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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Oversight, Transparency & Administration Subcommittee Representative Donalds offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 42-80 and insert: notice of such meeting or recording such meeting, and such

8 meetings are exempt from this section and s. 24(b), Art. I of

9 the State Constitution, if:

10 <u>1. The members do not adopt a resolution or rule or take</u> any other formal action, or agree to do so at a future meeting, at such meeting. A resolution or rule adopted, or any other formal action taken, in violation of this subparagraph is void. <u>2. The members do not discuss an appropriation, a</u> <u>2. The members do not discuss an appropriation, a</u> <u>2. contract, or any other public business that involves the direct</u> <u>expenditure of public funds to a private vendor.</u> <u>968835 - HB 843 amendment.docx</u>

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| 17 <u>3. The meeting is not intended to frustrate or circumv</u> | ent |
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| 18 the purpose of this section. | |
| 19 (b) This subsection is subject to the Open Government | |
| 20 Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall sta | nd |
| 21 repealed on October 2, 2022, unless reviewed and saved from | |
| 22 repeal through reenactment by the Legislature. | |
| 23 Section 2. <u>The Legislature finds that it is a public</u> | |
| 24 necessity that meetings between two members of any board or | |
| 25 commission, including persons elected or appointed to such b | oard |
| 26 or commission who have not yet taken office, of any state ag | ency |
| 27 or authority or any agency or authority of any county, munic | ipal |
| 28 corporation, or political subdivision with a total membershi | p of |
| 29 at least five members should be exempt from s. 286.011, Flor | ida |
| 30 Statutes, and s. 24(b), Article I of the State Constitution, | and |
| 31 should be authorized to meet and discuss public business wit | hout |
| 32 providing notice of such meeting or recording such meeting. | |
| 33 Individual members of any board or commission are authorized | to |
| 34 gather information and discuss topics, ideas, and issues in | |
| 35 private, one-on-one meetings in order to facilitate a more | |
| 36 thorough vetting of policies and appropriations that such | |
| 37 members are responsible for examining and understanding. | |
| 38 Exempting such one-on-one meetings from public meetings | |
| 39 requirements will allow such members to better serve the | |
| 40 interests of the public which they have been elected or | |
| 41 appointed to represent. Therefore, the Legislature finds that | <u>t</u> |
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| 42 | this exemption from public meetings requirements is a public |
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| 43 | necessity. |
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| 46 | TITLE AMENDMENT |
| 47 | Remove lines 2-5 and insert: |
| 48 | An act relating to public meetings; amending s. 286.011, |
| 49 | F.S.; exempting meetings between two members of certain |
| 50 | boards or commissions from public meetings requirements; |
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