



2020 Legislative Session
Weekly Report 4
(2/3/20 – 2/7/20)

Highlights

- The House and Senate Appropriations Committees passed their respective spending plans for FY 2020-2021 (HB 5001/SB 2500). The House is proposing a \$91.3 billion budget while the Senate is looking at a \$92.8 billion budget for next year. Each chamber will take up their proposals on the floor next week. Following this action, the presiding officers will lay out the process for the official Budget Conference to work to reconcile the spending differences between the chambers.
- Governor DeSantis' environmental priority for this session was considered by the Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee this week. SB 1878 by Senator Rob Bradley would codify in law \$625 million in recurring funding for Everglades Restoration & key water quality/water resource projects across the state. The next step is the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment & General Government. A similar bill has not been filed in the House.
- The Senate Appropriations Committee approved SB 362 by Senator Ed Hooper postponing the July 2, 2020, repeal of Visit Florida. The bill extends the organization's existence to July 1, 2028. The full Senate will take up the bill on February 12. HB 213 Florida Tourism Marketing by Representative Mel Ponder has not been heard.

Committees Recap

Monday (2/3/20)

Senate Governmental Oversight & Accountability

CS/SB 668 Government-sponsored Recreation Programs – Senator Book, Revising the definition of the term “childcare facility” to exclude government-sponsored recreation programs; defining the term “government-sponsored recreation program”, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020 Favorable with CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/SB 1060 Public Records and Meetings/911 or E911 Communication System – Senator Thurston Providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain documents that depict the structural elements of certain 911 or E911 communication system infrastructure, structures, or facilities; providing an exemption from public records requirements for geographical maps indicating the actual or proposed locations of certain 911 or E911 communication system infrastructure, structures, or facilities; providing for future legislative



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review and repeal of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law
Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/SB 1146 Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System – Senator Brandes
Adding juvenile justice detention officers I and II and juvenile justice detention officer supervisors employed by the Department of Juvenile Justice who meet certain criteria to the class, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020
Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1398 Regional Planning Council Meetings – Senator Flores
Providing requirements for establishing a quorum for meetings of certain councils when a voting member appears via telephone, real-time videoconferencing, or similar real-time electronic or video communication; requiring the member to give notice of intent to appear via telephone, real-time videoconferencing, or similar real-time electronic or video communication by a specified time, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020
Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1490 Public Officers and Employees – Senator Bradley
Authorizing specified reporting individuals and procurement employees to accept gifts or compensation to be used toward costs incurred due to a serious bodily injury or the diagnosis of a serious disease or illness of the individual, employee, or a child thereof; revising provisions regarding prohibited lobbying expenditures in the legislative and executive branches to conform to changes made by the act, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020
Favorable with CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Innovation, Industry & Technology

SB 1656 Reclaimed Water – Senator Albritton
Prohibiting domestic wastewater treatment facilities from disposing of effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water by surface water discharge beginning on a specified date; providing that reclaimed water is a water source for public water supply systems; providing specified groundwater and surface water quality protections for potable reuse projects; requiring counties, municipalities, and special districts to authorize graywater technologies under certain circumstances and to provide incentives for the implementation of such technologies, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law.
Favorable with CS by Innovation, Industry, and Technology; 8 Yeas, 1 Na

SB 1174 Communications Services Tax – Senator Hutson
Revising legislative intent regarding local communications services tax rates; revising downward the tax rate on the retail sale of communications services; deleting a provision that specifies where proceeds of a communications services tax must be deposited and disbursed; requiring dealers to collect and remit local communications services taxes under certain conditions;



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authorizing the Legislature to appropriate moneys to offset specified direct reductions of the local communications services tax by certain counties and municipalities, 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 January 1, 2021

Favorable by Innovation, Industry, and Technology; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 810 Tobacco and Nicotine Products – Senator Simmons

Revising the age limits for permits relating to cigarettes; revising age and time restrictions relating to the prohibition of smoking and vaping near school property; revising prohibitions on the sale of tobacco products from vending machines; requiring that the age of persons purchasing tobacco products be verified under certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: October 1, 2020, if SB 1394 or similar legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law

SB 630 Regulation of Smoking – Senator Mayfield

Authorizing municipalities and counties to further restrict smoking within the boundaries of certain public parks, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable by Innovation, Industry, and Technology; 7 Yeas, 2 Nays

Senate Community Affairs

CS/SB 724 Local Government Recycling Programs – Senator Albritton

Creating the Florida Recycling Working Group; requiring the working group to submit a report to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an expiration date for the working group; providing an exemption for fiscally constrained counties from recycling requirements, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Temporarily Postponed by Community Affairs

SB 1662 Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans – Senator Albritton

Providing that the property tax exemption for certain veterans with a service-connected total and permanent disability may be applied to a tax year for homestead property acquired during that tax year if certain conditions are met; providing requirements for applying for such exemption with the property appraiser, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Temporarily Postponed by Community Affairs

SB 1336 Preemption of Local Occupational Licensing – Senator Perry

Preempting licensing of occupations to the state; prohibiting local governments from imposing additional licensing requirements or modifying licensing unless specified conditions are met; specifying that certain specialty contractors are not required to register with the Construction Industry Licensing Board; authorizing counties and municipalities to issue certain journeyman licenses, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays



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SB 1424 Special Neighborhood Improvement Districts – Senator Gruters

Revising the number of directors allowed on the boards of special neighborhood improvement districts; requiring local planning ordinances to specify the number of directors and provide for 4-year staggered terms; requiring that directors be landowners in the proposed area and be subject to certain taxation, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 856 Affordable Housing Tax Reduction – Senator Pizzo

Providing a reduction in certain property taxes to taxpayers building or renovating certain affordable, elderly, or workforce housing projects; specifying the calculation of property assessments over the reduction term; authorizing certain counties to limit the total number of qualifying projects, subject to certain requirements; specifying a taxpayer's liability for back taxes, penalties, interest, and certain remedies under certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/SB 1302 Sovereign Immunity -- Senator Flores

Designating the "Florida Fair Claims Act"; increasing the statutory limits on liability for tort claims against the state and its agencies and subdivisions; revising when a state and its agencies and subdivisions may agree to settle a claim or judgment without further action from the Legislature; requiring that the limitations on tort liability be adjusted every year after a specified date; prohibiting an insurance policy from conditioning the payment of benefits on the enactment of claim bills, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2020

Favorable by Community Affairs; 4 Yeas, 1 Nay

Senate Environment & Natural Resources

SB 1878 Environmental Protection – Senator Bradley

Requiring a minimum annual appropriation for Everglades restoration and the protection of water resources in this state beginning in a specified fiscal year; providing requirements for the allocation of such funding; providing for future repeal of the appropriation unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable with CS by Environment and Natural Resources; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1720 - Florida Safe Drinking Water Act – Senator Cruz

Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt and implement rules for statewide maximum contaminant levels for specified pollutants by a date certain, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable by Environment and Natural Resources; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Ethics and Elections

CS/SB 1078 Special Election/Surviving Spouse Ad Valorem Tax Reduction – Senator Wright



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Providing for a special election to be held on August 18, 2020, pursuant to Section 5, Article XI of the State Constitution, for the approval or rejection by the electors of this state of amendments to the State Constitution, proposed by joint resolution, relating to an ad valorem tax discount for spouses of certain deceased veterans who had permanent, combat-related disabilities, the transfer of the ad valorem tax discount to another permanent residence of the surviving spouse under specified conditions, and an effective date if such amendments are adopted, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law, if enacted by a vote of at least three-fourths of the membership of each house of the Legislature and if Senate Joint Resolution 1076, 2020 Regular Session, or a similar joint resolution having substantially the same specific intent and purpose, is adopted by both houses of the Legislature

Temporarily Postponed by Ethics and Elections

SB 1372 Elections – Senator Brandes

Deleting a provision that prohibits the use of an address appearing on identification presented by an elector at the polls as a basis to confirm or otherwise challenge an elector's legal residence; revising the timeframes for conducting public preelection testing of automatic tabulating equipment; removing the requirement that duplicate ballots be made of vote-by-mail ballots containing overvoted races; revising the timeframe in which the supervisor of elections must mail ballots in elections conducted under the Mail Ballot Election Act, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020
Favorable with CS by Ethics and Elections; 6 Yeas, 1 Nay

Senate Infrastructure & Security

SB 1148 Electric Bicycles – Senator Brandes

Revising definitions relating to the Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law; requiring the driver of a vehicle overtaking an electric bicycle to pass the electric bicycle at a certain distance; expanding exceptions to a prohibition on persons driving certain vehicles on sidewalks and bicycle paths; providing electric bicycle regulations; requiring electric bicycles to comply with specified provisions of law; authorizing operators to ride electric bicycles where bicycles are allowed, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable with CS by Infrastructure and Security; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1272 Statewide Emergency Shelter Task Force – Senator Montford

Establishing the task force adjunct to the Department of Management Services; specifying the task force's purpose; providing for the membership of the task force; providing requirements and restrictions for members of the task force; requiring the task force to report recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable by Infrastructure and Security; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

SPB 7048 Public Records/Public Shelter Space

Creating an exemption from public records requirements for the name, address, and telephone number of a person which are held by an agency providing shelter or assistance to such person



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during an emergency; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law
Submitted as Committee Bill and
Reported Favorably by Infrastructure and Security; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Ways & Means

HB 637 Impact Fees – Representative DiCeglie

Revises conditions that counties, municipalities, & special districts must satisfy before enacting an impact fee by ordinance or resolution; provides impact fee credits are assignable & transferrable under certain conditions; requires counties & municipalities to establish impact fee review committees; provides for membership; provides procedures for meetings & establishing quorums; provides committee duties. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable with CS by Ways & Means Committee; 12 Yeas, 2 Nays

House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations

CS/HB 1363 Basin Management Action Plans – Representative Overdorf

Provides additional management strategies for such plans; requires certain plans to include specified elements; provides requirements for DEP, DACS, DOH, UF/IFAS, local governments, water management districts, & owners of agricultural operations; requires specified data collection & research; establishes nutrient reduction cost-share program within DEP; exempts rural homesteads from certain best management practices under certain conditions; requires DEP & DACS to include specified information in annual progress reports for such plans. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable by Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs

HB 1249 Transfer of Tax Exemption for Veterans – Representative Sullivan

Authorizes veterans who acquire new homestead after deadlines for receiving tax exemption for current year have passed to receive exemption under certain circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 13 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 183 - Prohibited Places for Weapons and Firearms – Representative Ponder

Authorizes elected member of specified governing body who holds license to carry concealed weapons or firearms to carry concealed weapon or firearm to meeting of governing body of which he or she is member, unless otherwise prohibited by law. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 1 Nay

HB 1339 Housing – Representative Yarborough



Revises provisions addressing affordable housing; specifies sales tax rate for certain mobile homes; exempts certain water & wastewater service resellers from regulation; revises provisions addressing state apartment incentive loans; renames Community Workforce Housing Innovation Pilot Program; revises provisions addressing workforce housing; revises distribution of funds from Local Government Housing Trust Fund; revises membership of local affordable housing advisory committees; revises provisions addressing mobile home owners & mobile home parks; revises legal procedures related to mobile home park owners. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable with CS by Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Transportation & Tourism Appropriations

CS/HB 971 Electric Bicycles – Representative M. Grant

Provides for rights & privileges of electric bicycles & operators; provides that electric bicycles are vehicles to same extent as bicycles; exempts electric bicycles & operators from specified provisions; requires certain labeling of electric bicycles; prohibits tampering with or modifying electric bicycles for certain purposes; requires electric bicycles to comply with specified provisions & operate in certain manner; authorizes operators to ride electric bicycles where bicycles are allowed; authorizes municipalities, counties, & agencies to regulate operation of electric bicycles under certain conditions. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable by Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 569 - Diesel Exhaust Fluid – Representative Overdorf

Requires governing body of each public airport that meets certain criteria to create diesel exhaust fluid safety mitigation & exclusion plan for submission to DOT; provides plan requirements; requires annual certification of compliance. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable by Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

Tuesday (2/4/20)

Senate Commerce & Tourism

CS/SB 474 Deregulation of Professions and Occupations – Senator Albritton

Technology -Citing this act as the “Occupational Freedom and Opportunity Act”; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to waive the requirement to pass the Commercial Driver License Skills Tests for certain servicemembers and veterans; deleting the requirement that a yacht broker maintain a separate license for each branch office; specifying that the failure to repay certain student loans is not considered a failure to perform a statutory or legal obligation for which certain disciplinary action can be taken; revising licensure requirements for engineers who hold specified licenses in another state, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2020
Favorable with CS by Commerce and Tourism; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1642 Tax Exemptions – Senator Gruters



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Providing a sales tax exemption for certain aircraft equipment used as part of certain governmental contracts; providing a use tax exemption for certain aircraft owned by nonresidents and used in service of certain governmental contracts; providing a sales tax exemption for parts and accessories necessary for the continued operation of certain industrial machinery or equipment, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Commerce and Tourism; 4 Yeas, 1 Nay

Senate Criminal Justice

CS/SB 952 Senior Management Service Class – Senator Perry

Providing that participation in the Senior Management Service Class of the Florida Retirement System is compulsory for each appointed criminal conflict and civil regional counsel and specified staff of the regional counsel beginning on a specified date; authorizing members of the class to purchase and upgrade certain retirement credit, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable by Criminal Justice; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Judiciary

SB 868 Construction Contracting – Senator Albritton

Revising the manner by which certain claimants provide a notice of nonpayment to a surety; specifying the priority of certain liens in relation to subordinate conveyances, encumbrances, and demands; revising information required to be included in a notice of commencement; providing that certain provisions in a lien waiver or release are unenforceable, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable with CS by Judiciary; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 1766 Growth Management – Senator Lee

Revising notice of claim requirements for property owners; creating a presumption that certain settlement offers protect the public interest; authorizing property owners to bring actions to declare prohibited exactions invalid; providing applicability; requiring the Department of Transportation to afford a right of first refusal to the previous property owner before disposing of property in certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable with CS by Judiciary; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Insurance & Banking

HB 771 Motor Vehicle Insurance – Representative Grall

Repeals provisions relating Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; revises garage liability insurance requirements; revises minimum coverage requirements for proof of financial responsibility for motor vehicles; revises amount of certificate of deposit required to elect certain method of proof of financial responsibility; revises excess liability coverage requirements; revises financial responsibility requirements for owners or lessees of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; revises coverages of motor vehicle policy which are subject to stacking prohibition; revises



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insurance requirements for transportation network company drivers. Effective Date: January 1, 2021

Favorable by Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; 13 Yeas, 1 Nay

House PreK-12 Innovation Subcommittee

HB 1083 - Student Mental Health Procedures – Representative Webb

Student Mental Health Procedures: Requires verification that certain strategies have been utilized & certain outreach has been initiated before student is removed from school, school transportation, or school-sponsored activity under specified circumstances; provides exception. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

House Workforce Development & Tourism

PCS for HB 1271 State Economic Development Entities

Revises provisions relating to workforce services to replace CareerSource Florida, Inc., with state board or DEO in relation to implementation of federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act; authorizes, rather than requires, certain funds to be reserved for Incumbent Worker Training Program; revises provisions relating to operation, purpose, requirements, structure, & authority of CareerSource Florida, Inc., & state board; authorizes DEO to consult with state board to issue certain technical assistance letters; authorizes Auditor General to conduct audit of certain entities & programs; requires workforce development strategy to be approved by Governor; provides that certain persons may be removed from board for cause; revises membership, annual reporting requirements, & certain contracts relating to Florida Development Finance Corporation. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Workforce Development & Tourism Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 1 Nay

House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee

HB 579 Public Financing of Construction Projects – Representative Aloupis

Requires sea level impact projection study of state-financed coastal structures before construction begins; requires DEP to develop study standards, publish studies on its website, enforce requirements, & adopt rules. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 1199 Environmental Protection Act – Representative Ingoglia

Prohibits local governments from recognizing or granting certain legal rights to natural environment or granting such rights relating to natural environment to person or political subdivision. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Favorable by Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays



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HB 715 Reclaimed Water – Representative Maggard

Prohibits domestic wastewater treatment facilities from disposing of effluent, reclaimed water, or reuse water by surface water discharge; provides reclaimed water is water source for public water supply systems; provides groundwater & surface water quality protections, expedited permitting, & tax credits for potable reuse projects; requires counties, municipalities, & special districts to authorize & provide incentives for graywater technologies; requires DEP to convene technical advisory committee. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Favorable with CS by Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Business & Professions

HB 1161 Local Licensing – Representative Plakon

Provides individuals who hold valid, active local licenses may work within scope of such licenses in any local government jurisdiction without needing to meet additional licensing requirements; provides that local governments have disciplinary jurisdiction over such licensees; requires local governments to forward any disciplinary orders to licensee's original licensing jurisdiction for further action; requires DBPR to create & maintain local licensing information system. Effective Date: October 1, 2020

Favorable by Business & Professions Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 3 Nays

House Government Operations & Technology Appropriations

HB 1011 Vacation Rentals – Representative Fischer, Representative La Rosa

Preempts regulation of vacation rentals to the state; prohibits local law, ordinance, or regulation from allowing or requiring inspections or licensing of vacation rentals; requires licenses issued by the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of DBPR to be displayed conspicuously inside licensed establishment; preempts regulation of advertising platforms for vacation rentals to the state; provides requirements for advertising platforms. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Favorable with CS by Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee; 8 Yeas, 5 Nays

House Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee

HB 163 Homelessness – Representative Altman

Provides requirements for continuum of care catchment areas & lead agencies; requires continuums of care to create continuum of care plans; revises requirements for certain grants; establishes grant-in-aid program to help continuums of care prevent & end homelessness; provides program requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable by Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 945 Children's Mental Health – Representative Silvers

Requires DCF & AHCA to identify children & adolescents who use crisis stabilization services & to meet behavioral health needs of such children & adolescents; requires managing entities & other



relevant entities to develop plans promoting coordinated system of care for certain services; requires testing of provider network databases maintained by Medicaid managed care plans; requires DCF & AHCA to assess quality of care provided in crisis stabilization units. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable by Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Transportation & Infrastructure

HB 1441 Contracted Airport Projects – Representative Maggard

Authorizes single entity to provide certain contracted services for airport projects wholly or partially funded by DOT. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable by Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

House Civil Justice

HB 321 Declared State of Emergency – Representative Grieco

Prohibits specified service of process during declared state of emergency; provides immunity from liability for certain persons; tolls specified time periods for certain evictions; requires court to stay certain eviction proceedings. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Civil Justice Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

PCB CJS 20-02 Legal Advertising

Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Civil Justice Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 4 Nays

House Oversight, Transparency & Public Management

CS/HB 755 Public Records and Meetings/911 and E911 Communication Systems – Representative DuBose

Provides exemption from public records & public meeting requirements for certain documents which depict structural elements of, & geographical maps indicating locations of, certain 911 or E911 communication system infrastructure, facilities, or structures; provides for retroactive application; requires recording & transcription of exempt portions of meetings; provides an exception; provides for future legislative review & repeal of exemptions; provides statement of public necessity. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Favorable by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management Subcommittee; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

PCS for HB 729 Regulatory Reform

Establishes Red Tape Reduction Advisory Council within EOG; requires Administrative Procedures Committee to establish regulatory baseline of agency rules; provides that new rule may not cause total number of rules to exceed regulatory baseline; requires agency proposing new rule to submit rule replacement request to committee; provides that rule replacement request or exemption request may not be approved until initial regulatory baseline has been reduced by specified amount. Effective Date: July 1, 2020



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Favorable with CS by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 705 Emergency Sheltering of Persons with Pets – Representative Killebrew

Requires DOE to assist DEM in determining strategies regarding evacuation of persons with pets; requires certain counties to designate shelter that can accommodate persons with pets; specifies requirements for such shelters. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Oversight, Transparency & Public Management Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

Wednesday (2/5/20)

Senate Rules

CS/SB 326 Environmental Regulation – Senator Perry

Specifying requirements for contracts between residential recycling collectors or recovered materials processing facilities and counties or municipalities for the collection or processing of residential recycling material; providing that a residential recycling collector or recovered materials processing facility is not required to collect, transport, or process contaminated recyclable material except pursuant to specified contractual requirements after a contract is executed; prohibiting local governments from requiring further verification from the Department of Environmental Protection for certain projects, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2020

Favorable by Rules; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

Senate Appropriations

SPB 2500 Appropriations

Providing moneys for the annual period beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, and supplemental appropriations for the period ending June 30, 2020, 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.

Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations; 19 Yeas, 0 Nays

Placed on Special Order Calendar, 02/12/20

SPB 2502 Implementing the 2020-2021 General Appropriations Act

Incorporating by reference certain calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program; suspending the Florida Best and Brightest Teacher and Principal Allocation for the 2020-2021 fiscal year; creating the Teacher Salary Increase Allocation; specifying the source of charter school capital outlay funding; establishing the Florida Institute of Politics at the Florida State University; extending for 1 fiscal year a provision requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to make payments to Medicaid-covered services, 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



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law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2020; 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, 2020
Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations; 19 Yeas, 0 Nays
Placed on Special Order Calendar, 02/12/20

CS/SB 246 Public Construction – Senator Hooper

Revising the amount of retainage that certain local governmental entities and contractors may withhold from progress payments for any construction services contract; revising the amounts of retainage that certain public entities and contractors may withhold from progress payments for any construction services contract, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2020
Favorable by Appropriations; 20 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 362 Florida Tourism Marketing – Senator Hooper

Revising the scheduled repeal of the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation direct-support organization; abrogating the scheduled repeal of the Division of Tourism Marketing of Enterprise Florida, Inc., etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law
Favorable by Appropriations; 20 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/SB 712 Water Quality Improvements – Senator Mayfield

Citing this act as the “Clean Waterways Act”; requiring the Department Health to provide a specified report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; transferring the Onsite Sewage Program within the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection by a type two transfer by a specified date; creating an onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems technical advisory committee within the department; requiring the department to adopt rules relating to the underground pipes of wastewater collection systems; requiring basin management action plans for nutrient total maximum daily loads to include wastewater treatment and onsite sewage treatment and disposal system remediation plans that meet certain requirements, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act this act shall take effect July 1, 2020
Temporarily Postponed by Appropriations

SB 7016 Statewide Office of Resiliency - Infrastructure and Security

Establishing the office within the Executive Office of the Governor; creating the Statewide Sea-Level Rise Task Force within the office; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to contract for specified services, upon request of the task force; requiring the Environmental Regulation Commission to take certain action on the task force’s recommendations, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$500,000 Effective Date: 7/1/2020

House Appropriations

PCB APC 20-01 General Appropriations Act

Provides moneys for annual period beginning July 1, 2020, & ending June 30, 2021, & supplemental appropriations for period ending June 30, 2020, to pay salaries & other expenses,



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capital outlay—buildings & other improvements, & for other specified purposes of various agencies of state government. Effective Date: Not Specified
Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee; 28 Yeas, 0 Nays; Committee Bill filed as HB 5001

PCB APC 20-02 Implementing the 2020-2021 General Appropriations Act

Implements specified appropriations of the General Appropriations Act for 2020-2021 fiscal year. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee; 25 Yeas, 1 Nay; Committee Bill Text Filed as H 5003

PCB APC 20-04 State-administered Retirement Programs

Revises required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class & subclass of FRS; provides declaration of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee; 25 Yeas, 0 Nays; Committee Bill Text Filed as H 5007

HB 5401 Department of Environmental Regulation – Representative Raschein

Transfers powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, pending issues & existing contracts, administrative authority, administrative rules, & unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, & other funds of Office of Energy within DACS to DEP; repeals provisions relating to the Office of Energy. Effective Date: July 1, 2020
Favorable by Appropriations Committee; 19 Yeas, 9 Nays

Thursday (2/6/20)

House State Affairs

CS/CS/HB 7 Legal Notices – Representative Fine

Provides for website publication of legal notices; provides criteria for such publication; authorizes fiscally constrained county to use publicly accessible website to publish legally required advertisements & public notices; requires government agency to provide specified notice to residents concerning alternative methods of receiving legal notices. Effective Date: July 1, 2021
Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 14 Yeas, 9 Nays

CS/HB 423 Town of Ocean Breeze, Martin County – Representative Overdorf

Provides exception to general law; authorizes the Town of Ocean Breeze in Martin County to hold public meetings within specified mileage of its jurisdictional boundary under certain circumstances. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 23 Yeas, 0 Nays



House Commerce

CS/HB 459 Building Design – Representative Overdorf

Provides that regulations relating to building design elements may not be applied to certain structures; authorizes substantially affected person to file petition with Florida Building Commission to review local government regulations; provides requirements for such petition; provides requirements for commission when considering petition; requires commission to issue nonbinding advisory opinion within specified timeframe. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Commerce Committee; 22 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 1155 Legislative Review of Proposed Regulation of Unregulated Functions – Representative Hage

Provides certain requirements before adoption of regulation of unregulated profession or occupation or substantial expansion of regulation of regulated profession or occupation; requires proponents to provide certain information to state agency & Legislature; requires state agency to provide certain information to Legislature; provides exception; revises information that legislative committee must consider when determining whether regulation is justified. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable by Commerce Committee; 20 Yeas, 1 Nay

House Health & Human Services

HB 707 Legislative Review of Occupational Regulations – Representative Renner

Authorizes schedule for the systematic review of occupational regulatory programs; authorizes Legislature to take certain actions before scheduled repeal of occupational regulatory program; provides regulation of occupation to state if such occupation's regulatory program has been repealed through this act; provides schedule of repeal for occupational regulatory programs. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Favorable with CS by Health & Human Services Committee; 12 Yeas, 4 Nays

House Judiciary

HB 131 Security in Trial Court Facilities – Representative McClain

Requires sheriffs to coordinate with specified entities to develop comprehensive plan for security of trial court facilities; specifies that sheriffs & chief judges retain certain authority; specifies that sheriffs & their deputies, employees, & contractors are officers of court under specified circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Judiciary Committee; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

CS/HB 519 Private Property Rights Protection – Representative J. Grant

Revises notice of claim requirements for property owners; revises procedures for determination of compensation; authorizes property owners to bring claims against governmental entities in certain circumstances; authorizes property owners to bring actions to declare prohibited



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exactions invalid; provides for resolution of disputes concerning comprehensive plan amendments under Florida Land Use & Environmental Dispute Resolution Act; requires DOT to afford right of first refusal to previous property owner before disposing of property in certain circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable with CS by Judiciary Committee; 11 Yeas, 5 Nays

HB 183 Prohibited Places for Weapons and Firearms – Representative Ponder

Authorizes elected member of specified governing body who holds license to carry concealed weapons or firearms to carry concealed weapon or firearm to meeting of governing body of which he or she is member, unless otherwise prohibited by law. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable by Judiciary Committee; 11 Yeas, 4 Nays

HB 615 Juvenile Diversion Program Expunction – Representative Watson

Removes requirement that limits diversion program expunction to programs for misdemeanor offenses. Effective Date: July 1, 2020

Favorable by Judiciary Committee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays

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SB 7006 Penalties for Violations of the Constitutional Prohibition Against Abuse of Public Position
– Senator Baxley, Ethics & Elections

Reenacting provisions relating to penalties, etc. Effective Date: 12/31/2020 Read Second Time; Substituted for HB 7009; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 7009; Placed on Third Reading, 02/12/20