

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.)

Prepared By: Rules and Calendar Committee

BILL: SCR 1468

SPONSOR: Senator Wise

SUBJECT: Gary VanLandingham/Director of OPPAGA

DATE: March 25, 2005

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Twogood	Twogood	RC	Favorable
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I. Summary:

The concurrent resolution confirms the appointment of Gary VanLandingham as Director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA).

II. Present Situation:

The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) is established in s. 11.51, F.S. as a unit of the Office of the Auditor General, to perform independent examinations, program reviews and other projects as directed.

Section 11.511, F.S., requires the Legislative Auditing Committee to appoint a Director of OPPAGA by majority vote. The appointment of the OPPAGA Director is subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The appointment of the Director may be terminated at any time by a majority vote of the Senate and the House of Representatives. Pursuant to Joint Rule 4.1(7) of the Florida Legislature, the Joint Legislative Auditing Committee (Committee) is responsible for reviewing the performance of the Director of OPPAGA every four years.

On January 24, 2005, the Legislative Auditing Committee appointed Gary VanLandingham as the Director of OPPAGA. Pursuant to s. 11.511(2)(b), until such time as each house confirms the appointment of the Director, the appointee shall perform the functions as provided by law. Mr. VanLandingham has served as the Interim Director since July 2003.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

SCR 1468 confirms the appointment of Gary VanLandingham as Director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA). The appointee has served as Interim Director since July 2003.

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:

None.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Summary of Amendments:

None.

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