

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Brandes offered the following:

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3 **Substitute Amendment for Amendment (401967) (with title**
4 **amendment)**

5 Remove lines 4025-4075 and insert:

6 Section 78. It is the intent of the Legislature to
7 encourage and facilitate a review by the Pinellas Suncoast
8 Transit Authority (PSTA) and the Hillsborough Area Regional
9 Transit Authority (HART) in order to achieve improvements in
10 regional transit connectivity and implementation of operational
11 efficiencies and service enhancements that are consistent with
12 the regional approach to transit identified in the Tampa Bay
13 Area Regional Transportation Authority's (TBARTA's) Regional
14 Transportation Master Plan. The Legislature finds that such
15 improvements and efficiencies can best be achieved through a
16 joint review, evaluation, and recommendations by the Pinellas
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17 Suncoast Transit Authority and the Hillsborough Area Regional
18 Transit Authority.

19 (1) The governing bodies or a designated subcommittee of
20 both the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority and the
21 Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority shall hold a joint
22 meeting within 30 days after July 1, 2012, and as often as
23 deemed necessary thereafter, in order to consider and identify
24 opportunities for greater efficiency and service improvements,
25 including specific methods for increasing service connectivity
26 between the jurisdictions of each agency. The elements to be
27 reviewed must also include:

28 (a) Governance structure, including governing board
29 membership, terms, responsibilities, officers, powers, duties,
30 and responsibilities;

31 (b) Funding options and implementation;

32 (c) Facilities ownership and management;

33 (d) Current financial obligations and resources; and

34 (e) Actions to be taken that are consistent with the Tampa
35 Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority's master plan.

36 (2) The Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority and the
37 Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority shall jointly
38 submit a report to the Speaker of the House of Representatives
39 and the President of the Senate on the elements described in
40 this section by February 1, 2013. The report must include
41 proposed legislation to implement each recommendation and
42 specific recommendations concerning the reorganization of each
43 agency, the organizational merger of both agencies, or the
44 consolidation of functions within and between each agency.

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45 (3) The Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority
46 shall assist and facilitate the Pinellas Suncoast Transit
47 Authority and the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority
48 in carrying out the purposes of this section. The Tampa Bay Area
49 Regional Transportation Authority shall provide technical
50 assistance and information regarding its master plan, make
51 recommendations for achieving consistency and improved regional
52 connectivity, and provide support to the Pinellas Suncoast
53 Transit Authority and the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit
54 Authority in the preparation of their joint report and
55 recommendations to the Legislature. For this purpose, the
56 Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority and the Hillsborough Area
57 Regional Transit Authority shall reimburse the Tampa Bay Area
58 Regional Transportation Authority for necessary and reasonable
59 expense in a total amount not to exceed \$100,000.

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Remove lines 471-476 and insert:
providing for a review by the Pinellas Suncoast Transit
Authority and the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority
to consider and identify opportunities and greater efficiency
and service improvements for increasing connectivity between
each authority; requiring a report to the Legislature; requiring
the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority to provide
assistance; authorizing governmental units that regulate the

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73 operation of vehicles for public hire or other for-hire
74 transportation to request and receive criminal history record
75 information for the purpose of screening applicants;
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