

Bill No. SB 292  
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11	Senator Sullivan moved the following amendment to amendment		
12	(180084):		
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14	<b>Senate Amendment (with title amendment)</b>		
15	On page 23, line 17 through page 28, line 22, delete		
16	those lines		
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18	and insert: <u>(2) There is created and incorporated the</u>		
19	<u>Technological Research and Development Authority.</u>		
20	<u>(3)(a) The authority shall be governed by a commission</u>		
21	<u>of seven persons who are residents of this state. The Brevard</u>		
22	<u>County Legislative Delegation shall nominate three candidates</u>		
23	<u>for each of five commission vacancies, and the Governor shall</u>		
24	<u>appoint a member of the commission from the nominees for the</u>		
25	<u>vacancy. Further, the Governor shall select and appoint the</u>		
26	<u>two remaining members of the commission. The Governor shall</u>		
27	<u>appoint each member for a term of 4 years, who shall serve</u>		
28	<u>until his or her successor is appointed. If a vacancy occurs</u>		
29	<u>during a member's term, the Governor shall appoint a person to</u>		
30	<u>fill the vacancy for the remainder of the member's term. The</u>		
31	<u>Governor may remove any member for misfeasance, malfeasance,</u>		

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1 or willful neglect of duty. Each member of the authority  
2 before entering upon his or her duties shall take and  
3 subscribe the oath of affirmation required by the State  
4 Constitution. The existing board members appointed under  
5 chapter 87-455, Laws of Florida, of the existing Technology  
6 Research and Development Authority law may serve the remainder  
7 of their terms.

8 (b) The authority shall annually elect one of its  
9 members as chair and one as vice chair and may also appoint a  
10 secretary who shall serve at the pleasure of the authority.  
11 The authority may also appoint such other officers as  
12 necessary.

13 (4) The commission has powers and duties as follows:

14 (a) To plan and undertake a program of action that  
15 promotes scientific research and development and fosters  
16 public and private education.

17 (b) To contract with and support the programs of those  
18 accredited educational institutions with a research capability  
19 and which have main campuses within this state in the  
20 furtherance of the objectives of the authority and to contract  
21 with any other accredited educational institution in  
22 furtherance of the objectives of the authority to establish  
23 public-private partnerships and create, sponsor, and manage  
24 not-for-profit entities to implement or facilitate the  
25 purposes of the authority.

26 (c) To make and manage grants and bequests, and to  
27 enter into contracts and other agreements with units of  
28 government and private parties for the purpose of obtaining  
29 funds for projects and programs that further the objectives of  
30 the authority.

31 (d) To establish an annual budget and amend the budget

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1 when necessary.

2 (e) To adopt an official seal and alter it at its  
3 pleasure.

4 (f) To maintain an office at such place or places in  
5 Brevard County or elsewhere as it may designate.

6 (g) To sue and be sued in its own name.

7 (h) To acquire by lease, purchase, or option real and  
8 personal property for any use consistent with the purposes of  
9 this act.

10 (i) To employ personnel, consultants, accountants,  
11 attorneys, engineers, and other experts as necessary and  
12 convenient in the execution of the powers of the authority.

13 (5) If any provision of this act or the application  
14 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
15 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications  
16 of the act which can be given effect without the invalid  
17 provision or application, and to this end the provisions of  
18 this act are declared severable.

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20 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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

24 And the title is amended as follows:

25 On page 37, lines 12 through 31, delete those lines

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27 and insert:

28 appointment of the commission providing  
29 severability; providing for student

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