## **The Florida Senate**

## **COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

Senator Burton, Vice Chair

## JUDICIARY Senator Yarborough, Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 12, 2025

**TIME:** 8:30—10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Building

MEMBERS: Senator Yarborough, Chair; Senator Burton, Vice Chair; Senators Berman, DiCeglie, Gaetz, Hooper,

Leek, Osgood, Passidomo, Polsky, and Trumbull

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 106 Martin (Similar CS/H 97)	Exploitation of Vulnerable Adults; Authorizing the use of substitute service on unascertainable respondents; requiring the court to enter an order providing for specified service when a petitioner files the sworn affidavit; requiring that any proposed transfer of funds or property in dispute be held for a specified time period, etc.	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0
		CF 03/04/2025 Favorable JU 03/12/2025 Favorable RC	
2	CS/SB 280 Ethics and Elections / Arrington (Similar H 201, Compare H 1381, S 1414)	Candidate Qualification; Providing eligibility requirements for persons seeking to qualify for nomination as candidates of a political party or as candidates with no party affiliation; providing that certain entities may bring an action for declaratory and injunctive relief based on a certain claim; prohibiting a person from qualifying as a candidate for election and prohibiting his or her name from appearing on the ballot under certain circumstances, etc.	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0
		EE 03/03/2025 Fav/CS JU 03/12/2025 Favorable RC	
3	SB 498 Grall (Similar H 173)	Interest Rates Applicable to the Interest on Trust Accounts Program; Requiring the Chief Financial Officer to establish quarterly two interest rate alternatives applicable to the Interest on Trust Accounts (IOTA) Program to determine interest paid to Funding Florida Legal Aid (FFLA) by participating financial institutions; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to inform FFLA of the rate alternatives established for each upcoming quarter, etc.	Fav/CS Yeas 9 Nays 2
		JU 03/12/2025 Fav/CS BI RC	

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4	SB 576 Leek (Similar CS/H 157)	Service of Process; Expanding the hours during which registered agents are required to keep the designated registered office open for the purpose of process service; authorizing service of process by personally serving the receiver for specified domestic entities in receivership during pendency of the receivership; requiring that a certain substituted service of process be issued in the name of the party to be served in care of the Secretary of State; specifying that registered agents must have been designated under a specified provision for a specified purpose, etc.  JU 03/12/2025 Fav/CS GO RC	Fav/CS Yeas 10 Nays 0
5	SB 752 Simon (Similar H 667)	Defamation, False Light, and Unauthorized Publication of Name or Likenesses; Requiring that certain articles or broadcasts be removed from the Internet within a specified period to limit damages for defamation; providing persons in certain positions relating to newspapers with immunity for defamation if such persons exercise due care to prevent publication or utterance of such a statement; declaring that the continued presence on the Internet of a published statement determined to be false is deemed to be a new publication of the false statement for certain purposes and that the owner, licensee, or operator is not entitled to a certain privilege, etc.  JU 03/12/2025 Fav/CS CM RC	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 2
6	SB 774 Wright (Identical H 513)	Electronic Transmittal of Court Orders; Requiring the clerk of the court, within 6 hours after a court issues an ex parte order for involuntary commitment, to submit the order electronically to the sheriff or law enforcement agency in the county where the order is to be served; requiring the clerk of the court, within 6 hours after a certain summons is issued, to submit the summons electronically and, if applicable, a copy of the petition for involuntary services and a notice of the hearing to a law enforcement agency to effect service on certain persons, etc.  JU 03/12/2025 Favorable ACJ FP	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0

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7	SB 806 Yarborough (Identical H 1173)	Florida Trust Code; Providing that the Attorney General has exclusive standing to assert certain rights of beneficiaries of charitable trusts in any judicial proceeding within this state or elsewhere; prohibiting certain public officers of another state from asserting such rights, etc.  JU 03/12/2025 Fav/CS ACJ RC	Fav/CS Yeas 10 Nays 0
8	SB 832 Burgess (Similar CS/H 585)	Former Phosphate Mining Lands; Providing conditions for a cause of action against certain former phosphate mine sites; requiring the Department of Health to conduct surveys of former phosphate land parcels upon petition; requiring that specified documentation of radiation levels be submitted in certain civil actions related to phosphate mining, etc.  JU 03/12/2025 Fav/CS EN RC	Fav/CS Yeas 10 Nays 0
9	SB 948 Bradley (Similar CS/H 1015)	Real Property and Condominium Flood Disclosures; Requiring a landlord of residential real property to provide specified information to a prospective tenant at or before the time the rental agreement is executed; defining the term "flooding"; providing that if a landlord fails to disclose flood information truthfully and a tenant suffers substantial loss or damage, the tenant may terminate the rental agreement by giving a written notice of termination to the landlord within a specified timeframe; revising the flood information that must be disclosed to prospective purchasers of residential real property, etc.  JU 03/12/2025 Fav/CS RI	Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 0
10	SB 1164 Leek (Similar H 615)	Delivery of Notices from Landlords to Tenants; Authorizing a landlord to deliver any required notice to a tenant by e-mail if the tenant signs an addendum to his or her rental agreement which specifically agrees to such delivery; requiring a tenant who agrees to such addendum to provide the landlord with his or her valid e-mail address; requiring a landlord to maintain copies of any notice sent by e-mail, with evidence of transmission, etc.  JU 03/12/2025 Favorable CA RC	Favorable Yeas 10 Nays 0

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