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*Speaker of the House of
Representatives*

May 1, 2013

The Honorable Don Gaetz
President of the Senate

The Honorable Will Weatherford
Speaker, House of Representatives

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Your Conference Committee on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on SB 1802, same being:

An act relating to state employee health insurance.

having met, and after full and free conference, do recommend to their respective houses as follows:

1. That the House of Representatives recede from its Amendment 797117.
2. That the Senate and House of Representatives adopt the Conference Committee Amendment attached hereto, and by reference made a part of this report.

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The Conference Committee Amendment for SB 1802, relating to state employee health insurance, provides for the following:

Section 1 provides and revises definitions needed for the state employee group health insurance program to comply with the requirements for large employers under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Section 2 permits Other-Personal-Services (OPS) employees who are expected to work an average of at least 30 or more hours per week or who have worked an average of at least 30 or more hours per week to be eligible to participate in the state employee group health insurance program beginning January 1, 2014; requires agency employers of Other-Personal-Services (OPS) employees to provide specified information to the Department of Management Services; revises the amount of the required employer contribution for part-time employees participating in the state group insurance program; provides for the amount of the state contribution to health savings accounts for the 2013-2014 fiscal year; and provides that the state's contribution for health savings accounts may be set annually in the General Appropriations Act beginning in the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

Section 3 authorizes the Department of Management Services to adopt emergency rules to modify the eligibility of persons paid with Other-Personal-Services funds to comply with federal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to mitigate the state's exposure to potential liability under the penalty provisions of that law. The emergency rules must expire by June 30, 2014.