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CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by the President at 9:45 a.m. A quorum present—38:

Mr. President	Dudley	Jenne	Rossin
Bankhead	Dyer	Jennings	Silver
Beard	Forman	Johnson	Sullivan
Bronson	Grant	Jones	Thomas
Brown-Waite	Gutman	Kirkpatrick	Turner
Casas	Harden	Kurth	Weinstein
Childers	Hargrett	Latvala	Wexler
Crist	Harris	McKay	Williams
Dantzler	Holzendorf	Myers	
Diaz-Balart	Horne	Ostalkiewicz	

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Dr. William Bright, President, Campus Crusade for Christ, Orlando:

I introduce my prayer by reading from the 145th Psalm:

"I will praise you, my God and King, and bless your name each day and forever. Great is Jehovah, greatly praise him; his greatness is beyond discovery. Let each generation tell its children what glorious things he does. I will meditate about your glory, splendor, majesty and miracles. Your all inspiring deeds should be on every tongue. I will proclaim your greatness. Everyone will tell about how good you are and sing about your righteousness. Jehovah is kind and merciful, slow to get angry, full of love. He's good to everyone and his compassion is entwined with everything he does."

O Lord our God, we bow humbly before you, the creator God of the universe. There's no one like you. With the Psalmist of Old, we praise and worship, honor and adore you. We stand in awe of your greatness, your glory, your majesty, your sovereignty and mighty power. Like the Prophet Isaiah, we prostrate ourselves before you in your holiness and purity for we are a sinful people.

We remember too, that you are a loving Heavenly Father, that you care for us tenderly and compassionately. Our founding fathers dedicated this great country to you and sought your guidance to give birth to a nation where all men would be created equally and honorably, with justice for all. We've not been faithful to your laws and the fulfillment of their dreams. Forgive us, Lord, and visit us with tender mercy and loving grace.

We pray for the day when truth will triumph and justice will prevail when we shall indeed be one nation under God once again. We pray for all in authority over us—for the President, members of the House and Senate, for our military and all who govern our nation. Here in this great state of Florida, we pray especially for Governor Chiles, for all who give leadership in this chamber and others in positions of responsibility and authority. We offer our thanks and our praise and I thank you, Father, for your goodness and grace in the matchless, incomparable and peerless name of Jesus. Amen.

PLEDGE

Senate Pages, Wendy Dickinson of Tallahassee and Audra Anne Stephens of Dade City, led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President introduced the following guests who were seated in the chamber: Senators Dempsey Barron, John Vogt and Ander Crenshaw,

former Presidents of the Senate; Jim Smith, former Secretary of State; Paula Hawkins, former United States Senator and Florida Public Service Commissioner; Senator Bill Grant, former United States Congressman; and Congressman Mark Foley, former member of the Florida Senate.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

On motion by Senator Grant, the rules were waived and—

By Senators Grant and Ostalkiewicz—

SR 3036—A resolution commending the worldwide activities of the Campus Crusade for Christ International and honoring the leadership of Dr. William R. Bright, Founder and President of the Campus Crusade for Christ.

WHEREAS, 40 years ago, Dr. William R. "Bill" Bright founded the Campus Crusade for Christ, which today is represented by 30,000 full-time and associate staff members in 138 countries who bring the message of God's love, and

WHEREAS, in September 1991, the Campus Crusade for Christ International relocated its headquarters from Arrowhead Springs, California, to Orlando, Florida, which, according to The Orlando Sentinel, was one of the top five business relocations in the Orlando area within the last decade, and

WHEREAS, today approximately 500 people work at crusade headquarters in Orlando and the crusade has 40 ministries worldwide, programs that evangelize and minister to families, inner-city residents, prisoners, athletes, and millions of other people who search for the spiritual meaning in life, and

WHEREAS, the Campus Crusade for Christ and Dr. Bill Bright, who is the author of numerous books on religion and the sponsor of a full-length movie on the life of Christ, have spoken to, comforted, and inspired countless Floridians, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the Florida Senate commends the Campus Crusade for Christ and the achievements of Dr. William R. "Bill" Bright, who founded this great worldwide ministry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Dr. Bright in recognition of his achievements and as a tangible token of the esteem in which he and his work are held by the Florida Senate.

—was introduced out of order and read by title. On motion by Senator Grant, **SR 3036** was read the second time in full and adopted.

SPECIAL GUEST

Senator Grant introduced Dr. William R. Bright who was seated in the chamber.

On motion by Senator Jenne, by two-thirds vote **SR 2484** was withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

On motion by Senator Jenne—

SR 2484—A resolution honoring Dr. Robert S. Stempfel for his contributions to pediatric medicine and his service to the people of Florida.

WHEREAS, Robert S. Stempfel, M.D., a graduate of Duke Medical School, served with distinction as a member of the faculty of Duke Medical School as a pediatric endocrinologist, and

WHEREAS, Robert S. Stempfel, M.D., was the chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of California at Davis, building the foundation for an outstanding Department of Pediatrics, and

WHEREAS, Robert S. Stempfel, M.D., during his outstanding career, served as Director of the Mailman Center and as Associate Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Miami, and in this role was instrumental in consolidating the resources of the university-affiliated centers with the resources of the University of Miami and the State of Florida, and

WHEREAS, he was often a fervent advocate both for retaining these programs and for enhancing funds committed to their objectives, and

WHEREAS, Robert S. Stempfel, M.D., served for many years as Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Florida Pediatric Society, and in this role was responsible for many of the legislative initiatives endorsed by the leadership of the Florida Pediatric Society, and

WHEREAS, he spent countless hours patiently advocating many worthwhile causes, including child safety and additional funding for child health care, and always he represented the pediatricians of Florida with rare diligence and commitment, and

WHEREAS, Robert S. Stempfel, M.D., was a special master within the legislative process, bringing authoritative knowledge and insight concerning child development into efforts to integrate the resources of the child health system and the educational system and to educate health professionals in the area of child development, and

WHEREAS, by such achievements, Dr. Robert S. Stempfel has provided invaluable service to his profession and to the children of this state, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That Robert S. Stempfel, M.D., is commended for his lifelong service to the development of a child health system in this state, and for his tireless efforts on behalf of children's health and the development and education of infants, children, and adolescents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Dr. Robert S. Stempfel as a tangible token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.

—was taken up out of order and read the second time in full. On motion by Senator Jenne, **SR 2484** was adopted.

SPECIAL GUEST

Senator Jenne introduced Dr. Robert S. Stempfel who was seated in the gallery.

MOTIONS RELATING TO COMMITTEE REFERENCE

On motion by Senator Jennings, by two-thirds vote **SB 96**, **SB 1716** and **SB 1718** were withdrawn from the Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities; **SB 262**, **CS for SB 2164**, **SB 2416** and **CS for SB 2432** were withdrawn from the Committee on Criminal Justice; **CS for SB 914** and **SB 2088** were withdrawn from the Committee on Banking and Insurance; **SB 1060** was withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar; **CS for SB 1372** was withdrawn from the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight; and **SB 1390**, **CS for SB 1436**, **SB 1590**, **SB 1982**, **CS for SB 2074** and **SB 2096** were withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator Jennings, by two-thirds vote **SB 1466** was withdrawn from the Committee on Health Care; **SB 1526** and **SB 2422** were withdrawn from the Committee on Community Affairs; **SB 1900** was withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services; and **HB 1445** was withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary; and referred to the Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Honorable James A. Scott, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted HCR 5-Org. and requests the concurrence of the Senate.

John B. Phelps, Clerk

By Representatives Boyd and Mackenzie—

HCR 5-Org.—A concurrent resolution providing that the House of Representatives and Senate convene in joint session for the purpose of receiving a message from the Majority Leader of the United States Senate.

WHEREAS, The Honorable Bob Dole has expressed a desire to address the Legislature in Joint Session; NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida, the Senate Concurring:

That the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session in the chamber of the House of Representatives at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 19, 1995, for the purpose of receiving the message of the Majority Leader of the United States Senate.

—was read by title. On motions by Senator Jennings, **HCR 5-Org.** was taken up out of order by unanimous consent and by two-thirds vote read the second time in full, adopted and certified to the House.

MOTIONS

Senator Jennings moved that following the joint session, the Senate stand in recess for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business until Friday, April 21 at 9:30 a.m. The motion was adopted.

JOINT SESSION

Pursuant to **HCR 5-Org.**, the Senate formed in processional order and marched in a body to the chamber of the House of Representatives where they were received in due form. The joint session was called to order by The Honorable Peter R. Wallace, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Speaker invited Senator Scott, President of the Senate, and Senator Beard, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, to the rostrum and requested President Scott to preside over the joint session.

PRESIDENT SCOTT PRESIDING

The President declared a quorum of the joint session present.

PRAYER

Dr. William Bright, President of Campus Crusade for Christ, Orlando, delivered the prayer.

PLEDGE

Senate Pages, Kimberly Calaluca, David Jones, Lisa Marie Lytton, Matt Mathis, David Raynor and James L. Thompson, Jr., led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President recognized the Governor, who was seated at the rostrum; and the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Cabinet and justices of the Supreme Court, who were seated in the chamber.

MOTION

On motion by Representative Boyd that a committee be appointed to notify Senator Dole that the joint session was assembled and ready to receive his message, the President appointed Senators Bronson, Gutman, Hargrett, Jennings and Silver; and on behalf of the Speaker, appointed Representatives Arnall, Logan, Mackenzie, Morse, Ritchie and Webster. The committee withdrew from the chamber.

The committee appointed to notify Senator Dole subsequently returned to the chamber and escorted the Senator to the rostrum.

INTRODUCTION OF THE HONORABLE ROBERT DOLE UNITED STATES SENATE MAJORITY LEADER

The President presented Senator Dole to the joint session.

SENATOR DOLE'S ADDRESS

Thank you very much. I must say that never happens to me in the U.S. Senate, as Lawton knows and Paula knows.

I'm very honored to be here. I've only done this once before in my lifetime in politics—speak to a joint session. I'm very honored to be here today. I have spoken to the New Hampshire Legislature a few years back where they have four hundred and some members in the House and a very large group. So Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, my friend, Lawton Chiles, Buddy MacKay, members of the Legislature, members of the Cabinet, members of the Supreme Court and distinguished guests, it is an honor to be here this morning. I regret my wife could not accompany me, but she is President of the Red Cross and not that this is a partisan gathering, but they are very touchy on those things, and I've always said that if she had a crowd like this she always wants to start a blood drive, and it makes it kind of messy. She's trying to find your veins and I'm trying to find something else, but in any event—I've always been partial to Florida sunshine. I've been coming to Florida for a long time and have enjoyed every minute of it.

There is one trip that I remember probably more than any other, and that's a trip I made to Florida about 50 years ago. It was after an encounter we had in Italy and I was injured. After several weeks in the hospital in Italy they decided to bring us home as they were doing every day. We were on a plane all equipped for stretchers and all that stuff. I remember going first to Casablanca and then to Miami, Florida. It's the first place I had a chance to come back to and it was sort of a relief to touch down on American soil, to pick up the telephone to call your parents and say, "Well, I'm in good shape and I'm back home." Probably others have had that same experience, but it's reminding me of the greatness of the State of Florida and how good people were to me a long time ago.

I want to thank Bill Bright for his service and I know you are happy that he's moving to Orlando. I also want to extend my best wishes as everybody celebrates 150 years of statehood, and I think you have been represented well in the Congress over all those years. Senator Thurmond remembers the first delegation and speaks of them highly. But, Senator Thurmond has a record, you know. He is not often asked to speak, Senators, because once you're recognized in the U.S. Senate, you can speak for however long you can stand. I think Senator Thurmond has a record of 22 hours and 41 minutes. He's seldom asked to be an after-dinner speaker, but Ponce de Leon did not find the Fountain of Youth in Florida because Senator Thurmond got there and drank all the water. He's an amazing man, as Lawton knows and Paula knows, 92 years old and gearing up to run again in '96. I used to say during the health care debate, if all the other plans fail, I want the Thurmond Plan. I don't know what it is, so when he ate a banana, I ate a banana; whatever is working.

I started off in a state legislature a long time ago. The pay was 5 dollars a day. I guess it has gone up a little since then. It was a great experience. I was a law student at the time and we had a law librarian who said that she happened to be a Democrat—the name was Beth Bowers. She encouraged four of us students, two Democrats and two Republicans, to run for the State Legislature, and we didn't know much about politics. In fact, my parents were Democrats. I didn't know what party I was in until I checked the registration rolls in my home county and learned there were more Republicans, and I decided that I would become a committed Republican. That's how it started.

My parents weren't active in politics, but it was a great experience because I think I learned for the first time about the give and take in the legislative process and about the need to compromise sometimes. I get accused about being a compromiser. I don't know if that's the case, but I've learned over the years, and I think others have who have served in legislative bodies, Democrats or Republicans, you don't always get all you want. You get all you can, sometimes that's 90 percent, sometimes it's 95 percent, sometimes you are not certain if you got anything, and you have to think about it a lot.

But I learned that government does the best when it's at the local level. People can find you, and certainly they can find you because they know where you shop for groceries. They know where you pick up your cleaning, and they know how to get you at home—that is true representative government. Sometimes in Washington, we are far from home. I was in my home town last Friday. I haven't been to Russell, Kansas, for quite a while, but when you lose touch sometimes, I hope I haven't done that over the years, it seems to me that it's very important to people that that not happen.

I think sometimes it's fair to say that Washington, D.C., has forgotten that grassroots—that representative effort. Instead of local officials trying to solve problems, we've been too anxious to turn to government for solutions, and it seems to me that we are now on the right track. As President Clinton mentioned when he was here on March 25th, the first bill he signed this year, the second bill he signed, the first was covering Congress with all the laws we impose on everybody else in America, would seem to me to be a step in the right direction. That had a strong bipartisan support—98 to one was the vote in the Senate. The second bill was unfunded mandates and the President talked about it, he signed the bill. We decided it was time to take a look at what happens at a local level and if you can't send the money, you shouldn't send the mandate. The mandate's a tax. It affects not only state government but subdivisions and, eventually, it affects the taxpayer because somebody has to pay it. We send a 200 million dollar mandate to Florida, somebody in the private sector is going to have to pick up the bill. So hopefully, we have changed that for the better. It seemed to me that it was long overdue and I'm very pleased that it passed. It wouldn't have passed if we had not had bipartisan support from governors and state legislators all across America. The governors told us, Governor Chiles knows, they wanted this to be their priority. This is the priority of all the governors, Democrats and Republicans alike and, I believe without exception, almost every state legislature later all across America.

I don't want to get into politics here, but we're all in politics. Having waited 40 years for Congress to change, I think you'd just let me at least have a few seconds to say, finally, I didn't know it was ever going to happen. My hero—we all have heroes in politics—my hero is Dwight Eisenhower; the last time we had a Republican Congress was when he was President—and I loved Ike. I liked Ike. Maybe it's because he came from Kansas. Maybe it's because he worked in a creamery. My dad ran a creamery. Maybe it's because he was my Commander-in-Chief. A lot of reasons, so I would just say to my Democrat friends here, you know we understand about being in the minority, and I've always thought "majority leader" sounded better. I've tried both. I was majority leader, then minority leader and I thought about it a lot and I said, "I think I'd rather be the majority leader." Now maybe it's different here, maybe you know I know how it works.

So we did make changes last November. There was a political earthquake. The people were sending us a lot of messages. A lot of messages—whether Democrats or Republicans or Independents—people were sending us messages. I think one result, and I say this in a nonpartisan way, I think one result and one message all of us got in the Congress of the United States was that we had to listen more to the people and listen more to the people's representatives—people in the state legislatures, governors, cabinet members, all across America. Maybe we haven't been listening closely enough so it seems to me that we have made some progress.

I've worked a lot for the National Conference of State Legislatures and ALEC, the American Legislative Exchange Council, and will continue that close working relationship. I've said from the first day in Congress that about six months or eight months ago, I got out the Constitution and started reading it, something we probably ought to do more of. I ran across the Tenth Amendment which I really hadn't focused on for a long time. I've said, as far as I'm concerned as the majority leader, it's going to be my mandate, my responsibility to take a look at the Tenth Amendment. It's only 28 words, not very long, and this is what it says if you haven't read it lately: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States, respectively or to the people." I have one mission as majority leader and that's to restore the Tenth Amendment to its rightful place in the Constitution. Whether it's welfare reform that the President talked about last night in his press conference—and certainly we want to work with the President—whether it's education, whether it's giving more power to the school board, which I think moves in that direction. I know that Brogan's working on that and the House is taking up today—I'm sorry I missed the debate—or fighting crime. I do believe we ought to take a look at the states. I happen to have a lot of confidence in governors and state legislators, whether they be Republicans or Democrats, because you are closer to the people. That's the way we feel in the Midwest. That's the way we feel in Kansas. As I said, there would be no clear indication of how we felt about it in the unfunded mandates bill, which couldn't have happened, without the bipartisan support.

But let me assure you, we do not intend to rest on our laurels if those are laurels. I know some here think it's probably good news that they had

this political earthquake and I know others thought it was the worst thing that ever happened. My view is that politics is very competitive—very, very competitive. I started out as a young law student, as I said. Many of you have been at it for a long time. I know the Governor has. I like politics. To me, politics is a very, very important part of American life, and I wish people would focus on it more. They do focus on it more because we now have C-Span and other ways to communicate. I've always thought public service wasn't bad. Doesn't mean we are popular all the time. Doesn't mean we don't have to make tough decisions. But we can provide leadership and we can make a difference and we can do it in either party, even though we have different philosophies from time to time.

I have another feeling about regulation. Seems to me that the government should ask a few questions before it adopts a regulation. A question like this: "Is there a need for this regulation? Does the cost outweigh the benefits? Does this regulation make common sense?" I know every member of the legislature has got a book, *Common Sense*. I know the President talked about it and, "Is this a matter that ought to be left to the states?" Well, you know and I know, that a lot of federal regulations can't pass the test. A lot of state regulations probably can't pass the test, and that's not just Bob Dole talking. It's also Governor Chiles who proposed recently to cut at least half of Florida's 28,750 rules by the end of the 1996 Legislative Session. Now if you can cut half of them in Florida, we ought to be able to cut ten times that many on a federal level, and I'll bet they would never be missed. The thing that frustrates people in my state of Kansas—farmers, ranchers, small business people—a lot of these things cost a lot of money, but they have no benefit. If there's a benefit, maybe you can argue about the merit of the regulation. In fact, I've been told by the farmers in my state, "You can cut my subsidy if you take away the regulations." There would be a trade-off there, and we are looking at trade-offs. So it seems to me that we are on the right track in that area.

Now we had some victories this session, and of course, our session has just started. Speaker Gingrich had the first hundred days. I assume we're going to get the next hundred days. We've been doing a lot of catching on the Senate side. We catch a lot of things they pitch over there, and now we get to do a little pitching and there won't be many recesses in the Senate side the rest of the year because it takes the Senate longer because the founding fathers thought it should take longer. I don't think they thought it through very well, because it really takes longer than longer sometimes. We spent 22 days on the balanced budget amendment. The House passed it in two days. We spent nine days on unfunded mandates and they did it in, I think, a day.

We did lose the balanced budget amendment by one vote in the Senate—one vote. I thought it was a centerpiece and should be the centerpiece. Both Florida Senators voted for the balanced budget amendment and I thank them for that. I happen to believe there is one person out there who voted "No" who may still vote "Yes." Under our rules, the majority leader has the right to change his vote at the last minute, which I did. Then I can reconsider the bill at any time. Now someone has suggested maybe if you need two-thirds of those present and voting so if somebody left town maybe I could call it up. I thought about that, but probably wouldn't do that, but it has crossed my mind. In any event, I happen to think it is pretty important. We ended up just one vote to trusting the people, trusting this state legislature and 49 other state legislatures to deal with this problem. I believe that was what we were doing. We were voting to send it back to the states and let you make a determination. That's getting power back to the states and power back to the people. If it was a bad idea, you probably wouldn't have ratified the amendment. It took 38 states to do so. So I think Republicans and Democrats alike have a duty to put our house in order and to put an end to mortgaging our children's future. There is no doubt about it, if we don't do something and make some tough decisions, talking about it now on a federal level, I'm not certain what the future is going to be for your children and your grandchildren, and whether we are Democrats or Republicans doesn't make any difference. They should have the same or better opportunities than we had as young people, and we want to provide the same or better opportunities than we had as young people. We are not going to be able to do it if we just keep piling up debt and piling up debt and piling up debt. I was just saying that vote, and again the facts are facts; 98 percent of Republican Senators supported the balanced budget amendment, less than 30 percent of the Democrats did. So I'm still hoping that somebody is going to wake up some morning and they are going to have a vision about America and about what will happen if we don't have the discipline.

I know people ask you, and they ask us, "Well, why don't you have the will to do this?" Sometimes it's very difficult to do what your philosophy might be—very tough decisions. This would give us the underpinning, would underscore the need that we have to deal with the deficit, with the future, and we have to make tough decisions. So we haven't given up on the balanced budget amendment. Paula and Lawton know Pete Domenici very well. He's tough. We're going to try to reach a balanced budget by the year 2002 even without a balanced budget amendment. We're going to have to make big, big cuts—big, big cuts. We are going to do it without increasing taxes and without touching Social Security. Though I would say about Social Security, that in 1983 we fixed it. We preserved the integrity of the system and we may have to go back and do that again—preserve the integrity of the system—particularly Medicare, which is going to be in trouble in the next few years—by the end of this century. Then in the year about 2010, 2011, we start spending more on Social Security than we're taking in. So only to preserve the integrity we will be dealing with Social Security.

Everything else from A to Z and that includes agriculture, it's very important to my state. In fact the farmers say, "Bob, can't you say Z to A because maybe they won't get to A if you start with Z?" So when I'm out in the farm area, I say everything from Z to A. Everything from A to Z—we're going to look at it and we're going to have a lot of heartburn. A lot of people aren't going to like it. But if we got any message last year from the voters, I don't care which party they were in, they were saying we have to rein in the federal government. We have to reconnect the federal government with the values of the average citizens. We have to reassert ourselves to our rightful place in the sun around the world. These were the three R's as I look at it, as I study the surveys, and I look at all the data just as you do. The American people, regardless of party, expect us to make some tough choices.

We are going to have to reduce the rate of growth and spending. Some call that a cut. We call it something else. There is going to be less money, it seems to me and I say to the President, I wish he had been a little tougher on the budget. I think the President sort of took a walk on the budget this year. He has that right, he's not the first president to do that. We have 200 billion dollar deficits, as far as the eye can see, year after year after year if we don't act.

Again it is going to have to be bipartisan in the Senate. It only takes 41 Senators to block anything in the United States Senate. We have 54, the Democrats have 46, so it's easy to see that 41 can block anything except in the so-called reconciliation process. I hope that when the Congress returns, we will do precisely what the President said last night. We will stop all the rhetoric about trying to scare children and senior citizens and concentrate instead on getting results. We can get results if we work together.

Welfare reform I know is a big issue in this state—big issue all across America. Health care reform, fighting crime, and I will just touch on these very briefly and then I'm out of here. I'm finished.

Let me talk about welfare reform. We want to return power to the states and I know there is some skepticism in a state like Florida, which is growing very rapidly, about welfare reform and block grants. I first introduced block grant legislation on AFDC back in 1979 with Senator Russell Long, who was chairman of the Finance Committee, and I was the ranking Republican. So I believed in block grants for a long, long time. It seems to me that it is something that we should do. We are going to take a look because of the questions raised when the President spoke here and questions raised by Republican and Democratic state legislators and the Governor about growth states. How do we deal with that and how do we deal with the waiver? Does that mean you are exempt from block grants? We will study all these different issues. Seems to me that it is something we are going to do. As the President said last night, he wants it on his desk by July 4th. We're willing to work with the President of the United States on welfare reform that is going to be tough on work conditions and also be very sensitive about the concerns that we all have about children. This is America. No one's child is going to go without medical treatment. No one's child is going to go without food in America. This is America. We will solve that problem before we are finished.

Let me mention health care reform. Last year we got bogged down because we were talking about a government-run system. It just wouldn't sell with Democrats, Republicans, anybody else across America. It was too much government. It was the starting of a new entitlement program. In fact, even some of the Republican plans had entitlement programs, new entitlement programs, at the very time Senator Bob Kerrey, a Demo-

crat, and Senator Jack Danforth, a Republican, were chairing an entitlements commission saying we have got to go after entitlements, we can't create more entitlements. There are a lot of things we can and should do in health care. Most of the horrible examples that you saw on television last year dealt with pre-existing conditions—where somebody had a problem and they couldn't get insurance because of this pre-existing condition. We are going to take care of the pre-existing condition. We are going to take care of portability so that you can change jobs. You don't have job-lock because you are afraid that you are going to lose your insurance if you change jobs. These are issues that I think I'd say almost everybody in the Congress agrees on.

We are also going to look at small business reforms. Why not let small businesses go together and pool their resources, get better deals from insurance companies, or economies of scale—whatever you call it? There are a lot of things we can do.

Malpractice reform; let's stop driving doctors out of health care. Let's keep them in business. So we are going to have to take up health care and tort reform and some of the other areas.

There are a number of areas that we agree on. We need to let the self-employed deduct more than 25 percent. We did that this year. We have to pay for it. All these things have to be paid for. We think they should be able to deduct 100 percent like everybody else.

I am very optimistic that Congress, again, I will ask the President to work with us since he asked us to work with him. If he will work with us on health care reform and not expand it into a big, big, big government program, then we can do it this year and help hundreds of thousands of Floridians and people in my state and all across America. We just have to reframe the debate.

We talked about what the government could do the last time around to make things better, but the government is broke, if you haven't noticed. The government is broke. What we need to do is focus on the marketplace and see what they can do, what the states can do and what the role of government will be.

Let me say also that we obviously would have allowed any health care program the flexibility to devise Medicaid plans that best suit your individual needs, whether it's Florida or my state or somewhere else.

Crime; now we're going to have a little difference of opinion on crime. You heard what the President said. He is very proud of the 100,000 cops on the street. We are told by the experts that it will never reach 25,000, but he says 100,000—9 billion dollars. We would like to transform that and let you decide whether you need more police, more technology, more squad cars. Again, send the money back to the states and let you make the decisions in this state through the Governor, through the state legislature on how you can best spend the money. It seems to me that makes a lot of sense. Who knows what's best for Florida? Those of us in Washington, those in bureaucracies—and I don't condemn people in bureaucracies, they are good people—or the people in this room, up here or here? It seems to me that the choice is pretty clear.

I heard some of the debate talking about front lines here in the House on education. What about those on the front lines in the war against crime and drugs—the prosecutors, the county sheriffs, the local police chiefs? It seems to me that they can make a lot better decisions and more recommendations to this legislative body because, again, they know where you are. You know what the problems are, and that's why we think we ought to do it.

I also think that we ought to stand foursquare behind truth in sentencing. I know you are working on a bill called "STOP"—Stop Turning Out Prisoners bill. I hope that bill has either passed or will pass. We are going to say in our bill that if you do the crime, you do the time. We are talking about doing 100 percent and you are talking about 85 percent but either one would be a big, big improvement over what we do now. It's almost the revolving door. In some areas where one in ten prisoner goes to jail that commits a serious crime, and out of the one in ten, they generally serve only a portion of their sentence. I always thought one way to make it safer for the rest of us is if somebody commits a violent crime, is incarceration. They don't commit violent crimes while they're incarcerated. At least they don't commit violent crimes against law-abiding citizens anywhere in America. So we are going to push the truth in sentencing laws and we are going to provide, if it passes, money to states like Florida and others to build prisons so that you can send some of your state prisoners to federal prisons if, in fact, you have a bill like "Stop Turning Out Prisoners". We think that would be a step in the right direction.

Let me talk about assault weapons because I've been assaulted because I talked about assault weapons. We passed a bill in Congress that said we are going to ban 19 assault weapons. You may or may not know that seven of those weapons are already back on the street. All you have to do is modify them and they are back on the street. Two have been discontinued. That leaves ten, and I don't know what will happen to the ten. I assume that some will go back on the street. I don't know of any way that we can deal with gun control. I think we ought to put our emphasis on criminal control. That is why I have been working for a long time—going back to 1986—in fact, even before for what is called the "instant check." Florida is one of the seven states that has the "instant check." We have got millions and millions of names in a national computer where all you have to do is insert a card and we go back to the 1968 federal law where there are eight different categories of people who would not get any gun. If you put your card in, just like going to the store with a credit card, and it says "tilt," you don't get anything. You don't get a hand gun, you don't get a shotgun, you don't get a long gun, you don't get a machine gun. That is called criminal control. Law-abiding citizens aren't going to have a problem. If you are a convicted felon, if you are dishonorably discharged—there are eight different categories—then you don't get a gun. I hope that you have had enough success with your program that you can provide us with leadership at a national level. That's how we are going to keep guns out of the hands of criminals—with an "instant check". We believe that an "instant check" is going to be part of the way of the future. If we had funded it the last two or three years, we would be in a position now, we believe, to make it work nationwide. We haven't given up and it has bipartisan support in the Congress of the United States, and we hope that we can look at some of the things that you have done and make it work. I have been working with Congressman Bill McCollum since 1988, and we haven't given up. And again, as I've said, we've got members of the other party working with us, too. Last year here in Florida over 300,000 "instant checks" were performed and over 9,000 convicted felons, fugitives and others were stopped from purchasing firearms. It seems to me that's a record that we ought to take a look at. So it proves in Florida if you look at somebody, you don't need a waiting period. It happens in 30 seconds. Just like your credit card happens in 30 seconds. Then we can check the criminal background instantly without penalizing law-abiding citizens.

Let me say one word about foreign policy. I understand you had a debate on a resolution the other day on foreign policy on the Bay of Pigs. I want to conclude this morning by saying that Senators Mack, Graham and myself share an opinion of the leader of the country just 90 miles from Florida's shores. The facts are clear. Cuba is a base for drug smuggling and a haven for criminals. Cuba has the worst human rights record in this hemisphere. Cuba has tried to export revolutions, subversion for three decades, and it still remains home for a Russian intelligence base. I believe that it is time to say enough is enough. It's time to make the end of Fidel Castro's tyranny an explicit goal of American foreign policy. I don't see how we can have any real freedom or democracy as long as Fidel Castro remains in power in Cuba. I think the first thing we ought to do is pass the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act which would strengthen international sanctions against Castro's regime and require the President, whoever he or she may be, to develop a plan for providing support to Cuba when a transition government is in place. So I would just say, I think it is not just something important to Florida, but I think it resonates around the world.

Finally, I would say, it is an honor to be here. I know there is a lot of speculation about what is going to happen in 1996, and I know that President Clinton thinks about it and it's crossed my mind a few times as I travel around the country here the past few days. But let me again say—I believe in the political system. I believe in the American system. One thing again, as the Governor knows, and Senator Hawkins and Bill Grant and others and Mark Foley and others who have served in Congress, you see a lot of foreign leaders. Three to four years ago they were coming in droves to America. A lot of people said all they wanted was foreign aid. They didn't want foreign aid. They would come to our office. They were men and they were women, they were young and they were old and some had been in prison for standing here like I am today and even hinting some criticism of an administration. They were locked up. Now they were party leaders, now they were prime ministers, now they were presidents of the country or members of the cabinet, members of the legislature. Almost without exception when they left our office they would say in some cases with tears flowing down their cheeks—it wasn't foreign aid, it wasn't anything else except this—they would say, "We want to be like America. We want to be like America." Think about it for a moment.

Five hundred million people in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union are getting just a little taste of freedom. We want democracy to grow and to flourish and they are looking to us for technical assistance. I think, in most cases, that is in our interest. I wanted to point out because it reminded me when I was over for the D-Day Celebration last June, sometimes we fail to remember the greatness of America. All of us make mistakes. Our country is not perfect. We still have discrimination in some areas. A lot of things aren't the way they should be but we are the envy of every other country in the world. As I watched the D-Day ceremonies, I watched the emotion come over the men who had taken their kids and grandkids over there. A lot of them had probably forgotten about D-Day 50 years ago. In fact, a recent poll shows that less than half the Americans knew what D-Day was all about. You could see it in their faces. You could see it in their children's faces or their grandchildren's faces. You could see the tears and the sobbing and the weeping because they were thinking about their father, their grandfather, but they were thinking about America. As I said to someone last night, "Do you ever think of your father being 17, 18, 19 or 20 years old? Do you ever think of your grandfather being that young?" Well, keep in mind that these were the men on the beaches and in the airplanes and on the ships, wherever, all around the world. For what reason? For liberty and freedom and it was all about American leadership. I think many of those young people learned more about America and the greatness of America in that two-day ceremony than they probably even thought about in their lifetime.

The point I want to make is this—I happen to believe that wherever America is engaged, not just militarily but morally, spiritually, economically, wherever we're engaged, good things are going to happen for the most part. Sometimes mistakes are made. I want to make certain that I repeat it every time I have an opportunity. We are the greatest nation on the face of the earth. If we have a problem today, we may not get it solved today. Maybe it's health care, maybe it is something else. Maybe it's welfare, maybe it's finding jobs and opportunities for people, but my view in America is we are going to solve that problem. Many times we are going to solve it together regardless of our party. Sometimes we aren't going to be able to do that, it may be party line.

So I would just thank you very much. This is a great honor to speak to everybody in this chamber; Democrats and Republicans, distinguished guests, members of the Court, members of the Cabinet and the executive branch. I have a great deal of respect for everybody in the legislative body, and I just hope that we can all work together in the weeks and months and years ahead. Thank you.

DISSOLUTION OF JOINT SESSION

Following his address, the committee previously appointed escorted Senator Dole from the rostrum and from the House chamber.

On motion by Senator Jennings, the joint session recessed at 11:22 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 2526 with 1 amendment

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

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends the following pass: SB 702 with 1 amendment

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

The Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities recommends the following pass: SB 2258 with 2 amendments

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends the following pass: SB 1754 with 1 amendment

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Higher Education recommends the following pass: HB 741

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 1010 with 1 amendment

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight under the original reference.

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends the following pass: SB 2102 with 1 amendment

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

The Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities recommends the following pass: SB 2242

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends the following pass: SB 2336 with 3 amendments

The Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services recommends the following pass: SB 2012 with 2 amendments, SB 2084 with 2 amendments

The Special Master on Claims recommends the following pass: SB 648, SB 2318

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 2350

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 2970

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 1346, SB 1542, SB 2492

The Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities recommends the following pass: SB 108 with 3 amendments, CS for SB 220 with 2 amendments, CS for SB 778, SB 1506 with 2 amendments, SB 1534 with 3 amendments

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 2688 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Executive Business, Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 2224 with 3 amendments

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends the following pass: SB 688, SB 1472 with 1 amendment, CS for SB 1814 with 2 amendments, SB 2754 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services recommends the following pass: CS for SB 2326, SB 2778 with 3 amendments

The Committee on Higher Education recommends the following pass: SB 2404, SB 2894 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: CS for SB 48 with 5 amendments, CS for SB 1400 with 2 amendments, CS for SB's 2030 and 2144 with 1 amendment.

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 2086 with 2 amendments

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 1710

The Committee on Commerce and Economic Opportunities recommends the following pass: SB 1014, SB 1796

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends the following pass: SB 1720

The Committee on Executive Business, Ethics and Elections recommends the following pass: SB 1306

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends the following pass: SB 674 with 1 amendment, SB 2756 with 1 amendment, SB 2780 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Higher Education recommends the following pass: HB 283 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 2166 with 1 amendment, SB 2794

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 1944 with 2 amendments, SB 2424 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Ways and Means recommends the following pass: CS for SB 4 with 4 amendments, CS for SB 16 with 1 amendment, SB 66, CS for SB 114 with 1 amendment, CS for SB 172, SB 1032, SB 1426, SB 1482 with 1 amendment, SB 1576 with 1 amendment, SB 2104 with 1 amendment, SB 2136 with 1 amendment, CS for SB 2330 with 2 amendments

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were placed on the calendar.

The Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 2164

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

The Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 2660, SB 2696

The bills with committee substitutes attached were referred to the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight under the original reference.

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 2522

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

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1642

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 3018

The Committee on Community Affairs recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 1812, SB 2852, SB 2858

The Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 1658, SB 2706

The Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1330

The Committee on Higher Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 2382

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 2140, SB 2506, SB 2874

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 734, SB 2234, SB 2410

The Committee on Transportation recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 70, SB 200, SB 1706, SB 2686

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means under the original reference.

The Committee on Ways and Means recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 894, SB 2016

The bills with committee substitutes attached were placed on the calendar.

BILLS RECALLED FROM SUBCOMMITTEE

April 17, 1995

The following bills which were referred to the Subcommittee on Finance and Tax have been withdrawn: Senate Bills 1830, 458, 878, 880, 882, 1782

Mario Diaz-Balart, Chairman
Committee on Ways and Means

REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

April 14, 1995

The Subcommittee on Finance and Tax recommends favorably to the full committee the following: SB 456 with 3 amendments, SB 1660 with 5 amendments

John McKay, Chairman
Subcommittee E, Finance and Tax
Committee on Ways and Means

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

SR 3036 was introduced out of order and adopted this day.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Transportation and Senators Forman and Grant—

CS for SB 70—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; providing for the issuance of license plates to commemorate soil and water conservation; providing fees; providing for the use of such fees; providing for the discontinuance of such license plates; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation and Senators Forman, Gutman, Casas, Crist, Silver, Meadows, Williams, Johnson, Rossin and Turner—

CS for SB 200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; providing for the issuance of a Red Ribbon HIV-AIDS-Awareness license plate; providing fees; providing for the use of such fees; providing for the discontinuance of such license plates; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries and Senator Casas—

CS for SB 734—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pari-mutuel wagering; amending s. 550.26352, F.S.; providing for the Breeders' Cup Meet; authorizing pari-mutuel pools on thoroughbred horse races during

the meet; prohibiting the conduct of certain racing within a certain distance of the facility at which the Breeders' Cup Meet is held during the meet; providing tax benefits and credits; authorizing the broadcast of the races conducted at the meet to other locations; providing for the commingling of certain wagers; providing for rules; prohibiting receipt of tax credit until completion of audit; providing time limitations; providing for the application of the act in the event of certain statutory conflicts; repealing s. 550.26353, F.S., relating to tax credits and tax exemptions for certain permitholders; amending s. 550.09515, F.S.; providing for a winter racing season and a summer racing season; providing for assignment of racing dates; requiring racing periods to be run consecutively during a season; prohibiting an applicant or facility from conducting thoroughbred racing in more than one season; defining the term "applicant" for purposes of conducting thoroughbred racing during a season; establishing a taxing structure on live handle; establishing an application deadline; amending s. 550.615, F.S.; authorizing intertrack wagers at certain facilities; amending s. 550.2625, F.S.; requiring horserace permitholders to withhold a sum for purses on exotic wagers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Ways and Means; and Senators McKay and Jenne—

CS for SB 894—A bill to be entitled An act relating to registered limited liability partnerships; creating ss. 620.78, 620.785, 620.79, 620.80, 620.81, 620.82, 620.825, 620.83, 620.835, 620.84, 620.845, and 620.85, F.S.; providing requirements and procedures for becoming a registered limited liability partnership; providing for cancellation of registration; providing for liability of partners; providing for naming registered limited liability partnerships; requiring insurance or letters of credit; providing effect of a statement of registration or renewal; providing criteria; authorizing a domestic limited partnership to become a registered limited liability partnership; providing for foreign registered limited liability partnerships; providing for cancellation of registration as a foreign registered limited liability partnership; providing for application to foreign and interstate commerce; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services; and Senators Bankhead and Harden—

CS for SB 1330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public assistance; amending s. 409.029, F.S., relating to the Florida Employment Opportunity Act; defining the term "employment and training program" for purposes of the act; providing for entities other than the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to provide employment and training services under the act; revising program activities to be made available to eligible participants; providing for workers' compensation or similar coverage for certain participants; providing responsibilities of the department; revising requirements for recipients of public assistance in participating in employment and training programs; requiring an assessment of a participant's employability; authorizing the department to restrict the scope of the JOBS program; providing priorities for program participation; requiring the department to make certain projections with respect to resources and caseloads; deleting an orientation requirement for food stamp eligibility; deleting certain assessment requirements; providing a conciliation period for participants who fail to comply with program requirements; deleting provisions relating to a conciliation period and protective payees for noncompliant teen parents; providing for the department's service districts to execute contracts for employment and training activities; providing for the allocation of funds based on performance measures established by the department; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to allocate staff positions and funding between the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services and the Department of Labor and Employment Security for purposes of implementing the Florida Employment Opportunity Act; amending s. 409.185, F.S.; adding a requirement for a parent or a caretaker-relative of a school-age child; providing for reduced benefits payments in certain situations; specifying exemptions from reduced benefits; providing for an appeal; amending s. 409.924, F.S.; directing the department to exclude certain needs when determining AFDC benefits; providing for reinstatement of needs; amending s. 409.928, F.S.; modifying the membership of the review panel; amending s. 409.930, F.S.; specifying noncompliance notification and condition for reinstatement; directing the department to again request a waiver from the U.S. Department of Agriculture regarding certain benefits; directing the department to develop sanctioning procedures within specified guidelines related to noncompliance; amending s.

409.933, F.S.; directing the department to exclude a parent's and dependent student's needs when determining the AFDC benefits if the student does not comply with certain school requirements; amending s. 409.938, F.S.; allowing the department to review for compliance with immunization requirements; providing grounds for sanction; directing the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to request federal waivers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight; and Senators Sullivan and Jones—

CS for SB 1336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating the public records mediation program within the Office of the Attorney General; providing duties of the office relating to public records dispute mediation, legislation, and training; requiring a report; amending s. 119.01, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to electronic recordkeeping and access to such records; amending s. 119.011, F.S.; revising the definition of "public records"; amending s. 119.083, F.S.; defining "proprietary software"; providing requirements applicable to agencies that use proprietary software; providing for fees; prohibiting agencies from entering into certain contracts for creation or maintenance of a public records database; amending s. 257.36, F.S.; providing that the Division of Library and Information Services shall institute a training program relating to access to public records; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Natural Resources and Senator Kirkpatrick—

CS for SB 1642—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission funding; amending s. 370.01, F.S.; defining the terms "authorization" and "exhibit"; amending s. 370.0605, F.S.; providing procedures for the use of an authorization in lieu of a saltwater fishing license or permit; authorizing an additional charge for administrative costs; allowing county tax collectors to retain part of the administrative charge; authorizing fees for replacement of certain licenses and permits; requiring county tax collectors to submit reports and payments at specified times; amending s. 370.0606, F.S.; providing procedures for the appointment of subagents; amending s. 370.0608, F.S.; revising the time for transfer of saltwater license fees to the trust fund; amending s. 370.0615, F.S.; replacing the term "stamp" with the term "permit"; amending s. 370.062, F.S.; authorizing an administrative charge for tarpon fishing tags; providing for the transfer of tag fees; amending ss. 370.1111, 370.14, F.S.; replacing the term "stamp" with the term "permit"; authorizing the commission, tax collectors, and subagents to sell permits; providing for the transfer of permit fees; amending s. 372.001, F.S.; redefining the term "resident" and defining the term "authorization"; amending s. 372.0222, F.S.; authorizing the commission to contract for certain advertising; amending s. 372.561, F.S.; changing stamp to permit; authorizing an administrative charge for certain licenses or permits; revising reporting requirements for county tax collectors; revising criteria for free licenses; amending s. 372.57, F.S.; providing procedures for the use of an authorization in lieu of a hunting or freshwater fishing license or permit; authorizing a short-term nonresident fishing license and fee; changing stamp to permit; providing for a daily use permit; amending s. 372.571, F.S.; changing stamp to permit; amending s. 372.5712, F.S.; changing stamp to permit; eliminating a formula for certain revenue expenditures; amending s. 372.5714, F.S.; revising the duties of the Waterfowl Advisory Council; amending s. 372.5715, F.S.; changing stamp to permit; amending s. 372.574, F.S.; providing procedures and standards for the appointment of subagents; requiring recordkeeping and reports by subagents; amending ss. 372.58, 372.581, 372.59, F.S.; changing stamp to permit; amending s. 372.60, F.S.; providing procedures for replacement of licenses or permits; authorizing an administrative charge for replacements; amending s. 372.711, F.S.; changing stamp to permit; creating s. 320.08068, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a Largemouth Bass license plate; providing for fees and their disposition; repealing s. 372.573, F.S.; which provides for the disposition of management area stamp revenues; appropriating funds to the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight, and Senators Forman and Turner—

CS for SB 1658—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of medical physics; creating the "Florida Medical Physicists Act"; provid-

ing a declaration of legislative policy; providing definitions; creating the Advisory Council of Medical Physicists in the Agency for Health Care Administration; providing for council membership, terms, term limitations, qualifications, removal, validity of actions in certain circumstances, reimbursement of members for travel expenses, election of officers, frequency of meetings, administrative support, and rulemaking and other duties; requiring licensure for engaging in the practice of medical physics; requiring separate licensure for each specialty; providing for the Agency for Health Care Administration to make rules relating to licensure and to set fees; providing license-application procedures; providing for the expiration and renewal of licenses; providing penalties for late renewal; prescribing requirements for licensure; allowing the agency to refuse to issue or renew a license, to suspend or revoke a license, or to reprimand a licensee for specified violations; allowing the agency to establish fees by rule; providing for the disposition of the fee proceeds; providing penalties for violations; providing guidelines for setting the amount of fines; exempting certain persons; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation and Senator Rossin—

CS for SB 1706—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 320.0607, F.S.; authorizing replacement of a seized license plate; amending s. 320.131, F.S.; authorizing law enforcement officers to issue temporary license plates; creating s. 322.70, F.S.; directing seizure of motor vehicle license plates by law enforcement officers in specified circumstances; providing for notice of seizure; specifying when a temporary license plate may be issued; providing for a hearing; providing what must be proved at the hearing; authorizing appeals; specifying evidence that is inadmissible in trial; providing for holding hearings concurrent with hearings under s. 322.2615, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs and Senators Jones, Forman, Meadows and Williams—

CS for SB 1812—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government comprehensive planning; amending s. 163.3184, F.S.; revising requirements relating to review of plan amendments by the state land planning agency; revising the time period for review by the agency of amendments that result from a compliance agreement; revising the requirements for publication of notice of intent by the agency to find a comprehensive plan or plan amendment in compliance or not in compliance; revising requirements relating to administrative proceedings subsequent to a notice of intent by the agency to find a plan amendment adopted pursuant to a compliance agreement in compliance; amending s. 163.3187, F.S.; revising conditions under which small scale development amendments may be made to a comprehensive plan without regard to statutory limits on the frequency of plan amendments; revising notice requirements; providing for challenge to such amendments; providing for hearings and findings by the hearing officer and the agency; providing effective date of such amendments; providing for a report by the agency relating to an increase in the annual total acreage threshold for small scale amendments; amending ss. 163.3177 and 163.3202, F.S.; extending the deadline for adoption and implementation of plan amendments and land development regulations to implement portions of the intergovernmental coordination element; providing for a nonbinding intergovernmental coordination element pilot program and requiring a report thereon; amending s. 163.3191, F.S.; providing that the schedule for completion and transmittal of plan amendments to implement portions of that element shall not be dependent upon or established by the rule adopting a schedule for submittal of evaluation and appraisal reports; extending the deadline for completion of a sufficiency determination of an evaluation and appraisal report; amending s. 186.507, F.S., relating to regional planning councils; revising provisions relating to the adoption of strategic regional policy plans by the governing body of a regional planning council; amending s. 380.06, F.S., relating to developments of regional impact; revising provisions relating to notice of adoption of or amendments to a development order; increasing the extension period for the date of a buildout of a development which is presumed to create a substantial deviation; specifying extension periods that are not substantial deviations; revising provisions relating to calculation of extension periods and effect of extensions; specifying those changes to a development order that are not subject to public hearing or determination requirements and those changes which are not substantial deviations; removing notice requirements with respect thereto; requiring the regional planning agency or state land planning agency to advise a local govern-

ment and developer of whether it objects to a proposed change to an approved development of regional impact; revising a restriction on appeal by the state land planning agency of a local government's decision on such a change; providing for retroactive effect; establishing a process to abandon a development of regional impact; providing for rules; amending s. 380.0651, F.S., relating to statewide guidelines and standards for projects that must undergo a development-of-regional-impact review; providing standards for postsecondary educational campuses; revising the criteria for review of airports; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Ways and Means; and Senator Diaz-Balart—

CS for SB 2016—A bill to be entitled An act establishing a date for the reversion of unexpended appropriations to the Board of Regents for Florida Gulf Coast University; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Natural Resources and Senator McKay—

CS for SB 2140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pollution caused by drycleaning solvents; amending s. 376.301, F.S.; revising and adding definitions; amending s. 376.303, F.S.; revising the powers and duties of the Department of Environmental Protection pertaining to the registration program for drycleaning facilities and wholesale supply facilities; amending s. 376.3078, F.S.; revising the requirements pertaining to the drycleaning facility restoration fund; providing immunity under certain circumstances; amending s. 376.3079, F.S.; revising the third-party liability insurance provision; amending s. 376.308, F.S.; revising the liability of facilities; amending s. 376.313, F.S.; revising the provisions for civil actions against facilities; amending s. 376.70, F.S.; providing that uniform-rental and linen-supply companies are not subject to the tax imposed on gross receipts of drycleaning facilities; requiring the Department of Revenue to refund taxes and fees that have been remitted; repealing s. 376.70(4), F.S., relating to an exemption from gross receipts tax on drycleaning facilities; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services; and Senator Johnson—

CS for SB 2164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice; amending s. 20.316, F.S., relating to the Department of Juvenile Justice; removing references to subdistricts; amending s. 39.01, F.S.; clarifying definitions with respect to juvenile proceedings; amending s. 39.0145, F.S.; specifying that direct contempt of court includes traffic court; amending s. 39.017, F.S., relating to attorney's fees; revising provisions relating to presumption against indigency to substitute references to "parent or legal guardian" for references to "defendant"; amending s. 39.025, F.S.; removing a reference to subdistricts; amending s. 39.037, F.S.; providing for notification of other education providers with respect to specified delinquent acts or violations of law; amending s. 39.039, F.S., relating to fingerprinting for misdemeanor offenses; correcting cross-references; amending s. 39.042, F.S., relating to use of detention; adding a cross-reference with respect to domestic violence offenses; amending s. 39.044, F.S.; adding home detention care as a type of detention care and adding a cross-reference with respect to domestic violence offenses; amending s. 39.0445, F.S., relating to juvenile domestic violence offenders; adding a cross-reference with respect to domestic violence offenses; amending s. 39.047, F.S., relating to intake and case management; adding a cross-reference with respect to prosecution as an adult and specifying that written reasons will be provided to the court; amending s. 39.0475, F.S.; providing for approval of intervention programs by alternative sanctions coordinators; amending s. 39.052, F.S., relating to hearings; providing for prosecution of a child as adult; amending s. 39.0581, F.S.; revising criteria for commitment to a maximum-risk residential program; amending s. 39.0585, F.S.; clarifying which juveniles are to be included in the information system; amending s. 39.059, F.S.; correcting a reference with respect to legal guardians; amending s. 39.426, F.S.; revising case staffing committee composition for children in need of services; amending ss. 4 and 6, ch. 94-209, Laws of Florida; changing the annual Juvenile Justice Advisory Board report date and delaying the youthful offender study final report for 1 year; amending s. 230.335, F.S.; providing for specified notification of other education providers; amending s. 232.19, F.S.; requiring school administrators to submit reports for child-in-need-of-services petitions to the local case staffing committees of the Department of Juvenile Justice in habitual truancy cases; amending s. 236.081, F.S.;

placing special programs for teenage parents into the funding category of programs for students at risk; amending s. 316.655, F.S.; revising release procedures for a juvenile arrested for driving under the influence; amending s. 415.515, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Juvenile Justice to develop family builders programs; amending s. 415.51, F.S.; providing access by the Department of Juvenile Justice to the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services' abuse records; amending s. 790.22, F.S., relating to firearms possession offenses by minors; changing certain references to the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to references to the Department of Juvenile Justice; providing conforming language; repealing s. 39.0587, F.S., relating to transfer of a child for prosecution as an adult; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries and Senator Silver—

CS for SB 2234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of pari-mutuel wagering; amending s. 550.002, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the terms "breaks," "harness racing," "intertrack wager," and "takeout" and adding a definition of "net pool pricing"; amending s. 550.01215, F.S.; authorizing the division to authorize changes in racing dates under certain circumstances; allowing conversion of a pari-mutuel wagering permit; amending s. 550.0251, F.S., relating to disposition of money from administrative fines; amending s. 550.0054, F.S.; deleting reference to the commission; deleting reference to the Department of Law Enforcement with respect to fingerprints; amending s. 550.09511, F.S., relating to payment of tax on intertrack handle; allowing a jai alai permit-holder to conduct intertrack wagering when licensed by the division; amending s. 550.105, F.S.; revising language with respect to occupational licenses of racetrack employees; providing reference to jai alai frontons; providing reference to restricted and unrestricted licenses; providing for access to certain areas; providing for the application of the section; authorizing the division to place conditions upon certain licenses or licensees; revising the tax limit a municipality may assess jai alai games; amending s. 550.1155, F.S.; providing a time limit on license suspensions; amending s. 550.155, F.S.; requiring permitholders to inform the patrons as to the takeout currently being applied to handle at the facility; amending s. 550.2614, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing for membership in the horsemen's association; amending s. 550.2625, F.S.; deleting references to commission; amending s. 550.334, F.S.; conforming cross-references; deleting reference to the commission; deleting references to administrative penalties; deleting reference to certain quarterhorse races; amending s. 550.3551, F.S.; clarifying references to statutes regarding taxation, providing reference to jai alai frontons; allowing a permitholder to modify its takeout percentage for simulcast wagering when net pool pricing is used; amending s. 550.495, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to totalisator licensing; amending s. 550.505, F.S.; deleting reference to the commission; repealing s. 550.09513, F.S.; relating to taxes and fees with respect to jai alai permitholders beginning casino-type gaming activities; repealing s. 550.09511(6), F.S., relating to the July 1, 1998, sunset and review of jai alai regulation; repealing s. 550.09511(3)(a),(b), F.S., relating to inactive jai alai permits escheating to the state; repealing s. 550.615(10), F.S., relating to greyhound permitholders conducting intertrack wagering and to purse requirements; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Higher Education and Senators Kirkpatrick, Sullivan, Williams, Casas, Myers, Turner, McKay, Meadows, Burt, Hargrett, Holzendorf, Brown-Waite, Dyer, Dudley and Kurth—

CS for SB 2382—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education and training; creating the Certified Teacher-Aide Welfare Transition Program to select and prepare recipients of public assistance to become certified in early-intervention child development and to become employed in certain elementary schools; recommending local, state, and federal funding sources; designating agency responsibility; providing authority for the agencies' recommendations; providing criteria for participation by historically black colleges, community colleges, and district school boards; requiring priorities for program planning and funding; transferring the federal JOBS program to the Department of Labor and Employment Security; providing for participation by an independent institution; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries and Senators Holzendorf, Childers, Turner and Jenne—

CS for SB 2410—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxation on greyhound racing; creating s. 550.09514, F.S.; providing for greyhound dogracing taxes; providing for minimum purse payments; providing for an effective date.

By the Committee on Natural Resources and Senators Bankhead, Hargrett, Brown-Waite, Horne and Beard—

CS for SB 2506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to seaports; creating s. 311.105, F.S.; creating the Florida Seaport Dredged-Material Management Committee for the purpose of developing and annually updating the Florida Seaport Dredged-Material Management Plan; providing for membership of the committee; providing components and requirements of the plan; authorizing issuance of certain permits relating to dredged-material management; providing exemption from or credit for environmental mitigation relating to dredged-material management; amending s. 403.021, F.S.; requiring maintenance of water depths in deepwater ports of the state to be in compliance with port master plans; adding Fernandina and Key West as deepwater ports to which certain maintenance provisions apply; amending s. 403.061, F.S., relating to powers and duties of the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the department to establish a permit system for port-maintenance dredging as part of overall dredged-material management in specified seaports; amending ss. 163.3177, 380.24, F.S., relating to coastal management elements of comprehensive plans, to conform; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight; and Senator Grant—

CS for SB 2522—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military affairs; creating s. 250.5201, F.S.; providing for a stay of proceedings in court when troops are called out in state service for a certain period; creating s. 250.5202, F.S.; providing for the stay of eviction or distress actions during a period of state active duty; creating s. 250.5203, F.S.; providing a maximum rate of interest on obligations or liabilities of persons in state active duty; creating s. 250.5204, F.S.; providing requirements with respect to installment contracts for the purchase of property by persons in state active duty; providing a penalty for repossession under certain circumstances; providing procedures; creating s. 250.5205, F.S.; providing requirements with respect to mortgages and trust deeds with respect to persons in state active duty; providing a penalty for certain sales, foreclosures, or seizure of such property; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services; and Senator Bankhead—

CS for SB 2660—A bill to be entitled An act relating to social and economic assistance; directing the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services and the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop a report to examine the feasibility of implementing a fingerprint-matching identification system and a photo identification card for applicants or recipients of food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and Medicaid; requiring a report of the feasibility study to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature; providing for pilot initiation based on the results of the feasibility study; requiring the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to establish an electronic benefit-transfer program; providing for implementation of electronic benefit-transfer pilot programs by a specified date; allowing the department to enter into public-private contracts; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation and Senator Hargrett—

CS for SB 2686—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles and mobile homes; amending s. 319.30, F.S.; revising and adding definitions governing title certificates; revising provisions with respect to vehicles that are dismantled, destroyed, or altered in a specified manner; revising provisions relating to salvage; providing for vehicle identification

numbers; amending s. 319.33, F.S.; conforming terms; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; providing requirements for garage liability insurance policies; amending s. 812.16, F.S.; redefining the terms "motor vehicle" and "major component part"; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health and Rehabilitative Services; and Senator Bankhead—

CS for SB 2696—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 430.607, F.S., providing an exemption from public records requirements for information about elderly persons who receive services under ss. 430.601-430.606, F.S.; providing for future review and repeal; providing a finding of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Reform and Oversight; and Senator Harden—

CS for SB 2706—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of professions and occupations; transferring the Board of Massage Therapy to the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; conforming the change in name of a board; amending s. 28.222, F.S., relating to the recording of instruments; removing the requirement that instruments relating to land surveying include a sketch; providing that the failure to attach a sketch to any instrument presented for recording during the operative period of such requirement shall not affect the validity of the instrument or its recording; amending s. 255.551, F.S.; revising the definition of "abatement"; amending s. 255.565, F.S.; clarifying the responsibilities of the Asbestos Oversight Program Team; amending ss. 326.002, 326.003, 326.004, and 326.006, F.S., relating to the "Yacht and Ship Brokers' Act"; transferring the regulation of yacht and ship brokers from the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to the Division of Professions of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; conforming terminology; amending s. 402.48, relating to health care services pools; transferring the regulation of health care services pools from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to the Agency for Health Care Administration; conforming terminology; amending s. 455.203, F.S.; providing that a licensee acknowledges compliance with all requirements for renewal upon submitting the appropriate renewal fees to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation or the Agency for Health Care Administration, as applicable; amending s. 455.219, F.S.; authorizing regulatory boards, or the department if there is no board, to charge a fee for authorized inspections; amending s. 455.227, F.S.; exempting licensees acting as mediators in professional mediation programs from being disciplined for failing to report violators; amending s. 468.542, F.S.; providing definitions for classes of water and wastewater operators; defining "operator trainee"; amending s. 468.543, F.S.; providing for the registration of water and wastewater operator trainees; amending s. 468.547, F.S.; providing a registration fee; amending s. 468.549, F.S.; providing for continuing education requirements for water and wastewater operators; amending s. 468.551, F.S.; requiring registration of operator trainees; amending s. 468.627, F.S.; revising an exemption from examination fees applicable to building code administrators and inspectors for employees of local government agencies having building code inspection, regulation, and enforcement responsibilities; revising part XIV of chapter 468, F.S., relating to the regulation of athletic trainers; amending s. 468.70, F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent; amending and renumbering s. 468.71, F.S., revising and providing definitions; creating s. 468.703, F.S.; creating the Council of Athletic Training and providing its duties; providing for appointment of members, establishment of terms, and compensation and reimbursement for expenses; amending and renumbering s. 468.73, F.S.; revising rule-making authority; creating s. 468.707, F.S.; requiring licensure of athletic trainers and providing qualifications and requirements therefor; creating s. 468.709, F.S.; providing fees; creating s. 468.711, F.S.; providing for license renewal and continuing education; creating s. 468.713, F.S.; providing responsibilities of athletic trainers; creating s. 468.715, F.S.; prohibiting sexual misconduct in the practice of athletic training; creating s. 468.717, F.S.; specifying violations and providing penalties therefor; creating s. 468.719, F.S.; providing disciplinary actions and the grounds therefor; creating s. 468.721, F.S.; providing a saving clause for registered athletic trainers; amending and renumbering s. 468.75, F.S.; revising and providing exemptions to the part; repealing ss. 468.72 and 468.74, F.S., relating to athletic trainer registration and the Athletic Training Regula-

tory Task Force; amending s. 232.435, F.S., relating to teacher athletic trainers, to clarify exemption from licensure requirements; amending s. 455.2228, F.S.; requiring instruction on human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome as a part of biennial relicensure of athletic trainers; amending s. 469.001, F.S.; revising definitions applicable to asbestos abatement; amending s. 469.002, F.S.; revising an exemption relating to asbestos-related activities by governmental employees; amending s. 469.004, F.S.; revising provisions relating to requirements for work involving building structures or systems; revising conditions under which resilient floor covering or its adhesive may be moved, removed, disposed of, or inspected by a person other than a licensed asbestos contractor or asbestos consultant; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to inspect certain asbestos-removal sites; providing rulemaking authority; providing conditions under which asbestos-containing pipe or conduit may be repaired, removed, or disposed of by a person other than a licensed asbestos contractor or asbestos consultant; amending s. 469.006, F.S.; eliminating reference to consultant or contractor seals, to conform; amending s. 469.012, F.S.; requiring onsite roofing supervisors to complete a department-approved asbestos roofing course prior to engaging in the removal of asbestos-containing roofing material; amending s. 469.014, F.S.; providing for the department to approve certain training courses and training-course providers who offer training for persons exempt from licensure; repealing s. 469.015, F.S., relating to seals; repealing s. 54 of chapter 94-119, Laws of Florida; abrogating the repeal of s. 469.004(4), F.S., relating to certain activities for which licensure as an asbestos contractor or asbestos consultant is not required; amending s. 470.0085, F.S., relating to the embalmer apprentice program; providing applicability with respect to certain students; amending s. 470.009, F.S.; reorganizing provisions relating to licensure as a funeral director by examination, to clarify applicability of the internship requirement; amending s. 470.024, F.S.; providing licensing limitations with respect to colocated facilities; requiring the relicensure of funeral establishments whose ownership has changed; amending s. 470.029, F.S.; providing a filing date for monthly reports on final dispositions; amending s. 470.0301, F.S.; providing requirements for registration of centralized embalming facilities; providing for application, late, and inspection fees; creating s. 470.0315, F.S.; providing for the storage, preservation, and transportation of human remains; creating s. 470.0355, F.S.; providing for the identification of human remains; amending s. 473.306, F.S.; providing for appointment of an Educational Advisory Committee for purposes of maintaining proper educational qualifications for licensure of certified public accountants; amending s. 473.312, F.S.; providing for appointment of a Continuing Professional Education Advisory Committee for purposes of maintaining proper continuing education requirements for renewal of licensure of certified public accountants; amending s. 474.203, F.S.; revising exemptions from veterinary practice regulations relating to the holders of veterinary faculty certificates and to certain persons assisting a licensed veterinarian; providing an exemption for registered interns and residents; providing an exemption for out-of-state licensees whose presence is requested by an in-state licensee and prohibiting such a licensee from applying for a premises permit; amending s. 474.214, F.S.; increasing the administrative fine the Board of Veterinary Medicine may impose as a disciplinary measure; reenacting ss. 474.207(2) and 474.217(2), F.S., relating to licensure qualifications and licensure by endorsement, to incorporate the amendment to s. 474.214, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 474.215, F.S.; requiring limited service veterinary medical practice permittees to register each location; providing a registration fee for such purpose; reenacting ss. 474.213(1)(k) and 474.214(1)(w), F.S., relating to prohibitions and grounds for disciplinary action, to incorporate the amendment to s. 474.215, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 475.15, F.S.; eliminating a provision that requires the automatic cancellation of the registration of a real estate broker partnership upon the lapse in licensure or registration of any of its partners; amending s. 475.25, F.S.; revising a ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 475.451, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the permitting of instructors for proprietary real estate schools or state institutions; providing permit renewal requirements; amending s. 475.452, F.S.; providing restrictions applicable to advance fees for brokers auctioning real property; creating s. 475.6145, F.S.; providing for a seal for the Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board to authenticate its proceedings, records, and acts; creating s. 477.0221, F.S.; providing continuing education requirements for license renewal or registration as a specialist under ch. 477, F.S., relating to the practice of cosmetology; amending s. 477.026, F.S.; providing a registration fee for continuing education providers; amending ss. 480.033 and 480.035, F.S.; renaming the Board of Massage as the Board of Massage Therapy; amending s. 480.044, F.S.; providing for a nonrefundable fee for all applications; amending s.

489.105, F.S.; revising and providing definitions applicable to contractors; amending s. 489.107, F.S.; adding a solar contractor to the Construction Industry Licensing Board; amending s. 489.113, F.S.; revising provisions that authorize persons who are not certified or registered to perform construction work under the supervision of a person who is certified or registered; providing that expansion of the scope of practice of any type of contractor does not limit the scope of practice of any existing type of contractor unless the Legislature expressly provides such limitation; repealing s. 489.1135, F.S., relating to the designation and certification of underground utility and excavation contractors for businesses that were qualified by the Department of Transportation by a specified date; amending s. 489.115, F.S.; authorizing certificateholders and registrants to apply continuing education courses earned under other regulatory provisions under certain circumstances; amending s. 489.119, F.S.; detailing what constitutes an incomplete contract for purposes of temporary certification or registration of a business organization; amending s. 489.127, F.S.; revising and adding penalties applicable to violations of construction contracting provisions, including public service, restitution, and the surcharge when the victim is handicapped or elderly; amending s. 489.131, F.S., relating to applicability; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 489.140, F.S.; eliminating a provision that requires the transfer of surplus moneys from fines into the Construction Industries Recovery Fund; amending s. 489.141, F.S.; clarifying provisions relating to conditions for recovery from the fund; eliminating a notice requirement; revising a limitation on the making of a claim; amending s. 489.142, F.S.; revising a provision relating to powers of the Construction Industry Licensing Board with respect to actions for recovery from the fund, to conform; amending s. 489.143, F.S.; revising provisions relating to payment from the fund; amending s. 489.503, F.S.; clarifying an exemption relating to the sale or installation of certain finished products, materials, or articles of merchandise; revising exemptions from regulation under part II of chapter 489, relating to electrical and alarm system contracting, that apply to school boards, the Board of Regents, and community colleges and to public utilities; providing certain exemptions from licensure as an electrical or alarm system contractor; amending s. 489.505, F.S.; defining the term "personal emergency response system"; amending s. 489.511, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for certification as an electrical or alarm system contractor; amending s. 489.513, F.S.; revising registration requirements for electrical contractors; amending s. 489.507, F.S.; revising membership of the Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board; amending s. 489.509, F.S.; transferring a portion of fees paid at the time of application or renewal to the Department of Education to fund certain projects or continuing education programs relating to the building construction industry and providing requirements with respect thereto; providing for appointments to the Building Construction Industry Advisory Council; amending s. 489.517, F.S.; authorizing certificateholders and registrants to apply continuing education courses earned under other regulatory provisions under certain circumstances; amending s. 489.531, F.S.; revising and adding penalties applicable to violations of electrical and alarm system contracting provisions, including public service, restitution, and the surcharge when the victim is handicapped or elderly; reenacting s. 489.533(1)(a) and (2), F.S., relating to disciplinary proceedings, to incorporate the amendment to s. 489.531, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending ss. 489.539 and 553.19, F.S.; providing for adoption of current electrical standards by rule; amending s. 553.63, F.S., relating to trench excavations in excess of a specified depth; deleting a provision requiring contract bids to include certain items; repealing s. 553.64, F.S., relating to certain requirements for contract bids; amending s. 713.03, F.S.; including professional geologists within provisions regulating liens for professional services; amending ss. 255.05, 713.05, 713.06, 713.08, F.S.; providing for the payment of unpaid finance charges due under a claimant's contract; amending s. 713.135, F.S.; prescribing duties of authority issuing building permits to lienors; requiring counties and municipalities to submit an affidavit concerning issuance of building permits and requiring the owner to sign the building permit application; amending s. 713.20, F.S.; providing conditions and forms for the execution of a waiver or release of a lien; amending s. 713.31, F.S.; providing a penalty for filing a fraudulent lien; amending s. 713.35, F.S.; providing a penalty for making false statements relating to subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, or suppliers; authorizing the department to sell a regional service center located at a specified location; providing for proceeds from the sale to be deposited into the Professional Regulation Trust Fund; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Community Affairs and Senator Thomas—

CS for SB 2852—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating the Police and Firefighters' Premium Tax Trust Fund within the Division of Retirement of the Department of Management Services; providing for source of moneys and purposes; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the fund; providing a contingent effective date.

By the Committee on Community Affairs and Senator Thomas—

CS for SB 2858—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administration of insurance premium taxes collected for the purposes of the municipal firefighters' pension trust funds and the municipal police officers' pension trust funds under chs. 175, 185, F.S.; amending ss. 175.111, 175.121, 175.341, 175.401, 185.07, 185.10, 185.23, 185.50, 633.382, F.S.; transferring the authority to administer the insurance premium taxes collected under chs. 175, 185, F.S., from the Insurance Commissioner and Treasurer and the Department of Insurance to the Division of Retirement of the Department of Management Services; providing for deposit of these moneys and for other matters related to the transfer; providing for investment by the State Board of Administration; providing for payment of administrative costs of the Division of Retirement, and the State Board of Administration from interest and investment income; providing for annual reversion of unexpended and unallocated interest and investment earnings to the General Revenue Fund; correcting a scrivener's error, pertaining to the percentage of the excise tax imposed on casualty insurance premiums, in s. 185.07, F.S.; amending s. 215.20, F.S.; including the Police and Firefighters' Premium Tax Trust Fund among the trust funds subject to deductions for the cost of general government; providing for the transfer of certain moneys in the Insurance Commissioner's Regulatory Trust Fund to the Police and Firefighters' Premium Tax Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Natural Resources and Senator Bankhead—

CS for SB 2874—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hazardous wastes; creating ss. 403.79, 403.791, 403.792, 403.793, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to establishing a state corrective-action program within the Department of Environmental Protection which will carry out functions delegated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the 1984 Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments to the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; providing definitions; providing for an annual registration fee to be paid by the owners and operators of facilities that treat, store, or dispose of hazardous wastes that require corrective action or are conducting corrective action as specified; providing for an annual appropriation equal to the amount of fees collected; providing for an annual internal audit of the program; providing for the deposit and use of the registration fees; providing that the registration fee is not a permit fee; providing exceptions to the registration fee; specifying when the registration fee no longer applies; providing for the future review and expiration of the provisions that establish those fees; providing a list of activities to be funded by the annual fees; specifying activities that the department reviews and about which the department makes determinations; specifying the training required for employees implementing the state corrective-action program; requiring the department to submit a report pertaining to the program; prohibiting delegation to other units of government; amending s. 403.721, F.S.; providing for authority under 42 U.S.C. s. 6928(h); amending s. 403.809, F.S.; providing for centralization of decisionmaking for certain facilities; providing an appropriation of positions and funds to implement the corrective-action program; providing that such appropriation is a loan to be repaid in installments over a specified period; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Grant—

CS for SB 3018—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; amending s. 215.555, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; specifying powers and duties of the State Board of Administration; revising provisions relating to reimbursement contracts and premiums of the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund; providing that violations of certain rules constitute violations of the Insurance Code; authorizing the State Board of Administration to invest in new and

existing property insurers; amending s. 624.424, F.S.; requiring insurers and insurer groups to file specified reports; amending s. 626.752, F.S.; providing an exception to exchange of business reporting requirements; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; providing for recoupment of Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund premium; amending s. 627.0629, F.S.; revising provisions relating to building code standards and enforcement; amending s. 627.311, F.S.; providing immunity from liability for specified acts; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the windstorm insurance risk apportionment plan; specifying underwriting standards and limits; removing provisions relating to the immediate activation of the Florida Property and Casualty Joint Underwriting Association; revising the provisions relating to assessments; providing immunities; defining the term "residential" for purposes of the provisions of the Residential Property and Casualty Association; providing for apportionment of losses and expenses; providing for servicing of association policies; specifying policy forms that may be offered; revising provisions relating to the eligibility of particular risks for coverage; requiring the association to seek reinsurance coverage; providing for new and renewal surcharges; providing for lines of credit; providing for rate standards; providing for rate filing; removing exemption from the insurance premium tax; transferring all obligations, rights, assets, and liabilities of the Florida Property and Casualty Joint Underwriting Association to the Residential Property and Casualty Joint Underwriting Association; creating s. 627.3511, F.S.; providing for depopulation of the Residential Property and Casualty Joint Underwriting Association; providing legislative findings and intent; revising reporting requirements for the Residential Property and Casualty Joint Underwriting Association; providing for exemptions, bonuses, and credits for insurers with respect to risks removed from the association; specifying applicability for incentives; amending s. 627.701, F.S.; restricting deductible provisions applicable to windstorm losses; requiring certain deductibles; creating s. 627.3512, F.S.; providing for recoupment of residual market deficit assessments; amending s. 627.3515; revising provisions relating to structure, duties, governance, and funding of the market assistance plan; creating s. 627.4025, F.S.; defining "residential coverages"; amending s. 627.7013, F.S.; specifying cancellations and nonrenewals subject to moratorium phaseout provisions; amending s. 627.215, F.S.; abrogating the application of certain laws to commercial property and commercial casualty insurance; providing for offset for excess profit credit; requiring reports from the Department of Insurance; providing for construction of the act with respect to other laws; providing an effective date.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

APPOINTMENTS SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE:

The Secretary of State has certified that pursuant to the provisions of Section 114.05, Florida Statutes, certificates subject to confirmation by the Senate had been prepared for the following:

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term</i>	<i>Ending</i>
Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District		
Appointee: Close, Boyd Wallace, Perry		03/01/99

Referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Executive Business, Ethics and Elections.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RETURNING MESSAGES—FINAL ACTION

The Honorable James A. Scott, President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed Senate Bills 576, 582, 584, 588, 590, 592, 596, 598, 600, 602, 604, 606, 610, 612, 614, 624, 1758 and CS for SB 1070.

John B. Phelps, Clerk

The bills contained in the foregoing message were ordered enrolled.

ENROLLING REPORTS

SB 164 has been enrolled, signed by the required Constitutional Officers and presented to the Governor on April 17, 1995.

SB 588 has been enrolled, signed by the required Constitutional Officers and presented to the Governor on April 19, 1995.

Joe Brown, Secretary

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

The Journal of April 13 was corrected and approved.

CO-SPONSORS

Senator Bankhead—SB 2700; Senator Beard—SB 886, SB 2968; Senator Bronson—SB 886, SB 2442; Senator Brown-Waite—SB 886, SB 2968; Senator Burt—SB 886; Senator Childers—SB 886; Senator Crist—SB 886; Senator Dudley—CS for SB 1038; Senator Forman—SB 886, CS for SB 2472; Senator Grant—SB 886; Senator Harden—SB 886; Senator Hargrett—SB 2968; Senator Harris—SB 1032, CS for SB 1038, SB 1456; Senator Horne—SB 886; Senator Jenne—SB 2862; Senator Jennings—SB 886; Senator Johnson—SB 886, CS for SB 1038, SJR 2576, SB 2636; Senator Jones—CS for SB 2448; Senator Kirkpatrick—SB 886; Senator Latvala—SB 2438, SB 2968; Senator Meadows—SB 886; Senator Myers—SB 886; Senator Ostalkiewicz—SB 886; Senator Rossin—SB 2640; Senator Sullivan—SB 886, SB 2968; Senator Thomas—SB 886; Senator Turner—SB 886; Senator Williams—SB 886, SB 2386

RECESS

Pursuant to the motion by Senator Jennings previously adopted, upon the dissolution of the joint session at 11:22 a.m., the Senate recessed for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business until 9:30 a.m., Friday, April 21.

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