

HB 7089 — Open Government Sunset Review/Florida Self-Insurers Guaranty Association

by Governmental Affairs Policy Committee and Rep. Holder (CS/SB 1662 by Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee and Banking and Insurance Committee)

The Florida Legislature created the Florida Self-Insurers Guaranty Association (association) as a nonprofit corporation. The purpose of the association is to provide a mechanism to fund covered workers' compensation claims of individual insolvent self-insurers other than public utilities or governmental entities. The association is under the general oversight of the Department of Financial Services, which also regulates individual self-insurers for purposes of workers' compensation coverage.

This bill is the result of an Open Government Sunset Review by the Senate Banking and Insurance Committee of public-records and public-meetings exemptions relating to the Florida Self-Insurers Guaranty Association, Inc. These exemptions are scheduled to expire on October 2, 2010, unless reviewed and saved from repeal by the Legislature. This bill reenacts the exemptions and reorganizes the public-meetings exemption for clarity.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect October 1, 2010.

Vote: Senate 35-0; House 115-0