## THE FLORIDA SENATE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND ELECTIONS



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The Honorable Bill Galvano President, The Florida Senate Suite 409, The Capitol 404 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Dear President Galvano:

The following executive appointment was referred to the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, the Senate Committee on Health Policy, and the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections for action pursuant to Rule 12.7 of the Rules of the Florida Senate:

Office and Appointment

For Term Ending

1. State Surgeon General

Appointee: Rivkees, Scott A.

Pleasure of Governor

As required by Rule 12.7, the committees caused to be conducted an inquiry into the qualifications, experience, and general suitability of the above-named appointee for appointment to the office indicated. In aid of such inquiry, the committees held public hearings at which members of the public were invited to attend and offer evidence concerning the qualifications, experience, and general suitability of the appointee. After due consideration of the findings of such inquiry and the evidence adduced at the public hearings, the Committee on Ethics and Elections and other referenced committees respectfully advise and recommend that in accordance with s. 114.05(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

- (1) the executive appointment of the above-named appointee, to the office and for the term indicated, be confirmed by the Senate;
- (2) Senate action on said appointment be taken prior to the adjournment of the 2020 Regular Session; and
- (3) there is no necessity known to the committees for the deliberations on said appointment to be held in executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Baxley, Chair

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