



Martin County Board of County Commissioners

2019 Legislative Session Week 4

March 25, 2019 through March 29, 2019

This week was the Florida Association of Counties Legislative Day. There were various meetings scheduled to advocate Martin County's priority issues.

- Meeting with Rep. Chip LaMarca, regarding HB 9, Community Redevelopment Agencies.
- Meeting with Tom Hamby, Environmental Policy Advisor, Office of the Speaker, regarding Martin County's environmental budget and policy priorities.
- Meeting with Rep. Kristin Jacobs, regarding CERP and septic-to-sewer statewide funding.
- Meeting with Ann Bolduc, legislative aide for Speaker Pro Tempore MaryLynn Magar, to discuss Martin County's legislative priorities.
- Meeting with Adrian Lukis, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor, regarding Martin County's budget and legislative priorities.

The following is a recap of bills related to Martin County heard in committee this week:

Monday (3/25/19)

Senate Commerce & Tourism

SB 1414 Public Records/Trade Secrets by Sen. Gruters. Providing an exemption from public records requirements for trade secrets held by an agency; providing that an agency employee is not liable for the release of records in compliance with the act; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: On the same date that SB 1416 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law Favorable with CS by Commerce and Tourism; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1416 Public Records by Sen. Gruters. Providing that certain information related to agency contracts is not confidential or exempt from public records requirements; deleting a provision exempting trade secrets held by local government agencies from public records requirements; repealing a provision relating to a public records exemption under the Florida Accidental Release Prevention and Risk Management Planning Act; revising provisions relating to public records exemptions for trade secrets and potential trade secrets received, generated, ascertained, or discovered during the course of research conducted within the state universities, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law if SB 1414 or similar legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law Favorable with CS by Commerce and Tourism; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Criminal Justice

SB 1002 Motor Vehicles and Railroad Trains by Sen. Hutson. Revising the definition of the term “railroad train”; requiring that, in the event of a crash involving a railroad train, the collection of certain information be at the discretion of the law enforcement officer having jurisdiction to investigate the crash; specifying that certain persons are not considered passengers for the purpose of making crash reports, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/20 Favorable by Criminal Justice; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Judiciary

SB 1188 Courts by Sen. Gruters. Specifying that certain exemptions from court-related fees and charges apply to certain entities; requiring the court to waive any court costs or filing fees for certain proceedings involving public guardians; providing that a certain examination report related to annual guardianship plans may be prepared by a physician assistant or an advanced practice registered nurse, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Judiciary; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1134 Electronic Monitoring Devices by Sen. Simmons. Specifying the jurisdictions under which certain prohibited acts relating to electronic monitoring devices may be prosecuted, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Judiciary; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Ways & Means

HB 437 Community Development Districts by Rep. Buchanan. Specifies procedure for establishing & adding parcels to new community development districts; provides noticing & filing requirements; specifies that expansion of district's boundaries does not alter voting methods; authorizes use of existing procedures for adding parcels to community development districts. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Ways & Means Committee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

HJR 717 Ad Valorem Tax by Rep. Killebrew. Proposes amendments to State Constitution to authorize surviving spouse of deceased veteran to carry over certain discounts on ad valorem taxes on homestead property under specified circumstances; authorizes transfer of discount to another permanent residence if surviving spouse remains unmarried. Effective Date: Not Specified Favorable by Ways & Means Committee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 719 Surviving Spouse Ad Valorem Tax by Rep. Killebrew. Authorizes surviving spouse of deceased veteran to carry over certain discounts on ad valorem taxes on homestead property under specified conditions; authorizes discount to be transferred to another permanent residence under specified conditions; provides procedure by which applicant may file application after specified date & receive discount. Effective Date: on the effective date of the amendment to the State Constitution proposed by HJR 717 or a similar joint resolution having substantially the same specific intent and purpose Favorable by Ways & Means Committee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 1175 Martin County; Village of Indiantown by Rep. Magar. Revises certain corporate boundaries; provides that, for purposes of complying with s. 218.23(1), Florida Statutes, millages levied within municipal service taxing units may be used for an indefinite period of time. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Favorable by Ways & Means Committee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Civil Justice

HJR 57 Percentage of Elector Votes Required to Approve Constitutional Amendment or Revision by Rep. Roth and others. Proposes amendment to State Constitution to increase percentage of elector votes required to approve amendment or revision to State Constitution from 60 percent to 66 & 2/3 percent. Favorable by Civil Justice Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 5 Nays

HB 1383 Private Property Rights Protection by Rep. J. Grant. Revises notice of claim requirements for property owners; revises procedures for determination of compensation; requires that certain settlements of claims apply to all similarly situated residential properties within political subdivision under certain circumstances; authorizes property owners to bring claims against governmental entities in certain circumstances; provides that property owners are not required to submit formal development applications or proceed through formal application processes to bring such claims; authorizes property owners to bring actions to declare prohibited exactions invalid. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Civil Justice Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 5 Nays

House Oversight, Transparency & Public Management

HB 803 Special Risk Class by Rep. Aloupis. Adds specified Florida State Hospital employees to class. Effective Date: January 1, 2020 Temporarily Postponed by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management PCB OTM 19-18 Death Benefits Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management Subcommittee on 03/25/19; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

Committee Bill filed as HB 7105 HB 7105 Death Benefits by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management Subcommittee. Revises & provides certain death benefits to law enforcement officers, correctional & correctional probation officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, & members of Florida National Guard & United States Armed Forces; provides for distribution of such benefits; provides that such benefits are in addition to other benefits; provides requirements for employer to procure insurance; specifies funding sources for

such benefits; authorizes specified number of hours of educational expenses to be waived by certain educational institutions & provides requirements therefor; requires SBE & BOG to adopt rules; specifies that surviving spouse & children of deceased servicemember may receive only one educational benefit; provides declaration of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Referred to Appropriations Committee; State Affairs Committee

Tuesday (3/26/19)

Senate Innovation, Industry and Technology

SB 824 Private Property Rights of Homeowners by Sen. Diaz. Preempting the regulation of vacation rentals to the state; requiring each person applying for a vacation rental license to provide the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation with specified information, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Not Considered by Innovation, Industry, and Technology

Senate Community Affairs

SB 1040 Discretionary Sales Surtaxes by Sen. Lee. Requiring a petition sponsor of an initiative to adopt a charter county and regional transportation system surtax to comply with specified requirements within a specified timeframe before the proposed referendum; requiring a county to make the proposed referendum and a specified legal opinion available on its official website; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, upon receiving a certain notice, to procure a certified public accountant for a performance audit, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 4 Yeas, 1 Nay

SB 1054 Community Redevelopment Agencies by Sen. Lee. Prohibiting a person from lobbying a community redevelopment agency until he or she has registered as a lobbyist with that agency; authorizing an agency to establish an annual lobbyist registration fee, not to exceed a specified amount; requiring ethics training for community redevelopment agency commissioners; revising the list of projects that are prohibited from being financed by increment revenues; specifying the level of tax increment financing that a governing body may establish for funding the redevelopment trust fund, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 4 Yeas, 1 Nay

CS/SB 1000 Communications Services by Sen. Hutson. Reducing the rates of certain communications services taxes; specifying limitations and prohibitions on municipalities and counties relating to registrations and renewals of communications services providers; prohibiting certain municipalities and counties from electing to impose permit fees; specifying prohibited acts by municipalities and countries in the use of their authority over the placement of facilities for certain purposes, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 4 Yeas, 1 Nay

SB 1616 Local Government Financial Reporting by Sen. Baxley. Requiring county and municipal budget officers, respectively, to submit certain information to the Office of Economic and Demographic Research within a specified timeframe; requiring adopted budget amendments

and final budgets to remain posted on each entity's official website for a specified period of time, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law Favorable by Community Affairs; 4 Yeas, 1 Nay

SB 428 Growth Management by Sen. Perry. Requiring a local government's comprehensive plan to include a property rights element; providing a statement of rights that a local government may use; requiring each local government to adopt a property rights element by a specified date, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1494 Small-scale Comprehensive Plan Amendments by Sen. Perry. Removing the acreage limitations that apply to small-scale comprehensive plan amendments, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 564 Truth in Millage Notices by Sen. Hooper. Establishing the Web-based TRIM Notice Pilot Program in specified counties; providing the purpose of the program; providing for expiration of the pilot program; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to submit a specified report and recommendations to the Governor and Legislature by a certain date, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1420 Florida Building Code by Sen. Gruters. Requiring manufacturers to provide certain testing data for approval of certain insulation products under the Florida Building Code; requiring the manufacturer to provide the testing data to certain persons upon request; specifying that evaluation reports may only be used for certain purposes, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1792 Towing and Immobilizing of Vehicles and Vessels by Sen. Gruters. Specifying that local governments may enact rates to tow or immobilize vessels on private property and to remove and store vessels under specified circumstances; prohibiting counties and municipalities, respectively, from enacting certain ordinances or rules that impose fees or charges on authorized wrecker operators, towing businesses, or vehicle immobilization services; authorizing certain persons to place liens on vehicles or vessels to recover specified fees or charges; authorizing vehicle immobilization devices to be used on trespassing motor vehicles, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 658 Property Assessment Administration by Sen. Albritton. Requiring the Department of Revenue to pay for aerial photographs and non-property ownership maps furnished to fiscally constrained counties, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Environment & Natural Resources

SB 816 Environmental Regulation by Sen. Perry. Requiring counties and municipalities to address the contamination of recyclable material in specified contracts; prohibiting counties and municipalities from requiring the collection or transport of contaminated recyclable material by residential recycling collectors, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Environment and Natural Resources; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1502 Department of Environmental Protection by Sen. Bradley. Transferring and reassigning functions and responsibilities of the Division of Law Enforcement relating to investigators of environmental crimes within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of Environmental Protection; providing requirements for a memorandum of agreement between the department and the commission regarding the responsibilities of the department and the commission; establishing the Division of Law Enforcement within the department, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Environment and Natural Resources; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 628 Water Resources by Sen. Albritton. Revising requirements for the Office of Economic and Demographic Research's annual assessment of this state's water resources and conservation lands; requiring the office to consult with the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the assessment to be submitted to the Legislature by a specified date, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Environment and Natural Resources; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1022 Onsite Treatment and Disposal Systems by Sen. Albritton. Transferring the onsite sewage program of the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection by a type two transfer; defining the term "department" as it relates to onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems provisions; requiring the department to convene a technical advisory committee by a specified date; requiring county health departments to coordinate with the department to administer certain programs, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Environment and Natural Resources; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1666 Anchoring and Mooring of Vessels Outside of Public Mooring Fields by Sen. Flores. Requiring all persons, rather than only persons born after a specified date, to have a specified boating safety identification card in their possession before operating certain vessels; directing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to conduct, contingent upon appropriation, a specified study of the impacts of long-term stored vessels and certain anchored and moored vessels on local communities and the state and to submit a report to the Governor and Legislature within a specified time; authorizing certain counties to create no-discharge zones, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Environment and Natural Resources; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Ethics & Elections

SB 1702 Ethics Reform by Sen. Baxley. Prohibiting certain public service announcements by specified governmental entities, persons acting on behalf of such entities, and elected officials; providing applicability; revising applicability of certain provisions relating to conflicting employment and contractual relationships; prohibiting statewide elected officers and legislators from soliciting employment offers or investment advice arising out of official or political activities, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Temporarily Postponed with Amendments Adopted by Ethics and Elections

Senate Infrastructure & Security

SB 542 Micromobility Devices and Motorized Scooters by Sen. Brandes. Defining the term “micromobility device”; revising the definition of the term “motorized scooter”; authorizing a county or municipality to regulate the operation of micromobility devices and for-hire motorized scooters, subject to certain restrictions; authorizing a county or municipality to require that a person offering micromobility devices or for-hire motorized scooters be licensed; exempting a micromobility device or motorized scooter from certain registration, insurance, and licensing requirements, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law Favorable with CS by Infrastructure and Security; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 728 Growth Management by Sen. Lee. Authorizing sufficiently contiguous lands located within the county or municipality which a petitioner anticipates adding to the boundaries of a new community development district to also be identified in a petition to establish the new district under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the petition; providing notification requirements for the petition, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law Not Considered by Infrastructure and Security

CS/SB 766 Expanded Uses of Unmanned Aircraft by Sen. Gruters. Authorizing the use of drones by law enforcement agencies and other specified entities for specified purposes, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable with CS by Infrastructure and Security; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1440 Public Swimming Pools by Sen. Farmer. Requiring public swimming pools to have a telephone available by a certain date; specifying that the telephone must meet certain requirements, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law Favorable by Infrastructure and Security; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Criminal Justice

HB 1029 Detention Facilities by Rep. Beltran. Prohibits introduction into or possession of any cellular telephone or other portable communication device on grounds of any county detention facility. Effective Date: October 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Criminal Justice Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 1 Nay

HB 1265 Veterans Treatment Courts by Rep. Ponder. Revises list of individuals eligible for Military Veterans & Servicemembers Court Program; admission into pretrial veterans' treatment intervention program; & admission into misdemeanor pretrial veterans' treatment intervention program; revises list of probationers or community controllees that may participate in certain treatment program. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Criminal Justice Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs

HB 269 Senior Citizen and Teacher Property Tax Protection by Rep. Bush. Prohibits tax collector from including on forms, assessing, or collecting certain charges on property tax bills for certain identified populations; prohibits tax collector to authorize debt collection entity to collect certain charges on property tax bills for certain identified populations; prohibits tax collector from selling tax certificate on certain properties if only outstanding amounts due are for

delinquent payment of property tax; requires DOR to work with tax collectors to identify mechanisms, strategies, & funding sources for helping certain populations pay for delinquent charges. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 447 Building Permits by Rep. Diamond. Requires counties & local government to provide notice to certain persons when building permit is set to expire or become null & void; prohibits local governments from charging additional search fee under certain circumstances; authorizes local enforcement agency to close permits under certain circumstances. Effective Date: October 1, 2019 Favorable by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 453 Micromobility Devices and Motorized Scooters by Rep. Toledo. Authorizes county or municipality to regulate operation of micromobility devices & for-hire motorized scooters; authorizes county or municipality to require licensure; requires proof of certain insurance coverage; provides that regulation of micromobility devices & for-hire motorized scooters is controlled by state & federal law; provides that operator has all rights & duties applicable to rider of bicycle; provides that person is not required to have valid driver license to operate micromobility device or motorized scooter; authorizes parking on sidewalk; exempts micromobility devices & motorized scooters from certain emblem requirements. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 1 Nay

HM 799 Dredge and Fill Permitting Program by Rep. Overdorf. Urges Congress to direct U.S. EPA to issue memorandum of agreement so Florida may complete assumption of section 404 dredge & fill permitting program under federal Clean Water Act. Effective Date: Not Specified Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 829 Attorney Fees and Costs by Rep. Sabatini. Provides for award of attorney fees & costs & damages in successful civil actions challenging local ordinances as being preempted by State Constitution or state law; provides exceptions. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 4 Nays

CS/HB 995 Regional Planning Council Meetings by Rep. Geller. Provides requirements for establishing quorum for meetings of certain councils when voting member appears via telephone, real-time videoconferencing, or similar real-time electronic or video communication; requires notice of intent to appear via telephone, real-time videoconferencing, or similar real-time electronic or video communication by specified time. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 13 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 1151 Homestead Exemptions by Rep. Buchanan. Specifies that person or household claiming certain ad valorem tax exemption or credit in another state is disqualified from certain homestead exemption; revises information that property appraiser may require in determining whether to grant homestead exemption. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 1235 Legal Notices by Rep. Fine and others. Removes provisions relating to publication of legal notices in newspapers; requires counties to publish legal notices on their websites; requires counties to provide specified notice to residents concerning alternative methods of receiving notices; specifies form for affidavits of publication. Effective Date: July 1, 2020 Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 5 Nays

HJR 1389 Limitations on Homestead Assessments by Rep. J. Grant, Webb. Proposes amendments to State Constitution to increase period of time during which accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from prior homestead to new homestead. Effective Date: Not Specified Favorable by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 1391 Limitations on Homestead Assessments by Rep. J. Grant. Revises timeframe during which accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from prior homestead to new homestead; revises timeframe during which an owner of homestead property significantly damaged or destroyed by named tropical storm or hurricane must establish new homestead to make certain election. Effective Date: on the effective date of the amendment to the State Constitution proposed by HJR 1389 or a similar joint resolution having substantially the same specific intent and purpose Favorable by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

PCS for HB 847 Preemption of Conditions of Employment Preempts to state the right to regulate conditions of employment by an employer; voids existing ordinance, regulation, or policy that is preempted by act. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 5 Nays

PCS for HB 891 Military-Friendly Initiatives Specifies additional military installations that may exchange certain information with local governments regarding compatibility of land development; provides that easement for certain military lands continues after tax sale or deed execution; requires school districts to accept certain military orders as proof of residency of dependent children for admission to district programs; revises requirements for active duty servicemembers & their families to be classified as residents for tuition purposes. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 13 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations

CS/HB 141 Water Quality Improvements by Rep. Fine. Authorizes DEP to provide grants for certain projects identified in Indian River Lagoon Comprehensive Conservation & Management Plan; directs DEP to submit annual report regarding projects to Governor & Legislature; requires local governments to submit annual reports regarding projects to DEP & water management districts; requires wastewater facilities permitted under National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program that unlawfully discharge certain amount of raw or partially treated sewage to provide written notification; provides penalties; provides for such facilities to make

certain upgrades & repairs. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 405 Biosolids Management by Rep. Grall. Prohibits land application of biosolids on certain sites; prohibits DEP from issuing or renewing certain permits; directs DEP to initiate rulemaking by specified date, adopt specified rules for biosolids management, & implement specified water quality monitoring program. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 1221 Anchored Vessels by Rep. Polsky and Rep. Raschein. Directs FWCC to conduct study of impacts of long-term stored vessels & certain anchored & moored vessels on local communities & state & to submit report to Governor & Legislature; prohibits residing or dwelling on certain derelict vessels until certain conditions are met. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 7029 Fracking by Rep. Raschein. Prohibits fracking; provides applicability of permits to drill & operate wells; requires well operators to provide written notice to DEP before performing specified activities. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Favorable with CS by Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 2 Nays

House Agriculture & Natural Resources

HB 1135 Florida Red Tide Mitigation and Technology Development Initiative by Rep. M. Grant. Establishes Florida Red Tide Mitigation & Technology Development Initiative; provides purpose & goal of initiative; provides for funding; requires initiative to submit annual report; establishes Initiative Technology Advisory Council; provides for meetings, membership, terms of office, & compensation of council; provides for expiration of initiative; provides appropriations. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Transportation & Tourism Appropriations

HB 905 Department of Transportation by Rep. Andrade. Prohibits local governments from adopting standards contrary to DOT standards for permissible use of aggregates; authorizes DOT to establish program for transportation projects demonstrating innovative techniques for measuring resiliency & structural integrity; provides requirements for contractors; prohibits DOT district or Florida Turnpike Enterprise from contracting with entity for performance of certain services; revises maximum amounts of certain contractual claims that must be arbitrated by State Arbitration Board. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Business & Professions

HB 603 Single-use Plastic Straws by Rep. Sabatini, Fine. Prohibits local government entities from adopting or enforcing ordinances & regulations relating to single-use plastic straws; requires DEP or designated entity to conduct study evaluating environmental impact & submit

report to Legislature; provides for lift of moratorium; provides penalties. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Business & Professions Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 4 Nays

PCS for HB 827 Engineering Authorizes Board of Professional Engineers to establish standards of practice & responsibility rules for profession of engineering; revises prerequisites to take an examination to determine qualification to practice as an engineer; revises licensure certification requirements; revises requirements for licensure by endorsement; requires board to deny license under certain circumstances; requires board to establish certain training & education requirements for certain qualified representatives; provides that successor engineer assumes full professional & legal responsibility by signing or affixing his or her seal to certain documents; requires that structural inspections on threshold building be performed during new construction or during certain repair or restoration projects. Effective Date: October 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Business & Professions Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 987 Vacation Rentals by Rep. J. Grant. Preempts to state regulation of vacation rentals, with exception; revises application requirements for vacation rental licensure; requires Division of Hotels & Restaurants of DBPR to make certain vacation rental license information available on its website. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Business & Professions Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 5 Nays

HB 1299 Governmental Powers by Rep. Roach. Prohibits municipality & governmental entity from purchasing & annexing areas outside their jurisdictions under certain circumstances; prohibits municipality from levying excise taxes on tobacco & nicotine products & nicotine dispensing devices; provides that food service establishment may distribute single-use plastic straw to customer only if requested to do so by customer; preempts to state: regulation of single-use plastic straws, over-the-counter proprietary drugs & cosmetics, establishment of requirements for alternate generated power sources, & establishment of minimum age for sale or delivery of tobacco products, nicotine products & dispensing devices. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Business & Professions Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 4 Nays

HB 1333 building Construction Procedures by Rep. Payne. Extends length of time provisional certificate is valid; revises categories of certification the Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board shall by rule establish; revises examination fee & requirements for home inspector licensure requirements; revises notification requirements for qualifying agents; requires qualifying agents to submit certain orders within specified time & close active permits that have expired; provides new qualifying agent shall not be held liable for certain work; authorizes Florida Building Commission to approve certain amendments to Florida Building Code every 3 years. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by Business & Professions Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

Wednesday (3/27/19)

Senate Appropriations

SPB 2500 Appropriations Providing moneys for the annual period beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2020, and supplemental appropriations for the period ending June 30, 2019, to pay salaries, and other expenses, capital outlay - buildings, and other improvements, and for other specified purposes of the various agencies of state government, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$90,325,810,643.00 Effective Date: Except as otherwise provided herein, this act shall take effect July 1, 2019, or upon becoming law, whichever occurs later; however, if this act becomes law after July 1, 2019, then it shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2019 Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays

SPB 2502 Implementing the 2019-2020 General Appropriations Act Incorporating by reference certain calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program; providing that funds for instructional materials must be released and expended as required in specified proviso language; deleting a provision providing for the carrying forward of undisbursed funds allocated for the Schools of Hope Revolving Loan Program; creating the Community School Grant Program within the Department of Education, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2019; or, if this act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2019 Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 7016 State-Administered Retirement Systems by the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability. Revising required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class and subclass of the Florida Retirement System, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Appropriations; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 144 Impact Fees by Sen. Gruters. Revising the minimum requirements for impact fees adopted by a local government; exempting water and sewer connection fees from the Florida Impact Fee Act, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Appropriations; 19 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 320 Residential Conservation Programs by Sen. Hooper. Authorizing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to organize, staff, equip, and operate residential conservation programs for a specified purpose, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Appropriations; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 532 Wetland Mitigation by Sen. Lee. Authorizing a local government to allow permittee-responsible mitigation on lands purchased and owned by a local government for conservation purposes under certain circumstances; requiring such mitigation to meet specified requirements, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Favorable by Appropriations; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Oversight, Transparency & Public Management

HB 1 Ethics Reform by Rep. Sabatini. Repeals provisions relating to state, state university, & community college employee lobbyists; prohibits certain public officers & employees from soliciting specified employment & contractual relationships; revises lobbyist registration, compensation report, principal designation cancellation, & investigation requirements. Effective

Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Appropriations

PCB APC 19-01 -- General Appropriations Act Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee; 26 Yeas, 1 Nay; Committee Bill Filed as H 5001 HB 5001 General Appropriations Act by Appropriations Committee, Cummings Provides moneys for annual period beginning July 1, 2019, & ending June 30, 2020, & supplemental appropriations for period ending June 30, 2019, to pay salaries & other expenses, capital outlay—buildings & other improvements, & for other specified purposes of various agencies of state government. Effective Date: Not Specified Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/03/19 **PCB APC 19-02 -- Implementing the 2019-2020 General Appropriations Act** Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee; 24 Yeas, 1 Nay;

Committee Bill Filed as HB 5003 Implementing the 2019-2020 General Appropriations Act by Appropriations Committee, Cummings Implements specified appropriations of the General Appropriations Act for 2019-2020 fiscal year. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/03/19

PCB APC 19-04 -- State-Administered Retirement Systems Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee; 23 Yeas, 0 Nays; Committee Bill Filed as H 5007 HB 5007 State-Administered Retirement Systems by Appropriations Committee, Cummings Revises required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class & subclass of FRS; provides declaration of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/03/19

PCB APC 19-06 -- County Judges Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee; 20 Yeas, 4 Nays;

Committee Bill Filed as HB 5011 County Judges by Appropriations, Cummings. Revises number of county court judges in certain counties. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/03/19 Thursday (3/28/19) House Judiciary PCB JDC 19-01 Constitutional Amendments Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably with 1 Amendment by Judiciary Committee; 12 Yeas, 6 Nays

House Commerce

HB 291 Growth Management by Rep. McClain, Clemons and others. Requires comprehensive plan to include property rights element; provides statement of rights that local government may use; requires local government to adopt property rights element by specified date; provides that local government's property rights element may not conflict with statutorily provided statement rights. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Commerce Committee; 12 Yeas, 8 Nays

HB 515 Licensure of Unarmed Security Guards by Rep. Willhite and others. Authorizes security officer training classes to be offered online; requires DACS to establish reporting

requirements for verification of training submission. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Commerce Committee; 19 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Public Integrity & Ethics

HB 55 Campaign Finance by Rep. Jenne and others. Prohibits Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or member of Cabinet from soliciting or accepting contributions during regular, extended, or special legislative session; provides that member of Legislature is bound by rules of his or her respective house; provides penalties. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Favorable with CS by Public Integrity & Ethics Committee; 16 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 689 Voting Methods by Rep. Fitzenhagen, Rep. Ponder and others. Provides that voting must be conducted using marking device or voter interface device that produces voter-verifiable paper output; revises requirements for Department of State rules regarding manual recounts of certain ballots. Effective Date: January 1, 2020 Favorable by Public Integrity & Ethics Committee; 16 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 7101 Elections by Rep. Ingoglia. Requires Secretary of State to provide signature matching training to certain persons; revises deadlines for voter signature updates for purposes of vote-by-mail & provisional ballots; revises date of primary election; provides requirements for canvassing & counting of vote-by-mail & provisional ballots; revises requirements for department rules governing ballot design; revises size of certain areas in which voter solicitation is prohibited; provides notice requirements for meetings of county canvassing board. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by Public Integrity & Ethics Committee; 13 Yeas, 4 Nays

House State Affairs

CS/HB 5 Discretionary Sales Surtaxes by Rep. DiCeglie. Requires two-thirds vote of certain county governing boards to authorize discretionary sales surtax; requires local government discretionary sales surtax referenda to be held on specified date; requires such referenda to be approved by specified percentage of voters for passage; revises requirements & procedures for discretionary sales surtax performance audits; requires OPPAGA, upon receiving certain notice, to procure certified public accountant for performance audit; requires supervisor of elections to verify petition signatures & retain signature forms in specified manner; provides that an initiative sponsor's failure to comply with specified requirements renders any referendum held void. Effective Date: on becoming a law Favorable with CS by State Affairs Committee; 14 Yeas, 7 Nays

CS/CS/HB 15 Local Government Fiscal Transparency by Rep. Burton. Revises Legislative Auditing Committee duties; specifies purpose of local government fiscal transparency requirements; requires local governments to post voting record information on websites; requires property appraisers & local governments to post property tax information & history on websites; requires public notices for public hearings & meetings before increases of local government tax levies; specifies noticing & advertising requirements; requires local governments to conduct debt affordability analyses under specified conditions; provides method

for local governments to post certain required information. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 341 Motor Vehicles and Railroad Trains by Rep. LaMarca. Requires that, in event of crash involving railroad train, collection of certain information be at discretion of law enforcement officer having jurisdiction to investigate crash; specifies that certain persons are not considered passengers for purpose of making crash reports. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 19 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 521 Wetland Mitigation by Rep. McClure, Rep. Overdorf and others. Authorizes local government to allow certain permittee-responsible mitigation on lands purchased & owned by local government for conservation purposes; provides exception to provisions prohibiting governmental entity from creating or providing mitigation for project other than its own unless certain conditions are met. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 14 Yeas, 6 Nays

HB 437 Community Development Districts by Rep. Buchanan. Specifies procedure for establishing & adding parcels to new community development districts; provides noticing & filing requirements; specifies that expansion of district's boundaries does not alter voting methods; authorizes use of existing procedures for adding parcels to community development districts. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by State Affairs Committee; 19 Yeas, 1 Nay

CS/HB 167 Local Government Public Construction Works by Rep. Andrade. Requires governing board of local government to consider estimated costs of certain projects using generally accepted cost-accounting principles that account for specified costs when making specified determination; requires local government that performs project using its own services, employees, & equipment to disclose actual costs of project after completion to Auditor General; requires Auditor General to review such disclosures as part of his or her routine audits of local governments; requires estimated total construction project costs for certain projects to include specified costs. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 19 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 715 Florida Building Code Enforcement by Rep. Robinson. Prohibits local government from carrying forward more than specified amount of unexpended revenue; provides exception; revises requirements for expenditure of certain unexpended revenue. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Temporarily Postponed by State Affairs Committee HB 6017 Small-scale Comprehensive Plan Amendments by Duggan Removes acreage limitations that apply to small-scale comprehensive plan amendments. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 1 Nay

HB 7035 Government Accountability by Rep. Fischer. Specifies that Governor, Commissioner of Education may notify Legislative Auditing Committee of entity's failure to comply with certain auditing & financial reporting requirements; revises provisions relating to audits; requires certain entities to establish & maintain internal controls; requires certain entities to maintain certain budget documents on entities' websites; specifies applicable standards as to employee

background screening & investigations of Florida College System & State University System personnel. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Favorable with CS by State Affairs Committee; 19 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate SJR 74 Single-subject Limitation for Constitution Revision Commission Proposals by Senator Bradley and others. Proposing and amendment to the State Constitution to require that any proposals to revise the State Constitution, or any part thereof, filed by the Constitution Revision Commission be limited to a single subject, etc. Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 40 Yeas / 0 Nays)

CS/SB 142 Permit Fees by Committee on Innovation, Industry and Technology, Senator Perry and others. Requiring the governing bodies of counties and municipalities to post their permit and inspection fee schedules and building permit and inspection utilization reports on their websites; requiring Floor Recap certain governing bodies of local governments to create a building permit and inspection utilization report containing certain information and to post such report on their websites by a specified date, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Read Third Time; Substituted for HB 0127; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0127; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 40 Yeas / 0 Nays)

SB 186 Public Records/Victim of Mass Violence by Sen. Lee. Defining the term “killing of a victim of mass violence”; expanding an existing exemption from public records requirements for a photograph or a video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a law enforcement officer to include a photograph or a video or audio recording held by an agency which depicts or records the killing of a victim of mass violence; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law Read Third Time; Amendment Adopted (563584); Passed (Vote: 40 Yeas / 0 Nays)

CS/SB 7014 Government Accountability by Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability, Senator Hooper and others. Specifying that the Governor, the Commissioner of Education, or the designee of the Governor or of the commissioner, may notify the Legislative Auditing Committee of an entity’s failure to comply with certain auditing and financial reporting requirements; specifying that any person who willfully fails or refuses to provide access to an employee, officer, or agent of an entity under audit is subject to a penalty; requiring each school district, Florida College System institution, and state university to establish and maintain certain internal controls, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2019 Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 40 Yeas / 0 Nays)

House CS/CS/HB 327 Public Meetings/Public Records/Local Government Utilities by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management Subcommittee, Energy & Utilities Subcommittee, Rep. Davis, Rep. Yarborough. Exempts from public meetings requirements portions of meetings that would reveal certain exempt information concerning information technology systems held by specified utilities; requires exempt portions to be recorded and transcribed; exempts from public records requirements recordings & transcripts of such meetings; authorizes release of portions of such meetings under specified circumstances; provides for future legislative review &

repeal of exemption; provides statement of public necessity. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Read Second Time; Amendment Adopted (139957); Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 113 Yeas / 0 Nays)

CS/HB 207 Impact Fees by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee, Rep. Donalds, Rep. Andrade, Rep. Beltran, Rep. Sabatini. Revises minimum requirements for adoption of impact fees by specified local governments; exempts water & sewer connection fees from Florida Impact Fee Act. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 101 Yeas / 12 Nays)

CS/CS/HB 105 Domestic Wastewater Collection System Assessment and Maintenance by State Affairs Committee, Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee, Rep. Jacobs, J. Cortes, Rep. Killebrew, Rep. McClain. Establishes Blue Star Collection System Assessment & Maintenance Program within DEP for domestic wastewater utilities; provides defensible expectation that certified utilities complied with state water quality standards; directs DEP to issue certain permits to certified utilities; authorizes DEP to reduce penalty amounts; provides that certain utilities are eligible to participate in Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program & receive Small Community Sewer Construction Assistance Grants. Effective Date: July 1, 2019 Read Second Time;