

The Florida Senate
HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: HB 1309, Engrossed 1 (CS/CS/SB 1150)

INTRODUCER: Appropriations Committee, Government Operations Subcommittee, and Rep. Albritton (Appropriations Committee, Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee, and Senators Benacquisto and Brandes)

SUBJECT: Governmental Accountability

DATE: May 3, 2013

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 – 317793 to Senate Amendment 1 – 872490 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 removes the following from the Senate Amendment 1:

- Provisions relating to the Chief Financial Officer’s contract transparency website, which are duplicative of the contract transparency website provisions in the Conference Report for HB 5401;
- Provisions granting authority to the CFO to undertake pre-execution audits of grant agreements and state agency contracts; and
- A attorney fees provision related to public records, with the result of maintaining current law.

The amendment adds a requirement that grant managers responsible for agreements in excess of \$35,000 must receive training for accountability in contracts and grant management.

The amendment also removes a provision that would have repealed a requirement that certain state agency contract information be provided to the Department of Financial Services, with the result that the currently specified contract information must continue to be reported.