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Amendment No.     

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11	Senator Childers moved the following amendment:		
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13	<b>Senate Amendment (with title amendment)</b>		
14	On page 2, lines 25 and 26, delete those lines		
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16	and insert:		
17	Section 2. Subsection (9) is added to section 14.2015,		
18	Florida Statutes, to read:		
19	14.2015 Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic		
20	Development; creation; powers and duties.--		
21	<u>(9)(a) Subject to the cooperative recommendations of</u>		
22	<u>Enterprise Florida, Inc., and the Florida Commission on</u>		
23	<u>Tourism and to the approval of the Governor, the Office of</u>		
24	<u>Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development is authorized to</u>		
25	<u>expend appropriated state and federal funds for general</u>		
26	<u>economic development grants. The office shall establish</u>		
27	<u>criteria for the award of grants, including criteria relating</u>		
28	<u>to highest economic return for the state as a whole, or a</u>		
29	<u>particular region, county, city, or community, ability to</u>		
30	<u>properly administer grant funds, and such other matters deemed</u>		
31	<u>necessary and appropriate to further the purposes of this</u>		

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1 subsection. The office shall expend all funds in accordance  
2 with state law and shall use such appropriations to supplement  
3 the financial support of:

4 1. Programs that have a substantial economic  
5 significance, giving emphasis to programs that benefit the  
6 state as a whole.

7 2. Programs with a high potential for match funding  
8 from nonstate sources.

9 3. Economic development programs for which no other  
10 state grants are available.

11 4. Rural areas and distressed urban areas.

12 (b) Grants shall be made by contract with any  
13 nonprofit corporation or local or state governmental entity.  
14 Of the total amount of funds available from all sources for  
15 grants, 70 percent of such funds shall be awarded on a  
16 50-percent matching basis. Up to 30 percent of such funds  
17 available may be awarded on a nonmatching basis.

18 (c) In administering grants, contracts, and funds  
19 appropriated for economic development programs, the office may  
20 release moneys in advance on a quarterly basis. By the end of  
21 the contract period, the grantee or contractee shall furnish  
22 to the office a complete and accurate accounting of how all  
23 grant funds were expended. Postaudits to be conducted by an  
24 independent certified public accountant may be required in  
25 accordance with criteria adopted by the office.

26 (d) The office shall not award any new grant which  
27 will, in whole or in part, inure to the personal benefit of  
28 any board member of Enterprise Florida, Inc., or the Florida  
29 Commission on Tourism during that member's term of office, if  
30 the board member participated in the vote of the board or  
31 panel thereof recommending the award. However, this subsection

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1 does not prohibit the office from awarding a grant to an  
2 entity with which a board member is associated.

3 Section 3. Paragraph (e) of subsection (6) of section  
4 288.108, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

5 288.108 High-impact business.--

6 (6) SELECTION AND DESIGNATION OF HIGH-IMPACT  
7 SECTORS.--

8 (e) The study and its findings and recommendations and  
9 the recommendations gathered from the sector-business network  
10 must be discussed and considered during at least one of the  
11 quarterly meetings required in s. 14.2015(2)(~~f~~)(~~h~~).

12 Section 4. Subsection (7) of section 288.90152,  
13 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 288.90152 Pilot matching grant program.--

15 (7) Upon completing all training funded under this  
16 pilot program, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
17 Development shall report on the outputs and outcomes for this  
18 program as part of the annual report prepared under s.  
19 14.2015(2)(~~e~~)(~~g~~). Such report must include a recommendation on  
20 whether it would be sound public policy to continue or  
21 discontinue funding for the program.

22 Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
23 law.

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

27 And the title is amended as follows:

28 On page 1, lines 2-5, delete those lines

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30 and insert:

31 An act relating to economic development;

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1           amending s. 14.2015, F.S.; establishing an  
2           economic development grant program under the  
3           Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
4           Development; providing criteria, requirements,  
5           and restrictions with respect thereto; amending  
6           ss. 288.108 and 288.90152, F.S.; correcting  
7           cross-references; creating a committee to  
8           review and make recommendations concerning  
9           funding requests for fairs, agricultural  
10          centers, pavilions, and multi-use facilities;

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