Senate Calendar

Thursday, April 26, 2001

(8th week -- 8 days remaining)

John M. McKay

President



Ginny Brown-Waite President Pro Tempore

THE SENATE WILL CONVENE ON THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2001 9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon & 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

CENATE COUEDING FOR THE WEEK OF ARRIVAGE 22, 27, 2004				
SENATE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 23 - 27, 2001 (This is a schedule of times and places set by the Committee on Rules and Calendar and is subject to change.)				
MONDAY April 23, 2001	TUESDAY April 24, 2001	WEDNESDAY April 25, 2001	THURSDAY April 26, 2001	FRIDAY April 27, 2001
8:00-11:00 a.m. Group IV Children & Families (NM)* E & E (NM)* Regulated Industries (NM)*	9:00 a.m12:00 noon Group I Bnkg. & Ins. Rm. 110 (SB) Education (NM)* 11:00 a.m12:00 noon Group I Crim. Jus. Rm. 37 (SB)	8:00-9:00 a.m. Leg. Budget Commission Pat Thomas Com. Rm. 412 (KB) 11:00 a.muntil completion of agenda Democratic Caucus Rm. 228 (SB)	9:00 a.m12:00 noon SESSION	9:00 a.m12:00 noon SESSION
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12:00 noon-3:00 p.m. Group II Comp. Plan., Local & Mil. Affairs Verle A. Pope Com. Rm. 309 (CB) Judiciary Pat Thomas Com. Rm. 412 (KB) Nat. Res. Rm. 37 (SB) 1:30-3:00 p.m. Group II Com. & Econ. Opport. Rm. 110 (SB) 3:30-6:30 p.m. Group III Agric. & Con. Ser. (NM)* Gov. Oversight & Pro. Rm. 37 (SB) Hlth., Aging & Long-Term Care Rm. 110 (SB) Trans. Verle A. Pope Com. Rm. 309 (CB) 6:30 p.muntil completion Rules & Cal. Spec. Order Sub. Jerry Thomas Com. Rm. 301 (CB) 7:00 p.muntil completion Senate Approp. Full Conf. Com. Mtg. Pat Thomas Com. Rm. 412 (KB) Upon adj. of full Conf. Mtguntil completion Sen Approp. Conf. Sub. Mtgs: Ed. Pat Thomas Com. Rm. 412 (KB) Gen. Gov. Rm. 37 (SB) Hith. & Human Sers.	1:00-7:00 p.m. Group V Approp. Pat Thomas Com. Rm. 412 (KB) Upon adjournment of full Approp7:00 p.m. Grp V Approp. Subs. on: Education Pat Thomas Committee Rm. 412 (KB) Gen. Gov. Jerry Thomas Committee Rm. 301 (CB) Hith. & Human Services Verle A. Pope Committee Rm. 309 (CB) Public Safety & Judiciary Rm. 42 (SB) 3:00-7:00 p.m. Group V Fin. & Tax. Rm. 37 (SB) Upon adj. of Approp. Sub. or 7:00 p.muntil completion of agenda Sen. Approp. Conf. Sub. Mtgs: Ed. Pat Thomas Com. Rm. 412 (KB) Gen. Gov. Rm. 37 (SB) Hith. & Human Sers. Rm. 110 (SB) Pub. Safety & Jud. Rm. 117 (KB) 7:15 p.muntil completion of agenda Rules & Cal. Spec. Order	2:00-5:15 p.m. SESSION 6:00 p.muntil completion of agenda Rules & Cal. Spec. Order Sub. (MC)*	1:00-6:00 p.m. SESSION 15 minutes after recess of Session-until completion of agenda Rules & Cal. Spec. Order Sub. Jerry Thomas Com. Rm. 301 (CB)	12:15 p.muntil completion of agenda Rules & Cal. Spec. Order Sub. Jerry Thomas Com. Rm. 301 (CB) 1:00-6:00 p.m. SESSION
Rm. 110 (SB) Pub. Safety & Jud. Rm. 117 (KB)	Sub. Jerry Thomas Com. Rm. 301 (CB)			(NM)* = Not Meeting

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2001 SESSION DATES AND DEADLINES

August	1, 2000	Deadline for filing claim bills (Rule 4.81)
January	7, 2001	Deadline for newly elected Senators to file claim bills (Rule 4.81)
February	20, 2001	12:00 noon, deadline for filing requests for drafts of general bills, including requests for companion bills
March	6, 2001	Regular Session convenes (Article III, section 3(b), Constitution)
March	6, 2001	12:00 noon, deadline for filing bills for introduction (Rule 3.7)
April	24, 2001	50th day—last day for regularly scheduled committee meetings (Rule 2.9)
April	30, 2001	All bills are immediately certified (Rule 6.8) Conference Committee Reports require only one reading (Rule 4.5)
May	4, 2001	60th day—last day of Regular Session (Article III, section 3(d), Constitution)

SENATE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 30 - MAY 4, 2001 (This is a schedule of times and places set by the Committee on Rules and Calendar and is subject to change.)				
MONDAY April 30, 2001	TUESDAY May 1, 2001	WEDNESDAY May 2, 2001	THURSDAY May 3, 2001	FRIDAY May 4, 2001
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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

NOTE: Conference committee meeting notices on the General Appropriations Act and Implementing Bill will be posted in the 4th Floor Capitol Rotunda and on the bulletin board outside the office of the Senate Committee on Appropriations (Room 201, Capitol) at least one hour prior to each meeting.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2001

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2001

RULES AND CALENDAR: SPECIAL ORDER

SUBCOMMITTEE: 15 minutes after recess of the afternoon Session—until completion of agenda, *Jerry Thomas Committee Room*, 301 Capitol:

To set the Special Order Calendar

RULES AND CALENDAR: SPECIAL ORDER

SUBCOMMITTEE: 12:15 p.m.—until completion of agenda, *Jerry Thomas Committee Room*, 301 Capitol:

To set the Special Order Calendar

DAILY ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Prayer
- 3. Reports of Committees
- Motions relating to committee reference
- 5. Messages from the Governor and other executive communications
- 6. Messages from the House of Representatives
- Matters on reconsideration
- 8. Consideration of Bills on Third Reading
- 9. Special order as determined by the Committee on Rules and Calendar
- 10. Consideration of Bills on Second Reading
- 11. Correction and approval of the Journal

BILLS ON CALENDAR

BILLS ON THIRD READING

CS/SB 1012 by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity and Senator Garcia

Energy Performance Savings; changes provisions re energy efficiency contracting to provisions re guaranteed energy performance savings contracting; provides short title & legislative intent; revises definitions, procedures, & contract provisions; provides criteria, requirements, procedures, & limitations for energy performance contracts; provides for program administration & contract review by DMS & Office of Comptroller. Amends 489.145. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Read the second time on April 20, 2001

CS/CS/CS/SB's 1526, 314 by the Committees on Finance and Taxation, Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Banking and Insurance, Senators Constantine, Campbell and others

Money Transmitter's Code; (THIS BILL COMBINES S1526,314) provides penalties for specified violations of deferred presentment act; provides for continuation of certain administrative proceedings under certain circumstances; eliminates authority to assess examination fees; adds fee for authorized vendor or branch locations; creates "Deferred Presentment Act"; provides procedures for recovering damages for worthless checks, etc. Amends Ch. 560; creates 560.401-.408. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Read the second time on April 20, 2001

CS/SB 2060 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance and Senator Geller

Insurance Department; directs dept. to adopt rules re market conduct exams & license applications; prohibits motor vehicle insurers from imposing surcharge or discount due to certain factors; prohibits insurer or agent from issuing or signing certain certificates of insurance; provides for notice of coverage of auto policies; creates medical malpractice account within Fla. Insurance Guaranty Association, etc. Amends Chs. 624, 626, 627, 631, 641. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

SB 1636 by Senator Pruitt and others

Community Colleges/Prog. Approval; provides legislative intent; provides process for authorizing community colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs. Amends 240.3836. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

CS/SB 1704 by the Committee on Education, Senator Sullivan and others

Education/Teachers & Educators; revises definition of "other instructional staff" to include adjunct educators; deletes provisions re salary supplements provided to teachers selected to teach at certain low-performing schools; requires review by principal prior to reassigning teacher; requires assistance in accessing resources for teachers teaching out-of-field; authorizes athletic coaching certificate for full-time & part-time positions, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

CS/CS/SB's 1970, 164 by the Committees on Banking and Insurance, Governmental Oversight and Productivity, Senators Latvala, Geller and others

Governmental Reorganization; (THIS BILL COMBINES S1970,164) establishes Office of Chief Financial Officer; creates Financial Services Dept.; provides for Commissioner of Financial Institutions Office; transfers Banking & Finance Dept. & DOI to Financial Services Dept.; authorizes State Fire Marshal Div. to adopt rules re firefighter safety inspections; requires division to conduct study, etc. Amends Chs. 17, 20, 633. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

CS/SB 1284 by the Committee on Children and Families and Senator Peaden

Child Support Enforcement; deletes reference to child support & provides reference to support; includes spousal support or alimony for former spouse of obligor if child support is being enforced by DOR among list of items that must be paid prior to award of certain prizes; provides for retroactive increase or decrease in support, maintenance, or alimony; creates pilot program for administrative establishment of child-support obligations, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: Upon becoming law except as otherwise provided.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

CS/SB 772 by the Committee on Children and Families and Senator Sanderson

Public Records/Child-Support Service; provides exemption from public-records requirements for information in possession of non-Title IV-D county child-support-enforcement agency which reveals identity of applicants for & recipients of child-support services; provides exceptions; provides for future legislative review & repeal; provides finding of public necessity. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

CS/SB 444 by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Senator Latvala

Offenses Against Children; revises provisions to prohibit certain previously convicted offenders from intentionally luring or enticing, or attempting to lure or entice, child under age 15 into structure, dwelling, or conveyance without consent of parent or legal guardian, or from intentionally luring or enticing, or attempting to lure or entice child away from child's parent or legal guardian, etc. Amends 787.025, 800.04. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

CS/SB 718 by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Senator King and others

Drug-Free Workplaces; clarifies that drug testing must be conducted in conformity with section to qualify as having drug-free workplace program; requires certain contractors to implement drug-free workplace program under certain circumstances. Amends 440.102. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

SB 1522 by Senator Constantine

Enterprise Zones/Boundaries; authorizes boundary change in specified enterprise zone; authorizes Tourism, Trade, & Economic Dev. Office to designate said zones in Sarasota Co. & Hernando Co.; removes December 31, 1999, deadline for creation of satellite enterprise zones by certain municipalities & authorizes creation of zones effective retroactively to that date; provides for designation of specified area within Hillsborough Co. as enterprise zone, etc. Amends Ch. 290. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

SB 210 by Senator Saunders and others

Ad Val Tax/Nonprofit Homes for Aged; amends provision re exemptions for nonprofit homes for aged; specifies that exemption applicable to such homes residents of which meet certain income limitations applies to individual units or apartments of such homes; clarifies provisions re qualification for alternative exemption provided by that section for those portions of home in which residents do not meet income limitations, etc. Amends 196.1975. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Read the second time on April 20, 2001

SB 1400 by Senator Posey

Swimming Pool/Spa Service Contractor; provides eligibility requirements to take licensure examination for swimming pool/spa servicing contractor's license. Amends 489.111. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 20, 2001

CS/CS/SB 2108 by the Committees on Appropriations, Education, Senator Pruitt and others

Education Governance Reorganization; provides process for authorizing community colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs; requires Campus Board of University of South Florida St. Petersburg; adds to State University System the New College in Sarasota; redesignates St. Petersburg Junior College as "St. Petersburg College"; abolishes Board of Regents, State Board of Community Colleges, & Postsecondary Education Planning Commission, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: Upon becoming law except as otherwise provided.

Read the second time and amended on April 25, 2001

SB 1162 by Senator Sebesta

Florida Prepaid College Program; revises accreditation requirements for independent college or university eligibility purposes; authorizes purchase of advance payment contracts for scholarships by nonprofit organizations; provides for appointment of additional members as directors of direct-support organization, etc. Amends 240.551. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 25, 2001

CS/SB 1610 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, Senator Latvala and others

Funeral & Cemetery Services; revises references re need determinations; increases minimum acreage requirements to establish cemetery company; eliminates need determinations for new cemeteries; clarifies provisions governing authorized trust companies, banks, & savings & loan associations; authorizes care & maintenance trust funds to be established with federal savings & loan association holding trust powers in this state, etc. Amends Ch. 497, 470. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance

CS/CS/SB 1672 by the Committees on Appropriations, Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Senator Lee and others

Passport to Economic Progress Act; cites act as "Passport to Economic Progress Act"; authorizes Passport to Economic Progress demonstration program in specified areas; requires Workforce Florida, Inc., & CFS Dept. to pursue federal-government waivers as necessary; increases amount of income that may be disregarded in determining eligibility for temporary cash assistance for families residing in demonstration areas, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time on April 25, 2001

SB 1132 by Senator Brown-Waite

Real & Personal Property/Disposition; provides alternative procedure for sale or disposition of certain property by boards of county commissioners; prohibits certain restrictions on practice of Xeriscape; provides for operation & maintenance of rain sensor devices; amends procedures that apply if there are no bidders at public sale of property against which tax certificates are held; prescribes period during which interest on opening bid continues to accrue, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 10/01/2001 except ss. 1& 13 takes effect upon becoming law.

Read the second time and amended on April 25, 2001

CS/SB 1172 by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, Senator Mitchell and others

Local Govt./Health Ins./Prescription; authorizes specified local governmental entities to apply for participation in state group health insurance & prescription drug programs; provides eligibility requirements for enrollment; exempts program from "Florida Nonprofit Multiple-Employer Welfare Arrangement Act"; provides declaration that act fulfills important state interest; applies to eligible local govt. plan participants effective with 01/01/03 plan year, etc. Creates 110.1228. Effective Date: 60 days after sine die.

Read the second time and amended on April 25, 2001

CS/SB 1638 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, Senator Carlton and others

Sales & Use Tax Administration; repeals certain provision which authorizes DOR to contract with certain vendors to develop & implement voluntary system for sales & use tax collection & administration; creates Simplified Sales & Use Tax Administration Act; provides that each state that is party to agreement must abide by certain requirements in order for dept. to enter into agreement, etc. Repeals 213.27(9); creates 213.256. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Read the second time on April 25, 2001

CS/SB 1684 by the Committee on Appropriations and Senator Klein

Transition to Teaching Program; encourages participation by postsecondary education institutions & organizations that represent eligible employees or employ eligible applicants; provides for grant proposals & applications; requires evaluation; authorizes certain activities & places limitations on expenditures; provides for repayment of certain stipends. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time on April 25, 2001

CS/SB's 182, 328 & 970 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, Senators Silver, Geller, Clary and others

Windstorm Insurance Policies; (THIS BILL COMBINES S182,328,970) excludes Fla. Windstorm Underwriting Association from certain rate-filing arbitration provisions; provides that such findings are not admissible & relevant in consideration of rate filing by DOI unless dept. has access to all factors & assumptions used in developing standards or models found by commission to be reliable or accurate, etc. Amends 624.4072, 627.062,.0628,.351,.7013,.7014. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Read the second time and amended on April 25, 2001

HB 695 by Representative Mack and others

Sentencing/Criminal Street Gangs; provides for enhanced penalties for commission of felony or misdemeanor, or delinquent act or violation of law that would be felony or misdemeanor if committed by adult, under specified circumstances when defendant committed charged offense for purpose of benefiting, promoting, or furthering interest of criminal street gang; amends certain provision re Criminal Punishment Code worksheet computations & scoresheets, etc. Amends 874.04, 921.0024. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Substituted for **SB 122** (Burt) and read the second time on April 25, 2001

CS/CS/SB 306 by the Committees on Appropriations, Criminal Justice, Senator Clary and others

Public Protection; requires that state attorney & victim's parent, guardian, next of kin, or lawful representative be notified under certain circumstances after inmate who committed crime is approved for community work release; requires victim's parent, guardian, or representative be allowed to be informed, present, & heard in criminal or juvenile proceeding; requires notice when inmate is approved for community work release, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time on April 25, 2001

CS/SB 350 by the Committee on Children and Families, Senator Dawson and others

Individual Development Accounts; requires CFS Dept. to amend Temporary Assistance for Needy Families State Plan to provide for use of funds for individual development accounts; provides for procedures for withdrawals from such accounts; specifies certain organizations to act as fiduciary organizations for certain purposes; provides for controlling withdrawal of funds for uses other than qualified purposes, etc. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 25, 2001

SB 1324 by Senator Peaden and others

Health Care/Alternative Treatment; authorizes provision of & access to complementary or alternative health care treatments; requires patients to be provided with certain information re such treatments; provides effect on practice acts; revises Fla. Patient's Bill of Rights & Responsibilities to include right to access any mode of treatment patient or patient's health care practitioner believes is in patient's best interests, etc. Creates 456.41; amends 381.026. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Read the second time on April 25, 2001

SB 1020 by Senator Rossin

Non-Ad Valorem Assessments; authorizes counties to levy special assessments to fund capital improvements & certain services; provides for apportionment of such assessments; defines term "levied for first time"; specifies circumstances in which local government must adopt non-ad valorem assessment roll at public hearing; prescribes requirements re notice that must be given before such hearing is held, etc. Amends 170.201, 197.3632. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Read the second time and amended on April 25, 2001

SPECIAL ORDER CALENDAR AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND CALENDAR FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2001

SB 1986 by Senator Sanderson

Public Employees/Volunteers/Ins.; prescribes procedure for local governmental unit to replace health insurance when contracting provider becomes financially impaired or fails or refuses to provide coverage. Amends 112.08. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and withdrawn from the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity

CS/CS/CS/SB 1202 by the Committees on Appropriations, Judiciary, Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, Senator Brown-Waite and others

Long-term-care Facilities; clarifies duties of local ombudsman councils re inspections of nursing homes & long-term-care facilities; requires nursing home facility to permit electronic monitoring devices in resident's room; requires licensees to disclose financial or ownership interests in certain entities; prescribes training standards for employees of nursing homes that provide care for persons with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: Upon becoming law except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations

SB 1200 by Senator Brown-Waite

Nursing Homes/Public Records; provides exemption from public records law for certain records re internal risk-management programs in nursing homes & assisted living facilities; provides for release of such information under certain circumstances; provides exemption from public meetings law for meetings of internal risk-management & quality-assurance committees in nursing homes & assisted living facilities, etc. Effective Date: Contingent.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, Judiciary, and Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1118 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections and others

Elections/Provisional Ballots; provides definition of provisional ballot; provides procedures for voting & counting said ballots; requires verification of elector's eligibility if elector's name is not on precinct register; provides for return of said ballots to supervisor of elections; allows voter who has requested absentee ballot & who decides to vote at polls on election day to vote provisional ballot, if absentee ballot is not returned, etc. Amends Chs. 97, 101, 102. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Appropriations, and Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 748 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections and Senator Clary

Elections Results; prohibits release of election results until polls close in all parts of state. Amends 101.5614,.68, 102.071. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections

SB 1422 by Senator Posey

Voter Registration Identifying Cards; eliminates race or ethnicity designation of voter on card. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ethics and Elections

SB 1194 by Senator Smith and others

Violation of Election Code; provides that any person who conspires with another person to violate election code or who knowingly gives aid to person who has violated code with intent to help such person avoid or escape detection, arrest, trial, or punishment shall be punished as if he or she had committed violation; provides penalties. Amends 104.091. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SJR 1426 by Senator Posey

Constitutional Amendment/Approval; constitutional amendment to require approval by two-thirds, rather than simple majority, of electors voting on proposed constitutional amendment. Amends s. 5, Art. XI.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 894 by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, Senator Garcia and others

Public Records/Educ. Professionals; provides exemption from public-records requirements for identifying information re applicants for position of Education Commissioner, president of state university, or president of public community college until candidate is nominated; provides for future review & repeal; provides finding of public necessity. Creates 229.005. Effective Date: Contingent.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Appropriations, and Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 118 by the Committee on Appropriations and Senator Sullivan

College Fast Start Program; establishes College Fast Start Program; provides procedures for application to participate in program; provides guidelines for program approval; provides requirements for approved programs; requires advisory council to review proposals & recommend order of priority for funding; requires interim report to Florida Governor's Alliance for Employment of Disabled Citizens; requires annual end-of-the-year report to alliance, etc. Creates 239.515. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with four amendments, by the Committee on Education and reported favorably by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 840 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Saunders

Public Records/Health/Financial Info; provides exemption from public records requirements for identifying information & specified financial information in records re individual's health or eligibility for health-related services made or received by Health Dept. or its service providers; specifies conditions under which such information may be released; provides for future review & repeal; provides finding of public necessity. Amends 119.07. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 2118 by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs and Senator Crist

Schools/Adult Entertainment Location; adds & revises definitions; prohibits location of adult entertainment establishments within specified distance of school; provides criminal penalty; provides exception. Amends 847.001; creates 847.0134. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and withdrawn from the Committees on Criminal Justice, Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 890 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance and Senator Campbell

Mortgages; provides that rents in control of mortgagor are subject to assignment of rents; corrects provisions re assignment of rents; provides for expedited procedure under certain conditions; provides that hearing & adjudication that requested attorney's fees are reasonable are not necessary under certain conditions; provides that attorney's fees when provided in note or mortgage constitute liquidated damages, etc. Amends 697.07, 702.10. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Judiciary and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 658 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance and Senator Holzendorf

Surplus Lines Insurance; revises certain requirements for surplus lines insurance to provide Fla. Surplus Lines Service Office with same authority granted to Insurance Dept.; revises limits on fees that may be charged re certain policies certified for export; provides for collection of service fee; provides penalty for failure to make certain reports & pay service fees; provides for administrative fine for such failure, etc. Amends Ch. 626. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and the Committee on Finance and Taxation, reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

SB 1170 by Senator Sebesta

Drivers' Licenses/Under Age 18; provides exception to mandatory revocation or suspension of juvenile's driver's license under certain circumstances. Amends 322.056. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 1282 by the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Criminal Justice, Senator Burt and others

Property Crimes; provides second-degree-felony penalties for theft of certain emergency medical equipment; authorizes merchant or merchant's employee to provide business address for purposes of any investigation re offense of retail theft; increases penalty for unlawfully possessing antishoplifting or inventory control device countermeasures; subjects certain violations to Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 2034 by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities and Senator Latvala

Rural Electric Cooperatives; authorizes cooperative bylaws to permit voting by limited proxy for certain purposes & under certain circumstances; provides criteria & limitations; prohibits voting by general proxy; provides procedures & requirements for appointing limited proxies. Amends 425.09. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, reports the committee substitute favorably

CS/SB 302 by the Committee on Appropriations, Senator Pruitt and others

Higher Educational Facilities; creates "Higher Educational Facilities Financing Act"; provides legislative findings & declarations; creates Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority; provides criteria for & covenants re authorization of issuance of notes & revenue bonds not obligating full faith & credit of authority, any municipality, state, or any political subdivision thereof; provides for loans from revenue bonds to participating institutions, etc. Amends 196.012. Effective Date: Upon becoming

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education and reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 2088 by the Committee on Education, Senator Rossin and others

Prepaid College Tuition; authorizes purchase of advance payment contracts for scholarships by nonprofit organizations. Amends 240.551. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, reports the committee substitute favorably

CS/CS/SB 668 by the Committees on Finance and Taxation, Commerce and Economic Opportunities and Senator Carlton

Enterprise Zones; authorizes Tourism, Trade, & Economic Development Office to designate enterprise zone within area of Hernando Co. or of Hernando Co. & City of Brooksville jointly; authorizes said office to designate enterprise zones in Holmes Co., Calhoun Co., Okaloosa Co., Sarasota Co., & Hillsborough Co.; authorizes boundary change in specified enterprise zone, etc. Creates 290.00695,00696,00697,00698,00694; amends 290.00555,0065. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

Similar to **HB 145** in the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and Finance and Taxation

SB 1714 by Senator Webster

Legislature/Convening Date/2002; fixes January 23, 2002 for convening regular session of Legislature in year 2002. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1852 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Burt

State Revenue Collection/Court Clerk; provides for electronic remittance to DOR; provides for remittance by DOR to various trust funds & agencies; provides for remittance of all moneys collected by clerks of court for state to DOR; provides for remittance of funds to DOR & deposit in designated trust fund; repeals outdated language. Amends Chs. 28,318,372,938, 27.52, 34.041, 44.108, 316.192, 327.35, 329.73, 382.022,023, 569.11, 741.01, 775.0835, 960.17; creates 213.13. Effective Date: 03/01/2002 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 1850 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Burt

Dept. of Revenue Clerks of Court TF; creates Department of Revenue Clerks of Court Trust Fund; provides for sources of funds & purposes; provides for future review & termination or re-creation of trust fund. Effective Date: Contingent.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 84 by the Committee on Criminal Justice, Senator Meek and others

Motorist Profiling Evaluation; creates Fla. Motorist Profiling Evaluation Task Force; provides duties of task force; provides membership, terms, & organization. Creates 943.1759. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment and the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 322 by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Senator Geller

Youthful Offenders; provides for certain inmates to be assigned to facility for youthful offenders as residential assignment if inmate's mental or physical vulnerability may jeopardize inmate's safety; provides legislative intent re housing all inmates under specified age in facilities for youth offenders. Amends 958.11. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 660 by the Committee on Appropriations and Senator Brown-Waite

Money Transmitters' Code; eliminates examination fees; shifts deposit of funds from one trust fund to another; provides for application fees; provides for extended registration period; revises renewal dates & fees; provides for notice of branch location openings & closings; provides fees for branch locations & authorized vendors; repeals provision which provides for examination costs, etc. Amends 560.119,.205-.208, 560.307,.308; repeals 560.118(1)(d) & (e). Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

SB 698 by Senator Campbell

Statute of Limitation/Sexual Offense; revises date on which applicable statute of limitations begins for certain sexual offenses committed against minor. Amends 775.15. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 382 by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs

Public Records/Sealed Bids; deletes provisions that provide for repeal & legislative review of exemption from public records law for specified period which is provided for documents used by municipal utility to prepare & submit certain sealed bids. Amends 119.07. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

Similar to **HB 385** in the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and Rules and Calendar

SB 674 by Senator Saunders

Volunteer & Community Service; creates Fla. Volunteer & Community Service Act of 2001; authorizes state to establish policies & procedures which provide for expenditure of funds to develop & facilitate initiatives that encourage & reward volunteerism; provides purposes of act; expands purposes of required report of Florida Commission on Community Services; authorizes commission to provide specified assistance for establishment & implementation of programs, etc. Amends 14.29. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and reported favorably by the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

Similar to **HB 47** in the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 2092 by the Committees on Appropriations, Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Sanderson

Health Care; provides procedures for computing maximum amount that specified counties must pay for treatment of indigent resident of county at hospital located outside county; provides for exclusion of active-duty military personnel & certain institutionalized county residents from state population estimates; transfers coummunity hospital education program from Board of Regents to Health Dept., etc. Amends 154.306, 381.0403, 409.908.911,9117. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Education reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 1226 by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities and Senator Holzendorf

Workforce Development; specifies additional member of board of directors of Workforce Florida, Inc.; provides legislative intent re involving certain persons in board activities. Amends 445.004,.007. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

With pending amendment # 1 by Senator Garcia (April 20, 2001)

SB 1344 by Senator Saunders

Public Employees/Military Preference; eliminates exemption of positions of city & county managers, management positions, & policymaking positions from being subject to certain preference for military service. Amends 295.07. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and Governmental Oversight and Productivity

CS/SB 1366 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Cowin

Property Tax/Permanently Disabled; defines term "totally & permanently disabled person". Amends 196.202. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

CS/SB 1642 by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs and Senator Latvala

Homestead Exemption; provides that person who is receiving or claiming benefit of ad valorem tax exemption or tax credit that requires permanent residency in another state for eligibility is not eligible for homestead exemption; provides exception. Amends 196.031. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and the Committee on Finance and Taxation, reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 818 by Senator Smith

Enterprise Zones/Boundaries; provides for change in boundaries of enterprise zone; provides limitations. Amends 290.0065. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and reported favorably by the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and Finance and Taxation

CS/SB 1306 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, Senator Sanderson and others

Mary Brogan/Breast & Cervical Cancer; creates Mary Brogan Breast & Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program Act; authorizes Medicaid reimbursement for medical assistance provided to certain persons for treatment of breast or cervical cancer. Creates 381.93; amends 409.904. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 962 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Diaz de la Portilla

Orthotics, Prosthetics, & Pedorthics; revises grandfathering requirements for licensure to practice orthotics, prosthetics, or pedorthics without meeting statutory educational requirements. Amends 468.805. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 2308 by Senator Cowin

South Lake County Hospital District; (Lake Co.) provides for codification of special laws re South Lake Co. Hospital District; provides legislative intent, district boundaries, & definitions; provides for board of trustees as governing body of district; prescribes powers & duties of board; provides for compensation & meetings of board; provides principal office of district; authorizes board to levy annual ad val tax upon taxable property within district, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

RESOLUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED ON THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2001

SR 2282 by Senator Crist

Wake-Up Wednesday; recognizes Wednesday, September 19, 2001, as "Wake-Up Wednesday" in state of Florida & encourages people to participate in our democracy.

SR 2284 by Senator Jones

Miami Edison/Girls' Basketball Team; recognizes Miami Edison Senior High School Girls' Basketball Team for winning State Class 6A Championship on March 3, 2001.

SR 2314 by Senator Silver

University of Miami Football Team; recognizes University of Miami Hurricane football team as champions of State of Florida for 2000 football season.

SENATE BILLS ON SECOND READING

CS/SB 6 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Campbell

Relief/Minouche, Jean, & Flora Noel; provides for relief of Minouche Noel, minor, & her parents & natural guardians, Jean & Flora Noel, for injuries sustained due to negligence of Children's Medical Services of Dept. of Health & Rehabilitative Services; provides for use of such funds; provides for reversion to state. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Finance and Taxation, reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment

SB 8 by Senator Clary

Relief/McIntires/DOT; provides for relief of Billie Jo McIntire, Sarah McIntire, & Christian McIntire for wrongful death of Jeffrey McIntire due to negligence of DOT. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Transportation and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 10 by Senator Dyer

Relief/Maria Garcia/Orange Co.; provides for relief of Maria Garcia, as legal guardian of Delfina Benjumea, for injuries & damages sustained by Ms. Benjumea as result of negligence of Orange County Sheriff's Office; provides for reversionary interest to Orange County Sheriff's Office; provides legislative intent re expenditures. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably by the Committees on Criminal Justice and Finance and Taxation

SB 20 by Senator Villalobos

Relief/Calderons/Miami-Dade Co.; provides for relief of Jessica Ann Calderon, Sean Ryan Calderon, & Lily Ann Calderon; authorizes & directs Miami-Dade Co. to compensate them for death of Roberto Luis Calderon which was caused by negligence of Miami-Dade Co. employee. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 22 by Senator Silver

Relief/Joseph Arvay/Vero Beach; provides for relief of Joseph Arvay; directs City of Vero Beach to compensate Mr. Arvay for injuries caused by negligence of city police officer. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 26 by Senator Rossin

Relief/Rosemary Falkinburg; provides for relief of Rosemary Falkinburg; authorizes & directs City of West Palm Beach to compensate Ms. Falkinburg for personal injuries she suffered due to negligence of city employee. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably by the Committees on Criminal Justice and Finance and Taxation

SB 30 by Senator Jones

Relief/England & Jackson/Monroe Co.; provides for relief of Joshua England, minor, by & through his natural & custodial parent & next best friend, Zerhade Jackson; authorizes & directs District School Board of Monroe Co. to compensate Joshua England for personal injuries that he suffered due to negligence of school board employees. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with two amendments, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Education and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 32 by Senator Rossin

Relief/Jones & Fergusons; provides for relief of Kharmilia Ferguson, minor, & for relief of Angela Jones & Raymond Ferguson, individually & as natural parents & guardians of Kharmilia Ferguson; authorizes & directs Palm Beach Co. Sheriff's Office to compensate them for injuries they suffered as result of negligence of employee of sheriff's office. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with three amendments, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with three amendments, by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 36 by Senator Campbell

Relief/Steven Mitchell/Volusia Co.; provides for relief of Steven Mitchell; authorizes & directs Halifax Hospital Medical Center, special taxing district in Volusia Co. d/b/a Halifax Medical Center to compensate Mr. Mitchell for personal injuries that he suffered while at Halifax Medical Center. Effective Date: Upon becoming law

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 40 by Senator Campbell

Relief/Laura D. Strazza; compensates Laura D. Strazza for injuries she sustained as result of negligence of employee of Agric. & Consumer Services Dept. Effective Date: Upon becoming law

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

CS/SB 42 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, Senator Campbell and others

Relief/Kimberly Godwin/CFS Dept.; compensates Kimberly Godwin for injuries she sustained as result of negligence of Children & Family Services Dept.; specifies use of funds; requires reversion of funds to state. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with two amendments, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Children and Families, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 50 by Senator Diaz de la Portilla

Relief/Oscar Ortiz/Miami; provides for relief of Oscar Ortiz for injuries & damages sustained as result of negligence of City of Miami. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 54 by Senator Campbell

Relief/Helene Rippe/Coral Springs; provides for relief of Helene Rippe; authorizes & directs City of Coral Springs to compensate her for personal injuries she suffered due to negligence of city. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 56 by Senator Campbell

Relief/Lawrence Bigney; provides for relief of Lawrence Douglas Bigney; authorizes & directs Sheriff's Office of Palm Beach Co. to compensate him for personal injuries suffered due to unlawful acts of employee of sheriff's office. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably by the Committees on Criminal Justice and Finance and Taxation

SB 58 by Senator Latvala

Relief/Skowroneks/Clearwater; provides for relief of Eva Skowronek as widow of Wieslaw Skowronek & as personal representative of Estate of Wieslaw Skowronek & for relief of Anna Marie, Victor, & Hubert Alexander Skowronek, minor children of Wieslaw Skowronek, for death of Wieslaw Skowronek as result of negligence of City of Clearwater. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 62 by Senator Dyer

Relief/Alana Kelly & Richard Taylor; provides for relief of Alana Kelly & Richard F. Taylor, Sr.; compensates them for death of their son, Richard F. Taylor, Jr., caused by negligence of Hillsborough County School Board employee. Effective Date: Upon becoming

Recommended favorably by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Education and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 66 by Senator Sullivan

Relief/Alfred Roberts/St. Petersburg; provides for relief of Alfred Brinkley Roberts; authorizes & directs City of St. Petersburg to compensate him for injuries suffered due to negligence of employee of city. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 68 by Senator Jones

Relief/Hilda De Paz/Miami-Dade Co.; provides for relief of Hilda De Paz; authorizes & directs Miami-Dade Co. to compensate Hilda De Paz for personal injuries she suffered due to negligence of county employees. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 74 by Senator Pruitt

Relief/James Torrence; provides for relief of James Torrence; authorizes & directs Palm Beach Co. Health Care District to compensate him for personal injuries resulting from surgery negligently performed by health care district employee. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

CS/SB 76 by the Committee on Judiciary and Senator Campbell

Relief/Margaret B. Helm/Martin Co.; provides for relief of Margaret B. Helm for injuries & damages sustained as result of negligence of Martin Co. Volunteer Fire Dept.; specifies use of funds appropriated; provides for reimbursement of Medicaid & Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Program expenditures. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Finance and Taxation, reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 78 by Senator Campbell

Relief/Hopkins & Bowman; provides for relief of Towanna Denise Hopkins, incompetent, by & through Willie Lee Hopkins, her father & legally appointed guardian, & of Robert Keith Bowman, Jr., her son; authorizes & directs Board of Regents, University of South Florida, & USF Health Sciences Center Insurance Company to compensate them for injuries & damages caused by employees or agents of University of South Florida; specifies use of funds. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 106 by Senator Campbell and others

Grandparent Visitation; provides for court-ordered visitation for grandparents & great-grandparents under certain circumstances; provides for appointment of guardian ad litem & family mediation if court makes preliminary finding that minor is threatened with demonstrable significant mental or emotional harm without such visitation; requires court-ordered evaluation of child if mediation fails; applies the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary

SB 136 by Senator Campbell

Rules of Evidence/Sexual Battery; provides for certain rules of evidence applicable to criminal prosecution of crime of sexual battery to apply in any civil action brought under Florida Civil Rights Act involving perpetration or alleged perpetration of such crime. Amends 794.022. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary

CS/CS/SB 144 by the Committees on Judiciary, Criminal Justice and Senator Geller

Internet/Child Pornography; defines term "child pornography" for purposes of Obscene Literature; Profanity law; clarifies definition of term "sexual conduct"; defines term "transmit"; prohibits transmissions over Internet of pornography in specified circumstances; extends jurisdiction of statewide grand jury to certain offenses re computer pornography & exploitation, etc. Amends 847.001, 905.34; creates 847.0137,.0139. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 200 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections and Senator King

Military & Overseas Voter Protection; creates "Military & Overseas Voter Protection Act"; states legislative intent; provides for registration of certain recently discharged or separated military personnel & family members; provides for absentee ballots for overseas voters; provides for absentee ballot requests & voting via electronic transmission by overseas voters under certain circumstances; extends deadline for submission of county returns, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Appropriations, and Rules and Calendar

SB 244 by Senator Lawson

Relief/Patsy & Valentino Baucco; compensates them for injuries & damages they sustained as result of negligence of DOT employee. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Recommended favorably, with one amendment, by The Special Master on Claim Bills and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Transportation and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

CS/SB 260 by the Committee on Transportation, Senator Geller and others

Motor Vehicle Airbags; defines terms "fake airbag" & "junk-filled airbag compartment"; prohibits sale, purchase, or installation of fake airbags or junk-filled airbag compartments; provides criminal penalties. Creates 860.146. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Transportation and the Committee on Criminal Justice reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 268 by the Committees on Appropriations, Criminal Justice and Senator Silver

DNA Testing & Analysis; requires DLE to add certain felony offenses in scheduled order to DNA data banks's enumerated offenses; requires DOC to test certain violent felons in addition to those enumerated in statute before being released from custody. Amends 943.325. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and the Committee on Judiciary reports the committee substitute favorably and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with the subcommittee recommendation

SB 274 by Senator Lee

Official Florida Statutes Adoption; adopts Florida Statutes 2001 & designates portions thereof that are to constitute official law of state; provides that Florida Statutes 2001 shall be effective immediately upon publication; provides that general laws enacted during 1999 regular session & prior thereto & not included in Florida Statutes 2001 are repealed, etc. Amends 11.2421, 2422, 2424, 2425. Effective Date: 60 days after sine die.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 316 by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, Senator Campbell and others

Sovereign Immunity/Self-Insurance; provides that state, agency, or subdivision thereof may settle judgement or claim within limits of self-insurance fund; clarifies that any defense of sovereign immunity is not waived as result of providing specified risk-management program. Amends 768.28. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and Finance and Taxation, report the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB's 336, 190 by the Committees on Appropriations, Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, Senators Constantine, Clary and others

Florida Building Code; (THIS BILL COMBINES S336,190) authorizes water well contractors to install, repair, or modify specified equipment in accordance with code; defines term "factory-built school shelter"; provides for uniform implementation of parts of residential swimming pool safety act; provides statewide outreach for training on code; requires recommendations for role of local bldg. officials in issuing building permits & certificates of occupancy, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 10/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

SB 342 by Senator Clary and others

Drugs/Generic & Brand-Name; requires removal of specified drugs from negative formulary for generic & brand-name drugs established in specified provision; provides that act does not amend existing law re physician's authority to prohibit generic drug substitution by writing "medically necessary" on prescription. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably by the Committees on Banking and Insurance, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Appropriations

SB 344 by Senator Brown-Waite and others

Water & Wastewater Systems; reenacts provision re duties & powers of Public Counsel. Reenacts 350.0611. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Regulated Industries and withdrawn from the Committees on Rules and Calendar, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 366 by the Committees on Appropriations, Criminal Justice, Senator Villalobos and others

DNA Evidence; provides for examination of DNA evidence collected at time crime is investigated; provides procedure under which defendant who has been found guilty may petition trial court to order examination of DNA evidence; provides guidelines for seeking postsentencing DNA testing; requires that court make certain findings; provides for right to appeal; prescribes duties of FDLE re postsentencing DNA testing. Creates 925.11, 943.3251. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/CS/SB 374 by the Committees on Judiciary, Children and Families, Senator Carlton and others

Elderly & Disabled/Public Guardians; defines term "position of trust & confidence"; prescribes civil remedies for theft & other offenses in which victim is elderly person or disabled adult; provides that violation of patient rights is not cause of action under act; provides guidelines for registration of public guardians; revises provisions re disposition of unclaimed funds; authorizes establishment of public guardian offices, etc. Amends Ch. 744, 772.11, 825.101. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Children and Families, and reported favorably as acommittee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

SB 384 by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs

Public Records/"911" Telephone Calls; reenacts public records exemption for information re "911" telephone calls. Amends 365.171. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 388 by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Senator Burt

Parole Commission Reform Act of 2001; creates said act; deletes requirement that said commission have inspector general; requires DOC, rather than Parole Commission or Control Release Authority, to notify certain entities prior to inmate release; provides for deferral of conditional release supervision to probation or community control; clarifies requirement that commission impose restrictions re contact with children, etc. Amends Ch. 947, 20.055, 944.605; repeals 947.175, 177. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 408 by the Committee on Regulated Industries and Senator Smith

Interruption of Electric Utilities; provides electric utilities with complete defense in certain actions for certain law enforcement assistance activities. Creates 768.138. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Regulated Industries and the Committee on Judiciary reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 414 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care

Public Records/Antitrust Issues; abrogates repeal of provisions re confidential information submitted to Attorney General's Office for review of antitrust issues. Amends 408.185. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and Rules and Calendar

SB 426 by the Committee on Education

Univ. Health Services Support Org.; provides that university health services support organizations may enter into specified arrangements with other entities for benefit of university academic health sciences centers; provides for future review & repeal of provision re establishment of university health services support organizations. Amends 240.2995. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education

CS/SB 448 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections and others

Absentee Ballots; redefines term "absent elector"; modifies information on absentee ballot requests; modifies absentee ballot certificates; modifies instructions to absent electors & modifies information that must be included on such ballot; repeals provision re returning absentee ballots; deletes prohibition against persons witnessing more than five ballots & prohibition against returning more than two ballots in election, etc. Amends Ch. 101, 97.021, 104.047. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

SB 482 by Senator Pruitt

Statutory Accounting Principles; defines terms "statutory accounting principles" & "surplus notes"; provides for what constitutes asset of insurer; provides for assets not allowed in determining financial condition of insurer; revises requirements for new appraisals in valuation of real property; provides for what constitutes asset or liability in determining financial condition of health maintenance organization, etc. Creates 625.011; amends Ch. 625, 641.19,.35. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Banking and Insurance

CS/CS/SJR 488 by the Committees on Rules and Calendar, Ethics and Elections and Senator Rossin

Terms of Office/Legislators; constitutional amendment, effective January 1, 2006, to increase terms of office for Florida Senators from 4 years to 6 years & for Florida Representatives from 2 years to 4 years; increases, from 8 years to 12 years, number of consecutive years during which Florida Representative & Florida Senator may hold office. Amends s. 15, Art. III, s. 4, Art. VI.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 492 by the Committee on Criminal Justice, Senator Rossin and others

Firearm at School/Possession; requires that child found to have committed act of bringing firearm to school, to any school function, or onto any school-sponsored transportation be assigned to disciplinary program or second-chance school; requires that court retain jurisdiction over child during expulsion period; provides that sanctions pursuant to certain provision apply if child fails to comply with requirements of disciplinary program or second-chance school. Amends 230.235. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 514 by Senator Burt and others

Use of Public Record Information; provides that it is misdemeanor of first degree to use public record, or information obtained from public record, to facilitate commission of misdemeanor of first degree; provides that it is felony of third degree to use public record, or information obtained from public record, to facilitate commission of felony, etc. Creates 817.569; amends 921.0022. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 638 by Senator Wasserman Schultz

District School Personnel; provides for use of employees' sick leave by their family members who also are district employees. Amends 231.40. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Education and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 710 by the Committees on Judiciary, Governmental Oversight and Productivity and Senator Crist

Fla. Customer Service Standards Act; creates said act; provides definitions; specifies measures that state departments are directed to implement re interaction with their customers; provides requirements re operating hours; provides that failure to comply with act does not constitute cause of action; provides exceptions. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations

SB 770 by Senator Crist

Workers' Comp./Law Enforcement; revises provisions re special requirements for compensability under Workers' Compensation Law; provides that, in specified circumstances, certain law enforcement officers, when they are in official law enforcement vehicle, are considered to be acting in course of their employment. Amends 440.092. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/CS/SB 784 by the Committees on Agriculture and Consumer Services, Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Senator Geller and others

Consumer Protection; revises warranty requirements; deletes investigation & complaint processing requirements of Agriculture & Consumer Services Dept.; requires certain health studio contract refunds to be issued within time certain; prohibits pawnbrokers from knowingly accepting stolen property; revises statements that must be placed in disclosure documents; provides additional estimated cost of repair requirements for written repair estimates, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 834 by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs and Senator Bronson

Solid Waste Management Facilities; requires applicant for permit to construct or modify said facility to notify local government of filing of application; requires publishing of application; provides for electronics recycling grants; provides that grant funding shall be used for certain demonstration projects; provides for DEP to conduct comprehensive review of certain waste reduction & recycling goals & other related legislative requirements, etc. Amends 403.707,71851. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Natural Resources and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs

SB 844 by Senator Campbell

Taxation; provides for venue & jurisdiction of taxpayer actions in circuit court; redefines term "intangible personal property"; revises exemptions from intangible personal property tax; provides for methods of determining overpayments by persons paying tax on sales, use, & other transactions; revises process for review of taxpayer's liability for tax & interest; provides for tax classification of specified entities, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

CS/CS/SB 858 by the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Children and Families

Domestic Violence; requires CFS Dept. to provide training on domestic violence & child protection to specified professionals by specified date; requires dept. to collect & analyze data on effectiveness of domestic violence consultants; requires OPPAGA to conduct examination of batterer's intervention programs; specifies requirements of study, etc. Amends 39.903,.904, 741.30. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Children and Families, and reported favorably as acommittee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 886 by the Committee on Judiciary and Senator Klein

Durable Powers of Attorney; provides for durable powers of attorney contingent upon specified condition; provides guidelines for such powers; provides statutory forms for affidavits to attest to specified condition; provides immunity from criminal & civil liability for physicians making determination of incapacity to manage property under certain conditions. Amends 709.08. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

SB 918 by Senator Sanderson

Juvenile Justice Funding; revises conditions for expenditure of specific appropriation for PACE relocation & expansion funds. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 958 by Senator Sullivan

Professions Regulated by DBPR; authorizes any profession regulated by said department which offers services that are not subject to regulation when provided by unlicensed person to use funds in its unlicensed activity account to inform public of such situation; authorizes board or profession regulated by department to transfer funds in its operating fund account to its unlicensed activity account under certain circumstances. Amends 455.2281. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Regulated Industries and Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

SB 968 by Senator Clary

Certificate of Need/Heart Surgery; provides criteria for review of certificate-of-need application for establishment of adult open heart surgery program in county in which none of hospitals has existing or approved adult open heart surgery program. Amends 408.043. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care

CS/SB 1026 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance

Public Records/Surplus Lines Ins.; abrogates repeal of exemption from public-records requirements for certain surplus lines insurance information submitted to Insurance Dept. or available for inspection by dept.; expands exemption to apply to certain surplus lines insurance information submitted to Fla. Surplus Lines Service Office; specifies that exemption applies to information specific to particular policy or policyholder, etc. Amends 626.921. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/CS/SB 1038 by the Committees on Judiciary, Criminal Justice and Senator Sanderson

Homicide/Unborn Quick Child; includes death of unborn quick child under DUI manslaughter; makes killing of unborn quick child rather than killing of viable fetus "vehicular homicide"; provides that killing unborn quick child by injury to mother which would be murder in any degree if it resulted in death of mother is murder in same degree; provides that death of mother does not bar prosecution under specified circumstances, etc. Amends 316.193, 782.071,.09, 921.0022, 960.03. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 1060 by the Committee on Transportation

Public Records/Toll Facility Charges; amends provision which provides exemption from public-records requirements for personal identifying information given to specified entities for purpose of prepaying electronic-toll-facility charges by check, credit card, or charge card; abrogates repeal thereof scheduled under Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995. Amends 338.155(6). Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

SB 1062 by the Committee on Transportation

Public-Records/Airport Security Plan; amends provision which provides exemption from public-records requirements for certain information re airport security plans; abrogates repeal of such exemption scheduled under Open Government Sunset Review of 1995. Amends 331.22. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB's 1080, 950 by the Committee on Criminal Justice, Senators Villalobos, Smith and others

Burglary; (THIS BILL COMBINES S1080,950) provides legislative findings & intent; provides for retroactive operation; revises definition of burglary. Creates 810.015; amends 810.02; reenacts 943.325(1)(a). Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 1082 by the Committee on Judiciary, Senator Villalobos and others

Driver Lic. Div./Exclusionary Rule; provides legislative findings re Driver License & Motor Vehicles Divisions of HSMV; provides legislative findings re records maintained by divisions; provides legislative findings re missions of divisions & dept. & re application of exclusionary rule; prohibits exclusion of evidence in certain circumstances; provides that certain records shall not be considered law enforcement functions, etc. Creates 90.959; amends 322.20, 320.05. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

CS/SB 1084 by the Committee on Judiciary and Senator Villalobos

Decedent's Medical Records/Presuits; authorizes release of certain records re medical care & treatment of decedent upon request of certain persons. Amends 766.104. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committee on Banking and Insurance

CS/SB 1116 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections and others

Certification of Election Results; revises deadlines for certification of election results; requires acceptance of late-filed election returns in certain circumstances; increases fine for filing late-filed election returns; amends provision to conform; revises date that candidate for Governor must designate Lieutenant Governor as running mate; modifies deadline for requesting manual recount. Amends 99.063, 102.111,.112,.166. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Appropriations, and Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1120 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections and others

Voting Systems; modifies specifications for ballots; eliminates references to punchcard ballots & devices; prohibits use of punchcard voting systems; requires supervisors of elections & Dept. of State to report on overvotes & undervotes following general election; requires Elections Division to review voting systems certification standards to ensure that new technologies are available & appropriately certified for use, etc. Amends Ch. 101, 97.021, 103.101. Effective Date: 01/01/2002 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1122 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections and others

Election Recounts; defines terms "overvote" & "undervote"; clarifies standard for counting votes on spoiled ballots; clarifies timing of official election returns; modifies deadlines for submitting unofficial returns; revises requirements for automatic machine recount; substantially modifies standards & procedures for manual recounts. Amends 97.021, 101.5614, 102.141,.166. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Appropriations, and Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1128 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Latvala

Access to Medical Treatment Act; creates said act; authorizes licensed physician to treat individual for life-threatening illness or condition by means of investigational medical treatment authorized by individual or individual's legal representative; specifies acts & disclosures that are required before physician may provide such treatment; provides that act does not modify scope of practice or provisions of practice act of licensees, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Judiciary reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 1142 by Senator Constantine

Emergency Telephone System; transfers state control over Fla. Emergency Telephone Act & Wireless Emergency Communications Act from DMS to State Technology Office; conforms statutory references; authorizes State Treasurer to invest moneys in Wireless Emergency Telephone System Fund; removes requirements that funds be held in escrow; revises date for submission of legislative budget request. Amends 365.171,.172,.173,.174. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

SB 1148 by Senator Crist

Correctional Work Programs/Operation; revises provisions re leased or managed work programs to conform to current operations & applications; conforms internal cross-references; deletes obsolete provisions; clarifies definition; changes reporting date; amends provision to conform cross-reference. Amends Ch. 946, 957.04. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity

CS/CS/SB 1178 by the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, Transportation and Senator Sebesta

Florida High-Speed Rail Authority; creates said authority; provides membership, terms, organization, & reimbursement of expenses; provides duties of authority; assigns authority to DOT for administrative purposes; provides for future legislative review & repeal; authorizes authority to seek federal funds; provides applicable criteria; requires submittal of report; authorizes authority to request assistance from private sector, etc. Creates 341.821,.822. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committees on Transportation and Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, Finance and Taxation, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 1196 by the Committees on Appropriations, Criminal Justice, Senator Smith and others

Sentencing Scoresheet; provides for state attorney & defendant to waive preparation of scoresheet & for judge to proceed with sentencing; requires that scoresheet be submitted to judge within specified period following sentencing; deletes requirement that DOC prepare defendant's sentencing scoresheet under certain circumstances. Amends 921.002,.0024. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/CS/SB 1208 by the Committees on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, Banking and Insurance and Senator Latvala

Health Insurance; amends definitions used in Fla.
Comprehensive Health Association Act; revises criteria for eligibility for coverage from association; authorizes association to place individual with case manager who determines health care system or provider; requires insurers to be members of association & to be subject to assessments for operating expenses; makes legislative finding that provisions of this act fulfill important state interest, etc. Amends Ch. 627. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Finance and Taxation, reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 1220 by Senator Holzendorf

Insurance; extends term of exemption from taxes & assessments on minority-owned property & casualty insurers; postpones scheduled repeal of law. Amends 624.4072. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 1230 by Senator Peaden

Adoption & Medical Asst. Compact; creates Interstate Compact on Adoption & Medical Assistance; provides authority for CFS Dept. to enter into interstate agreements with other participating states for medical & other necessary services for special-needs children; establishes procedures for interstate delivery of adoption assistance & related services & benefits; prohibits expansion of state's financial commitment, etc. Creates 409.406,.407. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Children and Families, and reported favorably by the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 1234 by the Committee on Regulated Industries and Senator Sebesta

Florida State Boxing Commission; authorizes commission to require posting of bond or other form of security by concessionaires; requires one member of said commission to be licensed physician; increases penalty for participating in or promoting toughman or badman competition; authorizes commission to require submission of fingerprint cards; requires provision of urine samples by participants under specified circumstances, etc. Amends Ch. 548. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Regulated Industries and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB's 1254, 1954 by the Committee on Education, Senators Wasserman Schultz and Rossin

School Facilities; (THIS BILL COMBINES S1254,1954) provides example of school-within-a-school; modifies small-school student-population limits; provides for exceptions to small-schools requirements; Amends 230.23, 235.2157. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Education and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Appropriations

CS/SB 1256 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Campbell

Nursing Education; prohibits Board of Nursing from developing any rule re faculty/student clinical ratios until specified time; requires Board of Nursing & DOE to submit to Legislature implementation plan detailing impact & cost of any such proposed rule change. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Education reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 1266 by Senator Mitchell

Assessment of Agricultural Property; provides that, for purposes of income methodology approach to such assessment, certain litter containment & animal waste nutrient containment structures shall be considered part of average yields per acre & have no separately assessable contributory value. Amends 193.461. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Agriculture and Consumer Services, and Finance and Taxation

CS/SB 1268 by the Committee on Transportation and Senator Wasserman Schultz

Motorized Scooters/Regulations; defines term "motorized scooter"; provides motorized scooter operating regulations. Amends 316.003,.2065. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Transportation and the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, reports the committee substitute favorably

CS/CS/SB 1272 by the Committees on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, Regulated Industries, Senator Burt and others

Consumer Services; authorizes DBPR to seek restitution in civil action for injured consumer; prohibits employment agencies & assistance referral services from charging advance fees & not providing promised services; prohibits unconscionable pricing during ordered evacuation as well as declared state of emergency; prohibits credit service organizations from accepting money in advance of performing services, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Regulated Industries and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care

SB 1278 by Senator Burt

Schools/Learnfare Program; reestablishes Learnfare program; requires CFS Dept. to develop electronic data system, to compile specified information, & to transmit that information in annual report to Legislature; corrects cross-reference; amends provision re powers & duties of district school boards to add duties; repeals provision re Learnfare program. Creates 414.1251; amends 228.041, 230.23; repeals 414.125. Effective Date: Upon becoming law

Reported favorably by the Committees on Education and Children and Families, and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 1286 by the Committee on Children and Families and Senator King

Lawton Chiles Endowment; conforms statutory cross-references; provides legislative intent to provide funds for support of public health & biomedical research; revises procedures for administration of endowment fund; revises provisions concerning availability & use of funds from endowment; establishes advisory council; provides for public health & biomedical research. Amends 17.41, 20.435, 215.5601,.5602. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Children and Families, and the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment, the Committee on Approp. Sub. on Health and Human Services, reports the committee substitute favorably and the Committee on Appropriations reports the CS with one amendment

CS/SB 1296 by the Committee on Transportation, Senator Bronson and others

Land Acquisition & Management; clarifies timeframe for providing specific information to fee owners; authorizes water management districts to grant utility easements on district-owned lands in order to provide utility service; authorizes said districts to contract with private entities for management, improvement, or maintenance of land held by district, etc. Amends Ch. 373, 73.015, 270.11, 374.984. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Natural Resources and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Transportation and withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary

CS/SB 1310 by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, Senator Klein and others

Animal Fighting or Baiting; prohibits additional acts associated with animal fighting or baiting; provides for seizure, impoundment, & euthanasia of animals under certain conditions; provides penalties. Amends 828.122. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

SB 1314 by Senator Saunders

Public Records/Parents ID/Newborns; provides exemption from public records requirements for information that identifies parents who leave newborn infants at emergency medical services stations; provides exception; provides for future review & repeal; provides finding of public necessity. Amends 383.51. Effective Date: Contingent.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1318 by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Senator Saunders

Correctional Facilities; defines offense of battery of facility employee by throwing, tossing, or expelling certain fluids or materials on employee of correctional facility of state or local govt. or secure facility operated & maintained by DOC or Juvenile Justice Dept. or other facility employee, so as to cause or attempt to cause such employee to come into contact with fluid or material, etc. Creates 784.074,.078; amends 806.13, 921.0022, 945.35. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 1346 by the Committees on Appropriations, Children and Families and Senator Saunders

Behavioral Health Care Services; provides legislative intent; requires AHCA & CFS Dept. to accept accreditation in lieu of their administrative & program monitoring under certain circumstances; requires AHCA & CFS Dept. to accept accreditation in lieu of their onsite licensure reviews; conforms provisions; authorizes CFS Dept., in consultation with AHCA, to establish children's behavioral crisis unit demonstration models, etc. Amends Chs. 394, 397. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Children and Families, and the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, reports the committee substitute favorably and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 1348 by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Senator Crist

Youthful Offenders; provides that court may not sentence as youthful offenders certain offenders who have pled nolo contendere or guilty to, or been found guilty of, capital felonies, life felonies, first-degree felonies, or second-degree felonies involving use or threatened use of force or violence; revises sanctions for youthful offender in basic training program who becomes unmanageable, etc. Amends Ch. 958, 951.231. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 1368 by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity and Senator Cowin

Adoption Benefits/State/WMD Employee; specifies employees of state or water management districts who are entitled to receive such benefits for adopting special-needs child; deletes references to water mgmt. employees; prescribes manner of establishing amount of such benefits; provides that rules for administering such adoption benefits may provide for application process, etc. Amends 110.152,.15201, 215.32; creates 373.6065. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 1374 by the Committees on Appropriations, Ethics and Elections, Senator Carlton and others

Elections; removes provisions re voting systems that use voting machines or paper ballots; requires supervisors of elections & Dept. of State to report on overvotes & undervotes following general election; revises deadlines for certification of election results; modifies information that must be included on absentee ballot; provides for design of statewide voter registration database & requirements for database, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 01/01/2002 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committees on Ethics and Elections, and Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/CS/SB 1376 by the Committees on Finance and Taxation, Natural Resources and Senator Laurent

Phosphogypsum Stack Management; reserves certain funds in Nonmandatory Land Reclamation Trust Fund for use by DEP for reclaiming lands; authorizes DEP to use funds from trust fund for purpose of closing certain abandoned phosphogypsum stack systems; deletes provisions exempting certain mining operations from review as developments of regional impact; authorizes DEP to take action to abate or reduce any imminent hazard caused by said system, etc. Amends Chs. 378, 403. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Natural Resources and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

SB 1394 by Senator Cowin

Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration; creates Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council; provides for membership, powers, & duties; provides for report to Legislature; provides for advisory group to council; requires St. Johns River Water Management Dist. to provide staff for council; provides for award of contracts subject to appropriation of funds; provides for Harris Chain of Lakes restoration program; provides for demonstration restoration project. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Natural Resources and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

SB 1420 by Senator Posey

Department of State (RAB); authorizes dept. to adopt rules to administer laws conferring duties upon it; authorizes dept. to prescribe rules for filing papers to qualify as candidate for federal, state, county, or district office; authorizes dept. to adopt rules for preparing & mailing absentee ballots to electors who are overseas; authorizes dept. to adopt procedures for reporting unmarked human burial & determining jurisdiction of burial, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: Upon becoming law except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

SB 1428 by Senator Posey and others

Insurance Competition/Compensations; prohibits limitation by state on competition for insurance product or plan on basis of compensation arrangement used by insurer or organization.

Amends 110.123, 287.022. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Banking and Insurance, and Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

SB 1430 by Senator Crist

Juvenile Offenders/Prior Record; redefines term "prior record" to extend time during which disposition of certain juvenile offenses are included in offender's record. Amends 921.0021. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 1444 by Senator Burt

Judiciary/Number Increases; increases number of judges in specified judicial circuits & county courts; provides for appointment by Governor. Amends 26.031, 34.022. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 1450 by Senator Villalobos

Criminal Mischief; requires person or minor who commits said mischief to pay additional fines & perform community service; provides for parent or legal guardian of minor to be liable for payment of fine; authorizes court to decline to order payment of fine if court finds that person subject to payment of fine is indigent; deletes requirement that court impose penalty prescribed by municipal or county ordinance under certain circumstances, etc. Amends 806.13. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Criminal Justice

CS/CS/SB 1456 by the Committees on Appropriations, Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, Senator Saunders and others

Florida Alzheimer's Training Act; creates said act; prescribes training standards for employees of nursing homes, home health agencies, adult day care centers, & adult family-care homes, respectively, that provide care for persons with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders; prescribes duties of Elderly Affairs Dept.; requires dementia-specific care providers to be included in community care service systems, etc. Creates 400.1755,4786,.55715,.626. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Appropriations

CS/SB 1468 by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity and Senator Latvala

Florida Forever Program; revises goals & performance measures for Florida Forever projects of DEP & water management districts; provides definition for term "conservation lands"; revises conditions under which lands to which title is vested in Board of Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund may be declared surplus lands; provides that certain state lands are exempt from notice requirements prior to sale, etc. Amends Ch. 253, 259.105. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Natural Resources and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity

CS/CS/SB 1470 by the Committees on Judiciary, Governmental Oversight and Productivity, Senator Cowin and others

Judicial Nominating Commissions; revises procedures for appointment of members to each commission; prohibits judges from serving; restricts appointment of members & former members to judicial offices; requires Governor, in making appointments, to seek to ensure racial, ethnic, gender, & geographical diversity of membership; requires consideration of county representation on circuit judicial nominating commissions, etc. Creates 43.291; amends 112.3145; repeals 43.29. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 1514 by the Committee on Transportation and Senator Bronson

Florida Panther License Plates; deletes distribution of proceeds to Florida Communities Trust Fund. Amends 320.08058. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Natural Resources and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Transportation

CS/SB 1528 by the Committee on Judiciary, Senator Geller and others

Agric. Crops/Damage or Destruction; provides that certain agricultural growers or producers shall have right to recover damages as result of willful & knowing damage or destruction of specified agricultural field crops; provides considerations & limits in award of damages; provides for costs & attorney's fees; prohibits trespass upon specified legally posted agricultural sites; provides penalty, etc. Creates 604.60; amends 810.09; reenacts 260.0125(5)(b), 810.011(5)(b). Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 1530 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance and Senator Geller

Viaticals; revises definitions; provides for approval of forms; provides for applicability to purchase in secondary market; requires certain purchases to be handled by independent third-party trustee; revises procedures for tracking insured; clarifies application of licensing requirements to viatical settlement providers. Amends 626.9911,.9921,.99235,.99236,.9924,.99245. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and withdrawn from the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity

CS/SB 1540 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Carlton

Local Communications Services Tax TF; creates Local Communications Services Tax Clearing Trust Fund within DOR; provides for sources of moneys & purposes; provides for annual carryforward of fund balances; provides that trust fund is exempt from constitutional termination. Creates 202.193. Effective Date: Contingent.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and the Committee on Appropriations reports the committee substitute favorably

CS/SB 1558 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Saunders

Health Care Practitioner Regulation; provides legislative intent & findings re Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund & function administered by Health Dept.; provides requirements for rules re biennial renewal of licenses; requires dept. to charge initial license fees; provides for administration of national examinations & termination of state-administered written examinations; revises & provides grounds for discipline of licensees, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation and withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1568 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, Senator Sebesta and others

Physicians/Adverse Determinations; requires that only certain physicians licensed in this state may render adverse determinations for health maintenance organizations & prepaid health clinics; clarifies authority of Board of Medicine & Board of Osteopathic Medicine. Amends 641.51. Effective Date: 01/01/2002.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance

CS/SB 1576 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Carlton

Ad Valorem Tax Administration; requires DOR to document & retain records used in review of assessment rolls; amends provision, effective for 2003 tax rolls & subsequent tax rolls to require DOR to study assessment groups or market areas to assure representativeness of ratio-study samples; changes presentation of independent special districts' debt-service levies on notices of proposed property taxes, etc. Amends Chs. 193, 195, 197, 200.069. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 1580 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Burt

Tobacco Settlement Proceeds; requires that Comptroller receive representations from tobacco industry which are used to calculate annual payments; requires Comptroller to verify such representations; requires that Auditor General review verification of representations from tobacco industry; redesignates Comptroller as Chief Financial Officer to conform to revision of State Constitution. Amends 569.21. Effective Date: Upon becoming law except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

SB 1596 by Senator Sebesta and others

State University System; creates fiscally autonomous campus of University of South Florida; requires Campus Board of University of South Florida St. Petersburg; requires separate accreditation; provides powers & duties of Campus Board & Campus Executive Officer; provides procedure for preparing budget request; provides for central support services contracts & letter of agreement; excludes certain entities from certain provisions. Amends 240.2011,.527. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 1628 by the Committee on Judiciary and Senator Bronson

Civil Actions for Libel; creates "Media Accuracy & Fairness Act"; provides circumstances under which person may maintain civil action for defamation; provides criteria for adequacy of correction or clarification; provides procedure re disclosure of evidence or falsity re alleged defamatory statement; provides requirements & procedure re offer to correct or clarify prior to trial, etc. Creates 770.011; repeals 770.01,.02. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

SB 1632 by Senator Silver

Excise Tax on Documents; provides that tax imposed under this section applies to certificates of title issued in judicial sale of real property pursuant to court order or final judgement issued in foreclosure proceeding; provides method for computing tax; provides that this act is to clarify, not change, law; provides for retroactive applicability. Amends 201.02. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance and Taxation

CS/SB 1640 by the Committee on Education and Senator Clary

Professional Development Academies; exempts regional educational consortia from certain requirements to become eligible for grants to create professional development academies. Amends 231.6135. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

SB 1648 by Senator Mitchell

Onsite Sewage Treatment & Disposal; provides for regulation by Health Dept. of maintenance entities for performance-based treatment systems & aerobic treatment unit systems; requires such systems to contract with permitted maintenance entity; provides duties of such entities; reduces operating permit fee for aerobic treatment units & provides operating permit & maintenance entity permit fees for performance-based treatment systems, etc. Amends 381.0065,.0066. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committees on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Appropriations

SB 1650 by Senator Mitchell

Clearinghouse on Disability Info.; creates Clearinghouse on Disability Information Office in DMS; requires office to establish statewide toll-free disability information & referral system; creates advisory council; provides qualifications for staff of office; provides for sharing of information by state agencies; provides for annual report. Creates 402.74. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Children and Families, and reported favorably by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations with subcommittee recommendation

CS/SB 1652 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Crist

Nursing Homes & Health Care Facility; revises membership & terms of Governor's Panel on Excellence in Long-Term Care; provides for selection of panel chair; provides definition; provides conditions under which prohibition against payment of referral fees by assisted living facilities does not apply. Amends 400.235,.4195. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and withdrawn from the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity

SB 1658 by Senator Smith

Jurors; provides for jurors to be taken from registered electors, rather than from persons possessing driver's license or identification card; deletes provisions requiring HSMV to send lists of persons in departmental database to clerks of court; provides for voter lists to be used for jury selection; deletes requirement that department provide certain information to courts, etc. Amends 40.01,.011,.022, 98.095, 322.20. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary

CS/SB 1662 by the Committee on Natural Resources and Senator Laurent

Lake Okeechobee Protection Program; authorizes line item on utility sewer rates to cover wastewater residual treatment & disposal in certain counties; provides exemption from requirements of Public Service Commission. Amends 373.4595. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Regulated Industries reports the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 1680 by the Committee on Children and Families and Senator Peaden

Sexually Violent Offenders; requires agency with jurisdiction over person convicted of sexually violent offense to provide earlier notice of offender's anticipated release; revises time for preparing assessment as to whether offender is sexually violent predator; requires CFS Dept. to detain sexually violent predators in secure facility segregated from other patients. Amends 394.913,.917. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Criminal Justice and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Children and Families

CS/SB's 1708, 1626 by the Committee on Criminal Justice, Senators Bronson and Burt

DOC/Law Enforcement Officers; (THIS BILL COMBINES S1708,1626) authorizes secretary of DOC to designate as law enforcement officers employees of department's inspector general's office who are certified as law enforcement officers; prescribes powers & duties of employees so designated. Amends 944.31. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity

CS/SB 1724 by the Committee on Children and Families and Senator Klein

Children & Families/AHCA/Funding; requires AHCA to develop mechanisms for certification of local funds as state match for Medicaid projects, to maximize federal Title XIX funding for children & families; provides for return of funds to local entities; requires prior approval of local projects by agency & CFS Dept.; provides for modification of Medicaid state plan; provides for federal waivers; authorizes dept. & agency to adopt rules, etc. Creates 409.9072. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Children and Families, and the Committees on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Appropriations report the committee substitute favorably

CS/SB 1726 by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Saunders

Public Records/Elderly Affairs Dept.; provides for release of public records information under certain circumstances; provides for confidentiality & exemption from public records law for information re clients of Elderly Affairs Dept., clients of service providers contracting with Elderly Affairs Dept., & certain elders receiving services through programs administered by or funded by department; requires consent for disclosure, etc. Creates 430.105. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1744 by the Committee on Judiciary and Senator Burt

Judgments & Liens; provides for electronic filing of liens, assessments, warrants, & judgments directly into database; provides that filing of judgment lien certificate does not extend life of judgment, order, decree, or warrant; clarifies effect of judgment liens upon buyers who buy without notice as defined in certain provision; provides that certain debts re negotiable instruments are not subject to garnishment, etc. Amends Chs. 55, 56, 77, 678.1051. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, reports the committee substitute favorably, with one amendment and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

SB 1766 by Senator Crist

Public Records/County/Municipal Code; exempts from disclosure under certain provisions of State Constitution, certain information pertaining to county & municipal code enforcement officers & their families; provides for future repeal & prior legislative review of these exemptions; provides statement of public necessity for exemptions. Amends 119.07. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and Rules and Calendar

CS/SB 1778 by the Committee on Children and Families, Senator Cowin and others

Domestic Violence; requires that staff who conduct child protective investigations receive training on removing perpetrator of domestic violence from home by use of injunction; requires that court impose additional surcharge for any offense of domestic violence & other assault, battery, & stalking offenses; requires that portion of surcharge be used to train law enforcement personnel in combating domestic violence, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Children and Families, and the Committees on Criminal Justice and Finance and Taxation, report the committee substitute favorably and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

SB 1820 by Senator Silver and others

Instant Bingo Games; defines terms "instant bingo" & "package"; provides rules for operation of instant bingo games. Amends 849.0931. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Regulated Industries and withdrawn from the Committee on Criminal Justice

CS/SB's 1864, 2086 by the Committee on Criminal Justice, Senators Bronson, Burt and others

Criminal Justice; (THIS BILL COMBINES S1864,2086) renames Fla. Violent Crime Council as Fla. Violent Crime & Drug Control Council; redesignates Violent Crime Emergency Account as Violent Crime Emergency & Drug Control Strategy Implementation Account; authorizes expunction under certain circumstances of arrest record of minor who successfully completes certain programs, etc. Amends Ch. 943, 760.40, 985.3065; creates 843.167. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 1872 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Carlton

District School Tax; allows certain school districts to levy, by referendum, additional district school taxes; provides limitations on uses of resulting revenues; provides for millage elections pursuant to certain provision; revises procedures for conducting school district millage elections. Amends 236.25,.31,.32. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with two amendments, by the Committee on Education and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 1880 by the Committees on Judiciary, Commerce and Economic Opportunities and Senator Klein

Corporations; redefines term "electronic transmission" to include telegrams, cablegrams, telephone transmissions, & transmissions through Internet for purposes of proxy voting; specifies those persons who may vote on behalf of shareholder; authorizes appointment of proxy by electronic transmission; deletes provisions limiting period during which appointment of proxy is irrevocable, etc. Amends 607.01401,.0722. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

SB 1906 by Senator Latvala

Insurance; provides additional exception to requirement that minimum of 2 months' premium be collected to issue policy or binder for motor vehicle insurance; authorizes insurers that finance premiums for certain policies to charge interest or service charge at specified rate on unpaid premiums on those policies. Amends 627.7295,.902. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Banking and Insurance

SB 1916 by Senator Sebesta and others

Elderly/Disabled Adults/Bingo; authorizes bingo games for residents or clients of certain facilities for elderly or disabled, & their guests; provides conditions; provides for use of proceeds; provides exemption from local regulation & fees. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and withdrawn from the Committee on Criminal Justice

CS/SB 1922 by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services and Senator Geller

Agric. & Consumer Services Dept.; authorizes said dept. to lease or lend equipment to governmental entities that have fire/rescue responsibilities; authorizes dept. to require & review data re claims of pesticide products used as preventive treatment for termites; eliminates Fla. Organic Farming & Food Law; revises label requirements for feed; prescribes requirements re veterinarians who may inspect animals for disease, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, and withdrawn from the Committees on Finance and Taxation, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, and Appropriations

CS/SB 1932 by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Senator Laurent

Drug Traffic Program/Orange Co.; authorizes creation of pilot program in Orange County to intercept illegal drug shipments through package delivery services; provides that person who willfully maintains place where controlled substances are unlawfully kept, sold, or delivered commits offense of keeping or maintaining public nuisance; amends provision re inhalation, ingestion, sale, purchase, or transfer of certain harmful chemical substances, etc. Amends Chs. 823, 877, 893. Effective Date: 07/01/2001 except as otherwise provided.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Criminal Justice and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Public Safety and Judiciary, and Appropriations

CS/SB 1956 by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Senator Latvala and others

Motor Vehicle Dealers/Deceptive Acts; provides definitions; prohibits certain unfair or deceptive acts by such dealers; requires trial court to consider certain information when awarding attorney's fees; repeals provision re licensure sanctions for dealers who fail to disclose certain new vehicle damages to purchaser. Repeals 320.27(9)(n). Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, and the Committee on Judiciary reports the committee substitute favorably

CS/SB 2012 by the Committee on Judiciary and Senator Crist

Character Evidence/Child Molestation; revises provision of law governing character evidence to permit admission of certain evidence of defendant's commission of acts of child molestation under certain circumstances; provides definition. Amends 90.404. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

CS/SB 2024 by the Committee on Finance and Taxation and Senator Pruitt

Fish & Wildlife Conservation Comm.; provides civil penalty for violation of certain established vessel speed limits; increases permit fee for private game preserve or farm; revises provisions re issuance of certain licenses to take wild animal life, freshwater aquatic life, & marine life, & administrative costs & reporting related thereto; creates gold sportsman's license for residents, etc. Amends Chs. 370, 372, 327.73, 328.72,.76, 705.101. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with six amendments, by the Committee on Natural Resources and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Taxation, and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 2054 by the Committee on Education, Senator Sebesta and others

Designations/University Buildings; designates new instruction & research building at Fla. Atlantic University's College of Nursing "Louis & Anne Green Alzheimer's Research Center", & Dania Beach Campus facility "Kenneth C. Jenne Bldg."; designates observatory at Fla. Gulf Coast University "Evelyn L. Egan Astronomical Observatory"; designates science research building at FAMU "Frederick S. Humphries Science & Research Center", etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Education and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Appropriations

CS/CS/SB 2058 by the Committees on Judiciary, Agriculture and Consumer Services and Senator Sebesta

Dangerous Dogs; revises provisions re procedures for having dogs declared dangerous; authorizes animal control authorities to make such declarations; requires confinement of animals during hearing process; authorizes additional drugs for which permits may be issued for capture or euthanasia of animals; requires chemical immobilization training, which training must be approved by Veterinary Medicine Board, etc. Amends Chs. 767, 828. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Services, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, reports the committee substitute favorably

CS/SB 2074 by the Committee on Natural Resources and Senator Brown-Waite

Environmental Control; provides exemption from permitting requirements for removal of organic detrital material from certain freshwater rivers or lakes; provides exemption from permits for certain floating vessel platforms; requires DEP to adopt general permit by rule for such platforms after January 1, 2002, which meet certain conditions. Amends 403.813. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, reports the committee substitute favorably

CS/SB 2098 by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, Senator Jones and others

Elections/Voter's Bill Of Rights; provides for Voter's Bill of Rights & Responsibilities; provides responsibilities of supervisors of elections. Amends 101.031. Effective Date: 10/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Ethics and Elections

CS/CS/SB 2120 by the Committees on Judiciary, Natural Resources and Senator Garcia

Water Management Districts; authorizes water management districts to solicit donations; authorizes said districts to lease certain personal property; authorizes districts to obtain & enforce patents, copyrights, & trademarks; allows said districts to bar from future contracts contractors who have defaulted in past; authorizes said districts to limit or alter damages in certain vendor contracts. Amends 373.083,.093; creates 373.608,.610,.611. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, reports the committee substitute favorably and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

CS/SB 2142 by the Committee on Natural Resources and Senator Dyer

Solid Waste Collection; provides requirements for plan for incorporation of new municipality re contracts for solid waste collection; amends provisions re permitting solid waste management facilities; provides requirements for scales used by & records that must be kept by materials recovery facilities & facilities at which construction & demolition debris is processed; provides for applicability & rulemaking. Amends 165.061, 403.707. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Judiciary and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Natural Resources

CS/CS/SB 2146 by the Committees on Commerce and Economic Opportunities, Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Mitchell

Medical Records/Solicitation; provides legislative findings & intent; prohibits use of patient's medical records for purposes of solicitation & marketing without specific written release or authorization; provides for criminal penalties; requires DOI to adopt rules governing use of consumer's nonpublic personal financial & health information; provides standards for rules. Amends 456.057, 395.3025, 400.1415; creates 626.9651. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities

CS/CS/SB 2156 by the Committees on Judiciary, Health, Aging and Long-Term Care and Senator Klein

Dentist/Palliative/End-of-Life Care; allows licensees under specified provisions to complete course designated by Board of Dentistry, rather than course in end-of-life care & palliative care, as alternative to completing domestic-abuse course & as alternative to completing certain instruction on HIV & acquired immune deficiency syndrome; redefines term "end-stage condition"; prescribes content & suitability of palliative care, etc. Amends 456.031,.033, 765.101,.102,.205,.401. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

CS/SB 2174 by the Committee on Banking and Insurance and Senator Holzendorf

Insurance Agents; requires access to records by DOI; prohibits certain activities that constitute solicitation of insurance by unlicensed persons; revises agent application requirements; extends period of eligibility for reappointment; requires fingerprinting of specified persons; requires DOI to adopt rules governing use of consumer's nonpublic personal financial & health information, etc. Amends Chs. 624, 626, 648. Effective Date: 07/01/2001.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and the Committee on Finance and Taxation, reports the committee substitute favorably

SB 2204 by Senator Sebesta

St. Petersburg Parkway; designates portion of I-275 in Pinellas County as "St. Petersburg Parkway"; directs DOT to erect suitable markers. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Transportation and withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Appropriations

CS/SB 2220 by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, Senator Posey and others

Governmental Data Processing; authorizes governmental agencies to acquire, hold & enforce copyrights for data processing software they create; authorizes sale or license of such software; provides requirements for electronic recordkeeping systems & for access to public records in such systems; prohibits contracts for public records databases that impair public access to such records; provides finding of public necessity, etc. Creates 119.084. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Comprehensive Planning, Local and Military Affairs, and withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity, and Finance and Taxation

SB 2240 by Senator Garcia

Warranty Associations/Motor Vehicles; defines term "additive product"; redefines terms "motor vehicle service agreement" & "salesperson"; provides for submission of financial reports to DOI in computer-readable form; provides that motor vehicle service agreement company is not required to be licensed as salesperson to solicit, sell, issue, or otherwise transact motor vehicle service agreements issued by company, etc. Amends Ch. 634, 624.124, 628.4615. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably, with one amendment, by the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and withdrawn from the Committees on Transportation, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, and Appropriations

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