

By Senator Wilson

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to consensus estimating  
3           conferences; amending s. 216.137, F.S.;  
4           requiring each consensus estimating conference  
5           to meet at least once a year before formation  
6           of the Governor's recommended budget; providing  
7           an effective date.

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

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11           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 216.137, Florida  
12   Statutes, is amended to read:

13           216.137 Sessions of consensus estimating conferences;  
14   workpapers.--

15           (1) SESSIONS.--A session of a consensus estimating  
16   conference may be convened as follows:

17           (a) For the Governor.--A session may be convened at  
18   the call of the Executive Office of the Governor to develop  
19   official information on behalf of the Governor for use in  
20   preparing his or her legislative budget recommendations.

21           (b) For the Legislature.--A session may be convened at  
22   the call of a principal who represents the Legislature or his  
23   or her designee to develop official information on behalf of  
24   the Legislature for use in its budget deliberations.

25           (c) To review official information.--After adequate  
26   notice, a session may be convened at the call of any principal  
27   to review and reconsider any official information of the  
28   conference that the principal feels is no longer valid. Any  
29   participant in the conference may notify a principal in  
30   writing if the participant feels that any official information  
31   of the conference is no longer valid. The principal shall

1 review the matter and, if he or she feels that a session of  
2 the conference is warranted, convene the conference for the  
3 purpose of reviewing and reconsidering such official  
4 information.

5 (d) To consider special impacts.--After adequate  
6 notice, any principal may call a special impact session of the  
7 conference to develop official information which reflects  
8 specific changes or proposed changes relating to the area of  
9 responsibility of the conference.

10 (e) Before legislative session.--In addition to  
11 sessions convened at the call of the principals, a session of  
12 each consensus estimating conference must be convened at least  
13 once each year before the formation of the Governor's  
14 recommended budget.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

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18 SENATE SUMMARY

19 Requires each consensus estimating conference to meet at  
20 least once a year, before the formation of the Governor's  
21 recommended budget.

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