



Dr. Heller has been awarded the Presidential Citation for Exemplary Performance as Vice-Chairman of the White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals as well as the Teacher Educator of the Year Award, Teacher Education Division, by the Council of Exceptional Children and Merrill Publishing Company. He was also the recipient of the 1991 E. Wallace Wallin Award by the Council for Exceptional Children. This award, the highest honor bestowed by the Council, is predicated on excellence in leadership, service, and accomplishments in the education of children with exceptionalities. He has been awarded the United Way Alex de Tocqueville Society Volunteer Service Award, the Outstanding Service Award by the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Department of Defense, and the Romaine Mackie Leadership Award In Special Education by the Pioneer Division of the Council for Exceptional Children. In 2002, Dr. Heller was honored by the City of St. Petersburg for a "Decade of Excellence," and August 21, 2002, was proclaimed Bill Heller Day by the City of St. Petersburg.

Dr. Heller has served in leadership roles with the Council for Exceptional Children, the American Association for Mental Retardation, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. His professional contributions include more than 350 presentations and publications.

### **III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

This bill designates the building currently named Coquina Hall on the campus of USF St. Petersburg as "H. William Heller Hall." The bill also authorizes USF St. Petersburg to erect suitable markers designating the building as such. The bill will take effect upon the effective date of the retirement or resignation of H. William Heller from, or the termination of H. William Heller's employment with, USF St. Petersburg.

### **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:**

USF St. Petersburg will incur the cost of erecting suitable signs and markers for the newly designated building. The usual cost for these markers is approximately \$250.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

A bill may be drafted to become effective upon the occurrence of specified conditions.<sup>1</sup> The conditions specified must be such that it is readily determinable whether they have occurred and when they have occurred. The conditions specified for the effective date of this bill should be sufficient to meet these criteria, as the stated effective date of Dr. Heller's retirement, resignation or termination of employment will provide sufficient specificity to determine the effective date of the bill.

**VIII. Amendments:**

None.

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

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<sup>1</sup> Gillette et al. v. City of Tampa, 57 So.2d 27 (Fla. 1952).