By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Saunders

306-2139-02

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Spaceport Florida
Authority; amending s. 331.308, F.S.; expanding
the membership of the board of supervisors of
the authority; specifying the space flight
business affiliation of four appointees to the
board; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 331.308, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

331.308 Board of supervisors.--

(1) There is created within the Spaceport Florida Space Authority a board of supervisors consisting of eight seven regular members, who shall be appointed by the Governor, and two ex officio nonvoting members, one of whom shall be a state senator selected by the President of the Senate and one of whom shall be a state representative selected by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Lieutenant Governor shall serve as Chair of the board of supervisors and shall cast the deciding vote if the votes of the eight regular members result in a tie. All regular members are subject to confirmation by the Senate at the next regular session of the Legislature. Existing board members are not prohibited from reappointment, all of whom shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate at the next regular session of the Legislature. Each of the regular board members must be a resident of the state and must have experience in the aerospace or commercial space industry or in finance or have other significant

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        representatives of Florida's space-flight related businesses,
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        as defined in s. 212.031, of which one must also be a
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        representative of small business as defined in s. 288.703.One
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        regular member shall represent organized labor interests and
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        one regular member shall represent minority interests.
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        Appointments of regular members shall be for 4-year terms.
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                      Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
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       This CS amends s. 331.308, F.S., changing the name of the Spaceport Florida Authority to the Florida Space Authority and the composition of the board of supervisors. The CS changes
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       the composition of the board of supervisors. The CS changes the number of voting members appointed by the Governor from seven to eight, maintaining an ex-officio non-voting senator appointed by the President of the Senate, an ex-officio non-voting state representative appointed by the Speaker of the House, one designee from labor interests, and one designee from minority interests. This CS requires that four of the eight regular board members represent Florida's space-flight related businesses, and on of the four must represent a small business
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