

HB 1425

2017

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to standing or select committee
3 powers; amending s. 11.143, F.S.; revising a provision
4 to require, instead of allow, a committee member to
5 administer oaths and affirmations in the manner
6 prescribed by law to certain witnesses; providing an
7 effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
12 11.143, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 11.143 Standing or select committees; powers.—

14 (3) (a) In order to carry out its duties, each such
15 committee, whenever required, may issue subpoena and other
16 necessary process to compel the attendance of witnesses before
17 such committee, and the chair thereof shall issue the process on
18 behalf of the committee, in accordance with the rules of the
19 respective house. The chair or any other member of such
20 committee shall ~~may~~ administer all oaths and affirmations in the
21 manner prescribed by law to witnesses who appear before the
22 committee for the purpose of testifying in any matter concerning
23 which the committee desires evidence.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.