

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to budget transparency; creating s.  
 3           215.9851, F.S.; specifying procedures to be followed  
 4           by certain entities in preparing and approving their  
 5           operating budgets; requiring certain budget  
 6           information to be submitted to the legislative  
 7           appropriations committees; requiring certain entities  
 8           to establish and maintain a website; requiring certain  
 9           information to be published on the website; providing  
 10          an effective date.

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 12   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 14           Section 1.   Section 215.9851, Florida Statutes, is created  
 15   to read:

16           215.9851 Transparency for entities not subject to the  
 17   legislative appropriations process; budget and reporting  
 18   requirements.-

19           (1) A statewide entity created by general law or the State  
 20   Constitution that is under the control of or operates pursuant  
 21   to a plan of operation approved by the Governor or the Governor  
 22   and members of the Cabinet or is functionally related to a  
 23   department of the executive branch of government, and that  
 24   receives its operating income through funding sources other than  
 25   the General Appropriations Act, is subject to the requirements

26 of this section. This section does not apply to direct-support  
27 organizations.

28 (2) (a) The entity must prepare and approve an operating  
29 budget each fiscal year consistent with the requirements for  
30 preparing budgets contained in chapter 216.

31 (b) The entity's operating budget, and any amendments  
32 thereto, must be approved at a meeting that is publicly noticed  
33 at least 10 days before the scheduled date of adoption of the  
34 operating budget or an amendment thereto, and must be made  
35 available on the entity's website at the time of the meeting  
36 notice.

37 (c) The approved operating budget must be submitted to the  
38 chairs of the legislative appropriations committees and the  
39 Executive Office of the Governor annually before July 1.

40 (3) The entity must establish and maintain a website to  
41 post information relating to its operations and approved  
42 operating budget, and any amendments thereto, including:

43 (a) The most recently approved operating budget, which  
44 must be posted on the website no later than 30 days after the  
45 date of adoption and the operating budgets from the previous 2  
46 fiscal years.

47 (b) Expenditure data, including the name of each payee,  
48 the date of each expenditure, and the amount of the expenditure.  
49 Such data must be searchable by the name of the payee and the  
50 fiscal year, and must be downloadable in a format that allows

51 offline analysis.

52 (c) Position and rate information for each regularly  
53 established position, including, at a minimum, the position  
54 title and salary or hourly rate of pay.

55 (d) Revenue received and amounts disbursed.

56 (e) Fixed capital outlay project data.

57 (f) Links to state audits or reports about the entity's  
58 operations.

59 (g) Links to program or activity descriptions for which  
60 funds may be expended.

61 (h) Any contract and contract amendment executed by the  
62 entity. The contract must be posted on the website no later than  
63 30 days after the date the contract or amendment is executed.

64 (i) A video recording of each meeting of the entity's  
65 governing body in which the entity's budget is discussed. The  
66 video recording must be posted no later than 5 days after the  
67 meeting date.

68 (j) The minutes of each meeting of the entity's governing  
69 body, which must be posted no later than 3 days after the date  
70 of the meeting.

71 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.