

THE FLORIDA SENATE  
2014 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED  
**Committee on Agriculture**

**CS/CS/SB 536 — Reclaimed Water**

by Environmental Preservation and Conservation Committee; Agriculture Committee; and Senator Simpson

This bill directs the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in coordination with the stakeholders to conduct a comprehensive study and to submit a report on the expansion of the beneficial use of reclaimed water, stormwater, and excess surface water in Florida. The bill specifies the elements the report must include. The bill directs the DEP to hold a minimum of two public meetings to gather input on the study and to accept written comments from the public before the report is submitted. Lastly, the bill requires the report to be submitted to the Governor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 1, 2015.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2014.

*Vote: Senate 38-0; House 113-0*