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CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President Gaetz at 9:30 a.m. A quorum present—38:

Mr. President	Evers	Montford
Abruzzo	Flores	Negron
Altman	Galvano	Richter
Bean	Garcia	Ring
Benacquisto	Gardiner	Sachs
Bradley	Gibson	Simmons
Brandes	Grimsley	Simpson
Braynon	Hays	Sobel
Bullard	Hukill	Soto
Clemens	Joyner	Stargel
Dean	Latvala	Thompson
Detert	Lee	Thrasher
Diaz de la Portilla	Legg	

Excused: Senators Margolis and Smith

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Chaplain James A. Gazaway, Chaplain of the 83rd Troop Command located in Tallahassee:

Almighty God, our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, and Friend, we come before you this day to seek your presence and to request your guidance. We ask for your grace to shine upon the leaders of our government that they may be blessed with the wisdom needed to carry out their tasks and weighty responsibilities. Grant to them the knowledge needed to administer the business of the great State of Florida justly and fairly. Aid them in their work to maintain the dignity and the rights of the citizens who have entrusted to them these positions of authority. Assist the people of our state along with our Governor and our Legislature to work together to abolish all that mars our social life or causes misery, so that we all may have the work, food, health, and happiness to continue in service to you and our state. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and grant them according to your will and purpose for the blessing of our people. Amen.

HONOR GUARD

At the direction of the President, the Sergeant at Arms opened the doors of the chamber and the Honor Guard of the Florida National Guard marched into the chamber bearing flags of the United States of America and the State of Florida.

The Honor Guard included the following members: Sergeant Major Thomas Aycock, 50th Regional Support Group; Sergeant First Class Brian Presley, 1st Battalion, 265th Air Defense Artillery Regiment; Staff Sergeant Joshua Dowdle, 211th Regional Training Institute; Private Allen Watson, 779th Engineer Battalion; Sergeant Tiffany Mitchell, 869th Engineer Company; Specialist Dustin Paridon, 3rd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group; Staff Sergeant Karla Rodriguez, 601st Air and Space Operations Center; Staff Sergeant Matthew Hordeski, 101st Air Communications Squadron; and Technical Sergeant Henry Joseph, 601st Air and Space Operations Center.

PLEDGE

Staff Sergeant Terrance Straham, 779th Engineer Battalion of Tallahassee, led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. Staff Sergeant Straham has 15 years of service including the U.S. Marine Corps, assignments at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and deployments to Somalia, Bosnia, and Iraq.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

The President introduced Staff Sergeant Sherry Denney, 256th Area Medical Support Company in Gainesville, who sang our National Anthem, *The Star Spangled Banner*. Staff Sergeant Denney has 20 years of service, participating in Operation Iraqi Freedom and active duty in the state for hurricanes Dennis, Wilma, Charley, and Frances.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

The President recognized Dr. Robert Pickard of Coconut Grove, sponsored by Senator Diaz de la Portilla, as the doctor of the day. Dr. Pickard served in the U.S. Air Force and the Florida Army National Guard for 22 years before retiring as a Colonel from the U.S. Army Medical Corps. Dr. Pickard specializes in the ear, nose, and throat. The President also recognized Dr. Lynn M. Keefe of Shalimar, whom he sponsored as the doctor of the day. Dr. Keefe specializes in pediatrics.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

On motion by Senator Stargel—

By Senators Stargel, Soto, and Grimsley—

SR 1228—A resolution recognizing Polk State College on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

WHEREAS, Polk State College, formerly known as Polk Junior College and Polk Community College, was founded in 1964 as the first public higher education institution in Polk County and is currently one of 28 public colleges in the Florida College System, and

WHEREAS, Polk State College's first campus was located on a former World War II Air Force base in Bartow and, in 1966, ground was broken for its first permanent campus in Winter Haven, and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Polk State College opened its Lakeland campus off U.S. Highway 98 South, between Lakeland and Bartow, and, in the years that followed, added the Airside Center in South Lakeland, the J.D. Alexander Center in downtown Lake Wales, and the Polk State Lake Wales Arts Center off Highway 60 in Lake Wales, and

WHEREAS, Polk State College also operates three charter high schools that serve the students of Polk County, and

WHEREAS, enrollment at Polk State College has increased from just under 1,200 students in 1964 to approximately 25,000 students today, and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Polk State College offered its first bachelor's degree program and now offers a number of 4-year degrees, including a bachelor of applied science degree in supervision and management and bachelor of science degrees in nursing and criminal justice, in addition to associate in arts and associate in science degrees and a variety of certificate and workforce training programs, and

WHEREAS, in 2011, Polk State College rebranded itself, adopting the eagle as its mascot and changing the school's colors to red and black, and

WHEREAS, in January 2014, the Polk State Clear Springs Advanced Technology Center opened off Highway 60 East in Bartow, a 450,000 square foot facility that houses high-tech degree programs and the Polk State Corporate College, which provides workforce training throughout the region, and

WHEREAS, Polk State College promotes excellence and student success through innovation, value, and engagement while manifesting its core values of service, integrity, knowledge, diversity, and leadership, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That we recognize Polk State College on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

—was introduced out of order and read by title. On motion by Senator Stargel, **SR 1228** was read the second time by title and adopted.

On motion by Senator Altman—

By Senator Altman—

SR 1650—A resolution honoring the men and women of the Florida National Guard and recognizing March 11, 2014, as “Florida National Guard Day.”

WHEREAS, the Florida National Guard, the military arm of the Governor and the people of the State of Florida, stands ready to immediately respond to a call from the Governor in times of crisis or emergency, and

WHEREAS, tracing the roots of its citizen-soldier tradition to the first militia units formed in 1565 to protect St. Augustine, the Florida National Guard today boasts approximately 12,000 highly trained and skilled men and women who serve as soldiers and airmen, and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the Florida National Guard and their families willingly make sacrifices during times of hurricanes, fires, floods, and other natural disasters, serving domestically and around the world in contingency operations, and

WHEREAS, more than 17,200 men and women of the Florida National Guard, without reservation, answered the call to federal active duty following the attack on our nation on September 11, 2001, and served with distinction and honor during Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and other contingencies, and

WHEREAS, the honorable service of the men and women of the Florida National Guard is truly an affirmation of the propriety of the recognition they so richly deserve for their faithful and successful service and for the well-placed trust of the residents of this state, and

WHEREAS, the employers of the members of the Florida National Guard and their family members have made significant sacrifices in conducting their business during the absence of key personnel and providing jobs for returning members, and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the Florida National Guard participate in hundreds of community service projects across the state each day while preparing for their federal duty, protecting the residents of this state during emergencies, and contributing to local programs that add value to this nation and this state, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That in honor of the significant contributions and consistent readiness of the Florida National Guard and to gratefully acknowledge the faithful service of its dedicated soldiers and airmen, March 11, 2014, is recognized as “Florida National Guard Day.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Major General Emmett R. Titshaw, Jr., Adjutant General of Florida, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

—was introduced out of order and read by title. On motion by Senator Altman, **SR 1650** was read the second time in full and adopted.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Senator Evers introduced United States Congressman Jeff Miller who was present in the chamber. Congressman Miller serves as chairman of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, the House Armed Services Committee, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

Senator Montford introduced United States Congressman Steve Southerland who serves on the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, and was also present in the chamber.

The President recognized special guests Major General James D. Tyre, Assistant Adjutant General of the Florida National Guard, and Major General Emmett R. Titshaw, Jr., Adjutant General of the Florida National Guard who were present in the chamber.

Senator Altman recognized all those with military service who were present in the chamber and gallery.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

At the request of Senator Altman, the Senate observed a moment of silence honoring the Gold Star parents and the children they lost in combat.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Senator Altman was recognized for comments and a slide show presentation on Florida's military bases.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The President recognized the following Senators for their military service: Senator Dean who served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves; Senator Thrasher who served in the U.S. Army; Senator Hays who served in the U.S. Coast Guard; Senator Richter who served in the U.S. Army and the U.S. Air Force Reserves; Senator Brandes who served in the U.S. Army Reserves; and Senator Abruzzo who served in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RELATING TO EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The Honorable Don Gaetz
President, The Florida Senate

March 11, 2014

Dear President Gaetz:

The following executive appointments were referred to the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections for action pursuant to Rule 12.7 of the Rules of the Florida Senate:

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>	<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Board of Athletic Training		Martini, Anthony J.	10/31/2014
Appointees: Hudson, James Brian	10/31/2014	Perdomo, Robert L., III	10/31/2016
McDougal, Billy J.	10/31/2014		
Pappas, Nicholas A.	10/31/2015	Education Practices Commission	
Watson, James T.	10/31/2015	Appointees: Howard, Tequila E.	09/30/2016
Florida State Boxing Commission		Marcadis, Annette	07/14/2017
Appointee: Lopez, Marco A.	09/30/2016	Walker, Cindi	01/13/2017
Florida Building Commission		Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board	
Appointees: Batts, James T., III	11/05/2016	Appointees: Cannava, John E.	10/31/2014
Brown, Donald D.	11/21/2015	Hoffmann, Kenneth	10/31/2015
Hamberger, Robert F.	01/09/2017	McHaffie, Thomas N.	10/31/2015
Langille, Brian	06/30/2017	Board of Employee Leasing Companies	
Phillips, Darrell D.	11/21/2015	Appointees: Finkelstein, Abram	10/31/2015
Schilling, Frederick C., Jr.	01/31/2015	Jones, John L.	10/31/2016
Smith, Drew M.	11/05/2016	Reeves, Keith W.	10/31/2015
Tolbert, John T.	01/15/2015	Board of Professional Engineers	
Board of Chiropractic Medicine		Appointees: Bauer, Christian S., Jr.	10/31/2016
Appointees: Fox, Christopher J.	10/31/2014	Boza, Vivian	10/31/2015
Hunt, Julie Mayer	10/31/2016	Burke, John C.	10/31/2014
Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling		Pepper, John	10/31/2016
Appointees: Barlow, Sandra M.	10/31/2014	Board of Professional Geologists	
Buller, Jamie	10/31/2016	Appointees: Alfieri, Michael C.	10/31/2015
Cecil-Van Den Heuvel, Denise J.	10/31/2014	Cain, Matthew L.	10/31/2014
Douglas, Helen	10/31/2014	DeNeve, Michael Joseph	10/31/2016
Regulatory Council of Community Association Managers		Poppell, Robert R.	10/31/2016
Appointees: Cunningham, Sharon F.	10/31/2014	Higher Educational Facilities Financing Authority	
Phillips, Angela M.	10/31/2015	Appointees: Czerniec, Timothy H.	01/17/2016
Florida Communities Trust		Rieck, David W.	01/17/2017
Appointee: Stanbridge, Ruth	01/31/2015	Citrus County Hospital Board	
Board of Trustees of Chipola College		Appointee: Fallows, Christopher Mark	07/08/2014
Appointees: Baker, Nolan V.	05/31/2015	Commission for Independent Education	
Causseaux, Hannah Sumner	05/31/2014	Appointees: Bradley, Nancy M.	06/30/2015
Clark, Gary F.	05/31/2015	Crocitto, Peter F., Jr.	06/30/2016
Lassmann, Thomas S.	05/31/2015	Mulherin, Lynn	06/30/2015
Padgett, John W.	05/31/2014	Florida Inland Navigation District	
Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando Community College		Appointees: Blow, John Carl	01/09/2017
Appointees: Blommel, Edward C.	05/31/2015	Chappell, Tyler	01/09/2017
Parker, Judy R.	05/31/2014	Cuozzo, Donald J.	01/09/2017
Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College		Dritenbas, Paul U.	01/09/2017
Appointees: Bello, Bridgette	05/31/2015	Isiminger, Charles C.	01/09/2015
Westine, Lauralee G.	05/31/2017	McCabe, Susanne D.	01/09/2017
Construction Industry Licensing Board		Netts, Jonathan S.	01/09/2015
Appointees: Allocco, Andrew	10/31/2014	Williams, Lynn	01/09/2017
Evetts, James C.	10/31/2015	Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County	
Lenois, Roy	10/31/2015	Appointee: Mikurak, Michael G.	07/18/2016
Sheehan, William S.	10/31/2014	Board of Landscape Architecture	
State of Florida Correctional Medical Authority		Appointees: Conant, Richard R.	10/31/2017
Appointees: Beaty, Ryan D.	07/01/2016	Delate, Joseph F.	10/31/2015
Chaykin, Lee B.	07/01/2016	Kroll, Michael D.	10/31/2016
Cuddy, Leigh-Ann	07/01/2016	Smith, Phillip J.	10/31/2017
Debelius-Enemark, Peter C.	07/01/2016	Governor's Mansion Commission	
Novack, Harvey R.	07/01/2016	Appointees: Glover, Marla G.	09/30/2016
Phelps, J. Annette	07/01/2016	Mullican, Susan H.	09/30/2015
Board of Cosmetology		Board of Nursing Home Administrators	
Appointee: Harvey, Adrienne L.	10/31/2016	Appointees: Feeney, Patricia A.	10/31/2015
Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind		Helmer, Michael K.	10/31/2017
Appointees: McCaul, Owen B.	12/10/2016	Schroepfel, Thomas O.	10/31/2017
Wagner, Christopher D.	11/19/2016	Board of Occupational Therapy Practice	
Board of Dentistry		Appointees: McKenzie, Tammy R.	10/31/2016
Appointees: Britten, Leonard L.	10/31/2015	Roeck-Simmons, Heidi	10/31/2015
		Spafford, James F.	10/31/2014
		Watson, Carol Marie	10/31/2015

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	
Board of Opticianry	
Appointees: Mone', Christopher B.	10/31/2015
Shannon, Byron Dale	10/31/2015
Stavros, Irene J.	10/31/2014
Board of Pharmacy	
Appointees: Mikhael, Mark W.	10/31/2016
Philip, Jeenu	10/31/2017
Weizer, Michele	10/31/2016
Board of Physical Therapy Practice	
Appointee: Pettie, Christina L.	10/31/2016
Board of Pilot Commissioners	
Appointee: Walters, Cliff	10/31/2016
Board of Podiatric Medicine	
Appointees: Block, Mark S.	10/31/2014
Pearce, James W.	10/31/2015
Price, Melvin B.	10/31/2014
Strickland, Joseph H.	10/31/2015
Tampa Port Authority	
Appointee: Grandoff, John B., III	11/15/2015
Florida Prepaid College Board	
Appointees: Champion, Robert C.	06/30/2014
Hogan, Patrick T.	06/30/2015
Board of Psychology	
Appointees: Miller, Jonathan Drake	10/31/2017
Reiff, Harry J.	10/31/2015
Rubin, Andrew S.	10/31/2016
Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board	
Appointee: Simmons, Matthew S.	10/31/2015
Florida Real Estate Commission	
Appointee: Furst, Darla Ann	10/31/2016
Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 4	
Appointee: Palencia, Jeovanny	10/01/2015
East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 6	
Appointees: Chase, Melanie F.	10/01/2015
Rose, Jill	10/01/2014
Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 9	
Appointee: McCormick, Francis Donald	10/01/2016
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region 10	
Appointee: Weaver, Steven M.	10/01/2015
Board of Respiratory Care	
Appointees: Fields, Delbert "Dick" R.	10/31/2014
Grassi, Michele A.	10/31/2015
Hendriksen, Peter J.	10/31/2014
Nunez, Morfia Joy	10/31/2015
Sherrod, Bayyinah M.	10/31/2015
State Retirement Commission	
Appointee: Davis, Warren	12/31/2015
Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers	
Appointee: Hyde, Steven J.	10/31/2017
Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission	
Appointee: Finnegan, Joseph D.	06/30/2015
Chair, Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission	
Appointee: Brown, Frank E.	06/30/2017
Board of Veterinary Medicine	
Appointee: Inzina, Suzanne	10/31/2016

For Term Ending The following executive appointments were referred to the Senate Committee on Transportation and the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections for action pursuant to Rule 12.7 of the Rules of the Florida Senate:

<i>Office and Appointment</i>		<i>For Term Ending</i>
Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority		
Appointee: Smith, Rebecca J.		07/01/2015
Florida Transportation Commission		
Appointees: Browning, John P., Jr.		09/30/2015
Sebesta, James A.		09/30/2015

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 appointees for appointment to the office indicated. In aid of such inquiry, the committees held a public hearing at which members of the public were invited to attend and offer evidence concerning the qualifications, experience, and general suitability of the appointees. 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 committee respectfully advise and recommend that in accordance with s. 114.05(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

- (1) the executive appointments of the above-named appointees, to the office and for the term indicated, be confirmed by the Senate;
- (2) Senate action on said appointments be taken prior to the adjournment of the 2014 Regular Session; and
- (3) there is no necessity known to the committees for the deliberations on said appointments to be held in executive session.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Latvala, Chair

On motion by Senator Latvala, the report was adopted and the Senate confirmed the appointments identified in the foregoing report of the committee to the offices and for the terms indicated in accordance with the recommendation of the committee.

The vote was:

Yeas—36

Mr. President	Evers	Legg
Abruzzo	Flores	Montford
Altman	Galvano	Negron
Bean	Garcia	Richter
Benacquisto	Gardiner	Ring
Bradley	Gibson	Sachs
Brandes	Grimsley	Simmons
Braynon	Hays	Simpson
Bullard	Hukill	Soto
Clemens	Joyner	Stargel
Dean	Latvala	Thompson
Diaz de la Portilla	Lee	Thrasher

Nays—None

Vote after roll call:

Yea—Detert

SPECIAL ORDER CALENDAR

CS for SB 860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military and veteran support; amending s. 250.10, F.S.; revising participation requirements and authorizing certain courses for the Educational Dollars for Duty program; directing the Adjutant General to adopt certain rules; providing appropriations; amending s. 250.35, F.S.; updating references with respect to courts-martial; creating s. 265.0031, F.S.; establishing the Florida Veterans' Walk of Honor and the Florida Veterans' Memorial Garden; directing the Department of Management Services, in consultation with the direct-support organization of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to make space available for such purpose; amending s.

288.0001, F.S.; directing the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to provide a specified analysis of certain grant and entrepreneur initiative programs; amending ss. 295.065, 295.07, 295.08, and 295.085, F.S.; revising and providing governmental employment preference for certain persons; creating s. 295.188, F.S.; authorizing private employers to provide employment preference for certain persons; creating s. 295.21, F.S.; establishing Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., within the Department of Veterans' Affairs; providing for a board of directors and the duties and requirements thereof; creating s. 295.22, F.S.; creating the Veterans Employment and Training Services Program within the department; providing program requirements; directing Enterprise Florida, Inc., to provide certain information about Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to certain businesses; creating s. 295.23, F.S.; directing the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to perform specified duties relating to Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., and to expend specified funds in the performance of such duties; requiring the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to provide certain funds to Florida Is For Veterans, Inc.; providing appropriations; requiring Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., and the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to submit certain plans and performance measures to the Legislative Budget Commission and receive the commission's approval before expending certain funds; directing Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature relating to gaps in veteran resources; directing the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a performance audit of Florida Is For Veterans, Inc.; amending ss. 296.06 and 296.36, F.S.; revising the eligibility requirements for residency in the Florida State Veterans' Domiciliary Home and admittance to a state veterans' nursing home; amending s. 322.031, F.S.; providing conditions under which the spouses and dependents of service members are exempt from obtaining or displaying a driver license or learner's permit; amending s. 322.121, F.S.; granting an automatic extension for the expiration of a driver license to the spouse and dependents of service members; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; extending the application deadline for military veterans to have certain fees waived by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and waiving such fees for the spouses of veterans; amending ss. 456.013 and 468.304, F.S.; extending the application deadline for military veterans to have certain fees waived by the Department of Health and waiving such fees for the spouses of veterans; amending s. 456.024, F.S.; providing licensing procedures and waiving fees for certain health care practitioners; amending ss. 458.315 and 459.0076, F.S.; revising provisions for issuance of temporary certificates for practice in areas of critical need to conform to changes made by the act; creating ss. 458.3151 and 459.00761, F.S.; providing application requirements and procedures for active duty military and veteran physicians to obtain temporary certificates for practice in areas of critical need; amending s. 499.012, F.S.; providing that specified military service meets certain permitting requirements; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent with respect to establishing charter schools on military installations; encouraging military installation commanders to collaborate with the Commissioner of Education; providing for operation and control of such schools; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; directing state universities, Florida College System institutions, and certain career centers to waive certain fees for veterans; providing applicability; providing appropriations; providing effective dates.

—was read the second time by title.

CO-INTRODUCERS

All Senators voting yea, not previously shown as co-introducers, were recorded as co-introducers of **CS for SB 860**.

The vote was:

Yeas—35

Mr. President	Clemens	Gardiner
Abruzzo	Dean	Gibson
Altman	Detert	Grimsley
Bean	Diaz de la Portilla	Hays
Bradley	Evers	Joyner
Brandes	Flores	Latvala
Braynon	Galvano	Lee
Bullard	Garcia	Legg

Montford	Simmons	Stargel
Negron	Simpson	Thompson
Richter	Sobel	Thrasher
Ring	Soto	

Nays—None

Pending further consideration of **CS for SB 860**, on motion by Senator Altman, by two-thirds vote **CS for CS for HB 7015** was withdrawn from the Committees on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Appropriations.

On motion by Senator Altman—

CS for CS for HB 7015—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military and veteran support; amending s. 250.10, F.S.; revising participation requirements and authorizing certain courses for the Educational Dollars for Duty program; directing the Adjutant General to adopt certain rules; providing appropriations; amending s. 250.35, F.S.; updating references with respect to courts-martial; creating s. 265.0031, F.S.; establishing the Florida Veterans' Walk of Honor and the Florida Veterans' Memorial Garden; directing the Department of Management Services, in consultation with the direct-support organization of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to make space available for such purpose; amending s. 288.0001, F.S.; directing the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to provide a specified analysis of certain grant and entrepreneur initiative programs; amending ss. 295.065, 295.07, 295.08, and 295.085, F.S.; revising and providing governmental employment preference for certain persons; creating s. 295.188, F.S.; authorizing private employers to provide employment preference for certain persons; creating s. 295.21, F.S.; establishing Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., within the Department of Veterans' Affairs; providing for a board of directors and the duties and requirements thereof; creating s. 295.22, F.S.; creating the Veterans Employment and Training Services Program within the department; providing program requirements; directing Enterprise Florida, Inc., to provide certain information about Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to certain businesses; creating s. 295.23, F.S.; directing the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to perform specified duties relating to Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., and to expend specified funds in the performance of such duties; requiring the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to provide certain funds to Florida Is For Veterans, Inc.; providing appropriations; requiring Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., and the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to submit certain plans and performance measures to the Legislative Budget Commission and receive the commission's approval before expending certain funds; directing Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature relating to gaps in veteran resources; directing the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a performance audit of Florida Is For Veterans, Inc.; amending ss. 296.06 and 296.36, F.S.; revising the eligibility requirements for residency in the Florida State Veterans' Domiciliary Home and admittance to a state veterans' nursing home; amending s. 322.031, F.S.; providing conditions under which the spouses and dependents of service members are exempt from obtaining or displaying a driver license or learner's permit; amending s. 322.121, F.S.; granting an automatic extension for the expiration of a driver license to the spouse and dependents of service members; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; extending the application deadline for military veterans to have certain fees waived by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and waiving such fees for the spouses of veterans; amending ss. 456.013 and 468.304, F.S.; extending the application deadline for military veterans to have certain fees waived by the Department of Health and waiving such fees for the spouses of veterans; amending s. 456.024, F.S.; providing licensing procedures and waiving fees for certain health care practitioners; amending ss. 458.315 and 459.0076, F.S.; revising provisions for issuance of temporary certificates for practice in areas of critical need to conform to changes made by the act; creating ss. 458.3151 and 459.00761, F.S.; providing application requirements and procedures for active duty military and veteran physicians to obtain temporary certificates for practice in areas of critical need; amending s. 499.012, F.S.; providing that specified military service meets certain permitting requirements; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent with respect to establishing charter schools on military installations; encouraging military installation commanders to collaborate with the Commissioner of Education; providing for operation and control

of such schools; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; directing state universities, Florida College System institutions, and certain career centers to waive certain fees for veterans; providing applicability; providing appropriations; providing effective dates.

—a companion measure, was substituted for **CS for SB 860** and read the second time by title.

On motion by Senator Altman, by two-thirds vote **CS for CS for HB 7015** was read the third time by title, passed, and certified to the House. The vote on passage was:

Yeas—38

Mr. President	Evers	Montford
Abruzzo	Flores	Negron
Altman	Galvano	Richter
Bean	Garcia	Ring
Benacquisto	Gardiner	Sachs
Bradley	Gibson	Simmons
Brandes	Grimsley	Simpson
Braynon	Hays	Sobel
Bullard	Hukill	Soto
Clemens	Joyner	Stargel
Dean	Latvala	Thompson
Detert	Lee	Thrasher
Diaz de la Portilla	Legg	

Nays—None

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Senator Richter presented a video entitled, “Angel Flight” to honor the servicemen and women who have given their lives in the line of duty.

MOTION

On motion by Senator Thrasher, by two-thirds vote **CS for CS for HB 7015** was ordered immediately certified to the House.

On motion by Senator Altman—

CS for SB 858—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 288.985, F.S., which provides exemptions from public records and public meetings requirements for certain records and meetings of the Florida Defense Support Task Force; removing the penalty; removing superfluous language; saving the exemptions from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 858** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Evers—

SB 486—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the federal write-in absentee ballot; amending s. 101.6952, F.S.; authorizing absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters to use the federal write-in absentee ballot in any state or local election; providing that an eligible elector may vote on any ballot measure in an election using the federal write-in absentee ballot; clarifying that a vote cast in a judicial merit retention election be treated in the same manner as a vote on certain ballot measures; making technical changes; amending s. 102.166, F.S.; revising minimum requirements for Department of State rules used in determining what constitutes a valid vote on a federal write-in absentee ballot; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **SB 486** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Richter—

CS for SB 236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the renaming of Florida College System institutions; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; renaming Edison State College and Pasco-Hernando Community College as “Florida SouthWestern State College” and “Pasco-Hernando State College,” respectively; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 236** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Ring—

SB 604—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida State Employees’ Charitable Campaign; amending s. 110.181, F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that state officers and employees designate a charitable organization to receive contributions from the Florida State Employees’ Charitable Campaign; providing for the distribution of undesignated funds by the fiscal agent; removing the requirement that a local steering committee be established in each fiscal agent area; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **SB 604** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Dean—

CS for SB 106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county employees; amending s. 125.01, F.S.; providing that the governing body of a county has authority to determine available benefits of county employees; specifying the applicability of ch. 121, F.S., to such employees; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 106** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Benacquisto—

CS for CS for SB 224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nicotine dispensing devices; amending s. 569.002, F.S.; providing a definition; amending s. 569.0075, F.S.; prohibiting the gift of sample nicotine dispensing devices to persons under 18 years of age; amending s. 569.101, F.S.; prohibiting the selling, delivering, bartering, furnishing, or giving of nicotine dispensing devices to persons under 18 years of age, to which penalties apply; amending s. 569.11, F.S.; prohibiting persons under 18 years of age from possessing, purchasing, or misrepresenting their age or military service to purchase nicotine dispensing devices; providing civil penalties; amending s. 569.14, F.S.; requiring certain signage where a dealer sells nicotine dispensing devices; amending s. 569.19, F.S.; requiring the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to submit the number of violations for selling nicotine dispensing devices in its annual report; reenacting and amending s. 322.056(2) and (3), F.S., relating to mandatory driver license revocation or suspension for persons younger than 18 years of age who commit certain offenses, to incorporate the amendments to s. 569.11, F.S., in a reference thereto; making editorial changes; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Senator Benacquisto moved the following amendment which was adopted:

Amendment 1 (807998)—Delete line 38 and insert:
and any replacement nicotine cartridge, liquid nicotine vial, or other container used to refill nicotine for the device or

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for CS for SB 224** as amended was ordered engrossed and then placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Lee—

CS for CS for SB 424—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discriminatory insurance practices; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; providing that unfair discrimination on the basis of gun ownership in the provision of personal lines property or personal lines automobile insurance is a discriminatory insurance practice; clarifying that insurers are not prevented from charging supplemental premiums or sharing information between an insurer and its agent if a separate rider has been requested; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for CS for SB 424** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Joyner—

CS for CS for SB 238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.071, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for the names of the spouses and children of current or former public defenders, assistant public defenders, criminal conflict and civil regional counsel, and assistant criminal conflict and civil regional counsel; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of necessity; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for CS for SB 238** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Bean—

CS for CS for SB 380—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the responsibilities of health care facilities; repealing s. 383.336, F.S., relating to provider hospitals; amending s. 395.0191, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting a health care facility from employing or contracting with a surgical assistant or surgical technologist under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; amending s. 395.1051, F.S.; requiring a hospital to notify obstetrical physicians before the hospital closes its obstetrical department or ceases to provide obstetrical services; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Senator Garcia moved the following amendment which was adopted:

Amendment 1 (626598)—Delete lines 40-67 and insert:

(d) *“Surgical assistant” means a person who provides aid in exposure, hemostasis, closures, and other intraoperative technical functions and who assists the surgeon in performing a safe operation with optimal results for the patient.*

(e) *“Surgical technologist” means a person whose duties include, but are not limited to, maintaining sterility during a surgical procedure, handling and ensuring the availability of necessary equipment and supplies, and maintaining visibility of the operative site to ensure that the operating room environment is safe, that proper equipment is available, and that the operative procedure is conducted efficiently.*

(12)(a) *A facility may not employ or contract with any person to perform the duties of a surgical assistant unless the person is a certified surgical assistant.*

(b) *A facility may not employ or contract with any person to perform the duties of a surgical technologist unless the person is a certified surgical technologist.*

(c) *Paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply to:*

1. *A person who has completed an appropriate training program for surgical technology in any branch of the Armed Forces or reserve component of the Armed Forces.*

2. *A person who was employed or contracted to perform the duties of a surgical technologist or surgical assistant at any time before July 1, 2014.*

3. *A health care practitioner as defined in s. 456.001 or a student if the duties performed by the practitioner or the student are within the scope of the practitioner’s or the student’s training and practice.*

4. *A person enrolled in a surgical technology or surgical*

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for CS for SB 380** as amended was ordered engrossed and then placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Consideration of **CS for SB 696** was deferred.

On motion by Senator Grimsley—

CS for CS for SB 404—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional geology; amending s. 492.104, F.S.; providing for apportionment of examination fees; amending s. 492.105, F.S.; revising examination requirements for professional geologists; creating s. 492.1051, F.S.; providing requirements for registration as a geologist-in-training; requiring geologist-in-training applicants to successfully complete the fundamentals of geology portion of the licensure examination; requiring an application fee and a refundable examination fee; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to submit each completed application to the Board of Professional Geologists for certification; setting forth the criteria the board may use to certify applicants; requiring the department to register each person as a geologist-in-training whom the board certifies has successfully completed the fundamentals portion of the geology examination; exempting registered geologist-in-training seeking licensure as a professional geologist from retaking the fundamentals of geology portion of the examination; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for CS for SB 404** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 86—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dentists; amending s. 627.6474, F.S.; prohibiting a contract between a health insurer and a dentist from requiring the dentist to provide services at a fee set by the insurer under certain circumstances; defining the term “covered services” as it relates to contracts between a health insurer and a dentist; prohibiting a health insurer from requiring as a condition of a contract that a dentist participate in a discount medical plan; amending s. 636.035, F.S.; prohibiting a contract between a prepaid limited health service organization and a dentist from requiring the dentist to provide services at a fee set by the organization under certain circumstances; defining the term “covered services” as it relates to contracts between a prepaid limited health service organization and a dentist; prohibiting the prepaid limited health service organization from requiring as a condition of a contract that a dentist participate in a discount medical plan; amending s. 641.315, F.S.; prohibiting a contract between a health maintenance organization and a dentist from requiring the dentist to provide services at a fee set by the organization under certain circumstances; defining the term “covered services” as it relates to contracts between a health maintenance organization and a dentist; prohibiting the health maintenance organization from requiring as a condition of a contract that a dentist participate in a discount medical plan; providing for application of the act; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 86** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Sobel—

CS for CS for SB 248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assisted living facilities; amending s. 394.4574, F.S.; providing that Medicaid managed care plans are responsible for enrolled mental health residents; providing that managing entities under contract with the Department of Children and Families are responsible for mental health residents who

are not enrolled with a Medicaid managed care plan; deleting a provision to conform to changes made by the act; requiring that the community living support plan be completed and provided to the administrator of a facility upon the mental health resident's admission; requiring the community living support plan to be updated when there is a significant change to the mental health resident's behavioral health; requiring the case manager assigned to a mental health resident of an assisted living facility that holds a limited mental health license to keep a record of the date and time of face-to-face interactions with the resident and to make the record available to the responsible entity for inspection; requiring that the record be maintained for a specified time; requiring the responsible entity to ensure that there is adequate and consistent monitoring and enforcement of community living support plans and cooperative agreements and that concerns are reported to the appropriate regulatory oversight organization under certain circumstances; amending s. 400.0074, F.S.; requiring that an administrative assessment conducted by a local council be comprehensive in nature and focus on factors affecting the rights, health, safety, and welfare of residents in the facilities; requiring a local council to conduct an exit consultation with the facility administrator or administrator designee to discuss issues and concerns in areas affecting the rights, health, safety, and welfare of residents and make recommendations for improvement; amending s. 400.0078, F.S.; requiring that a resident or a representative of a resident of a long-term care facility be informed that retaliatory action cannot be taken against a resident for presenting grievances or for exercising any other resident right; amending s. 429.07, F.S.; revising the requirement that an extended congregate care license be issued to certain facilities that have been licensed as assisted living facilities under certain circumstances and authorizing the issuance of such license if a specified condition is met; providing the purpose of an extended congregate care license; providing that the initial extended congregate care license of an assisted living facility is provisional under certain circumstances; requiring a licensee to notify the Agency for Health Care Administration if it accepts a resident who qualifies for extended congregate care services; requiring the agency to inspect the facility for compliance with the requirements of an extended congregate care license; requiring the issuance of an extended congregate care license under certain circumstances; requiring the licensee to immediately suspend extended congregate care services under certain circumstances; requiring a registered nurse representing the agency to visit the facility at least twice a year, rather than quarterly, to monitor residents who are receiving extended congregate care services; authorizing the agency to waive one of the required yearly monitoring visits under certain circumstances; authorizing the agency to deny or revoke a facility's extended congregate care license; requiring a registered nurse representing the agency to visit the facility at least annually, rather than twice a year, to monitor residents who are receiving limited nursing services; providing that such monitoring visits may be conducted in conjunction with other inspections by the agency; authorizing the agency to waive the required yearly monitoring visit for a facility that is licensed to provide limited nursing services under certain circumstances; amending s. 429.075, F.S.; requiring that an assisted living facility that serves one or more mental health residents, rather than three or more residents, obtain a limited mental health license; amending s. 429.14, F.S.; revising the circumstances under which the agency may deny, revoke, or suspend the license of an assisted living facility and impose an administrative fine; requiring the agency to deny or revoke the license of an assisted living facility under certain circumstances; requiring the agency to impose an immediate moratorium on the license of an assisted living facility under certain circumstances; deleting a provision requiring the agency to provide a list of facilities with denied, suspended, or revoked licenses to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; exempting a facility from the 45-day notice requirement if it is required to relocate some or all of its residents; amending s. 429.178, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 429.19, F.S.; revising the amounts and uses of administrative fines; requiring the agency to levy a fine for violations that are corrected before an inspection if noncompliance occurred within a specified period of time; deleting factors that the agency is required to consider in determining penalties and fines; amending s. 429.256, F.S.; revising the term "assistance with self-administration of medication" as it relates to the Assisted Living Facilities Act; amending s. 429.28, F.S.; providing notice requirements to inform facility residents that the identity of the resident and complainant in any complaint made to the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program or a local long-term care ombudsman council is confidential and that retaliatory action may not be taken against a resident for presenting grievances or for exercising any other resident right; requiring that a facility that terminates an individual's residency after the filing of a complaint be fined if good cause is not shown for the termination; amending s. 429.34, F.S.; requiring certain persons to report elder abuse in assisted living facilities; requiring the agency to regularly inspect every licensed assisted living facility; requiring the agency to conduct more frequent inspections under

certain circumstances; requiring the licensee to pay a fee for the cost of additional inspections; requiring the agency to annually adjust the fee; amending s. 429.41, F.S.; providing that certain staffing requirements apply only to residents in continuing care facilities who are receiving relevant services; amending s. 429.52, F.S.; requiring each newly hired employee of an assisted living facility to attend a preservice orientation provided by the assisted living facility; requiring the employee and administrator to sign a statement that the employee completed the required preservice orientation and keep the signed statement in the employee's personnel record; requiring 2 additional hours of training for assistance with medication; conforming a cross-reference; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to study the reliability of facility surveys and submit to the Governor and the Legislature its findings and recommendations; requiring the agency to implement a rating system of assisted living facilities by a specified date, adopt rules, and create content for the agency's website that makes available to consumers information regarding assisted living facilities; providing criteria for the content; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for CS for SB 248** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Simmons—

CS for CS for SB 532—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the disclosure of sexually explicit images; creating s. 847.0136, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting an individual from disclosing a sexually explicit image of an identifiable person with the intent to harass such person if the individual knows or should have known such person did not consent to the disclosure; providing criminal penalties; providing for jurisdiction; providing exceptions; amending s. 921.244, F.S.; requiring a court to order that a person convicted of such offense be prohibited from having contact with the victim; providing criminal penalties for a violation of such order; providing that criminal penalties for certain offenses run consecutively with a sentence imposed for a violation of s. 847.0136, F.S.; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for CS for SB 532** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Consideration of **SM 196** was deferred.

MOTIONS RELATING TO COMMITTEE REFERENCE

On motion by Senator Thrasher, by two-thirds vote **SB 1492** was withdrawn from the committees of reference and further consideration.

MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Thrasher, the rules were waived and **SB 852** and **CS for SB 696** were retained on the Special Order Calendar for Thursday, March 20, 2014.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to Rule 4.17(1), the Rules Chair, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader submit the following bills to be placed on the Special Order Calendar for Tuesday, March 11, 2014: **CS for SB 248**, **SB 858**, **SB 860**, **SB 486**, **CS for SB 86**, **CS for SB 106**, **SM 196**, **CS for CS for SB 224**, **CS for SB 236**, **CS for CS for SB 238**, **CS for CS for SB 380**, **CS for CS for SB 404**, **CS for SB 424**, **CS for CS for SB 532**, **SB 604**, **CS for SB 696**.

Respectfully submitted,
John Thrasher, Rules Chair
Lizbeth Benacquisto, Majority Leader
Christopher L. Smith, Minority Leader

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 792

The bill was referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax under the original reference.

The Committee on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities recommends the following pass: SB 1010

The bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: SB 320

The bill was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends the following pass: CS for SB 298

The bill was referred to the Committee on Rules under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1032

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Committee on Gaming recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 668

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 968

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 692

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1208

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Health Policy under the original reference.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Health Policy—

SB 1646—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telemedicine; creating s. 456.4501, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 456.4502, F.S.; defining terms applicable to the act; creating s. 456.4503, F.S.; requiring physicians providing telemedicine services to patients in this state to be licensed in this state or to meet alternative requirements; requiring pertinent records to be made available upon request; providing certain

exceptions for emergency services and consultations; requiring other health care providers to be supervised by a physician; providing continuing education requirements for telemedicine providers; establishing venue; providing applicability; authorizing the licensing boards to adopt rules; creating s. 456.4504, F.S.; providing standards and prohibitions for the provision of telemedicine services; prohibiting nonemergency prescribing of a legend drug without a physical examination; prohibiting the prescription of a controlled substance for chronic nonmalignant pain using telemedicine; creating s. 456.4505, F.S.; authorizing the use of telemedicine services in the diagnosis and treatment of the human eye; providing requirements for the use of automated equipment; requiring the owner or lessee of the automated equipment to maintain specified liability insurance under certain circumstances; prohibiting prescriptions for spectacles or contact lens based solely on the use of an auto-refractor; creating s. 456.4506, F.S.; providing requirements for reimbursement of telemedicine services under the Medicaid program; requiring a report to the Legislature on the usage and costs of telemedicine in Medicaid by a certain date; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability—

SB 1648—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; amending s. 119.01, F.S.; revising the general state policy on public records; requiring certain information to be open for inspection and copying if public funds are used in payment of dues or membership contributions; providing an exception; amending s. 119.011, F.S.; defining the terms “confidential and exempt” and “exempt”; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; providing that public records requests need not be in writing unless otherwise required by law; requiring the custodian of public records to provide a statutory citation to the requester if a written request is required; restricting the special service charge assessed by an agency in producing records; amending s. 119.0701, F.S.; revising contract requirements between a public agency and a contractor; creating s. 119.0702, F.S.; requiring each agency to provide training on the requirements of ch. 119, F.S.; amending s. 119.12, F.S.; specifying a reasonable cost of enforcement; providing that a party filing an action against certain agencies is not required to serve a copy of a pleading claiming attorney fees on the Department of Financial Services; requiring an agency to provide notice of such pleading to the department; authorizing the department to join the agency in defense of such suit; amending s. 286.011, F.S.; providing that a party filing an enforcement action against a board or commission of a state agency is not required to serve a copy of a pleading claiming attorney fees on the Department of Financial Services; requiring the board or commission to provide notice of such pleading to the department; authorizing the department to join the board or commission in defense of such suit; amending ss. 257.35, 383.402, 497.140, 627.311, 627.351, 943.031, and 943.0313; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate Resolutions 1650-1652—Not introduced.

By the Committee on Appropriations—

SB 1654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax administration; amending s. 212.03, F.S.; providing that charges for the storage of towed vehicles that are impounded by a local, state, or federal law enforcement agency are not taxable; amending s. 212.07, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference to changes made by the act; providing monetary and criminal penalties for a dealer’s willful failure to collect certain taxes or fees after receiving notice of such duty to collect from the Department of Revenue; amending s. 212.12, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the imposition of criminal penalties after Department of Revenue notice of requirements to register as a dealer or to collect taxes; making technical and grammatical changes to provisions specifying penalties for making a false or fraudulent return with the intent to evade payment of a tax or fee; amending s. 212.14, F.S.; modifying the definition of the term “person”; authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to requirements for a person to deposit cash, a bond, or other security with the department in

order to ensure compliance with sales tax laws; making technical and grammatical changes; amending s. 212.18, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for a person who willfully fails to register as a dealer after receiving notice of such duty by the department; making technical and grammatical changes; reenacting s. 212.20, F.S., relating to the disposition of funds collected, to incorporate changes made by the act; amending s. 213.13, F.S.; revising the date for transmitting funds collected by the clerks of court to the department; amending s. 213.21, F.S.; increasing the compromise authority for closing agreements with taxpayers which can be delegated to and approved by the executive director; creating s. 213.295, F.S., relating to automated sales suppression devices; defining terms; subjecting a person to criminal penalties and monetary penalties for knowingly selling or engaging in certain other actions involving a sales suppression device or phantom-ware; providing that sales suppression devices and phantom-ware are contraband articles under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act; amending s. 443.131, F.S.; imposing a requirement on employers to produce records for the Department of Economic Opportunity or its tax collection service provider as a prerequisite for a reduction in the rate of reemployment tax; amending s. 443.141, F.S.; providing a method to calculate the interest rate for past due employer contributions and reimbursements, and delinquent, erroneous, incomplete, or insufficient reports; increasing the number of days for an employer to protest an assessment; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Gaming; and Senators Stargel and Abruzzo—

CS for SB 668—A bill to be entitled An act relating to amusement machines; amending s. 849.161, F.S.; redefining terms; revising applicability; clarifying provisions and making technical changes; authorizing direct receipt of merchandise under certain circumstances; specifying a cap on the redemption value of points or coupons; requiring the Department of Revenue to calculate annually an adjusted cap; requiring the department to publish the amount of the adjusted cap in a brochure accessible from its website; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Stargel—

CS for SB 692—A bill to be entitled An act relating to engineers; amending s. 471.007, F.S.; revising requirements for membership on the Board of Professional Engineers; authorizing the professional and technical engineering societies to provide a list of qualified nominees for consideration as board member appointments; providing for staggered terms; amending s. 471.013, F.S.; revising requirements for an engineer license applicant who fails the fundamentals examination; authorizing such applicant who is delayed in taking the examination by military service to have additional attempts to take the examination; amending s. 471.015, F.S.; revising requirements for obtaining a licensure by endorsement; amending s. 471.017, F.S.; revising requirements for professional development hours and license renewal for engineers; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Hays—

CS for SB 968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school safety; providing legislative intent; amending s. 790.115, F.S.; providing an exception to a prohibition on possession of firearms or other specified devices on school property or in other specified areas for authorized concealed weapon or firearm licensees as designated by school principals or district superintendents; providing requirements for designees; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; requiring a school district board to formulate policies and procedures for managing active-shooter and hostage situations; requiring that active-shooter training for each school be conducted by an accredited law enforcement academy; requiring a district school board or private school principal to allow for campus tours by local law enforcement agencies once every 3 years; requiring that recommended changes be documented; amending s. 1006.12, F.S.; authorizing district school boards to commission one or more school safety officers on each school campus; conforming a provision to changes made by the act;

amending ss. 435.04, 790.251, 921.0022, and 1012.315, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 1032—A bill to be entitled An act relating to subsurface rights; creating s. 689.29, F.S.; requiring a seller to provide a prospective purchaser with a subsurface rights disclosure summary; providing the form for the disclosure summary; requiring the disclosure summary to be included in the contract for sale or attached to the contract for sale; defining the term “subsurface rights”; defining the term “seller”; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 1208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fraudulent controlled substance prescriptions; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; revising provisions prohibiting possession of incomplete prescription forms; providing enhanced criminal penalties for violations involving incomplete prescription forms; providing an effective date.

REFERENCE CHANGES PURSUANT TO RULE 4.7(2)

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senators Simmons, Soto, and Abruzzo—

CS for SB 540—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sharks; amending s. 379.407, F.S.; providing penalties for possession of separated shark fins on state waters; amending s. 379.401, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Rules.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senators Flores and Diaz de la Portilla—

CS for SB 832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the financing of motor vehicles; amending s. 545.01, F.S.; revising definitions; defining terms; creating s. 545.045, F.S.; prohibiting a finance company that is affiliated with or controlled by, or that has a contractual relationship with, a manufacturer or wholesale distributor from taking specified actions relating to certain finance obligations arising from the retail sale or lease of a motor vehicle that includes a third party’s automotive related product; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Senator Ring—

CS for SB 948—A bill to be entitled An act relating to foreign investments; amending s. 215.47, F.S.; revising the percentage of investments that the State Board of Administration may invest in foreign securities; amending s. 215.473, F.S.; revising and providing definitions with respect to requirements that the board divest securities in which public moneys are invested in certain companies doing specified types of business in or with Sudan or Iran; revising exclusions from the divestment requirements; conforming cross-references; creating s. 624.449, F.S.; providing that insurer investment in certain foreign companies shall be treated as nonadmitted assets; requiring insurers to identify, report, and divest such investments within a specified period; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations; and Rules.

By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Bean—

CS for SB 976—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nurse registries; amending s. 400.506, F.S.; providing that registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, certified nursing assistants, companions or

homemakers, and home health aides are independent contractors and not employees of the nurse registries that referred them; specifying that a nurse registry is not responsible for monitoring, supervising, managing, or training a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, certified nursing assistant, companion or homemaker, or home health aide referred by the nurse registry; requiring that certain records be kept in accordance with rules set by the Agency for Health Care Administration; providing that a nurse registry does not have an obligation to review and act upon such records except under certain circumstances; providing the duties of the nurse registry for a violation of certain laws by an individual referred by the nurse registry; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules.

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

The Journals of March 4 and March 10 were corrected and approved.

CO-INTRODUCERS

Senators Bradley—SB 1122; Clemens—SB 958; Dean—SB 958; De-
tert—SB 958; Galvano—SB 1512; Gibson—SB 1122; Latvala—SB 958;
Negron—SB 864; Richter—SB 958; Simmons—SB 1576; Soto—SB 1576

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Senator Thrasher, the Senate adjourned at 11:18 a.m. for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business to reconvene at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 20 or upon call of the President.