

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

HEALTH POLICY
Senator Burton, Chair
Senator Harrell, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Monday, February 2, 2026

TIME: 3:30—5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

MEMBERS: Senator Burton, Chair; Senator Harrell, Vice Chair; Senators Berman, Calatayud, Davis, Gaetz, Leek, Massullo, Osgood, Passidomo, and Trumbull

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| 1 | SB 36 Sharief (Similar CS/H 237) | Use of Professional Nursing Titles; Authorizing persons who hold specified licenses to practice professional nursing or to perform nursing services to use certain titles and abbreviations; requiring doctoral degree holders to specify their profession when using a specified title, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Fav/CS AHS RC | Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 2 |
| 2 | SB 864 Sharief (Identical H 1515, Compare H 327, Linked S 196) | Public Records/Uterine Fibroid Research Database; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain records and personal identifying information submitted to the Department of Health for inclusion in the uterine fibroid research database; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Fav/CS AHS FP | Fav/CS Yeas 10 Nays 1 |
| 3 | SB 268 Rodriguez (Similar H 251) | Public Records/Emergency Physicians; Defining the term “emergency physician”; providing exemptions from public records requirements for the personal identifying and location information of current or former emergency physicians and the spouses and children of such emergency physicians; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Fav/CS GO RC | Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 0 |

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| 4 | SB 844 Jones (Identical H 353) | Sickle Cell Disease Care Management and Treatment Continuing Education; Revising requirements for a continuing education course on prescribing controlled substances which health care practitioners are required to complete; requiring the applicable licensing boards for specified health care professions to require a 2-hour continuing education course on sickle cell disease care management as part of the first licensure or certification renewal; specifying requirements for the course; authorizing the applicable boards to approve additional equivalent courses to satisfy the requirement, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Favorable AHS FP | Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0 |
| 5 | SB 514 Osgood (Identical H 515) | Doula Support for Healthy Births Pilot Program; Establishing the pilot program in Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach Counties for a specified purpose; requiring the Department of Health, in collaboration with its maternal and child health section, to implement and oversee the pilot program; requiring the department to collaborate with specified entities to integrate doula services into existing maternal health programs and facilitate outreach and service delivery; creating the Doula Certification Task Force within the department for a specified purpose, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Fav/CS AHS FP | Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 0 |
| 6 | SB 1404 Burton (Similar H 1295, Compare CS/S 1630) | Memory Care; Defining the term “memory care services”; requiring facilities claiming to provide memory care services to meet specified standards of operation in providing such services; repealing a provision relating to special care for persons with Alzheimer’s disease or other related disorders; providing the purpose of the Florida Alzheimer’s Center of Excellence; defining terms; creating the center within the Department of Elderly Affairs, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Fav/CS AHS FP | Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 0 |

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| 7 | SB 914 Calatayud (Similar H 867) | Dry Needling; Defining the terms “dry needling” and “myofascial trigger point”; requiring the Board of Occupational Therapy to establish minimum standards of practice for the performance of dry needling by occupational therapists, including specified standards; requiring the board, if it deems it necessary for patient safety, to adopt additional supervision and training requirements for occupational therapists to perform dry needling on specified areas, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Fav/CS AHS RC | Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 0 |
| 8 | SB 1758 Gaetz (Compare H 693, H 1453) | Public Assistance; Authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to conduct retrospective reviews and audits of certain claims under the state Medicaid program for a specified purpose; requiring the agency to seek federal approval to implement mandatory work and community engagement requirements for able-bodied adults as a condition of obtaining and maintaining Medicaid coverage; requiring the agency, in consultation with the Department of Children and Families, to develop a business plan to implement specified provisions; revising the purpose of the Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee to include creation of a Medicaid preferred physician-administered drug list, a Medicaid preferred product list, and a high-cost drug list; requiring the department to develop and implement a food assistance payment accuracy improvement plan for a specified purpose, etc. HP 02/02/2026 Fav/CS AP | Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 3 |

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