$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y}$  the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senator Constantine

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to deferred compensation
3	programs; amending s. 112.215, F.S.; revising
4	the term "employee" and defining the term
5	"governmental entity"; authorizing governmental
6	entities, by ordinance, contract agreement, or
7	other documentation, to participate in the
8	deferred compensation plan of the state and
9	specifying responsibility of the Chief
10	Financial Officer with respect thereto;
11	revising the duties of the State Board of
12	Administration regarding the establishment and
13	management of deferred compensation plans for
14	employees of governmental entities; amending s.
15	20.121, F.S., relating to the Department of
16	Financial Services, to conform; providing
17	effective dates.
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19	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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21	Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section
22	20.121, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
23	20.121 Department of Financial ServicesThere is
24	created a Department of Financial Services.
25	(2) DIVISIONSThe Department of Financial Services
26	shall consist of the following divisions:
27	(d) The Division of Treasury, which shall include a
28	Bureau of Deferred Compensation responsible for administering
29	the Government Employees Deferred Compensation Plan $\underline{as}$
30	provided in established under s. 112.215 for state employees.
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Section 2. Subsection (2), paragraphs (a) and (d) of subsection (4), and subsections (5), (6), and (12) of section 112.215, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

112.215 Government employees; deferred compensation program.--

(2)(a) For the purposes of this section, the term "employee" means any person, whether appointed, elected, or under contract, providing services for a governmental entity the state; any state agency or county or other political subdivision of the state; any municipality; any state university board of trustees; or any constitutional county officer under s. 1(d), Art. VIII of the State Constitution for which compensation or statutory fees are paid.

(b) "Governmental entity" means the state; any state agency or county or other political subdivision of the state; any municipality; any state university board of trustees; or any constitutional county officer under s. 1(d), Art. VIII of the State Constitution.

of the State Board of Administration, shall establish such plan or plans of deferred compensation for state employees of governmental entities, including all such investment vehicles or products incident thereto, as may be available through, or offered by, qualified companies or persons, and may approve one or more such plans for implementation by and on behalf of governmental entities the state and their its agencies and employees. The State Board of Administration shall approve the initial establishment of any deferred compensation plan for state employees administered by the Chief Financial Officer, including all investment products for vehicles. Any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state

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shall approve the establishment of any plan and investment vehicles or products for its employees. When a plan for state employees is established, the State Board of Administration shall assist the Chief Financial Officer by reviewing and commenting on changes to the plan and investment products offered to state employees, but the Chief Financial Officer, or his designee, shall solely retain the responsibility for making decisions regarding all plan matters. At the request of the Chief Financial Officer, the State Board of Administration shall supply such assistance, consistent with State Board of Administration rules and a mutually executed agreement between the parties which sets out services and fees.

- (d) In accordance with such approved plan, and upon contract or agreement with an eligible employee, deferrals of compensation may be accomplished by payroll deductions made by the appropriate officer or officers of the governmental entity state, with such funds being thereafter held and administered in accordance with the plan.
- (5) Any county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state may by ordinance, and any constitutional county officer under s. 1(d), Art. VIII of the State Constitution of 1968 may by contract agreement or other documentation constituting approval, for itself and its employees:
- (a) Adopt and establish for itself and its employees a deferred compensation program. The ordinance shall designate an appropriate official of the county, municipality, or political subdivision to approve and administer a deferred compensation plan or otherwise provide for such approval and administration. The ordinance shall also designate a public official or body to make the determinations provided for in

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paragraph (6)(b). If a constitutional county officer elects to adopt and establish for that office and its employees a deferred compensation program, the constitutional county officer shall be the appropriate official to make the determinations provided for in this subsection and in paragraph (6)(b):

- (b) Adopt the plan or plans of deferred compensation for employees of governmental entities established pursuant to subsection (4); or
- (c) Adopt and establish a deferred compensation program and adopt the plan or plans of deferred compensation for employees of governmental entities established pursuant to subsection (4).
- (6)(a) No deferred compensation plan of the state shall become effective until approved by the State Board of Administration and the Chief Financial Officer is satisfied by opinion from such federal agency or agencies as may be deemed necessary that the compensation deferred thereunder, and/or the investment products purchased pursuant to the plan, or both will not be included in the employee's taxable income under federal or state law until it is actually received by such employee under the terms of the plan, and that such compensation will nonetheless be deemed compensation at the time of deferral for the purposes of social security coverage, for the purposes of the state retirement system, or and for any other retirement, pension, or benefit program established by law.
- (b) No deferred compensation plan <u>adopted and</u>

  <u>established by of a county</u>, municipality, other political subdivision, or constitutional county officer shall become effective until the appropriate official or body designated

under subsection (5) is satisfied by opinion from such federal 2 agency or agencies as may be deemed necessary that the compensation deferred thereunder, and/or the investment 3 products purchased pursuant to the plan, or both will not be included in the employee's taxable income under federal or 5 state law until it is actually received by such employee under the terms of the plan, and that such compensation will 8 nonetheless be deemed compensation at the time of deferral for 9 the purposes of social security coverage, for the purposes of the retirement system of the appropriate county, municipality, 10 political subdivision, or constitutional county officer, and 11 12 for any other retirement, pension, or benefit program 13 established by law. (12) The Chief Financial Officer may adopt any rule 14 necessary to administer and implement this act with respect to 15 16 deferred compensation plans for state employees of governmental entities that have adopted the state's plan. 18 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. 19 2.0 21 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR 22 SB 1024 23 Clarifies that the State Board of Administration will approve 24 only the initial establishment of deferred compensation plans by the Chief Financial Officer for state employees, not plans 2.5 established by counties or municipalities. Provides that the Chief Financial Officer has sole responsibility for decisions 26 relating to plan matters, and that the SBA will assist the CFO pursuant to an agreement that sets out services and fees. 27 28 29 30 31