

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 4045 Agricultural Lands
SPONSOR(S): Raulerson
TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** SB 1700

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
1) Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee	12 Y, 0 N	Tecler	West
2) Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee	12 Y, 0 N	Proctor	Davis
3) Economic Affairs Committee			

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

HB 4045 repeals s. 604.006, F.S., which provides for the Department of Economic Opportunity to develop a program for mapping and monitoring the agricultural lands in the state. This section of law was adopted in 1984 and was never implemented by the DEO or its predecessor agency, the Department of Community Affairs.

The bill does not have a fiscal impact on the state or local governments.

The bill provides an effective date of July 1, 2013.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Present Situation

Mapping and Monitoring of Agricultural Lands

Section 604.006, F.S., provides for the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) to develop a program for mapping and monitoring the agricultural lands in the state. The program was to provide governmental entities in the state with continuously updated information on the Florida's agricultural land base in order to determine whether there was a net decline in the amount of available agricultural lands.

This section of law was adopted in 1984 and was never implemented by the DEO or its predecessor agency, the Department of Community Affairs.¹

Effect of Proposed Changes

HB 4045 repeals s. 604.006, F.S., relating to the mapping and monitoring of agricultural lands.

The bill provides an effective date of July 1, 2013

B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Repeals s. 604.006, F.S., relating to the mapping and monitoring of agricultural lands.

Section 2: Provides an effective date of July 1, 2013.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

The bill does not require a municipality or county to expend funds or to take any action requiring the expenditure of funds. The bill does not reduce the authority that municipalities or counties have to raise revenues in the aggregate. The bill does not require a reduction of the percentage of state tax shared with municipalities or counties.

2. Other:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES