using an e-mail address. Unrestricted access to such e-mail  
 86 addresses may enable others to determine which voters are  
 87 intending to vote by absentee ballot and result in the

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88 confiscation and misuse of a mailed absentee ballot by a person  
 89 other than the requesting voter. In addition, collection of the  
 90 e-mail address of a voter registration applicant or a voter  
 91 would give supervisors of elections the opportunity to employ  
 92 the cost-saving measure of electronically transmitting sample  
 93 ballots. If a voter registration applicant or a voter knows that  
 94 his or her e-mail address is subject to public disclosure, he or  
 95 she may be less willing to provide the e-mail address to the  
 96 supervisor of elections. Accordingly, the effective and  
 97 efficient administration of a government program would be  
 98 significantly impaired.

99 (4) The Legislature also finds that information concerning  
 100 preregistered 16-year-old and 17-year-old voter registration  
 101 applicants could be misused if released. Minors are more  
 102 vulnerable members of society, and the widespread release of  
 103 information acquired through preregistration activities may be  
 104 used to solicit, harass, stalk, or intimidate such individuals.  
 105 Without such protection, a minor may be less likely to take  
 106 advantage of pre-registering to vote, thus hindering the  
 107 effective and efficient administration of a program that  
 108 otherwise encourages greater participation in the democratic  
 109 process.

110 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.



Testimony in Opposition to SB 702: Voter Registration Records  
Florida Senate Ethics and Election Committee  
February 2, 2016

Project Vote and Common Cause Florida appreciate the opportunity to submit testimony on this important issue of transparency and voting rights. This bill would violate both the National Voter Registration Act and the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution. As such, Project Vote opposes SB 702.

First, SB 702 would violate the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA). SB 702 provisions run contrary not only to the plain language of the NVRA, but also to the NVRA's purpose of protecting "the integrity of the electoral process." 52 U.S.C. § 20501(b). There can be no transparency into Florida's process of maintaining the accuracy of its voter lists without the disclosure of information that proposed SB 702 attempts to shield.

Section 8(i) of the NVRA requires that states "make available for public inspection... all records concerning the implementation of programs and activities conducted for the purpose of ensuring the accuracy and currency of official lists of eligible voters." The NVRA does not exempt the information SB 702 attempts to shield. In fact, this very information must be made available to the public.

We understand that there are privacy concerns. However, The Fourth Circuit has expressly rejected the argument that privacy interests allow a state to withhold addresses, telephone numbers, and dates of birth from voter registration records.

Second, SB 702 would violate the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. SB 702 unconstitutionally singles out certain groups who may access voter roll information. Courts have recognized that the discriminatory exemption of records from disclosure damages fundamental Fourteenth Amendment rights related to the exercise and preservation of the ability to vote, and have found several such laws to violate the Equal Protection Clause.

We are attaching a letter that lays forth in more detail the legal arguments demonstrating that this bill would violate both federal law as well as the United States Constitution. Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

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Dear Senator Altman:

We write with regard to S.B. 702, your proposed bill amending section 97.0585 of the Florida Statutes, relating to public records exemptions of voter and voter registration information. As a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving voter registration and electoral transparency, we have serious concerns with the amendments you propose. The amended statute would run contrary to the Public Disclosure Provision of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, and would violate the Equal Protection Clause of the United States Constitution. We urge you and your colleagues to reconsider your proposed amendments.

#### Public Disclosure Requirement Under the NVRA

Congress enacted the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (the “NVRA”) to “protect the integrity of the electoral process” and “ensure that accurate and current voter registration rolls are maintained.” 52 U.S.C. § 20501(b). To that end, Section 8(i) of the NVRA requires that states “make available for public inspection and, where available, photocopying at a reasonable cost, *all records* concerning the implementation of programs and activities conducted for the purpose of ensuring the accuracy and currency of official lists of eligible voters.” *Id.* § 20507(i)(1) (emphasis added).

The proposed section 97.0585(d) attempts to exempt from public disclosure the home addresses, dates of birth, telephone numbers, and email addresses of voters and voter registration applicants, but the disclosure of this information is required by Section 8(i) of the NVRA. This information is contained in records that Florida maintains for the purpose of ensuring the accuracy of voter lists,<sup>1</sup> and the NVRA does not exempt the personal information the proposed 97.0585(d) attempts to shield. Indeed, the Fourth Circuit has expressly rejected the argument that privacy interests allow a state to withhold addresses, telephone numbers, and dates of birth, noting that the proper balance between transparency and voter privacy is “a policy question . . . Congress has already answered . . . by enacting NVRA Section 8(i)(1).” *Long*, 682 F.3d at 339. Moreover, the NVRA itself explicitly requires addresses to be included in records that must be disclosed under

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<sup>1</sup> All of this information is collected by Florida in voter registration applications, *see* Fla. Stat. § 97.052(6), and completed voter registration applications are themselves records that must be disclosed under the NVRA. *See Project Vote/Voting for America, Inc. v. Long*, 682 F.3d 331, 340 (4th Cir. 2012).



the Public Disclosure Provision. 52 U.S.C. § 20507(i)(2) (requiring that the records described in Section 8(i)(1) “shall include lists of the names and addresses” of all persons having been sent notice regarding removal from registration lists (emphasis added)).

The proposed section 97.0585(d) is contrary not only to the plain language of the NVRA, but also to the NVRA’s purpose of protecting “the integrity of the electoral process.” 52 U.S.C. § 20501(b). There can be no transparency into Florida’s process of maintaining the accuracy of its voter lists without the disclosure of information that the proposed section 97.0585(d) attempts to shield. Florida uses this information to ensure the accuracy of its voter lists, and, in fact, Florida law explicitly recognizes that addresses and dates of birth are necessary to maintain the accuracy of voter lists.<sup>2</sup> Without access to the information that Florida uses to maintain the accuracy of voter lists, it would be impossible for the public to ascertain whether Florida is keeping its lists accurate. *See Long*, 682 F.3d at 339 (finding it “self-evident” that the disclosure of addresses, telephone numbers, and dates of birth “will assist the identification of both error and fraud in the preparation and maintenance of voter roles”).

### Equal Protection Violation

The amendments proposed in S.B. 702 would also violate the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. The proposed amendments in S.B. 702 single out certain groups. Those listed in the proposed section 97.0585(2) would be able to obtain freely all of the voter registration information. Others—including ordinary citizens and organizations seeking to protect voters’ rights, such as Project Vote—would not.

Where state laws provide voter records to some persons but not others, federal courts have scrutinized those laws to ensure that their burden on voters does not outweigh the state’s interest in protecting the records from disclosure. Those courts have recognized that the discriminatory exemption of records from disclosure damages fundamental Fourteenth Amendment rights related to the exercise and preservation of the ability to vote, and have found several such laws to violate the Equal Protection Clause. *See, e.g., Socialist Workers Party v. Rockefeller*, 314 F. Supp. 984, 995–96 (S.D.N.Y. 1970) (three-judge court) (holding law to violate Equal Protection Clause where only certain political parties could access voter records), *summarily aff’d*, 400 U.S. 806 (1970); *Green Party of Mich. v. Land*, 541 F. Supp. 2d 912, 917–18 (E.D. Mich. 2012) (same); *Schulz v. Williams*, 44 F.3d 48, 60 (2d Cir. 1994) (recognizing the binding effect of the Supreme Court’s summary affirmance in

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<sup>2</sup> *See* Fla. Stat. § 98.093(1) (“In order to . . . maintain accurate and current voter registration records in the statewide voter registration system . . . , it is necessary . . . to receive or access certain information from state and federal officials and entities in the format prescribed.”); *id.* § 98.093(2)(a) (prescribing lists of deceased persons to include address and date of birth); *id.* § 98.093(2)(b) (same for lists of persons adjudicated mentally incapacitated); *id.* § 98.093(2)(e) (same for data regarding criminal records); *id.* § 98.093(2)(g) (same for lists of persons having been licensed to drive in other states).

*Rockefeller* and striking down a state statute providing voter information only to certain political parties); *Donrey Media Group v. Ikeda*, 959 F. Supp. 1280, 1285 (D. Haw. 1996) (holding law to violate Equal Protection Clause where political parties could access voter records, but others, including the media, could not).

Discriminatory access to voter records implicates fundamental voting and speech rights, and the public interests in the transparency and disclosure of voter information outweigh any state interest in restricting disclosure. The differential treatment under the amended statute—providing voter records to political parties and others but not to ordinary citizens—would violate the Equal Protection Clause.

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In sum, the amended section 97.0585 would violate the U.S. Constitution and is contrary to the NVRA. We respectfully ask that you and your colleagues reconsider S.B. 702.

Sincerely,

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Chair Richter:

Please excuse my absence from the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections meeting today, February 2, 2016.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Clemens".

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# CourtSmart Tag Report

**Room:** KN 412  
**Caption:** Senate Ethics and Elections Committee

**Case:**

**Type:**  
**Judge:**

**Started:** 2/2/2016 4:08:09 PM  
**Ends:** 2/2/2016 4:38:55 PM **Length:** 00:30:47

4:08:10 PM Meeting called to order  
4:08:30 PM Quorum Present  
4:08:50 PM Tab 25, SB 702, will be TP'd (Requested by Sponsor, Sen. Altman)  
4:09:05 PM Tabs 1-22, Exec. Appointments  
4:09:20 PM Tabs 3, 9, 13 will be taken up individually  
4:09:44 PM Motion to recommend confirmation of Tabs 1-22 excluding Tabs: 3, 9, 13  
4:10:04 PM Roll call  
4:10:18 PM Appointees listed on Tabs 1-22 (excluding Tabs 3/9/13) recommended favorably  
4:10:33 PM Sec. Ken Lawson, Dept. Business and Professional Regulation Confirmation hearing  
4:11:25 PM Sec. Ken Lawson, DBPR, speaks  
4:13:44 PM Sen Gaetz comments  
4:14:52 PM Sen Hays question  
4:16:00 PM Sec Lawson responds  
4:16:29 PM Sen Hays comments  
4:16:35 PM Sen Hays moves to recommend confirmation of Sec. Lawson  
4:17:00 PM Roll Call  
4:17:15 PM Recommend Confirmation for Sec Lawson passes favorably  
4:17:31 PM Tab 9 Samuel Verghese, Dept. of Elder Affairs, confirmation hearing  
4:17:59 PM Sec. Samuel Verghese, Dept. of Elder Affairs, speaks  
4:21:42 PM Pres. Gaetz comments  
4:23:25 PM Pres Gaetz moves to confirm Sec Verghese  
4:24:24 PM Roll Call  
4:24:28 PM Recommend Confirmation for Sec Verghese passes favorably  
4:24:51 PM Tab 13 Chad Poppell , Department of Management Services, confirmation hearing  
4:25:09 PM Sec. Chad Poppell, DMS, testifies  
4:26:34 PM Sec. Chad Poppell, DMS, speaks  
4:27:17 PM Sen Hays comments  
4:28:10 PM Sen Hays comments and moves to confirm Sec Poppell  
4:28:31 PM Roll Call  
4:28:34 PM Sec Chad Poppell confirmation recommended favorably  
4:28:57 PM Tab 24 SJR 1424  
4:29:18 PM Sen Bean explains  
4:30:42 PM Sen Braynon question  
4:31:49 PM Chair responds  
4:32:13 PM Sen Bean closes on the bill  
4:32:23 PM Roll Call  
4:32:51 PM SJR 1424 passes favorably  
4:33:21 PM Tab 23 SJR 942  
4:33:37 PM Sen Garcia explains  
4:33:56 PM Chair Richter responds  
4:34:15 PM Sen Thompson question  
4:34:53 PM Sen Garcia responds  
4:35:20 PM Sen Thompson follow up question  
4:36:07 PM Sen Garcia responds  
4:36:12 PM Sen Garcia closes on SJR 924  
4:36:37 PM Sen Garcia closes on SJR 924  
4:36:38 PM Catherine Baer, Tea Party Network  
4:36:54 PM Catherine Baer, Tea Party Network, waives in support  
4:36:56 PM John Hallman, Liberty First Network, waives in support  
4:37:05 PM Roll Call  
4:37:16 PM SJR 924 passes favorably  
4:37:32 PM Sen Smith motion to be shown in the affirmative Tabs 9, 13, & 24 (Note: voted on Tabs 1-22 , & 23)

**4:38:19 PM** Senators Braynon & Flores request to be shown in the affirmative for Tabs 1-22 (Note: voted on Tabs 3/9/13)

**4:38:38 PM** Meeting adjourned