

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

**HIGHER EDUCATION**  
**Senator Stargel, Chair**  
**Senator Sachs, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Monday, January 11, 2016  
**TIME:** 1:30—3:30 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Stargel, Chair; Senator Sachs, Vice Chair; Senators Benacquisto, Braynon, Gaetz, Joyner, Legg, Negrón, and Simmons

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	<b>SB 962</b> Gaetz (Identical H 1359)	Vocational Rehabilitation; Requiring the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to initiate, by a specified date, a performance improvement plan designed to achieve specified goals; requiring the division to submit a performance report annually, by a specified date, to the Governor and the Legislature which includes specified information, etc.  HE 01/11/2016 Favorable AED FP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
2	<b>SB 984</b> Legg (Compare H 7019)	Education Access and Affordability; Requiring tuition for an online degree program to include costs associated with the provision of instructional materials; requiring a public postsecondary institution to post information relating to required and recommended textbooks and instructional materials and prices in its course registration system and on its website; requiring a state university to publicly notice meetings at which votes on proposed tuition or fee increases are scheduled, etc.  HE 01/11/2016 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 0
3	<b>SB 990</b> Montford (Compare H 793, S 520)	Bright Futures Scholarship Program; Providing that the initial award and renewal periods for students who are unable to accept an initial award immediately after completion of high school due to a full-time religious or service obligation begin upon the completion of the religious or service obligation, etc.  HE 01/11/2016 Temporarily Postponed AED FP	Temporarily Postponed

**Workshop** - Discussion and public testimony only on the following (no vote to be taken):

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4	<b>SB 726</b> Ring (Similar H 7017, Compare H 1343, S 1060, S 1670)	Career and Adult Education; Revising the membership requirements for the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council; revising the requirements for a candidate to take an examination for a high school equivalency diploma after reaching the age of 16; revising the program standards for career, adult, and community education programs; increasing the maximum number of authorized CAPE Digital Tool certificates; creating the Florida Apprenticeship Grant Program to provide grants to certain career centers and Florida College System institutions; creating the Rapid Response Grant Program to provide grants for the expansion or implementation of certain postsecondary programs at career centers, etc.  HE 01/11/2016 Workshop-Discussed AED AP	Workshop-Discussed
5	<b>SB 836</b> Gaetz	Rapid Response Education and Training Program; Establishing the Rapid Response Education and Training Program within the Complete Florida Plus Program; requiring the Complete Florida Plus Program to work with Enterprise Florida, Inc., to offer certain education and training commitments to businesses; requiring the Division of Career and Adult Education within the Department of Education to conduct an analysis and assessment of the effectiveness of the education and training programs, etc.  HE 01/11/2016 Workshop-Discussed AED AP	Workshop-Discussed
6	<b>SB 1060</b> Legg (Compare H 1343, H 7017, S 726, S 1670)	Career and Adult Education; Revising the membership requirements for the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council; revising the attributes that characterize apprenticeable occupations; increasing the maximum number of certain CAPE Digital Tool certificates that the Commissioner of Education may recommend be added to the CAPE Industry Certification Funding List, etc.  ED AED AP	Workshop-Discussed

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