SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL:	SB 1090				
SPONSOR:	Senator Cowin				
SUBJECT: State Appre		nticeship Council			
DATE:	January 26,	2004	REVISED:		
ANALYST		S	TAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
Woodruff		O'Farrell		ED	Favorable
Wilson		Wils	son	GO	Favorable
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I. Summary:

The bill amends the procedure by which the Governor appoints members to the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council. It does not change the total membership on the Council. It does not change the number of members representing the different groups on the Council.

Appointments would henceforth be directly by the Governor without dependence on action by a nominating committee.

This bill substantially amends section 446.045 of the Florida Statutes.

II. Present Situation:

The State Apprenticeship Advisory Council is an advisory council to the Division of Workforce Development on matters relating to apprenticeship. The Council is comprised of 13 members who are appointed by the Governor. The Governor also appoints two three member nominating committees that are charged with submitting the names of three nominees for each vacancy that occurs on the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council. One of the two nominating committees represents joint employee organizations which are apprenticeship sponsors that participates in a collective bargaining agreement and who represents employees. The second of the two nominating sponsors that do not participate in a collective bargaining agreement and who represents management.

The two nominating committees submit names only if there are vacancies on the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council from their type of employee organization. The Governor's Office has not been able to make appointments to the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council because there has been no interest among citizens to serve on the nominating committee that is charged with recommending candidates for the council. For ethical reasons, in practice, serving on the nominating committee precludes candidates from serving on the council.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The effect of the proposed changes is to abolish the nominating committees and allow the Governor to make appointments to the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council without the extra step of receiving nominations from the appropriate nominating committee. The result may be that appointments to the Council will be made more expeditiously. Neither the total membership on the Council itself nor the number of persons representing the constituent groups is changed.

The bill takes effect upon becoming law.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

The bill should make it easier for appointments to be made to the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.

This Senate staff analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's sponsor or the Florida Senate.