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Senate Calendar

Wednesday, March 12, 2008

(2nd week -- 51 days remaining)

THE SENATE WILL CONVENE ON
Wednesday, March 12, 2008
9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m., or upon the Call of the President

SENATE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2008

[XXXX] = Policy and Calendar Committee Initials. See page 3 for Committee Groupings
(NM)* = Not Meeting and (MC)* = Meeting Cancelled

MONDAY MARCH 10, 2008	TUESDAY MARCH 11, 2008	WEDNESDAY MARCH 12, 2008	THURSDAY MARCH 13, 2008	FRIDAY MARCH 14, 2008
<p>11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Joint Legislative Sunset Committee Rm. 37(SB)</p> <hr/> <p>Lunch and District Office</p> <hr/> <p>3:00-4:30 p.m. [OPCC] Administrative Procedures (NM)* Florida Legislative Committee on Intergovernmental Relations (NM)* Legislative Auditing Committee Rm. 309(CB) Joint Legislative Committee on Everglades Oversight(NM)*</p> <p>5:00-5:30 p.m. Economic Opportunities Policy and Calendar Committee Rm. 401(SB)</p> <p>5:30-6:00 p.m. Social Responsibility Policy and Calendar Committee Rm. 401(SB)</p>	<p>9:00-11:30 a.m. [EPCC] Banking and Insurance Rm. 412(KB) Commerce Rm. 401(SB) Regulated Industries Rm. 110(SB) Transportation Rm. 37(SB)</p> <hr/> <p>Lunch and District Office</p> <hr/> <p>2:00-4:30 p.m. [LPCC] Criminal Justice Rm. 401(SB) Ethics and Elections Rm. 412(KB) Judiciary Rm. 110(SB) Military Affairs and Domestic Security Rm. 301(SB)</p>	<p>9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., or upon the Call of the President</p> <p>SESSION EPCC SPCC</p> <hr/> <p>Lunch and District Office</p> <hr/> <p>2:30-5:00 p.m. [SPCC] Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Rm. 412(KB) Education Pre-K - 12 Rm. 110(SB) Health Policy (NM)* Health Regulation Rm. 401(SB) Higher Education Rm. 37(SB)</p>	<p>9:00-11:30 a.m. [RPCC] Agriculture (NM)* Communications and Public Utilities (NM)* Community Affairs Rm. 412(KB) Environmental Preservation and Conservation Rm. 401(SB) Governmental Operations Rm. 110(SB)</p> <hr/> <p>Lunch and District Office</p> <hr/> <p>1:00-2:30 p.m.</p> <p>SESSION</p> <p>3:00-6:00 p.m. [FPCC] Appropriations Committees: Criminal and Civil Justice Rm. 37(SB) Education Pre-K - 12 Rm. 412(KB) Finance and Tax (NM)* General Government Rm. 401(SB) Health and Human Services Rm. 110(SB) Higher Education Rm. 117(KB) Transportation and Economic Development Rm. 309(CB)</p>	<p>9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon [FPCC] Appropriations Committees: Criminal and Civil Justice (NM)* Education Pre-K - 12 (NM)* General Government (NM)* Health and Human Services Rm. 110(SB) Higher Education (NM)* Transportation and Economic Development Rm. 309(CB)</p> <hr/> <p>Lunch and District Office</p>

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SENATE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 17, 2008

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MONDAY MARCH 17, 2008	TUESDAY MARCH 18, 2008	WEDNESDAY MARCH 19, 2008	THURSDAY MARCH 20, 2008	FRIDAY MARCH 21, 2008
	9:00-11:30 a.m. [EPCC] Banking and Insurance Rm. 412(KB) Commerce Rm. 401(SB) Regulated Industries Rm. 110(SB) Transportation Rm. 37(SB)	9:00-11:30 a.m. [SPCC] Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Rm. 412(KB) Education Pre-K - 12 Rm. 110(SB) Health Policy Rm. 301(SB) Health Regulation Rm. 401(SB) Higher Education Rm. 37(SB)	8:00-10:00 a.m. [FPCC] Appropriations Committees: Criminal and Civil Justice Rm. 37(SB) Education Pre-K - 12 Rm. 412(KB) Finance and Tax Rm. 301(SB) General Government Rm. 401(SB) Health and Human Services Rm. 110(SB) Higher Education Rm. 117(KB) Transportation and Economic Development Rm. 309(CB)	
Lunch and District Office	Lunch and District Office	Lunch and District Office	Lunch and District Office	Lunch and District Office
4:00-5:30 p.m. Joint Legislative Sunset Committee	2:00-4:30 p.m. [LPCC] Criminal Justice Rm. 401(SB) Ethics and Elections Rm. 412(KB) Judiciary Rm. 110(SB) Military Affairs and Domestic Security Rm. 301(SB)	2:00-4:30 p.m. [RPCC] Agriculture Rm. 37(SB) Communications and Public Utilities Rm. 301(SB) Community Affairs Rm. 412(KB) Environmental Preservation and Conservation Rm. 401(SB) Governmental Operations Rm. 110(SB)	10:30 a.m.-until completion of agenda SESSION (Senate Reunion) Lunch and District Office	

2008 SESSION DATES

- August 1, 2007 Deadline for filing claim bills (Rule 4.81)
- January 25, 2008 5:00 p.m., deadline for submitting requests for drafts of general bills, including requests for companion bills
- February 29, 2008 5:00 p.m., deadline for submitting final drafts of general bills, including companion bills
- March 4, 2008 Regular Session convenes (Article III, section 3(b), Constitution)
- March 4, 2008 12:00 noon, deadline for filing bills for introduction (Rule 3.7)
- April 22, 2008 50th day—last day for regularly scheduled committee meetings (Rule 2.9)
- April 28, 2008 All bills are immediately certified (Rule 6.8)
Conference Committee Reports require only one reading (Rule 4.5)
- May 2, 2008 60th day—last day of Regular Session (Article III, section 3(d), Constitution)

SENATE COMMITTEE GROUPINGS

[XXXX] = Policy and Calendar Committee Initials

A. Economic Opportunities Policy and Calendar Committee [EPCC]

Banking and Insurance [EPCC]
Commerce [EPCC]
Regulated Industries [EPCC]
Transportation [EPCC]

B. Fiscal Policy and Calendar Committee [FPCC]

Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations [FPCC]
Education Facilities Appropriations [FPCC]
Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations [FPCC]
Finance and Tax [FPCC]
General Government Appropriations [FPCC]
Health and Human Services Appropriations [FPCC]
Higher Education Appropriations [FPCC]
Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations [FPCC]

C. Law and Justice Policy and Calendar Committee [LPCC]

Criminal Justice [LPCC]
Ethics and Elections [LPCC]
Judiciary [LPCC]
Military Affairs and Domestic Security [LPCC]

D. Oversight and Procedural Policy and Calendar Committee [OPCC]

Joint committees and commissions [OPCC]
Rules [OPCC]

E. Responsible Regulation Policy and Calendar Committee [RPCC]

Agriculture [RPCC]
Communications and Public Utilities [RPCC]
Community Affairs [RPCC]
Environmental Preservation and Conservation [RPCC]
Governmental Operations [RPCC]

F. Social Responsibility Policy and Calendar Committee [SPCC]

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs [SPCC]
Education Pre-K - 12 [SPCC]
Health Policy [SPCC]
Health Regulation [SPCC]
Higher Education [SPCC]

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2008

SESSION: 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m., or upon the Call of the President

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY POLICY AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE [SPCC] GROUPING

2:30—5:00 p.m.

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs [SPCC]:

2:30—5:00 p.m., *Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building*:

(MEMBERS: Senator Storms, Chair; Senator Margolis, Vice Chair; Senators Baker, Haridopolos, Hill, Lynn, Rich, and Villalobos)

Presentation by the Johnny B. Byrd, Sr. Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute

Presentation by the Department of Children and Families regarding the "KidTracks" pilot project

SB 2216 (CA) by Senator Storms—Adult Protection and Care/DCFS
SB 1704 (CA) by Senator Storms and others—Abandonment of a Newborn Infants
SB 1280 (CA) by Senator Aronberg and others—Criminal Conduct/Child Abuse and Neglect
SB 870 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Pub. Rec./Injunction/Domestic Violence

SB 994 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Employee Leave/Victims of Sexual Violence
SB 1084 (CA) by Senator Rich—Termination of Parental Rights/Adoption/Paternity

The amendment deadline for this meeting, including proposed committee substitutes and delete everything amendments, is Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. All amendments must be in final form and barcoded when filed.

Education Pre-K - 12 [SPCC]: 2:30—5:00 p.m., *Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Office Building*:

(MEMBERS: Senator Gaetz, Chair; Senator Wilson, Vice Chair; Senators Bullard, Carlton, Deutch, Diaz de la Portilla, and Wise)

SB 1070 (CA) by Senator King—Intergovernmental Cooperation
SB 112 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Student Voter Education Program
SB 1906 (CA) by Senator Gaetz—Pre-K through 12 Education
SB 1908 (CA) by Senator Gaetz—Pre-K through 12 Education
SB 1414 (CA) by Senator Diaz de la Portilla—Supplemental Educational Services Providers

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Health Regulation [SPCC]: 2:30—5:00 p.m., Room 401,
Senate Office Building:

*(MEMBERS: Senator Atwater, Chair; Senator Siplin, Vice Chair;
Senators Alexander, Aronberg, Fasano, Jones, Lawson, and
Peadar)*

SB 1962 (CA) by Senator Rich—Tax Exemptions/Nonprofit Hospital
Laundries

SB 1478 (CA) by Senator Margolis—Psychology Licensure

SB 1184 (CA) by Senator Saunders—Board-certified Emergency
Physicians

SB 1360 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Pharmacy Technicians

Discussion of the recent Florida Supreme Court decision on cases
relating to the constitutional amendment entitled "Patients' Right to
Know About Adverse Medical Incidents."

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committee substitutes and delete everything amendments, is
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Higher Education [SPCC]: 2:30—5:00 p.m., Room 37, Senate
Office Building:

*(MEMBERS: Senator Oelrich, Chair; Senator Ring, Vice Chair;
Senators Bennett, Constantine, Justice, and King)*

CS/SB 574 (CA) by the Committee on Military Affairs and Domestic
Security, Senator Baker and others—School Access/Jr. or Sr.
Officers' Training Corps

SB 1964 (CA) by Senator Haridopolos and others—Cigarette Tax
Revenues

SB 2210 (CA) by the Committee on Higher Education—Student
Financial Aid

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committee substitutes and delete everything amendments, is
Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. All amendments must be in
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THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2008

SESSION: 1:00—2:30 p.m.

RESPONSIBLE REGULATION POLICY AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE [RPCC] GROUPING

9:00—11:30 a.m.

Community Affairs [RPCC]: 9:00—11:30 a.m., *Pat Thomas*
Committee Room, 412 Knott Building;

*(MEMBERS: Senator Garcia, Chair; Senator Hill, Vice Chair;
Senators Crist, Dawson, Geller, Haridopolos, Siplin, Storms,
Villalobos, and Wise)*

SB 1426 (CA) by Senator Baker—Mobile Homes Sales Tax
Reimbursement/Tornadoes
SB 410 (CA) by Senator Justice—Health Insurance/Local Govt.
Officers & Employees
SB 1496 (CA) by Senator Bennett—Service Animals for Individuals
with Disabilities
SB 788 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Transportation
Disadvantaged/Services
SB 1378 (CA) by Senator Fasano and others—United States
Flags/Private Property

WORKSHOP — Discussion and testimony only on the following (no
vote to be taken):

SB 482 (CA) by Senator Garcia—Affordable Housing

This will be a workshop on proposed committee substitute for
SB 482 (The Florida Housing Finance Corporation's 2008
legislative package.)

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committee substitutes and delete everything amendments, is
Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. All amendments must be
in final form and barcoded when filed.*

Environmental Preservation and Conservation [RPCC]:
9:00—11:30 a.m., Room 401, Senate Office Building;

*(MEMBERS: Senator Saunders, Chair; Senator Rich, Vice Chair;
Senators Dockery, Gaetz, Jones, and Justice)*

SB 1286 (CA) by Senator Saunders—Fish and Wildlife
Conservation Commission
SB 1294 (CA) by Senator Saunders—Department of Environmental
Protection
SB 1552 (CA) by Senator Saunders—Everglades Restoration
Bonds
SB 1672 (CA) by Senator Jones—Beach Management
SB 1544 (CA) by Senator Saunders—Energy

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committee substitutes and delete everything amendments, is
Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. All amendments must be
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Governmental Operations [RPCC]: 9:00—11:30 a.m., *Toni*
Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Office Building;

*(MEMBERS: Senator Lawson, Chair; Senator Posey, Vice Chair;
Senators Dean, King, Oelrich, and Wilson)*

SB 1558 (CA) by Senator Hill—Official State Song
CS/SB 1712 (CA) by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12, the
Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 and others—Ethics in
Education Act
SB 1318 (CA) by Senator Gaetz—Onsite Sewage Treatment and
Disposal Systems
SB 1026 (CA) by Senator Fasano and others—Unemployment
Compensation Benefits
SB 1046 (CA) by the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder
Affairs and others—OGSR/Foster Parents/DCFS
SB 546 (CA) by Senator Wilson—Council on the Social Status of
Black Men & Boys
SB 922 (CA) by Senator Wilson—Ex-offenders/Employment
SM 1454 (CA) by Senator Wilson—Federal 2010 Census in Creole

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FISCAL POLICY AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE [FPCC] GROUPING

3:00—6:00 p.m.

Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations [FPCC]:
3:00—6:00 p.m., Room 37, Senate Office Building;

*(MEMBERS: Senator Crist, Chair; Senator Joyner, Vice Chair;
Senators Dawson, Dean, and Villalobos)*

SB 2098 (CA) by Senator Crist—Federal Grants Trust Fund/Parole
Commission
SB 2100 (CA) by Senator Crist—Shared County/State Juvenile
Detention TF/DJJ

Presentation by the Parole Commission on offender release cost
saving options

Presentation on health care cost containment plans in the
Department of Corrections

Update on food service cost savings in the Department of
Corrections

Presentation by Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government
Accountability on Report No. 08-12 "Several Alternatives Could Be
Used to Reduce Increasing Imprisonment of Persons Driving with
Suspended Licenses"

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committee substitutes and delete everything amendments, is
Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. All amendments must be
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Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations [FPCC]:

3:00—6:00 p.m., Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building:

(MEMBERS: Senator Wise, Chair; Senator Siplin, Vice Chair; Senators Bullard, Constantine, Dockery, and Garcia)

CS/SB 526 (CA) by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 and Senator Wise—Interscholastic Activities
CS/SB 1652 (CA) by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 and the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12—Charter Schools/Charter Technical Career Centers

Budget Presentation - Assessment and Evaluation, FCAT, End of Course Exams

Budget work session

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General Government Appropriations [FPCC]:

3:00—6:00 p.m., Room 401, Senate Office Building:

(MEMBERS: Senator Alexander, Chair; Senator Lawson, Vice Chair; Senators Aronberg, Baker, Bennett, and Jones)

SB 2126 (CA) by Senator Alexander and others—Water Protection and Sustainability Program TF/DEP
SB 2128 (CA) by Senator Alexander and others—Administrative Trust Fund/FWC
SB 2130 (CA) by Senator Alexander and others—Federal Grants Trust Fund/FWC
SB 2132 (CA) by Senator Alexander and others—Grants and Donations Trust Fund/FWC
SB 2134 (CA) by Senator Alexander and others—Working Capital Trust Fund/DFS

Presentations on agency proposals for Fiscal Year 2008-09 budget reductions:

- Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- Department of Business and Professional Regulation
- Department of Citrus
- Department of Environmental Protection
- Department of Financial Services
- Department of Lottery
- Department of Management Services
- Department of Revenue
- Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Public Service Commission

Budget Workshop

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Health and Human Services Appropriations [FPCC]:

3:00—6:00 p.m., Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Office Building:

(MEMBERS: Senator Peadar, Chair; Senator Rich, Vice Chair; Senators Gaetz, Saunders, and Wilson)

SB 2102 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Trust Funds/Agency for Health Care Administration
SB 2104 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Administrative Trust Fund/APD
SB 2106 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund/APD
SB 2108 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Federal Grants Trust Fund/APD
SB 2110 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund/APD
SB 2112 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Social Services Block Grant Trust Fund/APD
SB 2114 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Welfare Transition Trust Fund/DCFS
SB 2116 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Trust Funds/DCFS
SB 2118 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Welfare Transition Trust Fund/Department of Health
SB 2120 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Trust Funds/Department of Veterans' Affairs
SB 2122 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Trust Funds/Department of Health
SB 2124 (CA) by Senator Peadar—Trust Funds/Department of Elderly Affairs

Presentations on Agency Budget Reduction Proposals for Fiscal Year 2008-2009

Presentation on Medicaid Impact Conference Issues for Fiscal Year 2008-2009

Items not completed at today's meeting will be continued on tomorrow

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Higher Education Appropriations [FPCC]: 3:00—6:00 p.m., Room 117, Knott Building:

(MEMBERS: Senator Lynn, Chair; Senator Ring, Vice Chair; Senators Justice, King, and Oelrich)

CS/SJR 2308 (CA) by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12, Senator Carlton and others—Commissioner of Education/State Board of Education (A proposed committee substitute is expected to be filed prior to the amendment deadline.)

IFAS Research

Higher Education Distance Learning/On-Line Programs

Budget work session

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Transportation and Economic Development

Appropriations [FPCC]: 3:00—6:00 p.m., Verle A. Pope
Committee Room, 309 Capitol:

*(MEMBERS: Senator Fasano, Chair; Senator Margolis, Vice Chair;
Senators Diaz de la Portilla, Hill, and Webster)*

SB 82 (CA) by Senator Fasano and others—Public Library
Grants/State Aid

SB 2136 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Federal Grants Trust
Fund/Department of State

SB 2138 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Clearing Funds Trust
Fund/Department of State

SB 2140 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Welfare Transition Trust
Fund/DMA

SB 2142 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Federal Grants TF/Department
of Community Affairs

SB 2144 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Trust Funds/Department of
State

SB 2146 (CA) by Senator Fasano—Trust Funds/Department of
Community Affairs

Budget work session

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committee substitutes and delete everything amendments, is
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FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2008

FISCAL POLICY AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE [FPCC] GROUPING

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

Health and Human Services Appropriations [FPCC]:

9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon, *Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Office Building:*

(MEMBERS: Senator Peadar, Chair; Senator Rich, Vice Chair; Senators Gaetz, Saunders, and Wilson)

Continuation of unfinished portion of agenda from March 13, 2008, if necessary

Transportation and Economic Development

Appropriations [FPCC]: 9:00 a.m.—12:00 noon, *Verle A. Pope Committee Room, 309 Capitol:*

(MEMBERS: Senator Fasano, Chair; Senator Margolis, Vice Chair; Senators Diaz de la Portilla, Hill, and Webster)

Continuation of unfinished portion of agenda from March 13, 2008, if necessary

DAILY ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Roll Call
2. Prayer
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
4. Reports of Committees
5. Motions relating to committee reference
6. Messages from the Governor and other executive communications
7. Messages from the House of Representatives
8. Matters on reconsideration
9. Consideration of Bills on Third (3rd) Reading
10. Special Order Calendars
11. Consideration of Bills on Second (2nd) Reading
12. Correction and approval of the Journal

BILLS ON THE CALENDAR

SPECIAL ORDER CALENDAR FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2008

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES POLICY AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE [EPCC] GROUPING

SB 154 (SO) by Senator Fasano and others—

Pedestrian Safety/Driver Requirements; Requires a driver to stop at intersections with traffic control signals, or crosswalks so indicated with signage, to allow a pedestrian to cross a roadway when the pedestrian is in the crosswalk. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation

CS/SB 276 (SO) by the Committee on Judiciary, Senator Rich and others—

Food Donation by Public Food Service Establishment; Designates this act as the "Jack Davis Florida Restaurant Lending a Helping Hand Act." Amends provisions regarding liability for canned or perishable food distributed free of charge. Expands the definition of "perishable food" to include foods that have been prepared at licensed public food service establishments, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

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

CS/SB 296 (SO) by the Committee on Regulated Industries and Senator Fasano—

Bingo/Electronic Verification of Numbers; Authorizes verification of numbers drawn at bingo games by electronics or other technology in lieu of vocal verification. Revises the definition of "organization" to include chambers of commerce. Exempts chambers of commerce from provisions prohibiting drawings by chance. Authorizes an organization to place signs at a bingo game event disclosing certain required information, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

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

SB 458 (SO) by Senator Wise—

Pugilistic Matches/Fraternal Order of Police; Exempts amateur matches that are conducted or sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police and that are held in conjunction with a charitable event from provisions regulating pugilistic contests and exhibitions, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Regulated Industries

CS/CS/SB 1380 (SO) by the Committees on Finance and Tax, Regulated Industries, Senator Jones and others—

Electronic Gaming Machines; Provides that any electronic gaming machine licensee may possess and operate electronic gaming machines at an eligible facility where the licensee is authorized to conduct pari-mutuel wagering activities pursuant to pari-mutuel provisions. Prohibits a person who has not attained 21 years of age from operating or playing an electronic gaming machine or having access to the designated machine area, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Regulated Industries and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Tax

CS/CS/SB 970 (SO) by the Committees on Finance and Tax, Regulated Industries and Senator Geller—

Slot Machine Revenues/Tax Rate; Revises the tax rate on slot machine revenues at pari-mutuel facilities. Requires certain licensees to pay a pro rata share of the shortfall in taxes paid on slot machine tax revenues under certain conditions. Provides a tax rate on certain Class III gaming on Indian reservations if commenced. Provides a tax rate on video lottery terminals, electronic gaming, Class II or Class III gaming at pari-mutuel facilities, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Regulated Industries and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Finance and Tax

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY POLICY AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE [SPCC] GROUPING

SB 78 (SO) by Senator Wilson—

Child Welfare Professionals Recognition Day; Designates the second Monday in May as "Child Welfare Professionals Recognition Day" to recognize all professionals who work with abused children and dysfunctional families. Encourages the Department of Children and Family Services, local governments, and other agencies to sponsor events promoting the awareness of the child welfare system, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, and reported favorably by the Committee on Governmental Operations

CS/CS/SB 242 (SO) by the Committees on Judiciary, Education Pre-K - 12 and Senator Wise—

Schools/Single-gender Classes; Provides that students may be separated by gender for specified single-gender programs. Provides that options for public school choice may include single-gender programs. Authorizes district school boards to establish a nonvocational class, extracurricular activity, or school in which enrollment is limited to students of a single gender. Requires evaluation of single-gender programs every 2 years, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

SB 286 (SO) by Senator Wise and others—

Educators Teaching English/Inservice Requirements; Requires that educators of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) have inservice requirements that will ensure a conducive learning environment and the use of appropriate teaching strategies for students with limited English. Requires that primary English instructors have 300 inservice hours or the equivalent, that instructors in basic subject areas have 60 inservice hours or the equivalent, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 and reported favorably by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

SB 302 (SO) by Senator Siplin and others—

Public School Dress Requirements; Prohibits students from wearing and exposing below-waist underwear in a specified manner while on the grounds of a public school, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12

CS/SB 508 (SO) by the Committee on Health Regulation, Senator Fasano and others—

Hospitalized Patients/Safe Lifting Policies; Requires that hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and mobile surgical facilities establish a policy concerning the safe lifting of patients by their employees. Provides criteria concerning the policy to include, but not be limited to, using data to evaluate the risk of injuries to patients and employees and determining the appropriateness of alternative strategies for lifting and handling patients. Requires an ongoing evaluation process, etc. Effective Date: 10/01/2008.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health Regulation

CS/CS/SB 564 (SO) by the Committees on Judiciary, Health Regulation, Senator Constantine and others—

Automated External Defibrillators; Revises provisions relating to the maintenance of and training requirements for the use of automated external defibrillators. Revises provisions encouraging notice of the location of such defibrillators to the medical director of the local emergency medical services. Revises requirements for civil immunity for the use or attempted use of a defibrillator on a victim of a perceived medical emergency, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health Regulation and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Judiciary

SB 716 (SO) by Senator Fasano—

Clinical Laboratories; Requires clinical laboratories to accept human specimens submitted by advanced registered nurse practitioners, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/08.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health Regulation and reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary

CS/SB 736 (SO) by the Committee on Health Regulation and Senator Saunders—

Clinical Nurse Specialists/Certification; Revises the requirements for obtaining certification as a clinical nurse specialist. Requires an applicant to submit proof to the Department of health that he or she has the required academic and clinical experience to be certified as a clinical nurse specialist, etc. Effective Date: 10/01/2008.

Reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Health Regulation

SM 1742 (SO) by Senator Carlton and others—

Educator Ethics; Urges the Congress of the United States to support the passage of laws establishing ethical standards for professional educators and to support a national clearinghouse to strengthen state efforts in the reporting, screening, and sharing of critical information relative to educator misconduct, etc.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12

**RESOLUTIONS TO BE
CONSIDERED ON
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2008**

SR 2894 (SR) by Senator Carlton—

Florida Oceans Day; Recognizes March 12, 2008, as "Florida Oceans Day" in the State of Florida, etc.

ADOPTION BY PUBLICATION

SR 1480 (SR) by Senator Saunders—

Naples High School Golden Eagles Football Team; Recognizes the Naples High School Golden Eagles Football Team, winners of the 2007 Florida High School Athletic Association Class 3A State Championship in Football, etc.

**SENATE BILLS ON
SECOND READING**

**LAW AND JUSTICE POLICY AND
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Political Subdivision/Officer & Employee Conduct; Specifies standards of conduct for officers and employees of entities serving as the chief administrative officer of political subdivisions. Provides for penalties to be imposed against persons other than lobbyists or public officers and employers. Provides for the Commission on Ethics to report to the Governor violations involving persons other than lobbyists or public officers and employees, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ethics and Elections, and reported favorably as a committee substitute by the Committee on Governmental Operations

**CS/SB 656 (2R) by the Committee on Banking and Insurance
and Senator Joyner—**

Judicial and Execution Sales of Property; Requires that before a court-ordered sale of property, the mortgagee or lienholder must serve a "Notice Regarding Requested Property Sale" to the property owner or owners which will inform the owner of the possibility of relief through the filing of a bankruptcy petition and warning against purported foreclosure "saving" schemes. Provides for an affirmative defense for failing to provide the notice, etc. Effective Date: 07/01/2008.

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

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SB 784 (2R) by Senator Bennett—

Local Telecommunications Services; Repeals the provisions relating to procedures for seeking a stay from the Florida Public Service Commission of a price reduction for basic local telecommunications services, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Communications and Public Utilities

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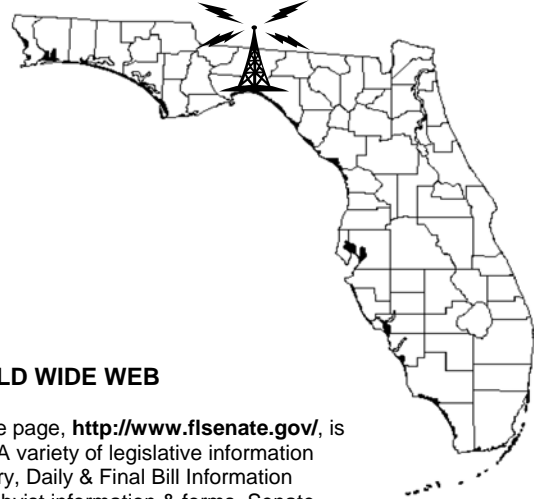
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