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Beginning the Thirty-sixth Regular Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Florida Constitution as revised in 1968, and subsequently amended, and the 106th Regular Session since Statehood in 1845, at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, Florida, on Tuesday, the 2nd of March, A.D., 2004, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for convening the Legislature.

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CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President King at 10:00 a.m. A quorum present—37:

Mr. President	Dawson	Miller
Alexander	Diaz de la Portilla	Peaden
Argenziano	Dockery	Posey
Aronberg	Fasano	Pruitt
Atwater	Garcia	Saunders
Bennett	Geller	Sebesta
Bullard	Haridopolos	Smith
Campbell	Jones	Villalobos
Carlton	Klein	Wasserman Schultz
Clary	Lawson	Webster
Constantine	Lee	Wise
Cowin	Lynn	
Crist	Margolis	

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by the Rev. Doctor Richard Turk, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Jacksonville:

It is my privilege and joy to be with you again this morning, and especially to be with my good friend, Jim King.

It is only fitting, that as you gather to open this session of the Senate, you first turn to our Creator God to ask for blessings and guidance.

You are not here by accident, you are not here by ballot alone, you are not here for yourself, you are here because God has called you to be here; you have been called for one purpose and one purpose only, to work on behalf of God's people. Each one of us is in the hands of God; and without God, we have nothing.

And so we begin with prayer, to call God's Spirit upon this place, to ask for guidance and understanding, to ask for humility, that this body might seek God's truth, that God's people might be served.

I ask now that you open your hearts and your minds to the power of God.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.
Come, Spirit of God, fill this place.
Come, Spirit of mercy and justice and peace, be present to us.

O Lord, our God, you have spoken your Word through the prophet Isaiah. You have called us to loose the bonds of injustice, to let the oppressed go free, to share our bread with the hungry, to care for the homeless poor, to clothe the naked. And you have promised that when we fulfill your Word, then your light shall break forth like the dawn.

Lord, our God, we ask that you guide us to walk in your light. We pray for your light, and we ask for the courage to do what we have been called to do, calling forth your light to guide us always. Amen.

HONOR GUARD

At the direction of the President, the Sergeant at Arms opened the doors of the chamber and the Adjutant General's Honor Guard from St. Augustine marched into the chamber bearing flags of the United States of America and the State of Florida.

PLEDGE

Wounded veterans from the campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan Major Michael Canzoneri, Senior Airman Scott Tyler, Specialist Daniel Rogers, Specialist James Grant, Staff Sergeant Jennifer Carrigan and Technical Sergeant Jeffery Stanley led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Major Canzoneri presented a battle flag flown over Iraq by Florida troops to the President.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President introduced Adjutant General of Florida, Major General Douglas Burnett, and with him, Ms. Tammy Wise, mother of Robert Wise, Alpha Company 3rd Battalion of the 124th Infantry Regiment, who was killed during Operation Iraqi Freedom, the last Florida serviceman to have been killed in the line of duty overseas.

Senator Bennett introduced Congressional Medal of Honor recipient SPF Gary Lee Littrell.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

The President recognized Dr. Robert G. Brooks of Tallahassee, sponsored by Senator Lawson, as doctor of the day. Dr. Brooks specializes in Internal Medicine.

SPECIAL GUESTS

The President recognized the Lieutenant Governor and former Senate President, 1996-2000, Toni Jennings.

The President recognized the following former Senate Presidents: Phil Lewis, 1978-80; John Vogt, 1986-88; Gwen Margolis, 1990-92; James Scott, 1994-96; and John McKay, 2000-02, and his wife, Michelle.

The President recognized former Senator, Attorney General Charlie Crist; Chief Financial Officer Tom Gallagher and his wife, Laura; and former Senator, Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services Charles H. Bronson.

The President recognized the following Supreme Court Justices: Chief Justice Harry Lee Anstead, Justice Charles T. Wells, Justice Barbara J. Pariente, Justice R. Fred Lewis, Justice Peggy A. Quince, Justice Raoul G. Cantero III and Justice Kenneth B. Bell.

The President also recognized former Senators Jim Horne, Secretary of Education; John Grant; Curt Kiser; and Van Poole.

The President also recognized Secretary of State Glenda Hood.

The President introduced his sister-in-law Lynn Braddock, his nephew Spencer Braddock, serving as a Senate Page, and his wife, Linda.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

On motion by Senator Argenziano that a committee be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the session, the President appointed Senators Argenziano, Haridopolos, Webster, Klein and Dawson. The committee was excused.

On motion by Senator Sebesta that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the Senate was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the session, the President appointed Senators Sebesta, Smith, Villalobos, Campbell and Clary. The committee was excused.

MOTIONS RELATING TO COMMITTEE REFERENCE

On motion by Senator Pruitt, by two-thirds vote **CS for SB 492** was withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion by Senator Lee, by two-thirds vote **SB 40** was withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Calendar; and referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Finance and Taxation; **SB 340** was withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 386**, **SB 388**, **SB 390**, **SB 392** and **SB 394** were withdrawn from the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; and referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 602** was withdrawn from the Committees on Criminal Justice; Children and Families; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations; and referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Criminal Justice; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations; **SB 1076** was withdrawn from the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; and referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 1106** was withdrawn from the Committees on Children and Families; Education; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; and referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Education; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 1180** was withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; and referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 1526** was withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations; **SB 1874** was withdrawn from the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; and referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 1976** was withdrawn from the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations; and referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations; and **SB 2134** was also referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion by Senator Clary, by two-thirds vote **SB 12** and **SB 472** were withdrawn from the committees of reference and further consideration.

On motion by Senator Haridopolos, by two-thirds vote **SB 42** was withdrawn from the committee of reference and further consideration.

On motion by Senator Lynn, by two-thirds vote **SB 98**, **SB 102**, **SB 104**, **SB 146**, **SB 212**, **SB 290** and **SB 1320** were withdrawn from the committees of reference and further consideration.

On motion by Senator Bennett, by two-thirds vote **SB 108**, **SB 126** and **SB 254** were withdrawn from the committees of reference and further consideration.

On motion by Senator Campbell, by two-thirds vote **SB 436**, **SB 1326** and **SB 1746** were withdrawn from the committees of reference and further consideration.

On motion by Senator Margolis, by two-thirds vote **SB 1388** and **SB 1630** were withdrawn from the committees of reference and further consideration.

On motion by Senator Crist, by two-thirds vote **SB 1478** was withdrawn from the committees of reference and further consideration.

MOTIONS RELATING TO COMMITTEE MEETINGS

On motion by Senator Lee, the rules were waived and the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Natural Resources; and Judiciary were granted permission to meet this day from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.; the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Criminal Justice; and Education were granted permission to meet March 3 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.; and the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Transportation were granted permission to meet March 3 from 3:15 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. as published in the calendar.

MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Lee, by two-thirds vote **CS for SB 222**, **SB 282**, **SB 656**, **CS for SB 1070**, **CS for SB 1096**, **CS for SB 1124**, **CS for SB 1364**, **SB 1532**, **SB 1534**, **SB 1536**, **SB 1538**, **CS for SB 2002**, **CS for SB 2000** and **CS for SB 492** were established as the Special Order Calendar for Wednesday, March 3.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Honorable James E. "Jim" King, Jr., President

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted HCR 1-Org. and requests the concurrence of the Senate.

John B. Phelps, Clerk

By Representative Murman—

HCR 1-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 Governor.

—was read the first time in full. On motion by Senator Lee, by two-thirds vote **HCR 1-Org.** was read the second time by title, unanimously adopted and certified to the House.

COMMITTEES DISCHARGED

The committee appointed to notify the House of Representatives appeared at the bar of the Senate and reported to the President that its duty had been performed. The committee was thanked for its service and discharged.

The committee appointed to notify the Governor appeared at the bar of the Senate and reported to the President that its duty had been performed. The committee was thanked for its service and discharged.

COMMITTEE RECEIVED

A committee from the House of Representatives composed of Representatives Prieguez, Adams, Reagan, A. Gibson, Altman and Domino was received and informed the Senate that the House of Representatives was convened and ready to proceed to the business of the session. The committee then withdrew from the chamber.

RULES REVISION

On motion by Senator Lee, the rules were waived and the following amendment to Rule 1.361 was adopted:

1.361—*Solicitation or acceptance of contributions during regular session* ~~**Solicitation of campaign contributions**~~

During a regular legislative session, a senator may not solicit or accept any contribution directly or indirectly on behalf of, or directly or indirectly for the benefit of, either the senator's own campaign, or any political committee, or any committee of continuous existence, or any political party, or the campaign of any candidate for the Senate; however, a senator may contribute to the senator's own campaign.

~~A Senator shall neither solicit nor accept any campaign contribution during the sixty-day (60) regular legislative session on the Senator's own behalf or on behalf of a political party or on behalf of a candidate for the Senate; however, a Senator may contribute to the Senator's own campaign.~~

On motion by Senator Lee, the rules were waived and the following amendment to Rule 1.43 was adopted:

1.43—Open meetings

(1) All meetings at which legislative business is discussed *between more than two (2) members of the Legislature* ~~among any two (2) or more Senators~~ shall be open to the public except:

(a) At the sole discretion of the President of the Senate, after consultation with appropriate law enforcement, public health, emergency management and/or security authorities, those portions of meetings of a select committee, committee, or subcommittee, concerning measures to address security, espionage, sabotage, attack and other acts of terrorism.

(b) ~~Meetings between two (2) Senators to exchange information provided the purpose of the meeting between the two (2) Senators is not to agree upon final action that will be taken at a subsequent meeting~~. Discussions on the floor while the Senate is in session and discussions among Senators in a committee room during committee meetings shall be deemed to be in compliance with this Rule.

(2) All meetings shall be subject to appropriate order and decorum at the discretion of the person conducting the meeting.

(3) For purposes of this Rule "legislative business" is defined as issues pending before, or upon which foreseeable action is reasonably expected to be taken by, the Senate, a Senate committee, or Senate subcommittee.

ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT JAMES E. "JIM" KING, JR.

My colleagues and friends, I feel privileged to serve as your President and to welcome you to the 106th Regular Session of the Florida Legislature.

Every opening day brings with it a certain amount of hope and promise, and today is no different. Lying ahead of us are 60 days in which, working together, we can rise to meet the needs of the people whom we've been elected to serve. It is my goal to exceed their expectations.

I believe it is appropriate that I share my vision for this Senate, and talk about a few issues we will address.

My main priority this session will be to reform the process by which we amend our state constitution. For years, I have been concerned with the potentially disastrous effects some of these mandates can have. Since 1976, Florida voters have considered 21 citizen-initiatives, 16 of which have passed, carrying with them a combined estimated price tag of more than $57 billion dollars over the next decade. There seems to be no end in sight.

Currently, there are more than 50 proposed amendments heading toward the ballot, dealing with such wide ranging issues as: tax reform, gambling, billboards, genetically engineered foods, medical malpractice, and changing the voting age.

Now let me be clear, I am not saying that these issues are not worthy of consideration—nor that citizens should be denied the opportunity to amend their constitution. I am saying, however, that these issues should be debated and deserve the same scrutiny as legislation that is being considered during a session.

With constitutional mandates, there is no committee process to publicly evaluate our future financial obligations...and no workshops to brainstorm how to implement the proposed law. There is simply a want and then a mandate - and I believe it is time to make a change.

Senators, before you today is the people's document. This is the first Florida Constitution adopted in 1838, which has since been amended over 278 times. Compare this, if you will, to the U.S. Constitution, which has been amended only 27 times in the past 200 years. This disparity should cause us to pause and look toward reform.

Some of the reforms I am asking this Senate to consider include changing the vote percentage for passage. I believe it should take more than a simple majority to amend our Constitution. If the Legislature is held to the higher standard of a three-fifths vote of each house to place an amendment on the ballot, then I propose we ask the people to approve the same requirement for passage of all future constitutional amendments.

Another area in need of review is that of timing. If the public is to learn everything they need to know before being asked to make an educated "yes" or "no" decision, they need the time to do so. Simply put, they'll need more than just 91 days to consider proposed amendments.

I also believe that we need to institute a measure of uniformity. If we increase the vote by which citizens can amend our basic document of government, then we should apply these changes to all current amendatory processes. What we pass this session should apply to everyone ... citizens, the legislature and the Constitution Revision Commission.

I would also propose that we consider the issue of repeal. To be consistent, however, I do not feel that any previously adopted amendments should be repealed by any vote other than the new standard. I realize that others feel differently on this issue and I look forward to the debate.

Finally, I ask for your help in placing the constitutional amendment reform package before the voters in a special election in the August 31, 2004, primary.

I believe this approach provides balance, while preserving the people's right to modify the constitution. I recognize that my plan to place these reform measures before the people in August will not be easy, since it

will require a three-fourths affirmative vote of the membership of each house. But, these are important reforms and they need to be addressed as soon as possible.

Sadly, many of these initiatives have become a weapon for well-funded special interests and are no longer a grass-roots tool for the average citizen. The current system lacks the elements inherent in representative government which include: good debate, deliberation, flexibility, and compromise. I hope that you will join me in seeking to balance these fundamental principles with the need to preserve the integrity of our state's most sacred document.

Another priority of mine this year will once again be finding cures to diseases through expanded and coordinated biomedical research.

Over 100 million Americans currently suffer from heart and lung disease, cancer, and neurological disorders. Our loved ones, neighbors, friends, and constituents have all, in some way or another, been affected by these illnesses. I feel it is paramount for us to focus our attention and resources on finding cures to end this cycle of death and suffering once and for all.

We dreamed bold dreams and sent rockets to the moon, and rovers to Mars. Why not dream bold dreams again? Surely, Florida would be better off if we were able to find cures and vaccines for disease, rather than continuing to pay for treatments of chronic and currently incurable illnesses. Winning small battles is important in the short term, but winning this medical war should be our long-term focus.

To do this, it is my goal to pass legislation and appropriations in the coming days that will put Florida on the map as a state that considers biomedical research among its top priorities. It is my hope that Florida will serve as a national model and that other states will soon follow.

My proposal consists of attracting additional qualified researchers to Florida, and enhancing the funds and grants available in the biomedical research program.

In bringing the Scripps Research Institute to Florida, the framework has been laid—but we need to continue to build upon existing programs, such as the much acclaimed Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa and the internationally respected Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, to make sure we have the necessary tools for success.

Key to this proposal is the distribution of research findings to practitioners, patients and the public. Currently, we have over 200 scientists conducting biomedical research in Florida universities. However, a lot of this research is being conducted in a vacuum! There is no one place to find out who is doing what and how successful they have been.

Through the CURED Center and health awareness campaigns, we will be able to distribute important discoveries to all licensed health care practitioners, hospitals, and the public.

Generations before us fought against polio. We now have vaccines for polio.

Generations before them fought against measles, mumps, rubella, and other devastating illnesses. We now have cures for all of those diseases as well.

There is no reason why we cannot develop vaccines and cures for cancer, heart disease, lung disease, and neurological disorders. I believe that we can and we will—and it is my hope that Florida will lead the way.

Another priority item this session will be addressing the problems that have surfaced regarding our state funded scholarship programs.

These programs are relatively new, and, as with any new program, there is often a need for changes to be made. Overall, I believe Florida's children have benefited from these new ventures ... but we have to put a stop to those who've taken advantage of unintended loopholes and have personally profited at the expense of our children.

The McKay Scholarship and the Corporate Tax Credit Programs have experienced amazing growth. The McKay Scholarship started five years ago with two children in one school district. This program is now serving over 12,000 kids, with the U.S. Congress and several states requesting advice and suggestions on how they might duplicate a similar program. The Corporate Tax Credit program currently serves nearly 12,000 students in over 900 schools.

How successful have they been ... ?

Take, for example, the story of Anthony Hannon from Jacksonville. Anthony's mother was told he needed to be in special education classes because he was a slow learner with behavior problems. Mrs. Hannon knew that was not her son's problem. She enrolled Anthony in the Potter's House Christian Academy where he entered two grade levels behind the other students. With lots of encouragement and loads of hard work Anthony has experienced a major turn around. On his last SAT-9 Anthony scored at, or above, grade level in all categories.

Anthony is with us today in the East Gallery. Anthony, please stand and be recognized by the very impressed Florida Senate.

Along with Anthony are other students who are examples of the benefits of the CTC programs. They are all excelling in school, and thanks to this program, are looking forward to a future filled with success. Will all of you please stand as well?

Acting upon recommendations from the Education Committee and the McKay Task Force, legislation ensuring that voucher accountability is enhanced and academic performance is measured will be debated this session.

Through reform, we will require academic accountability by mandating the testing of scholarship students. We'll provide parents with more information on schools so they can better guide their child's education, and we'll strengthen the Department of Education's oversight authority to ensure that isolated problems do not prevent future students from learning.

Other areas of consideration will include tightening the requirements of participation by private schools and scholarship-funding organizations to ensure that only the best and honest need apply. We'll also bolster the financial accountability of all participants by requiring frequent reporting, uniform audits, and a baseline of fiscal soundness.

Florida is the first state in the union bold enough to suggest any strict accountability measures for such scholarship programs. With a favorable vote, and through continued efforts, we will strive to lead the nation by example when it comes to innovations in education.

And then, there is our state budget! The good news is that, unlike last year, there will be a sizeable amount of new general revenue to appropriate. It is estimated that there will be $2 billion of general revenue available this session, part of a total of over $23 billion in anticipated GR. However, the vast majority of the GR available will be non-recurring, one-time money, of which almost a billion dollars came from the federal government.

The bad news is that we have substantial additional recurring costs that must be addressed:

1. Medicaid will require an additional $655 million.
2. Class Size Reduction will need approximately $500 million in additional funds for operations and an undetermined, but substantial, amount for construction.
3. Article V costs will be roughly $250 million.
4. We will have to cover the costs of the $1.1 billion of recurring programs we funded this year with non-recurring money.

So, even with over $2 billion of discretionary money, it will be a real challenge to build a balanced and successful budget.

I believe we'll have to do two things: First—we are going to have to cut the recurring budget substantially and—let's not sugar coat it—this will be painful! Most of the easy cuts have already been made.

The Senate will approach our cuts with a scalpel, not an ax. I intend for the Senate cuts to be fair, measured, and implemented in a way that will affect existing programs and services in the least intrusive manner possible. But, be mindful of this, without new revenues, there will be much pain and frustration as we work towards a balanced budget.

Second—this means that we will have no other choice but to use a certain amount of non-recurring dollars on recurring expenditures.

While it is a fundamental belief in the Senate that, whenever possible, recurring programs should not be funded with non-recurring money—this year that goal is simply not going to be possible. We will have no choice! In deference to future Senates, however, I promise that I will try to limit the spending of non-recurring dollars on our state's recurring needs.

Senators, the clock has started! Our time here is precious. Our mission is daunting, but not impossible and our resolve is strong.

I am proud to lead this Senate, a chamber steeped in tradition and rich in history. And I am proud to call myself a Floridian, to live in and call home a place whose future shines with a promise as bright as the sun-filled skies which have made it famous.

God bless our work here and the people we are privileged to serve.

Thank you for the opportunity you've afforded me. Now let's roll up our sleeves and get to work!

MOTIONS

Senator Lee moved that following the joint session, the Senate stand in recess for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business until Wednesday, March 3 at 9:00 a.m. or upon call of the President. The motion was adopted.

(See remainder of Senate business following the joint session.)

JOINT SESSION

Pursuant to **HCR 1-Org.**, the Senate formed in processional order and marched in a body to the chamber of the House of Representatives where it was received in due form. The joint session was called to order by The Honorable Johnnie Byrd, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The Lieutenant Governor, members of the Cabinet and justices of the Supreme Court were received and seated.

The Speaker invited Senator King, President of the Senate, and Senator Diaz de la Portilla, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, to the rostrum and requested the President to preside over the joint session.

THE PRESIDENT PRESIDING

The President declared a quorum of the joint session present.

Lieutenant Colonel (Chaplain) Jim Fogle-Miller representing the Florida National Guard delivered the prayer.

An Honor Guard of 12 National Guardsmen, led by First Sergeant Representative Carey Baker, marched into the House chamber and placed flags of the United States of America and the State of Florida on the rostrum. First Sergeant Baker led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

On motion by Representative Kilmer that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the joint session was assembled to receive his message, the President appointed Senators Diaz de la Portilla, Aronberg, Bennett, Crist and Lawson; and on behalf of the Speaker, appointed Representatives Carroll, Davis, Hasner, Sansom, Brandenburg, and Llorente. The committee withdrew from the chamber.

The committee appointed to wait upon the Governor subsequently returned to the chamber escorting His Excellency, The Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor, who was escorted to the rostrum.

The President presented the Governor to the joint assembly.

ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR JEB BUSH

President King, Speaker Byrd, members of the Legislature, honored guests, and my fellow Floridians, good morning.

I am honored to be joined by my partner in life, Columba. She is a wonderful first lady of our state, and I am proud of her work for the people we serve.

In addition, I am fortunate to have as my partner in service, Lt. Governor Toni Jennings, who has done such a fine job for Florida over the last year.

In 2003, I had the pleasure and honor of welcoming 14 new Senators and 30 new Representatives to this chamber for the first time. This year, we are all veterans of the legislative process; having debated, deliberated, and negotiated critical issues for the good of the people we serve during the regular session, through the summer, and well into late autumn.

The faces in this room are now familiar. Very familiar. Very, very familiar. Seriously, I thank you for your dedication, and your tireless work for the people of Florida.

Today we welcome one of our own back from the battlefield. Representative Carey Baker returned home from serving his country just four weeks ago and is here today to continue his service to Florida. We are extremely proud to welcome him back to this chamber and are grateful for his safe return.

Last month we welcomed home almost 2,000 soldiers of the Florida National Guard from the war on terror. As we speak, another 1,000 Florida men and women are making their way to foreign shores to continue the effort.

Some, like Florida Army National Guard Sgt. Roy Wood, won't make it home. In 2003, Sgt. Wood walked away from his job as an emergency room surgeon at Lee Memorial Hospital in Ft. Myers to serve with his unit in Afghanistan.

He felt so strongly about the mission and the soldiers with whom he served that he volunteered to go, even though he had to give up his Major's rank and serve as a Sergeant to do it. He served proudly and courageously, saving the lives of both soldiers and civilians.

He was the first Florida National Guardsman to give his life serving in Afghanistan. To his wife, Hana, who is here today with their two children, Roy Andrew and Caroline, I offer my deepest condolences for your loss.

It has been said, "God grants liberty only to those who love it and are always ready to defend it." Hana, because of your husband, and the thousands who continue the fight, America will always be free.

We must acknowledge the great debt we owe patriots like Sgt. Wood. We should honor their service by ensuring that our actions, both in and out of this chamber, are worthy of their sacrifice. We must serve this state as honorably and effectively as they serve this country.

I believe we are on the right path.

Last year, I asked you to join me in an unshakable commitment to educating our children, diversifying our economy, and strengthening the bonds that hold our families together. Today, I thank you for honoring that commitment and ask that we continue on the path of progress for the people we serve.

As a result of your leadership, the state of our state is stronger than ever, because more children are learning in our schools and more students are graduating prepared for success.

We are stronger because we have built a solid foundation for progress and prosperity. A foundation that attracts investment and opportunity like The Scripps Research Institute, as well as high value, high wage jobs, in cutting edge emerging technologies.

We are stronger because we recognize that government isn't the sole answer to the most important questions, and we welcome community and faith based organizations as partners to serve the needs of Florida families.

Florida is in a better position to serve our people and face our future, and I thank the members of the Legislature for creating that opportunity.

In this country true opportunity starts with education. This year marks the 50th anniversary of *Brown v. Board of Education*, a landmark case that guaranteed equal access to education. The Florida Department

of Education has created an outstanding chronicle of the progress we've made so far toward that goal, and I hope Floridians will take the time to experience this exhibit as it travels around our state.

Today, Florida is closer to fulfilling the promise of *Brown v. Board* than ever before, because the Legislature had the will to pass sweeping education reforms and demand more for our children. I applaud you for the courage this bold move required, and congratulate you on the remarkable success of this effort to date.

Next year, we'll add voluntary universal Pre-K, and I urge you to provide the resources we need to train 9,600 pre-school professionals this year, and to create the framework for a comprehensive high-quality program focused on critical early literacy skills. As we increase the number of children ready to learn when they enter kindergarten, we decrease the number who will struggle, be retained, and require remedial help in higher grades.

Over the last five years, we've seen rising student achievement in schools across the state. This achievement crosses all ethnic, income, and county lines, proving there are no natural barriers to academic success, only fabricated excuses.

Our A+ reforms have replaced those excuses with expectations in Florida classrooms and made schools accountable for achieving them. Every year more educators answer that challenge and more students learn a year's worth of knowledge or more in a year's time. Children who were once left behind now find the support they need to reach their potential.

Children like Isaac Cuyler, a 5th grader at Riley Elementary School here in Tallahassee. Isaac struggled as a 2nd grader and again as a 4th grader. His parents and teachers thought it best to give him more time rather than push him forward unprepared.

Last year, Isaac improved from a level one, below basic reader to a level four, above grade level reader, making a 580-point gain in a single school year. That's not learning to take a test, that's learning to read.

Today, Isaac is an honor roll student who reads at a 6th grade level. He also anchors the school's morning television show, competes in the Black History Brain Bowl, and is a candidate for advanced classes in middle school next year.

Isaac couldn't join us today; he's busy dazzling his teachers and demonstrating his reading skills on the FCAT. His parents, Catina and Isaac, Sr. are here, and with their permission, I'd like to introduce you to their son and his school through this video.

In addition to success stories like Isaac Cuyler and Riley Elementary, we now have independent confirmation that our education reforms are working for students across our state.

In 2003, Florida's 4th graders were the only readers in the entire country to show significant learning gains on the National Assessment of Education Progress—four times the national average. These gains crossed all ethnicities as our minority students outpaced their national counterparts by similar leaps.

That's Isaac's class by the way, proving his kind of achievement is becoming the rule rather than the exception in Florida.

We must push this success into our middle schools as well. I ask you to support this goal by passing the Middle Grades Reform Act, and putting professional reading coaches in our middle schools. My budget funds reading coaches in half of Florida's middle schools, with priority given to those with the lowest performance. These actions will give struggling students in grades six through eight the support they need to succeed.

We have driven accountability into our schools, and achievement is up among our students. The School Recognition Program has been the heart and soul of this success. People rise to the challenge when recognized for the effort.

I strongly urge lawmakers to continue to fully fund this program. The people we serve live in the real world, where success is directly rewarded. Florida's educators have dedicated their careers to teaching children, a job for which there will never be enough recognition or compensation. They are driving more success in our schools every year. Our teachers and students should be celebrated, applauded and rewarded for a job well done.

As student achievement rises in Florida, so do high school graduation rates. From 1998 to 2002, graduation rates rose steadily among all racial groups. In 2003 we raised the standards for graduation, replacing the 8th grade level competency test with the 10th grade FCAT. Despite this higher standard, graduation rates held steady or rose among every group.

We also saw improved results among students with limited English proficiency and those with disabilities. More than 80 percent of limited English proficient seniors earned a high school diploma or certificate last year, compared to 35 percent the year before. More than 87 percent of Florida high school seniors with disabilities completed high school with some type of diploma in 2003, a higher success rate than in years past.

This progress, like the other improvements, stretches across racial lines. The improved results reflect improved education in our state and expanded opportunity for the next generation of Floridians.

As more Florida students read and calculate math at grade level, we need to inspire and prepare them to set their sites on education beyond high school. Our unique College Board Partnership ensures more Florida students, especially those historically underserved, have access to higher education. The program provides professional development programs for teachers, college preparation in inner city and low-income communities, SAT preparation, tutoring programs, and information on college opportunities to families of students.

Since we created this program, the number of minority students taking advanced placement courses in Florida schools has risen by 94 percent. During the same period, we have more than tripled the number of students taking the practice SAT. In 2003 four times as many African American students took this college prep test than in 1998. Among Hispanic students, the number has risen by almost 500 percent.

More students of all backgrounds are preparing for higher education and more are entering Florida's community colleges and universities.

Students like Norma Peñate, who is here today with her parents. Norma was born in Cuba and lived in Venezuela before moving to Florida with her family at the age of seven.

As a student at Miami Senior High, Norma worked hard to achieve. In her junior year, the school became one of the first to participate in a teacher development program offered by the College Board. At the workshop, teachers learned new techniques for identifying high potential students and introducing them to more challenging curriculum in the Advanced Placement program.

Erick Hueck, the school's AP coordinator, encouraged Norma to challenge herself further by joining his AP chemistry class. After taking that challenge, Norma took advantage of the full range of college preparation classes offered through the College Board partnership, including six more AP classes, as well as the SAT and the ACT.

She's not alone. In 2003, 65 percent of Miami Senior High's 10th graders took the practice SAT, a 376 percent increase over 1999. During the same period, the number of students taking AP courses nearly quadrupled. These are more than numbers, they are students, young men and women who are reaching for their dreams and achieving them.

While earning her diploma, Norma also earned 24 college credits, enough to start her university career almost a year ahead. Today, she's a junior majoring in accounting at one of the top ten accounting programs in the nation, the University of Florida. She's earned a 3.9 GPA and will begin her Masters program in the fall as part of a five-year accelerated program.

Norma comes from a large family. Counting all the cousins, she has more than 200 relatives. She's extremely proud to be the first one of any generation in her entire family to go to college. And we are extremely proud of her. Norma, would you please stand?

The College Board partnership has proven its value to Florida students and universities. I ask you to protect this springboard to higher education, by making it a permanent part of our education system, one that is safeguarded by statute.

As we improve education and opportunity in our public schools, we must also plan for massive success in our community colleges and state universities. This year I've recommended increases in funding for these institutions to help meet the challenge before them. I hope you will make the same commitment.

I also hope you'll take the action required to foster a vibrant, diversified economy that offers opportunity for our graduates to build careers and live their dreams here in Florida.

Over the past five years, we've made the right decisions to drive growth in our state. We've created a business environment that attracts innovation, investment, and jobs. We have also strengthened our commitment to Florida's natural treasures.

We're actively conserving environmentally sensitive land. Everglades restoration is ahead of schedule and under budget. We're restoring the Loxahatchee and opening areas that have been closed for decades by pollution. Today a new marine sanctuary protects the Florida Keys, and conservation along the banks of the Suwannee spurs eco-tourism and the economies of eight rural counties.

From the River of Grass to Florida's springs to the oceans that roll up on our shores, Florida will continue to protect the natural bounty and beauty of our state.

We are carefully balancing our growth and environmental protection—to create the best quality of life and business climate in the country. As a result, Florida is regularly on the short list for companies looking to expand or relocate and we are winning more of these competitions every day.

Today, Florida continues to lead the nation in job growth, a position we've held for the last 22 months. Our unemployment rate continues to drop and has been significantly below the national average for almost two years.

More people are working in the Sunshine State today, and they're keeping more of their hard earned money. Since 1998 we have provided more than $8 billion in tax relief to the people we serve. It is their money, not ours, and I applaud you for putting it back into their hands.

The key to our success is the fiscal discipline that has become the hallmark of our efforts over the past five years. I recommended a $55.4 billion budget for Florida next year, a modest 2.6 percent increase over current funding.

If we adhere to this spending restraint and avoid creating new unnecessary debt, we will be able to fund Florida's priorities at a significantly higher level than last year, and still return a total of $139 million to its rightful owners, the taxpayers of this great state.

We must also aggressively address obstacles to our prosperity. One of the biggest threats to our thriving economy is access to affordable health insurance for workers. More than 2.8 million Floridians are uninsured today, and double-digit growth in premiums each year makes it harder and harder for employers to offer this benefit to workers.

In January, I rolled-out a framework of comprehensive reform that will begin to address the underlying issues that are pushing health coverage beyond the reach of many Floridians. The solution will not be easy or simple, but I look to the public servants in this room to help us find the right answer for Florida, and I am confident will we succeed.

As part of that reform effort, Florida's KidCare program needs our attention. KidCare was created to provide insurance to children who have no other access to coverage. Today the program serves 1.6 million children—755,000 more than in 1998, and there are still more children waiting.

In addition to Medicaid, KidCare includes other valuable programs—specifically Medikids, Healthy Kids, and CMS. These non-Medicaid programs provide the critical safety net many parents need to ensure their children are protected. They are not offered as cheaper alternatives for parents who currently buy coverage through their employers.

Florida received additional federal funds in January, a bonus for fully using the federal dollars to serve Florida's children in need. The new money will allow us to serve even more children. I applaud President King and Speaker Byrd for making KidCare a priority issue for this Legislative session. I look forward to having a bill on my desk in the next few weeks that will provide health coverage to more children.

As you address economic issues this year, I also ask that you recognize the importance of investing in economic development. Like education, it provides some of the greatest returns on taxpayer dollars.

We must invest in the projects, both incentives and infrastructure, that support our continued growth. We must retain and grow key industry sectors like manufacturing. We must prepare to move quickly to close deals that bring jobs to the people of Florida. We must build on our Centers of Excellence program to drive innovation and lure investment in cutting-edge emerging technologies.

We must protect our military bases and the $44 billion defense industry by aggressively defending our military installations in the 2005 base closure (BRAC) process. We must also find more ways to support the military men and women who serve their country from our state. I support the legislation proposed to help military families transition into our communities and our schools, as part of our effort to make Florida the most military friendly state in the nation.

Finally, we must make the investment in our rural communities so they too can be part of Florida's success. I propose $174 million to support economic development in these areas, and hope you will join me in this commitment by giving struggling counties the resources they need, and the flexibility to use them effectively to serve their people.

The future of our state will be driven not only by the economic choices we make, but also by the values we choose. We are committed to serving the most vulnerable among us, to addressing issues that threaten our families, to finding families for children who need them, and to promoting and protecting the self-determination of Floridians with disabilities.

Teen substance abuse, including tobacco, adds tremendous stress to families and limits the futures of Florida's youth. The latest studies show that we are making significant progress in the fight against drug abuse among students, and we will continue to press forward on that issue.

Florida has also had success reducing tobacco use among our young people. Since 1998, smoking rates have declined by 57 percent among middle school students and 37 percent among high school students.

Budget constraints put this important program in jeopardy last year. This year we need to make the program, and the funding to support it, a permanent part of Florida's Department of Health. This money is important, but the real power comes from thousands of teens across our state who recognize the dangers of smoking and encourage their peers not to start.

Prescription drug abuse among adults in Florida is growing at an alarming pace, taking more lives than heroin and cocaine combined. We first noticed this trend three years ago and have been trying to take the innovative, common sense action to halt it ever since.

This year, once again, you will have the opportunity to create a prescription drug tracking system that will allow us to punish unethical providers, prevent addicts from obtaining the drugs they abuse, and protect the privacy of patients in Florida. I urge you to pass legislation to define this system, fund its creation, and help us fight prescription drug abuse in Florida.

I've recommended increases in funding for Florida's most vulnerable residents, including those with developmental disabilities. Our goal should be to provide the services they need to maintain their independence and self-determination—including supportive employment efforts to ensure Floridians with disabilities have an opportunity to work and contribute to their communities. In the last five years, we have built a record of support we can be proud of. But there is still more to do, because there are still Floridians waiting for critical services.

A number of these services are provided through Florida's Medicaid system. Five weeks ago, I proposed a $13.8 billion Medicaid budget, over a billion dollars more than current funding, just to keep the programs we have today.

My recommendation was based on cost projections made in October. Last Friday, we learned that $13.8 billion won't be enough. We'll need

another $710 million more—almost three-quarters of a billion dollars. We're short $315 million this year and need another $395 million next year. Almost half of this new money will have to come from General Revenue.

This would be less appalling if it meant we were serving new groups of Floridians, but we're not. Or if it meant we were serving Floridians better, but we're not. We're fighting a battle against reducing benefits, and we're losing ground every day.

The cost of Medicaid continues to skyrocket in large part because the system takes a rigid, one-size fits all approach to service, including automatic price increases, benefits that are richer than private sector insurance, and unlimited use of services.

Plainly stated, double digit increases in the Medicaid budget can't be sustained.

We must find a better way. A way that ensures more vulnerable Floridians receive the specific, targeted services they need without crippling other priorities like our schools, our environment and other critical programs

Today, I'm asking for your support to work with Washington in an unprecedented partnership to overhaul this broken system and create the flexibility we need for an effective program that provides increased access to services, greater dignity and personal power to vulnerable residents, and the predictability of costs that will be critical to protecting this system over the long term.

I know we can find a better way to serve Floridians who need Medicaid services, as well as the taxpayers who foot the bill. With your support, we will.

As we address the issues required to strengthen Florida's families, we must also do our part to find families for children who need them, by finding permanent homes for the children in state care.

Children like Sharelle Patterson, who is here today. Sharelle has been in state care since she and her five brothers and sisters were removed from an abusive home in 1997. She's lived in a number of foster homes as well as a group home for girls. Over the years, most of her brothers and sisters have been adopted.

Last year, at the age of 15, Sharelle took matters into her own hands. She asked a teacher who had been influential in her life, her ROTC instructor, Marine Master Sergeant Lawrence Patterson, to adopt her. He and his wife, Tanya, said yes, and started the process last fall.

Sharelle moved into her new home on January 9th. The adoption becomes final next month, but they are already a family. Sharelle, Tanya, Lawrence—The Patterson Family—will you please stand? Congratulations!

There are more than 4,000 children like Sharelle in DCF care today, including her younger sister. In November, we launched the No Place Like Home initiative to find Florida families like the Pattersons, who will open their hearts and homes to them.

We're actively looking for the right families, and streamlining the adoption process to remove the obstacles and frustrations that have been part of the process for far too long. I ask you to support these new families by approving the funds required to support adoption in Florida.

We are committed to supporting Florida's families, but government will never be the full answer to their needs. Our state is blessed with an incredibly strong network of community and faith-based partners that offer a helping hand, provide counseling, and teach skills required to build strong families and hold them together.

Partners like Pastor Ken Scrubbs from the First Baptist Church of Leesburg, whose ministry provides mentors to 650 elementary school students and programs to encourage parents to become active participants in their children's academic and social success.

Partners like Francois Leconte, CEO of Minority Development & Empowerment in Broward County. His organization provides services and support to more than 6,000 Haitian and Caribbean immigrants every year, to help them start the ir new lives here, become self-sufficient, and contribute to the community that welcomed them.

Today, the people of Haiti are in our prayers as we hope for a peaceful resolution to a dangerous and difficult time.

Gentlemen, I thank you for coming today. I applaud your commitment to the people in your communities, and I value your partnership and friendship. Your helping hands extend our reach to serve more Floridians.

We will continue fostering partnerships among community and faith based groups, other non-profit partners, and state government to ensure that Florida is not only the best place to build a business, it's a supportive place to raise a family.

During this legislative session, we must never forget that what we do here limits or expands opportunities for people in this state. The decisions we make today will determine the future of Florida long after we have left public life.

Isaac Cuyler, the young man in our video, represents that future, and our responsibility.

Isaac is a member of what will be the first graduating class of A+ reforms. The decisions we made five years ago improved the quality of education for Isaac and his peers. But our job is far from over.

Next year, as he moves into 6th grade at Griffin Middle School, we need to continue to support and encourage his achievement by passing the Middle Grades Reform Act and putting reading coaches into middle schools.

In four years, Isaac will enroll at Godby High School. We need to make sure the opportunities provided by our College Board partnership still exist when Isaac and his classmates arrive.

Florida's community colleges and state universities offer the finest education at the most reasonable prices in the country. We should continue to work with these institutions to ensure this same educational opportunity and value is available to Isaac when he's ready for college—and it's clear he will be.

Finally, as Isaac prepares for success, we must make sure Florida offers ample opportunity for him to build his dreams here. We must continue to make the right decisions today to build a strong, diverse, sustainable economy for Isaac, the 2.6 million other children in Florida schools today, and the millions that will follow. Access to affordable health insurance is the greatest threat to Florida's working families today—and I ask that you make finding a solution a top priority.

Parents across our state tell their children that dreams have no limits. They need our support to keep that promise.

It will take the wisdom to choose the right direction, and the will to act upon that decision.

It will take the strength to hold fast to the principles that work, and the courage to change what doesn't.

It will take leadership, and we have it.

I thank you for your commitment to Florida and the people we serve. The legacy of your service will be a bright future of hope and opportunity for all who live and work in Florida.

I look forward to working with you to ensure the state of our state continues to grow stronger every year.

Thank you, and God bless our beloved state.

DISSOLUTION OF JOINT SESSION

Following the Governor's address, the committee previously appointed escorted the Governor from the rostrum and from the House chamber, followed by the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Cabinet and justices of the Supreme Court.

On motion by Senator Lee, the joint session was dissolved at 12:43 p.m. and the Senators were escorted from the House chamber by the Senate Sergeant at Arms.

(Remainder of Senate Business taken up prior to joint session.)

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

By Senator Campbell—

SB 2—A bill to be entitled An act for the relief of Laura D. Strazza; providing an appropriation to compensate her for injuries she sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 4—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Health; providing for the relief of Minouche Noel, a minor, and her parents and natural guardians, Jean and Flora Noel, for injuries sustained due to the negligence of Children's Medical Services of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services; providing an appropriation; providing for the use of such funds; providing for a reversion to the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 6—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Escambia County; providing for the relief of Bronwen Dodd; authorizing and directing the District School Board of Escambia County to compensate Ms. Dodd for personal injuries that she suffered due to the negligence of an employee of the school board; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Education; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 8—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing for the relief of Doretta Spurway for injuries she sustained as a result of negligence by an employee of the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 10—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; providing an appropriation to compensate the estate of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa for the death of Dr. Sherrill Lynn Aversa which was the result of negligence by an employee of the department; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 12—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the South Florida Water Management District; providing for the relief of Brian Daiagi; authorizing and directing the South Florida Water Management District to compensate Mr. Daiagi for personal injuries that he suffered due to the negligence of the South Florida Water Management District; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Natural Resources; Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Clary—

SB 14—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for the relief of Laura Laporte for injuries she sustained as a result of negligence by an employee of the department; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Posey—

SB 16—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Indian River County; providing for the relief of Debra Smith, Pamela Hughes, Michael Truitt, and Charles Hughes; authorizing and directing the Indian River County School Board to compensate them for the death of their father, Sammie Lee Hughes, due to the negligence of the school board; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Education; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Posey—

SB 18—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Indian River County School Board; providing for the relief of Amanda Johnson, a minor, by and through her parents and natural guardians, Virginia and Charles Johnson, for injuries sustained due to the negligence of the Indian River County School Board; providing for the use of such funds; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Education; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Posey—

SB 20—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Indian River County School Board; providing for the relief of Ryan Besancon, a minor, by and through his parents and natural guardians, Mark and Laurie Besancon, for injuries sustained due to the negligence of the Indian River County School Board; providing for the use of such funds; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Education; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Hill—

SB 22—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Hillsborough County School Board; providing for the relief of Alana Kelly and Richard F. Taylor, Sr.; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for the death of their son, Richard F. Taylor, Jr., caused by the negligence of a Hillsborough County School Board employee; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Education; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Hill—

SB 24—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Escambia County; providing for the relief of Patricia Stolfi; authorizing and directing the

Escambia County Utilities Authority to compensate Ms. Stolfi for personal injuries that she suffered due to the negligence of an employee of the utilities authority; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Transportation; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 26—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Children and Family Services; providing for the relief of Cristina Alvarez and George Patnode; providing for appropriations to compensate them for the death of their son, Nicholas Patnode, due to negligence of the Martin County Health Department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Hill—

SB 28—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Duval County; providing for the relief of Betty Obenza; authorizing and directing Duval County to compensate Betty Obenza for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the Jacksonville Electric Authority; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 30—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Citrus County; providing for the relief of Bruce Michael McQuillin, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Deborah Ann McQuillin, deceased, and individually, as surviving husband of Deborah Ann McQuillin; providing for the relief of Michael McQuillin, surviving minor son of Deborah Ann McQuillin; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for the death of Deborah Ann McQuillin as a result of the negligence of Citrus County; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Transportation; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 32—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Volusia County; providing for the relief of Cordell Davidson and Veronica Hensley Davidson; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for injuries and damages suffered as a result of the negligence of Volusia County; providing a schedule of payments; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Criminal Justice; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 34—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; providing for the relief of Stephen Hall to compensate him for injuries sustained as a result of the negligence of an employee of the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 36—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the City of Hialeah; providing for the relief of Jose Pena, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Carmen Pena, deceased, and individually, as surviving father of Katherine Pena and Richard Pena, deceased minor children of Carmen Pena and Jose Pena; providing for the relief of Johammes Pena, surviving son of Carmen Pena; providing for an appropriation to compensate them for the death of Carmen Pena, Katherine Pena, and Richard Pena as a result of the negligence of the City of Hialeah; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Transportation; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 38—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Palm Beach County School Board; providing for the relief of Ashraf Kamel and Marguerite Dimitri for the wrongful death of their minor child, Jean A. Pierre Kamel, as a result of the negligence of the Palm Beach County School Board; providing for an appropriation; providing for payment of court costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Special Master; and the Committees on Education; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 40—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the South Broward Hospital District; providing for the relief of Jeffrey Haider; providing for an appropriation to compensate him for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of the South Broward Hospital District; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 42—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the City of Fernandina Beach; providing for the relief of Regina Lloyd; authoring and directing the City of Fernandina Beach to compensate Ms. Lloyd for personal injuries that she suffered due to the negligence of an employee of the city; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 44—A bill to be entitled An act relating to DNA evidence; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to DNA evidence following conviction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SJR 46—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article I of the State Constitution, relating to basic rights.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 48—A bill to be entitled An act relating to constitutional amendments; expressing the legislative intent to propose an amendment to the State Constitution to revise the initiative process; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 50—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to workers' compensation insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 52—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to workers' compensation insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 54—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 56—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 58—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water quality; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to water quality; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 60—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water quality; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to water quality; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 62—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 64—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 66—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 68—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to health care; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 70—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to health care; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 72—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to criminal justice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 74—A bill to be entitled An act relating to constitutional amendments; expressing the legislative intent to propose an amendment to the State Constitution to revise the initiative process; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 76—A bill to be entitled An act relating to constitutional amendments; expressing the legislative intent to propose an amendment to the State Constitution to revise the initiative process; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 78—A bill to be entitled An act relating to government accountability; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to government accountability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 80—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the designation of university buildings; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to the designation of university buildings; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 82—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the simplification of sales taxes; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the simplification of sales taxes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 84—A bill to be entitled An act relating to utility service; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to utility service; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 86—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to health care; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 88—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Cowin and Fasano—

SB 90—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homicide of an unborn quick child; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; including the death of an unborn quick child under DUI manslaughter; amending s. 782.071, F.S.; making the killing of an unborn quick child rather than the killing of a viable fetus a "vehicular homicide"; deleting a provision describing the viability of a fetus; amending s. 782.09, F.S.; providing that killing an unborn quick child by injury to the mother which would be murder in any degree if it resulted in the death of the mother is murder in the same degree; providing penalties; providing that the unlawful killing of an unborn quick child by injury to the mother which would be manslaughter if it resulted in the death of the mother is manslaughter; providing penalties; providing that the death of the mother does not bar prosecution under specified circumstances; providing that the section does not authorize prosecution of a person in connection with a termination of pregnancy; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code offense severity ranking chart; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Cowin and Fasano—

SB 92—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; providing a popular name; amending s. 390.012, F.S.; revising requirements for rules of the Agency for Health Care Administration relating to abortions performed in abortion clinics; providing for rules regarding abortions performed after the first trimester of pregnancy; requiring abortion clinics to develop policies to protect the heath, care, and treatment of patients; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 94—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the disposition of forfeited property; amending s. 932.7055, F.S.; limiting the use of any forfeited vehicle retained by a seizing agency to specified law-enforcement purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Alexander—

SB 96—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Citrus; amending s. 601.155, F.S.; requiring the department to develop a process for persons liable for the equalizing excise tax to elect to not pay a portion of the tax; providing for the dismissal of certain claims; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 98—A bill to be entitled An act relating to preschool children; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to school readiness and child care facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to child care; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to preschool children; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to school readiness and prekindergarten; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requirements for high school graduation; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the credit hours required for high school graduation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adoption; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws to clarify the final decisionmaking process in adoption cases; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Medicaid Program; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to competitive bidding for Medicaid contracts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water and wastewater systems; amending s. 367.081, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Public Service Commission to approve rates allowing utilities to recover the full costs of alternative water supply facilities; amending s. 367.0814, F.S.; increasing the limitation on gross annual revenues under which a water or wastewater utility may qualify to obtain staff assistance from the Florida Public Service Commission in changing rates and charges; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to renewable energy; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to renewable energy; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an exemption from public records and public meetings requirements for certain information held by the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for specified materials, actual and potential trade secrets, and information identifying donors to the institute; providing for specified access to certain information by governmental entities; creating an exemption from public meetings requirements for meetings of the not-for-profit corporation or a subsidiary at which exempt records are discussed; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; creating the Harnessing the Power of Education Technology Advisory Council; providing for membership, powers, and duties; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Fasano, Lynn, Argenziano and Margolis—

SB 118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to plea agreements; amending s. 921.143, F.S.; prohibiting the court from accepting a plea agreement that prohibits a law enforcement officer from appearing at a parole hearing or clemency hearing; prohibiting a plea agreement that prohibits a law enforcement officer who was a victim in the offense from appearing or providing a statement at the sentencing hearing; defining the term "law enforcement officer" for purposes of the act; specifying that the act does not impair certain rights afforded by law or the State Constitution; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senators Fasano and Lynn—

SB 120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual offenders; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; prohibiting certain sexual offenders subject to conditional release supervision from living within a specified distance of certain places where children congregate; prohibiting the Parole Commission and the Department of Corrections from approving a residence for a releasee which is located within a specified distance of certain places where children congregate; prohibiting district school boards from establishing school bus stops within 1,000 feet of the residence of persons prohibited from living within 1,000 feet of a school bus stop; providing that failure of the district to comply with such provision is not a violation by the resident; creating s. 794.065, F.S.; prohibiting persons convicted of certain sex crimes from residing within 1,000 feet of a school, day care center, park, or playground; amending s. 1006.22, F.S.; requiring district school boards to notify the Department of Corrections regarding school bus stop locations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Fasano—

SB 122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional materials for K-12 public education; authorizing the Department of Education to conduct a pilot program; authorizing a pilot program within specified counties to enable selected school districts to realize cost savings in the purchase of used instructional materials; imposing requirements on the vendors of such materials; absolving the state from responsibility for certain financial losses; requiring the Council for Education Policy Research and Improvement to report to the Legislature; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Chief of Domestic Security Initiatives; amending s. 943.0311, F.S.; providing for security assessments of all buildings, facilities, and structures owned or occupied by state agencies, state universities, and community colleges, by the employees and within existing resources of such state agencies, state universities, or community colleges; requiring completion of initial security assessments by a specified date; providing for subsequent security assessments; providing for reports; requiring the chief to communicate to local governments regarding security assessments of buildings and facilities; providing that costs of security assessments of local government buildings and facilities shall be borne by the local government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical malpractice insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to medical malpractice insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

SR 128—Not referenced.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to name change petitions; amending s. 68.07, F.S.; requiring that such petition contain certain criminal background information; requiring a report to be sent to the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; authorizing the Department of Law Enforcement to forward the report to other law enforcement agencies; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescriptions for medicinal drugs; creating s. 456.0392, F.S.; requiring certain practitioners to include specified information on prescriptions; providing that certain prescriptions shall be presumed valid; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Dawson and Siplin—

SJR 134—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VI of the State Constitution, relating to suffrage and elections, to authorize the Legislature to provide the conditions under which a convicted felon's right to register or vote may be restored.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rules of criminal procedure; repealing Rule 3.380, Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure, relating to motions for judgment of acquittal; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cargo theft; reenacting s. 812.014(1) and (2), F.S., relating to theft; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; reclassifying the offenses of cargo theft of the first degree and cargo theft of the second degree under the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code to increase the penalties imposed for any such offense; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lynn—

SB 140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to court costs; creating s. 938.20, F.S.; providing funding for drug court programs through the assessment of an additional mandatory court cost; providing for the assessment to be imposed by ordinance against persons convicted of a criminal violation, a violation of a municipal or county ordinance, or traffic violation resulting in payment of a fine or penalty; providing for the collection and deposit of the assessment; providing for administration of the funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to accessories to a crime; providing a short title; amending s. 777.03, F.S.; removing provisions that exempt certain members of an offender's family from being charged with the offense of acting as an accessory after the fact; reenacting s. 921.0022(3)(h), F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment to s. 777.03, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection testing of newborn infants; amending s. 384.31, F.S.; requiring all newborn infants to be tested at the time of delivery for HIV infection; providing for notification to the mother of the infant's HIV test results; requiring that information be provided to the mother about medical and support services if the infant's test results are positive; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Lynn and Fasano—

SB 146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual offenders; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; prohibiting certain sexual offenders subject to conditional release supervision from living within a specified distance of certain places where children congregate; prohibiting the Parole Commission and the Department of Corrections from approving a residence for a releasee which is located within a specified distance of certain places where children congregate; providing requirements for school districts in locating school bus stops; creating s. 794.065, F.S.; prohibiting persons convicted of certain sex crimes from residing within 1,000 feet of a school, day care center, park, or playground; amending s. 1006.22, F.S.; requiring district school boards to notify the Department of Corrections regarding school bus stop locations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Saunders—

SB 148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics; amending s. 112.3148, F.S.; providing that gifts are valued at fair market value for reporting purposes; amending s. 112.317, F.S.; authorizing the Attorney General to collect fees and costs associated with collecting civil and restitution penalties imposed for ethics violations; amending s. 112.321, F.S.; clarifying when a vacancy exists on the Florida Commission on Ethics and providing procedures for filling vacancies; amending s. 112.3231, F.S.; clarifying time limitations for complaints alleging an ethics violation; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; authorizing the Commission

on Ethics to initiate investigations under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to open government; amending s. 112.324, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records and public meetings requirements for proceedings relating to information or referrals received by the Commission on Ethics relating to Ethics Code violations; providing for release of such information to criminal investigative agencies; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a finding of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water resources; creating the 2020 Water Study Commission; providing for appointment and qualification of members, providing duties of the commission; providing for public hearings; providing for an executive director and technical advisory committees; requiring reports; providing duties of the Department of Environmental Protection; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school district employees and contractors; amending ss. 1002.33, 1012.21, 1012.32, 1012.56, 1012.57, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of charter school employees and members of the governing board; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of persons certified under ch. 1012, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of adjunct educators; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of certain noninstructional personnel and contractors with the school district; requiring any such person to report his or her conviction of a disqualifying offense; providing that noninstructional personnel may perform certain services before the results of the screening have been reported, with limitations; providing for suspending any such personnel who do not meet the screening requirements and voiding the certification of any such certified person; providing for appeal; providing that the school district or the employee may pay for the screening; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating the Entertainment Industry Financial Incentive Trust Fund; providing for sources of funds and purposes; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to religious-exempt child care programs; amending s. 402.316, F.S.; providing for a child care program affiliated with a church, temple, or parochial school to be exempt from regulation by the department as a religious-exempt child care program; requiring religious-exempt child care programs to display a certificate of compliance issued by an accrediting agency recognized by the department; providing requirements for accrediting agencies recognized by the department; requiring a recognized accrediting agency to conduct an initial on-site review; providing timeframes within which child care programs must meet the requirements for training and credentials; requiring recognized accrediting agencies for religious exemption to submit standards to the department; requiring the department to create and maintain a list of recognized accrediting agencies; providing that the act does not authorize the department to regulate the curriculum, discipline, or hiring practices of a religious-exempt child care program; requiring that the department notify recognized accrediting agencies of any revision in standards; requiring that a recognized accrediting agency submit an annual report; providing timeframes within which an exempt child care program must notify an accrediting agency of its transfer and termination of accreditation; prohibiting a recognized accrediting agency for religious exemption from owning, operating, or administering certain programs; requiring the department to facilitate an annual meeting; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child support; amending s. 61.046, F.S.; redefining the term "support order" for purposes of ch. 61, F.S., to include an order of an administrative agency; amending s. 61.13, F.S.; deleting the requirement that a child support order include the minor's social security number; amending s. 61.181, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the court to establish an account for interstate cases; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; providing for the location of an administrative hearing; amending ss. 382.013 and 382.016, F.S.; permitting voluntary acknowledgments of paternity which are witnessed; amending s. 409.2557, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules to administer the withholding of insurance payments; amending s. 409.2558, F.S.; providing for a notice to the noncustodial parent in applying an undistributable support collection to another support order; amending s. 409.2561, F.S.; providing for the Department of Revenue to establish the obligation of support; amending s. 409.2563, F.S.; providing for the noncustodial parent to request that the Department of Revenue proceed in circuit court to determine the support obligation; revising the requirements under which a noncustodial parent may petition the circuit court to determine the support obligation; providing that the Department of Revenue is a party to court action only with respect to issues of support; amending s. 409.25656, F.S.; providing for the recovery of fees in liquidating securities for the support owed; creating s. 409.25659, F.S.; providing for withholding insurance payments for unpaid support; providing definitions; specifying the duties of the insurer; providing that unpaid support constitutes a lien against an insurance claim; providing for notice to the obligor; providing for payment to the Department of Revenue; providing for an exemption for certain fees and expenses; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 409.257, F.S.; permitting the use of any means of service of process under ch. 48, F.S.; amending s. 409.2572, F.S.; revising the definition of noncooperation or failure to cooperate as applied to an applicant for or a recipient of public assistance; amending s. 409.259, F.S.; revising the manner of reimbursement to the clerk of the court for court filings in Title IV-D cases; creating s. 440.123, F.S.; requiring an insurer paying workers' compensation insurance to inquire about unpaid child support; amending s. 440.20, F.S.; requiring the judge of compensation claims to obtain information on the support owed; amending s. 742.10, F.S.; permitting voluntary acknowledgments of paternity which are witnessed; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to land development regulation; amending s. 163.3167, F.S.; prohibiting the abrogation of a local land development order that has been granted under specified conditions; providing retroactive applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Bennett and Campbell—

SB 164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to appearances before legislative committees; providing that an individual who appears before a committee of the Florida Senate is considered to be under oath; requiring the signing of an appearance card; providing a presumption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school personnel; requiring the Department of Education to limit the number of noninstructional personnel that may be employed by school districts; defining the term "noninstructional personnel"; requiring that the department classify school districts based on the number of full-time-equivalent students enrolled in the district; requiring that the department establish ratios within each district classification for the maximum percentage of noninstructional personnel to full-time-equivalent students; limiting the maximum ratios that the department may establish; requiring a reduction in state funds for any school district that exceeds the maximum percentage of noninstructional personnel; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; providing for county commissions to provide additional polling locations that permit early voting; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

By Senator Geller—

SB 170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Indian gaming activities; providing for ratification by the Legislature of Tribal-State compacts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; providing a short title; amending s. 97.041, F.S.; providing for automatic restoration of former felons' right to vote following completion and satisfaction of sentence of incarceration and community supervision; providing conditions for such automatic restoration; amending ss. 97.052, 97.053, and 98.0977, F.S., to conform; providing a conditional effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senators Clary, Lynn, Bennett and Wilson—

SB 174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state lottery; amending s. 24.115, F.S.; providing that unclaimed prize money shall be distributed to the public schools, community colleges, and universities on a pro rata basis based on enrollment; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pari-mutuel wagering; requiring dogracing permitholders to provide a greyhound-adoption booth at each dogracing facility in the state; requiring that the booth be operated by certain qualified persons on weekends; requiring that information concerning the adoption of a greyhound be made available to the public at the facility; requiring the permitholder to provide adoption information in racing programs and to identify greyhounds that will become available for adoption; authorizing the permitholder to hold an additional charity day that is designated as "Greyhound Adopt-A-Pet Day"; requiring that profits derived from the charity day be used to fund activities promoting the adoption of greyhounds; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt rules; providing penalties; amending s. 550.1647, F.S., relating to unclaimed tickets and breaks with respect to greyhound racing; defining the term "bona fide organization that promotes or encourages the adoption of greyhounds"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to treated wood; prohibiting use of wood products treated with chromated copper arsenate in publicly funded playground equipment; providing definitions; providing applicability; providing for enforcement on state lands by the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the Department of Education to provide notice to and develop guidelines for school districts regarding the sealing of wood treated with chromated copper arsenate; prohibiting state agencies from purchasing wood treated with chromated copper arsenate; providing exceptions; providing for grants for conversion of wood-treating companies to operations using preservatives that do not contain arsenic; specifying persons who must provide notice to consumers of wood or wood products containing chromated copper arsenate; providing contents of such notice; providing a penalty for failure to provide notice; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Natural Resources; Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 316.251, F.S.; providing a definition and revising maximum bumper-height requirements for certain vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certificates of need; amending s. 408.036, F.S., relating to health-care-related projects sub-

ject to review for a certificate of need; exempting certain projects involving percutaneous coronary intervention from review; providing requirements by which certain hospitals may obtain an exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to district school board duties relating to student discipline and school safety; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; amending requirements relating to codes of student conduct; providing penalties for the use, rather than the possession, of electronic telephone pagers on school property or at a school function; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school readiness programs; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation to implement the constitutional amendment relating to voluntary universal prekindergarten education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Community Affairs; expressing the Legislature's intent to enact legislation to transfer the powers and duties of the department to the Secretary of State; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Posey and Fasano—

SB 190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational enhancement; amending s. 24.115, F.S.; providing for distribution of unclaimed lottery prize moneys to specified educational institutions; providing guidelines for expenditure of such moneys; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to magistrates and masters; amending ss. 26.012, 27.06, 34.01, 48.20, 142.09, 316.635, 373.603, 381.0012, 450.121, 560.306, 633.14, 648.44, 817.482, 832.05, 876.42, 893.12, 901.01, 901.02, 901.07, 901.08, 901.09, 901.11, 901.12, 901.25, 902.15, 902.17, 902.20, 902.21, 903.03, 903.32, 903.34, 914.22, 923.01, 933.01, 933.06, 933.07, 933.10, 933.101, 933.13, 933.14, 939.02, 939.14, 941.13, 941.14, 941.15, 941.17, 941.18, 947.141, 948.06, 985.05, F.S., relating to various court procedures; redesignating "magistrates" as "trial court judges"; amending ss. 56.071, 56.29, 61.1826, 64.061, 65.061, 69.051, 70.51, 92.142, 112.41, 112.43, 112.47, 162.03, 162.06, 162.09, 173.09, 173.10, 173.11, 173.12, 194.013, 194.034, 194.035, 206.16, 207.016, 320.411, 393.11, 394.467, 397.311, 397.681, 447.207, 447.403, 447.405, 447.407, 447.409, 475.011, 489.127, 489.531, 496.420, 501.207, 501.618, 559.936, 582.23, 631.182, 631.331, 633.052, 744.369, 760.11, 837.011, 838.014, 839.17, 916.107, 938.30, 945.43, F.S., relating to various administrative and judicial proceedings; redesignating "masters" and "general or special masters" as "general or special magistrates"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 194—A bill to be entitled An act relating to developmental disabilities; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop a model waiver program for children with specified disorders; providing for implementation subject to the availability of funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Wasserman Schultz and Margolis—

SB 196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic recovery; providing legislative intent; providing criteria, requirements, and limitations on certain training; providing for power and authority of the Agency for Workforce Innovation; providing requirements for expenditure of certain funds; amending s. 443.036, F.S.; providing a definition and an application of an alternative base period; providing requirements and limitations; specifying, for a limited time period, alternative time periods and amounts of certain payments, an increase in weekly benefit amounts, and waiver of a waiting period for certain individuals for unemployment compensation purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to infant cribs; creating s. 501.144, F.S., the Florida Infant Crib Safety Act; providing definitions; prohibiting commercial users from manufacturing, remanufacturing, retrofitting, selling, contracting to sell or resell, leasing, or subletting specified cribs determined to be unsafe for use by infants; prohibiting transient public lodging establishments from offering or providing for use specified cribs determined to be unsafe for use by infants; providing criteria for determining the safety of infant cribs; providing exemptions; providing specified immunity from civil liability; providing penalties; providing that violation of the act constitutes an unfair and deceptive trade practice; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and the Department of Children and Family Services to collaborate with public agencies and private-sector entities to prepare specified public education materials and programs; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to adopt rules and prescribe forms; amending s. 509.221, F.S.; prohibiting the use of certain cribs in public lodging establishments; reenacting s. 509.032, F.S.; providing for regulation and rulemaking by the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; creating s. 402.3031, F.S.; prohibiting unsafe cribs in certain facilities; providing for enforcement and rulemaking powers of the Department of Children and Family Services; creating an infant crib safety enforcement demonstration program; providing that crib inspections are not required in certain counties for a specified time; requiring crib inspections in certain counties for a specified time; providing requirements for crib inspections by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; requiring

transient public lodging establishments to provide for inspection of cribs; requiring a report; providing for rulemaking by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing for expiration of the demonstration program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Judiciary; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; authorizing Walton County to apply for designation of an enterprise zone; providing application requirements; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to designate one zone, notwithstanding certain limitations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Clary, Dawson, Fasano, Posey and Bennett—

SB 202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property tax exemptions; amending s. 196.24, F.S.; entitling the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran to an exemption from taxation of the value of certain property under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to burial rights; creating s. 497.310, F.S.; providing for the optional recording of evidence of burial rights; providing for recording fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Council on Deafness; creating the Florida Council on Deafness; providing for the appointment of members and the organization of the council; requiring the staff of the Department of Education to assist the council in its duties; providing the role, purpose, powers, duties, and responsibilities of the council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment practices; amending ss. 110.105, 110.233, 112.042, and 760.10, F.S.; revising provisions relating to state employment policy, career service appointments, county and municipal employment, and unlawful employment practices, to provide that discrimination on the basis of sex includes discrimination on the basis of pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions; providing a limitation with respect to employer health insurance benefits; reenacting ss. 104.31(3) and 760.11(15), F.S., to incorporate amendments to ss. 110.233 and 760.10, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Wasserman Schultz and Siplin—

SB 210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; creating s. 409.8141, F.S.; providing that an uninsured parent, guardian, or relative caretaker of a child enrolled in the Florida Kidcare program is eligible for coverage under the program, subject to certain limitations; requiring separate premiums or cost-sharing requirements for the parent, guardian, or relative caretaker; providing that nonpayment of premiums or cost-sharing requirements for an adult is not grounds for disenrolling a child in that family from the program; providing for coverage of a parent, guardian, or relative caretaker whose income is above a specified level if the adult pays the full cost of the premium, including administrative costs; providing that the eligibility for coverage provided by the act is not an entitlement; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration and the board of directors of the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation to limit enrollment under the act; exempting the adults enrolled under the act from the enrollment limitations of the Florida Kidcare program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high-speed motor vehicle pursuits; creating the Citizen's High-Speed Pursuit Review Panel; providing for membership; specifying the review panel's duties; requiring the review panel to make its recommendations in an official report to be transmitted to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by a specified date; authorizing the review panel to hold meetings within the state; providing for the meetings to be open to the public; amending s. 316.1935, F.S.; providing increased criminal penalties for operators of motor vehicles who flee or attempt to elude properly marked law enforcement vehicles; authorizing the court to revoke a driver's license under certain circumstances; amending 943.17, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission to design and implement training courses to train law enforcement officers how to conduct high-speed pursuit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Crist and Fasano—

SB 214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the dispensing of prescriptions and controlled substances; amending s. 322.212, F.S.; providing that it is a third-degree felony to use or attempt to use a false or stolen driver's license or identification card to obtain a prescription drug or controlled substance from a pharmacist; amending s. 465.015, F.S.; providing that it is a third-degree felony to dispense a prescription without first being furnished with a photo identification; amending s. 893.04, F.S.; limiting the dispensing of controlled substances to persons furnishing photo identification or to persons known to the pharmacist; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senators Siplin, Bullard and Dockery—

SB 216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; providing for distribu-

tion of a portion of revenues from the tax on sales, use, and other transactions to specified units of local government owning eligible convention centers; creating s. 288.1171, F.S.; providing for certification of units of local government owning eligible convention centers by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development; requiring the office to adopt specified rules; providing a definition; providing requirements for certification; providing for use of proceeds distributed to units of local government under the act; providing for audits by the Department of Revenue; providing for revocation of certification; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crimes against minors; amending ss. 787.01 and 787.02, F.S.; revising the elements of the crimes of kidnapping a minor child and false imprisonment of a minor child; amending s. 787.025, F.S.; revising the elements of the crime of luring or enticing a minor child for an unlawful purpose; increasing the penalty imposed for committing that offense; reenacting ss. 435.03(2)(j) and (k), 435.04(2)(k) and (l), 775.21(4), 903.133, and 910.14, F.S., relating to screening standards, the Florida Sexual Predators Act, bail on appeal, and kidnapping, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 787.01, 787.02, 787.025, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting and amending s. 921.0022(3)(f), (i), and (j), F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendments to s. 787.02, F.S., in references thereto; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 943.0435(1)(a), 943.0585, 943.059, 944.606(1)(b), 944.607(1)(a), 948.01(15), and 948.06(2)(a), F.S., relating to the registration of sexual offenders, expunction and court-ordered sealing of criminal history records, the definition of the term "sexual offender," and probation and community control, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 787.01, 787.02, 787.025, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Crist—

SB 220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to official state designations; creating s. 15.0465, F.S.; designating the official state flagship; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Crist—

SB 222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service of process; amending s. 48.031, F.S.; deleting the requirement to use certified mail in service of a subpoena on a witness in specified types of cases; allowing the posting of a criminal witness subpoena under specified conditions; amending s. 83.13, F.S.; allowing the party who had a distress writ issued to deliver the writ to a sheriff in another county; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Crist and Siplin—

SB 224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to imposition of a death sentence; creating s. 921.1415, F.S.; providing that only criminals who were 18 years of age or older at the time the crime was committed may be sentenced to death; amending s. 775.082, F.S., to conform; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Posey and Fasano—

SB 226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to actions against law enforcement officers; providing a short title; amending s. 111.065, F.S.; redefining the term "law enforcement officer" for purposes of the payment of costs and attorney's fees in certain actions commenced against a law enforcement officer; revising circumstances under which the employing agency of a law enforcement officer has the option of paying legal costs and attorney's fees in an action arising out of the officer's official duties; requiring that an officer's employing agency pay legal costs and attorney's fees under certain circumstances involving an emergency, imminent death or bodily harm, or the pursuit or apprehension of an offender; providing for jurisdiction relating to legal costs and attorney's fees; providing certain limitations of the amount awarded; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault and battery; creating s. 784.072, F.S.; providing enhanced penalties for the offenses of assault, battery, aggravated assault, or aggravated battery on a security officer licensed by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services or on an investigator employed by the Bureau of Regulation and Enforcement of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing definitions; specifying minimum terms of imprisonment; providing that a person convicted of a violation under the act may not have adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence suspended or withheld; providing that such person is ineligible for early release, except under certain circumstances; amending s. 784.081, F.S.; increasing penalties for an assault or battery committed against an employee of a municipal or county parks or recreation department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Agriculture; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Crist—

SB 230—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonresidential tenancies; amending s. 83.09, F.S.; removing an exemption from liens for rent; amending s. 83.231, F.S., relating to judgments with respect to the removal of a tenant; providing that the court shall advance any hearings regarding issues of possession on its calendar; amending s. 83.232, F.S.; directing the clerk of the court to include certain information in the summons for actions of possession; providing that the court shall advance certain hearings on its calendar; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Crist, Fasano and Miller—

SB 232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to road designations; designating Captain Charles "Bo" Harrison Memorial Highway in Pasco County; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senators Posey and Fasano—

SB 234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; repealing the exemption for ostrich feed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Posey and Fasano—

SB 236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; repealing s. 212.031(9), F.S.; repealing the exemption from the tax on rental or license fees for the use of real property which applies to charges for the rental, lease, sublease, or license for the use of a skybox, luxury box, or other box seats during a high school or college football game; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SCR 238—A concurrent resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to equal rights for men and women.

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

By Senators Atwater and Fasano—

SB 240—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; creating s. 121.11225, F.S.; providing for the purchase of retirement credit for nonqualified service; authorizing the purchase of such credit; providing limitations and conditions; providing for costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SJR 242—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article IX of the State Constitution to require class size reduction only in prekindergarten through grade 3.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Cowin and Fasano—

SB 244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; specifying a period during which the sale of clothing, wallets, bags, certain books, and school supplies shall be exempt from such tax; defining the terms "clothing" and "school supplies" for purposes of the exemption; providing that the exemption does not apply to sales within certain theme parks, entertainment complexes, public lodging establishments, or airports; providing for rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Cowin and Fasano—

SB 246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mitigating factors in certain offenses; amending s. 921.0026, F.S.; providing that the fact that a victim was an initiator, willing participant, aggressor, or provoker of an incident, or consented to an incident, is not a mitigating factor to offenses under ch. 794, F.S., or s. 800.04, F.S., under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Posey and Crist—

SB 248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating the portion of State Road 44 which lies between Deland and State Road 415 in Volusia County as "Clyde Hart Highway"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senators Campbell and Fasano—

SB 250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student loans; creating s. 43.201, F.S.; providing for a financial assistance program administered by the Justice Administrative Commission to provide assistance to qualified trial court staff attorneys, assistant state attorneys, and assistant public defenders for the repayment of eligible student loans; defining the term "eligible student loan"; providing the elements of the program; providing for funding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bennett and Argenziano—

SB 252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county delinquency prevention; amending s. 938.17, F.S.; authorizing a board of county commissioners to adopt an ordinance that incorporates the provisions of the act; providing funding for a teen court through the assessment of an additional court cost against each person who pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is convicted of, a violation of a criminal law, an ordinance, or a traffic offense in the county; providing for administration by the clerk of the circuit court; authorizing the clerk of the court to retain a specified percentage of the assessments collected as income to the clerk of the court; requiring the teen court to account for all funds deposited into the teen court account; requiring a report to the board of county commissioners by a specified date; authorizing specified organizations to operate and administer a teen court program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 254—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the compulsory age of school attendance; amending s. 1003.61, F.S.; providing a conditional expiration date for the pilot attendance project implemented by the Manatee County District School Board, which raises the compulsory age of attendance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Lynn and Bennett—

SB 256—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; repealing s. 1003.429, F.S., relating to accelerated high school graduation options; amending ss. 1007.261 and 1009.531, F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bingo games; amending s. 849.0931, F.S.; authorizing the use of electronics or other technology in lieu of vocal verification for bingo games; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid copayments; amending s. 409.9081, F.S.; deleting a copayment requirement for transportation services used by recipients; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tourism; amending s. 288.1223, F.S.; increasing the membership of the Florida Commission on Tourism to include a representative from the space tourism industry and a representative from the youth travel industry; amending s. 288.1226, F.S.; increasing the membership of the board of directors of the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports.

By Senators Lynn and Fasano—

SB 264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to district school board employees; requiring an employee of a district school board who is a member of the Legislature to take unpaid leave for time away from employment while on legislative business; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Campbell and Dawson—

SB 266—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 316.2015, F.S.; prohibiting certain persons from riding on the exterior of a passenger vehicle or in areas not designed or intended for the use of passengers on certain vehicles; prohibiting certain minors from riding within the body of a pickup truck or flatbed truck; providing exceptions; providing penalties; amending s. 316.008, F.S.; authorizing a county or municipality to exempt itself from such prohibition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Comprehensive Planning; Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to planning for school growth; amending ss. 163.3174 and 1013.33, F.S.; amending the procedures for coordinating the efforts of local planning agencies and school districts toward planning for school growth; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Lynn and Fasano—

SB 270—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lottery revenues; amending ss. 24.115 and 24.121, F.S.; requiring that unclaimed prize money be deposited into the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund rather than used for future prizes or special promotions; amending s. 1010.70, F.S.; providing for the proceeds of unclaimed prize money to be distributed to individual public schools, community colleges, and universities pro rata, based on the full-time-equivalent student enrollment for the prior academic year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bingo; providing a short title; amending s. 849.0931, F.S.; defining the terms "instant bingo" and "deal"; providing rules for the operation of instant bingo games; providing penalties; providing requirements for the manufacture and sale of instant bingo tickets; providing duties of the Department of the Lottery; reenacting ss. 718.114, 723.079(8), F.S., relating to condominiums and homeowners' associations, to incorporate the amendment to s. 849.0931, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 274—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing homes; requiring an increase in wages and benefits for specified nursing home staff; providing for the use of wage or benefit funds; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to monitor compliance with the act; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 276—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel registration requirements; amending s. 328.72, F.S.; exempting vessels owned by Safe Harbor Haven, Inc., from certain vessel registration fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Wise and Fasano—

SB 278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle liability insurance; amending s. 320.055, F.S.; providing for a 6-month vehicle registration for persons reinstating a driver's license that has been suspended for driving under the influence; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue 6-month vehicle registration certificates and validation stickers; specifying the amount of taxes and fees which must be paid; amending s. 324.131, F.S.; requiring persons whose license or registration has been suspended or revoked due to a violation of driving under the influence to maintain, for 3 years, noncancelable liability coverage as described in s. 627.7275(2), F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to adopt a form for proof of such coverage; amending s. 627.7275, F.S.; requiring insurers to make available bodily injury and property damage liability

coverage that is noncancelable for a certain period; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Criminal Justice; Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Cowin and Webster—

SB 280—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public lodging establishments; amending s. 509.013, F.S.; defining the term "handbill"; creating s. 509.144, F.S.; prohibiting the distribution of handbills on the premises of public lodging establishments; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Posey—

SB 282—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enforcement of lost, destroyed, or stolen negotiable instruments; amending s. 673.3091, F.S.; providing an additional circumstance under which a person not in possession of a lost, destroyed, or stolen negotiable instrument may enforce such instrument; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 284—A bill to be entitled An act relating to video voyeurism; creating s. 810.145, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a person from secretly viewing, recording, or broadcasting images of another person for the purpose of entertainment, sexual arousal, profit, or abuse when that other person is in a location that provides a reasonable expectation of privacy; prohibiting a person from secretly filming, recording, or broadcasting images of another person under or through that other person's clothing for the purpose of viewing that other person's body or undergarments without consent of the person viewed; prohibiting a person from disseminating images when the person disseminating the images knows that the images were recorded in violation of law; prohibiting a person from selling images to another for consideration when the person selling the images knows that the images were recorded in violation of law; prohibiting a person from disseminating images that were recorded in violation of law to another person for that person to sell the images to others; providing for certain exceptions; providing criminal penalties; defining a previous conviction or adjudication of delinquency; amending s. 932.701, F.S.; defining the term "contraband article" to include any imaging equipment, format, or device used in violation of law; amending s. 932.7055, F.S.; requiring agencies seizing images of persons recorded in violation of law to destroy the images; providing that the seizing agency may not retain or sell the images; amending s. 932.707, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; reenacting ss. 705.101(6) and 932.703(4), F.S., relating to definitions of lost or abandoned property and the seizure of a vessel, motor vehicle, aircraft, other personal property, or real property in or on which a contraband article is located, to incorporate the amendment to s. 932.701, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 286—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agency reorganization; transferring the Division of Retirement and its powers, duties, functions, components, and assets from the Department of Management Services to the State Board of Administration; amending s. 110.205, F.S.; providing status of division personnel under the Career Service System; amending ss. 20.22, 20.28, 112.05, 112.3173, 112.352, 112.354, 112.356, 112.358, 112.361, 112.362, 112.363, 112.625, 112.63, 112.64, 112.658, 112.661, 112.665, 121.021, 121.025, 121.031, 121.051, 121.0511, 121.0515, 121.052, 121.055, 121.081, 121.085, 121.091, 121.095, 121.101, 121.111, 121.133, 121.135, 121.136, 121.1815, 121.1905, 121.192, 121.193, 121.22, 121.23, 121.24, 121.30, 121.35, 121.40, 121.45, 121.4501, 121.403, 121.591, 121.5911, 121.72, 121.73, 121.74, 122.02, 122.03, 122.05, 122.06, 122.07, 122.08, 122.09, 122.10, 122.12, 122.13, 122.15, 122.16, 122.23, 122.30, 122.34, 122.351, 175.032, 175.121, 175.1215, 175.341, 185.02, 185.10, 185.105, 185.23, 215.20, 215.28, 215.44, 215.50, 215.52, 238.01, 238.02, 238.03, 238.05, 238.07, 238.08, 238.09, 238.10, 238.11, 238.12, 238.14, 238.15, 238.171, 238.181, 238.32, 650.02, 650.06, F.S., to conform to such transfer; providing duties of the Department of Financial Services with respect to issuing benefit payments under retirement plans; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 288—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the right to a speedy trial; creating time limits within which a person charged with a crime by information or indictment must be brought to trial; permitting state attorneys to file a demand for a speedy trial; requiring that the trial judge schedule a calendar call upon the filing of a demand for a speedy trial in order to schedule a trial; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 290—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pugilistic exhibitions; providing a short title; amending s. 548.006, F.S.; requiring any amateur boxing, kickboxing, or mixed martial arts match held in this state to be sanctioned by a sanctioning body approved by the Florida State Boxing Commission; providing restrictions on such approval; amending s. 548.007, F.S., relating to applicability of ch. 548, F.S., to amateur matches and certain other matches or events, to conform; amending s. 548.008, F.S.; increasing the penalties for participating in or promoting a professional or amateur toughman or badman match; establishing a commission to study the possibility of creating an oversight committee responsible for the approval of sanctioning bodies required under ch. 548, F.S.; providing for membership, organization, and meetings; authorizing per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses in the conduct of official business; requiring a report; providing for termination of the commission upon submission of the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 292—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter technical career centers; amending s. 1002.34, F.S.; providing guidelines relating to funding for dual enrollment instruction of public school students provided at the Volusia/Flagler Advanced Technology Center; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bennett and Fasano—

SB 294—A bill to be entitled An act relating to display of flags in the Florida public K-20 education system; amending s. 1000.06, F.S.; requir-

ing that the flag of the United States be displayed in each classroom; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 296—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state liens on the proceeds of sale of certain literary accounts and the profits of sale of certain memorabilia; amending s. 944.512, F.S.; providing for definitions concerning the sale of literary accounts and memorabilia by and on behalf of a convicted felon; providing for a lien in favor of the state on the proceeds or profits of the sale of literary accounts, materials, and memorabilia payable to or accruing to a convicted felon, a representative of the convicted felon, or a profiteer of the felony; providing for the distribution of the proceeds or profits of the sale of literary accounts or memorabilia; amending s. 960.291, F.S.; revising definitions with respect to civil restitution liens to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Clary—

SB 298—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominiums; creating s. 718.3027, F.S.; requiring prelitigation disclosure to and approval by owners; requiring a disclosure; providing that a prelitigation disclosure is not admissible in evidence; amending s. 718.301, F.S.; providing for the effect of actions taken by members of the board of administration of an association; amending s. 718.503, F.S.; providing requirements for developer disclosure in certain contracts for the sale or lease of a residential unit; amending s. 718.506, F.S.; abrogating the right to a cause of action against a developer for an oral representation or information that is not in certain required developer's promotional materials; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Clary—

SB 300—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employees of public schools; amending s. 1012.61, F.S.; deleting a restriction on who may receive annual payments for accumulated sick leave; revising restrictions on the amount of payment which an employee may receive for accumulated sick leave when his or her employment terminates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 302—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida High-Speed Rail Authority Act; amending s. 341.840, F.S.; providing that the tax exemption provided to the authority does not apply to the income, sales, or other taxable transactions related to associated development, as defined by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Dockery and Fasano—

SJR 304—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article XI of the State Constitution to increase the votes required for ratification of an amendment to the State Constitution.

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

By Senator Margolis—

SB 306—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nutrition in elementary and secondary schools; providing a short title; providing nutritional standards for food that is available to school children on school campuses and that is sold for fundraising purposes; requiring district school boards to approve all food sold on school campuses or sold for fundraising purposes; authorizing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to impose a fine against a school superintendent or other supervisory personnel for violations of the act; amending s. 500.121, F.S.; authorizing the department to impose a fine against a food manufacturer, processor, packer, or distributor that misrepresents nutritional information on food labels; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Agriculture; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 308—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; requiring the Department of Education to determine the number of public schools that have eliminated physical education from their curriculum and report to the Governor and Legislature; requiring public elementary schools to incorporate daily physical education in their curriculum; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; requiring that questions concerning proper nutrition be included on the 10th-grade FCAT; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bennett and Fasano—

SB 310—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funding for school districts; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; deleting the determination of district cost differentials for the purpose of allocation of funds to school districts for operation of schools; correcting cross-references; amending s. 1011.68, F.S.; deleting use of the Florida Price Level Index for the purpose of allocation of funds to school districts for student transportation; amending ss. 110.1228, 213.053, 402.22, 1002.38, 1002.39, 1004.75, 1010.20, 1011.02, 1011.71, 1012.44, and 1012.64, F.S.; conforming provisions and correcting cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 312—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the provision of health care services; specifying conditions under which a health care provider must be permitted to participate as a service provider under a health plan offered by a managed care organization; defining the term "managed care organization"; requiring that a health care provider be reimbursed for providing services under specified conditions; providing for civil penalties; amending s. 627.419, F.S.; providing for construction of policies; providing for application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 314—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle title certificates; amending s. 319.23, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to maintain certain records for 10 years; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse treatment and intervention; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; providing additional legislative findings and purposes with respect to the treatment of substance abuse; authorizing the court to require certain persons to undergo treatment following adjudication; amending ss. 39.402 and 39.407, F.S.; authorizing the court to order specified persons to submit to a substance abuse assessment upon a showing of good cause in connection with a shelter hearing or petition for dependency; authorizing sanctions for noncompliance; amending ss. 39.507 and 39.521, F.S.; authorizing the court to order specified persons to submit to a substance abuse assessment as part of an adjudicatory order or pursuant to a disposition hearing; requiring a showing of good cause; authorizing the court to require participation in a treatment-based drug court program; authorizing the court to impose sanctions for noncompliance; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; authorizing the court to extend the time for completing a case plan during judicial review, based upon participation in a treatment-based drug court program; amending s. 397.334, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to treatment-based drug court programs to reflect participation by community support agencies, the Department of Education, and other individuals; including postadjudicatory programs as part of treatment-based drug court programs; requiring each judicial circuit to establish a position for a coordinator of the treatment-based drug court program; requiring the chief judge of each judicial circuit to appoint an advisory committee for the treatment-based drug court program; providing for membership of the committee; revising provisions with respect to an annual report; amending s. 910.035, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to conditions for the transfer of a case in the drug court treatment program to a county other than that in which the charge arose; amending s. 948.08, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in pretrial intervention programs; authorizing the court to refer certain defendants who are assessed with a substance abuse problem to a pretrial intervention program with the approval of the state attorney; deleting provisions authorizing advisory committees for the district pretrial intervention programs; amending s. 985.306, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in delinquency pretrial intervention programs; authorizing the court to refer certain juveniles who are assessed as having a substance abuse problem to a substance abuse education and treatment intervention program; deleting provisions authorizing advisory committees for the district delinquency pretrial intervention program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 318—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax sales; creating s. 197.574, F.S.; providing that, when a county applies for a tax deed for certain property that is to be sold, the county may impose deed restrictions that would bring the property into conformity with the current county comprehensive plan; providing for notice of the intent to impose such restrictions; providing for reading the restrictions at public outcry; requiring that the text of the restrictions be placed on a tax deed for the property; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Lynn and Fasano—

SB 320—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the state lottery; amending s. 24.115, F.S.; providing that all unclaimed prize money from lottery tickets, except instant lottery tickets, shall be deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; providing that unclaimed prize money deposited in the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund may be used only to provide funding for grades K-12 through the Florida Education Finance Program; amending s. 1010.70, F.S., relating to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protective injunctions; providing a short title; amending s. 784.046, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term "repeat violence" for purposes of protective injunctions; providing for an injunction for protection in cases of violence rather than in cases of repeat violence; providing requirements for a petition for protection against violence; redesignating the Domestic, Dating, and Repeat Violence Injunction Statewide Verification System in the Department of Law Enforcement as the "Violence Injunction Statewide Verification System"; providing for service of process and enforcement of an injunction for protection against violence; amending s. 784.047, F.S.; providing that it is a first-degree misdemeanor to violate an injunction for protection against violence; amending ss. 61.1825, 741.2901, and 741.30, F.S., relating to the State Case Registry and domestic violence; providing for the award of attorney's fees, costs, and certain other expenses in specified circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 784.048, F.S.; revising the elements of the offense of aggravated stalking to prohibit certain acts following an injunction for protection against violence rather than following an injunction for protection against repeat violence; amending ss. 790.06 and 790.065, F.S., relating to a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm and the sale and delivery of firearms; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 901.15, F.S.; authorizing arrest without a warrant when an officer has probable cause to believe that a person has knowingly committed an act of violence in violation of an injunction for protection from violence; amending s. 943.05, F.S., relating to the Criminal Justice Information Program; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 775.084(1)(d) and 921.0022(3)(g), F.S., relating to violent career criminals and the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment to s. 784.048, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Children and Families.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 324—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 322.20, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain certain records of convictions for persons holding a foreign driver's license; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; requiring law enforcement agencies to notify the department of any traffic fatality or when a law enforcement agency initiates action to obtain a blood test for impairment in a case of death or serious bodily injury; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 326—A bill to be entitled An act relating to culpable negligence; amending s. 784.05, F.S.; providing that it is a first-degree misdemeanor for a person to commit culpable negligence by driving a vehicle under the

influence of alcohol or drugs while accompanied in the vehicle by a person younger than a specified age; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Saunders—

SB 328—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment background screening; amending s. 435.03, F.S.; providing additional criminal offenses and deleting an offense that would disqualify a person subject to level 1 screening standards from employment; amending s. 435.04, F.S.; providing additional criminal offenses and deleting an offense that would disqualify a person subject to level 2 screening standards from employment; amending ss. 943.0585 and 943.059, F.S.; adding the Agency for Health Care Administration to the list of agencies permitted to receive expunged criminal history records and sealed criminal history records; providing additional offenses for which a person may not lawfully deny or fail to acknowledge an arrest with respect to an expunged or sealed record; reenacting ss. 39.821(1) and 400.414(1)(g), F.S., relating to guardians ad litem and assisted living facilities, to incorporate the amendment to ss. 435.03 and 435.04, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community contribution tax credits; repealing ss. 212.08(5)(q)5., 220.183(5), and 624.5105(6), F.S.; abrogating the future repeal of the community contribution tax credit program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 332—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT); expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT); providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 334—A bill to be entitled An act relating to universal prekindergarten education; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to universal prekindergarten education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Constantine and Fasano—

SM 336—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to enact H.R. 720, the Sales Tax Equity Act of 2003.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 338—A bill to be entitled An act relating to brownfield loan guarantees; amending s. 376.86, F.S.; revising certain restrictions on investing funds maintained in the Nonmandatory Land Reclamation Trust Fund; providing for a schedule for legislative review of the Brownfield Areas Loan Guarantee Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 340—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida School Code; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Florida School Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 342—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the protection of manatees; amending s. 370.12, F.S.; creating an exception from penalties for activities that are otherwise prohibited if the activity is reasonably necessary in order to prevent the loss of life or property or render necessary assistance to persons or property; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; and Natural Resources.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of massage therapy; amending s. 480.034, F.S.; exempting certain medical facilities from the licensure and inspection requirements for massage establishments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Wise and Bennett—

SB 346—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; creating s. 255.0517, F.S.; defining terms; limiting the authority of certain public agencies to purchase owner-controlled insurance programs for public construction projects; establishing purchase requirements; providing exemptions; creating s. 627.441, F.S.; defining terms; requiring insurers issuing commercial general liability policies to offer coverage for completed operations liability for certain contractors to the extent that coverage is not provided under an owner-controlled insurance program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements; providing for the confidentiality of personal identifying information contained in records for United States attorneys, assistant United States attorneys, judges of the United States Courts of Appeal, United States district judges, United States magistrate judges, and their spouses and children; providing for future repeal and legislative review

under the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 350—A bill to be entitled An act relating to class size requirements; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to class size requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 352—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substitute teachers; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to substitute teachers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 356—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 358—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Bright Futures Scholarship Program; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Bright Futures Scholarship Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 360—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community colleges; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to community colleges; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 362—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to charter schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to accelerated high school graduation options; amending s. 1003.429, F.S.; amending requirements applicable to the selection of such an accelerated option; amending requirements for the grade point average that must be earned; requiring district school boards to adopt rules allowing students to switch from one accelerated option to another; providing for default to standard graduation requirements in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 366—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowner's insurance; creating s. 627.70115, F.S.; requiring an insurer to give notice before canceling a homeowner's insurance policy; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to environmental health; creating s. 381.0069, F.S.; providing for the regulation of portable restroom contracting; providing definitions; requiring portable restroom contractors to apply for registration with the Department of Health; providing registration requirements; providing for administration; providing rulemaking authority; providing registration renewal requirements; providing for the certification of partnerships and corporations; providing grounds for suspension or revocation of registration; providing for fees; providing penalties and prohibitions; amending s. 381.0066, F.S.; authorizing the continuation of permit fees for system construction permits for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Constantine and Fasano—

SB 370—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating the St. Johns River Bridge on I-4 at the Seminole/Volusia County line as the "St. Johns River Veterans Memorial Bridge"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senators Cowin and Fasano—

SB 372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to utilities; amending s. 163.01, F.S.; providing applicability of provisions relating to ownership and operation of utilities by entities composed of municipalities and counties; prescribing powers of counties and specified municipalities with respect to acquisition of water utilities and wastewater utilities by separate legal entities composed of municipalities and counties; authorizing the Public Service Commission to review the acquisition of a

utility by two or more host governments; providing for a binding arbitration process under the Public Service Commission to resolve certain disputes relating to utility acquisition; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; requiring the Public Service Commission to establish rules that base the acquisition price for a host government to acquire a utility on certain information; amending s. 120.52, F.S.; deleting an exception from the requirements of ch. 120, F.S., for an entity created under s. 163.01(7)(g)1., F.S.; amending s. 367.021, F.S.; excluding an entity created under s. 163.01(7)(g)1., F.S., from the definition of the term "governmental authority"; amending s. 367.071, F.S.; deleting a provision authorizing a utility to be sold or transferred prior to approval of the Public Service Commission with a contingency clause in the contract; providing severability; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Communication and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to intergovernmental programs; repealing s. 163.01, F.S., the "Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Communication and Public Utilities; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 376—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics in government; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to ethics in government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 378—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics in government; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to ethics in government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 380—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics in government; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to ethics in government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 382—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics in government; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to ethics in government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ethics in government; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to ethics in government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 386—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 388—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 390—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 392—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 394—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

SR 396—Not referenced.

By Senator Miller—

SB 398—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the commercial exploitation of self-murder; creating s. 782.081, F.S.; defining the terms "self-murder" and "simulated self-murder"; prohibiting conducting an event,

promoting or publicizing an event, collecting admission for an event, or providing a location for an event during which the act of self-murder is a part of the event; providing an exception for events in which simulated self-murder is conducted; providing that a violation of the act is a third-degree felony; authorizing the Attorney General and state attorneys to enforce the act through civil proceedings; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Carlton—

SB 400—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Safety Belt law; amending s. 316.614, Florida Statutes; deleting a requirement that the safety belt law may only be enforced as a secondary action against persons detained for certain other violations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 402—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency lights on vehicles; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; requiring wreckers to display amber rotating or flashing lights in certain situations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Geller—

SB 404—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated external defibrillators; amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; requiring law enforcement vehicles to carry an automated external defibrillator; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 406—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the corporate income tax; creating s. 220.192, F.S.; providing a credit against the tax for contributions to nonprofit cultural organizations; providing legislative purpose; defining terms; providing limitations on individual credits; providing for administration by the Department of Revenue and the Division of Cultural Affairs of the Department of State; requiring the department and the division to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 408—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners' associations; amending s. 720.306, F.S.; prohibiting members of such associations who are subject to mandatory assessments from being denied the right to vote on association matters; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 410—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements to include building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings, and diagrams held by a public agency and relating to specified facilities, developments, and structures; providing exceptions; providing for legislative review and repeal; providing definitions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 412—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the determination of resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying certain liaison officers and their spouses and dependent children as residents for tuition purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 414—A bill to be entitled An act relating to restoration of civil rights; amending ss. 940.061, 944.293, and 944.605, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Corrections notify an offender, before discharge from supervision, of procedures by which the offender may apply for restoration of civil rights; requiring that the department assist the offender in completing forms required for restoration of civil rights; requiring that the offender acknowledge by signature receipt of such assistance; amending s. 944.705, F.S.; requiring the department to include in its release-orientation program instruction in the procedures for applying for restoration of civil rights; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 416—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Families Faith-Based Institute; creating the Florida Families Faith-Based Institute and providing for administration by the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University; providing for open records and meetings; providing duties; prohibiting imposition of fees for certain purposes; requiring a report; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Bullard, Diaz de la Portilla, Wilson and Bennett—

SB 418—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child support enforcement; amending s. 409.2557, F.S.; providing that certain child enforcement demonstration projects are no longer demonstration projects, but local solutions to providing such enforcement; requiring local providers of child support enforcement services to comply with state and federal policies; providing duties and responsibilities of the Department of Revenue regarding funding and compliance monitoring of these child support enforcement services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SB 420—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial motor vehicles; creating s. 316.570, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring a

minimum amount of insurance coverage for persons engaged in retrofitting, rebuilding, or modifying commercial trucks, truck tractors, or heavy trucks into dump trucks; providing safety standards; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Banking and Insurance; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Geller—

SB 422—A bill to be entitled An act relating to restrictions on the practice of law; amending s. 454.23, F.S.; increasing the penalty for committing prohibited acts constituting the unlicensed practice of law to a third-degree felony; amending s. 454.18, F.S.; deleting provisions prohibiting a sheriff from practicing law in this state; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Geller—

SB 424—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local governments; amending s. 253.034, F.S.; providing for the disposition of certain surplus state lands; amending s. 274.02, F.S.; revising a definition to increase the monetary value of fixtures and tangible personal property that must be included in an inventory of property; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senators Geller, Fasano and Saunders—

SB 426—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school student progression; amending s. 1008.25, F.S.; requiring that the comprehensive program for student progression include assessment of performance in social studies; amending ss. 1003.51 and 1003.52, F.S.; conforming provisions relating to subject area and grade level proficiency of students in education programs of the Department of Juvenile Justice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 428—A bill to be entitled An act relating to independent living transition services; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; requiring each district of the Department of Children and Family Services to identify adolescent foster children with developmental disabilities or special mental health needs and assist such youth in the transition to self-sufficiency; revising eligibility requirements for independent living transition services, participation in the Road-to-Independence Scholarship Program, and transitional support services; authorizing Medicaid coverage for youth who are eligible for transitional support services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 430—A bill to be entitled An act relating to teacher quality; amending s. 1012.52, F.S.; providing legislative findings to enunciate that an effective educator in this state is able to demonstrate an awareness of actions that may constitute a hate crime by completing the hate crimes training program offered by the Department of Legal Affairs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 432—A bill to be entitled An act relating to notaries public; amending s. 117.05, F.S.; requiring notaries to provide services without charge for certain persons; creating s. 117.055, F.S.; requiring notaries to maintain a journal and record notarial acts; providing journal requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 434—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protective injunctions; amending s. 784.047, F.S.; increasing the penalty for a violation of a protective injunction against repeat violence, sexual violence, dating violence, or domestic violence; providing that it is a third-degree felony to commit a crime against the property of a petitioner or a protected person in violation of a protective injunction; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Campbell—

SB 436—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial electronic messages; providing definitions; prohibiting a person from transmitting a commercial electronic mail message that uses a third party's Internet domain name without permission or a message that contains false or misleading information; prohibits a person from transmitting an unsolicited commercial electronic mail message without the use of the characters "ADV:" in the subject line or without providing a mechanism allowing recipients to easily remove themselves from the sender's electronic mailing address list at no cost; providing damages and an award for attorney's fees and costs to an injured party for violation of the act; providing an injured electronic mail service provider an award of attorney's fees and costs, and in lieu of actual damages, if the provider so chooses, the greater of $10 for each unsolicited commercial electronic mail message transmitted or $25,000 per day; providing the electronic mail service provider immunity from liability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Judiciary.

By Senators Campbell and Fasano—

SB 438—A bill to be entitled An act relating to discriminatory practices in public food service establishments; creating s. 760.61, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting discrimination in specified public food service establishments against persons who operate motorcycles or wear certain clothing; providing for the filing of complaints with the Commission on Human Relations or Attorney General's Office of Civil Rights; providing for filing a civil action under certain circumstances; authorizing the court to issue an injunction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senators Wise and Fasano—

SB 440—A bill to be entitled An act relating to persons with disabilities; amending ss. 413.402, 413.4021, F.S., and s. 3 of chapter 2002-286,

Laws of Florida; making the program for personal care attendants for spinal cord injury victims permanent; providing powers and duties of the Department of Health with respect to the program; providing criteria for participation in the program; providing for an oversight workgroup; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Wise and Fasano—

SB 442—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Fair Housing Act; amending s. 760.22, F.S.; defining the term "source of income"; amending s. 760.23, F.S.; prohibiting discrimination in the sale or rental of housing because of a person's source of income; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Judiciary.

By Senators Geller and Miller—

SB 444—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abrogating offensive or derogatory place names; creating s. 267.0625, F.S.; providing legislative findings that certain place names are offensive or derogatory; providing definitions; requiring the Florida Historical Commission and the Division of Historic Resources to aid state agencies and local governments in identifying geographic sites having offensive or derogatory place names; directing state agencies and local governments to identify geographic sites having offensive or derogatory place names by a specified date; directing the commission to recommend to the division replacement names; directing the division to select replacement names by a specified date; requiring state and local governments to update maps and markers with the new place names; directing the division to notify the United States Board of Geographic Names of name changes; providing specified exceptions to the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 446—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of products containing ephedrine; amending s. 499.033, F.S.; prohibiting the sale or delivery of products containing ephedrine over the counter without a prescription, subject to certain exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 448—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elder abuse and neglect; creating s. 825.108, F.S.; requiring that a case worker or protective investigator from the Department of Children and Family Services request a mental health examination of an elderly victim of abuse or neglect if there is suspicion of mental incompetency; amending s. 825.102, F.S.; increasing the penalty for committing aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult from a second-degree felony to a first-degree felony; creating the Task Force Against Abuse and Neglect of the Elderly within the Department of Children and Family Services; providing for membership and duties of the task force; requiring reports to the Legislature; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 450—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nutrition education in public schools; creating the Nutrition Education Trust Fund within the Department of Education; requiring that the moneys in the trust fund be used to advance public school students' knowledge of nutrition; providing for sources of funds; requiring the Department of Education to adopt rules for distributing moneys in the trust fund; providing for review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Agriculture; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 452—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local governments; creating s. 171.094, F.S.; providing for the annexation of local enclaves; creating s. 171.2001, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 171.2002, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating s. 171.2003, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 171.2004, F.S.; providing a process for external enclave interlocal agreements; creating s. 171.2005, F.S.; providing a dispute resolution process; creating s. 171.2006, F.S.; providing for the creation of boundary adjustment and service delivery interlocal agreements; creating s. 171.2007, F.S.; prohibiting certain acts; creating s. 171.2008, F.S.; providing for the transfer of powers; creating s. 171.2009, F.S.; providing for municipalities to exercise extraterritorial powers; creating s. 171.2010, F.S.; providing powers for counties to exercise in incorporated areas; creating s. 171.2011, F.S.; providing for the effect on existing interlocal agreements; creating s. 171.2012, F.S.; providing a presumption of validity; creating s. 171.2013, F.S.; providing for the amendment of certain municipal charters; amending s. 171.042, F.S.; providing a notice requirement; providing grounds for invalidating an annexation; amending s. 171.044, F.S.; providing a notice requirement; providing grounds for invalidating an annexation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Judiciary.

By Senators Bennett, Fasano and Bullard—

SB 454—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance; prohibiting health insurers from limiting health insurance coverage to certain counties in the state; requiring health insurers to make health insurance coverage available in each county; prohibiting certain health insurers from selling or offering for sale health insurance under certain circumstances; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission to monitor health insurers to determine and ensure compliance; requiring the office to enforce compliance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Bennett and Bullard—

SB 456—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the school capital outlay surtax; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; authorizing counties to use a portion of surtax revenues for certain operational purposes under cer-

tain circumstances; providing requirements and limitations; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 458—A bill to be entitled An act relating to constitutional amendments proposed by initiative; amending s. 100.371, F.S., and creating s. 100.3715, F.S.; providing prerequisites to placing on the ballot a constitutional amendment proposed by initiative; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 460—A bill to be entitled An act relating to relative caregivers; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; providing that children may be placed in the care of a relative by either the dependency court or family court; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 462—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 383.410, F.S., relating to exemptions from the act which are provided for certain records and portions of meetings concerning child fatalities investigated by the State Child Abuse Death Review Committee, a local committee, or a panel assembled by the state or local committee; saving the exemptions from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting an exemption provided for certain records obtained by a hospital or health care practitioner which relate to child fatalities; specifying the persons whose identity may be withheld from public disclosure under the exemptions provided for certain records and portions of meetings of the State Child Abuse Death Review Committee, a local committee, or a panel assembled by the state or local committee; revising requirements for the subpoena, discovery, or introduction into evidence in civil or criminal proceedings of information contained in records acquired by the State Child Abuse Death Review Committee or a local committee; revising a penalty applicable to the unauthorized disclosure of confidential information concerning child fatalities; deleting provisions that provide for the repeal of the exemptions under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 464—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 395.3025, F.S.; revising a public-records exemption for specified information concerning certain employees of hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and mobile surgical facilities; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions that provide for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 466—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 744.7081, F.S., relating to a public-records exemption for certain records held by the Statewide Public Guardianship Office; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions providing for a repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 468—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 395.3035, F.S., relating to a public-meetings exemption for certain portions of a hospital board meeting; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions that provide for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Campbell and Aronberg—

SB 470—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational facilities; creating s. 1013.135, F.S.; requiring each district school board to adopt and implement an indoor air quality program; requiring annual reports to the Department of Education; requiring uniform air quality inspections and evaluations; providing requirements for educational facility sites and project plans; providing requirements for heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning systems; requiring maintenance of records; requiring school district or educational facility indoor air quality committees; requiring indoor environmental quality training programs for staff; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 472—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers; amending s. 472.007, F.S.; delegating to the board the duties and authority of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to investigate and prosecute the practice and unlicensed practice of surveying and mapping; requiring the board to contract with a corporation or other business entity to provide the headquarters office, administrative services, technology, financial and statistical information, and revenue-receipt, reporting, licensure, testing, legal, investigative, prosecutorial, and other services; providing records requirements; authorizing the board to use funds from the unlicensed activity account to perform certain duties; requiring the board to submit an annual budget request to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SR 474—Not referenced.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 476—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health regulation; amending s. 468.352, F.S.; revising and providing definitions applicable to the regulation of respiratory therapy; amending s. 468.355, F.S.; revising provisions relating to respiratory therapy licensure and testing requirements; amending s. 468.368, F.S.; revising exemptions from res-

piratory therapy licensure requirements; repealing s. 468.356, F.S., relating to the approval of educational programs; repealing s. 468.357, F.S., relating to licensure by examination; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 478—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of homestead property; creating s. 689.261, F.S.; requiring a seller to give notice to the prospective purchaser of homestead property concerning ad valorem taxes on the property; specifying the form of notice; providing for the right of the purchaser to void the contract for sale under certain circumstances; providing an effective date;

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Cowin and Lynn—

SB 480—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel licenses; amending s. 372.09, F.S.; providing that revenues from freshwater fishing vessel licenses be deposited into the State Game Trust Fund; amending s. 372.57, F.S.; creating fishing vessel licenses for persons taking freshwater fish or carrying customers for the purpose of taking freshwater fish; providing for license fees; reenacting s. 372.562(2)(i) and (j), F.S., relating to certain exemptions from a requirement that a person obtain a fishing license or permit, to incorporate the amendment to s. 372.57, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Aronberg and Fasano—

SB 482—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer protection; creating ss. 501.165 and 501.166, F.S.; prohibiting the use of deception to obtain certain personal information for commercial solicitation purposes; prohibiting the sale or disclosure of personal customer information by persons in bankruptcy; providing an exception; providing penalties; amending s. 501.2075, F.S.; providing an exception to a civil penalty; creating s. 501.2076, F.S.; prohibiting falsely representing oneself as being affiliated with a law enforcement or firefighting agency or public utility; providing a penalty; providing that a violation of s. 817.568, F.S., is an unfair or deceptive act or practice or unfair method of competition in violation of part II of ch. 501, F.S.; providing penalties; amending ss. 501.203 and 501.204, F.S.; changing obsolete dates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Judiciary.

By Senators Lynn and Fasano—

SB 484—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school districts' policies of zero tolerance for crime and victimization; amending s. 1006.13, F.S.; requiring school districts to prohibit high school seniors who have committed a felony during their senior year from attending graduation ceremonies or activities; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lynn—

SB 486—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; repealing ss. 320.08053, 320.08056, 320.08058, and 320.08062, F.S., relating to specialty license plates; providing that current specialty plates shall remain valid until their next renewal date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SJR 488—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 9 of Article VII of the State Constitution, relating to ad valorem taxes for water management purposes, to standardize the maximum millage rate for the entire state.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 490—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dental licensure; amending s. 466.006, F.S.; allowing certain dental students to take the examinations required to practice dentistry in this state under specified conditions; providing a prerequisite to licensure of such students; creating s. 466.0065, F.S.; allowing certain dental students to take regional licensure examinations under specified conditions; restricting the applicability of examination results to licensing in other jurisdictions; requiring approval by the Board of Dentistry and providing prerequisites to such approval; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Carlton and Fasano—

SB 492—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certified geriatric specialty nursing; providing a short title; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to establish a pilot program for delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education; specifying eligibility requirements for certified nursing assistants to obtain certified geriatric specialty nursing education; specifying requirements for the education of certified nursing assistants to prepare for certification as a certified geriatric specialist; creating a Certified Geriatric Specialty Nursing Initiative Steering Committee; providing for the composition of and manner of appointment to the Certified Geriatric Specialty Nursing Initiative Steering Committee; providing responsibilities of the steering committee; providing for reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to conduct or contract for an evaluation of the pilot program for delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education; requiring the evaluation to include recommendations regarding the expansion of the delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education in nursing homes; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to report to the Governor and Legislature regarding the status and evaluation of the pilot program; creating s. 464.0125, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for persons to become certified geriatric specialists; specifying fees; providing for articulation of geriatric specialty nursing coursework and practical nursing coursework; providing practice standards and grounds for which certified geriatric specialists may be subject to discipline by the Board of Nursing; creating restrictions on the use of professional nursing titles; prohibiting the use of certain professional titles; providing penalties; authorizing approved nursing programs to provide education for the preparation of certified geriatric specialists without further board approval; authorizing certified geriatric specialists to supervise the activities of others in nursing home facilities according to rules by the Board of Nursing; revising terminology relating to nursing to conform to the certification of geriatric specialists; amending s. 381.00315, F.S.; revising requirements for the reactivation of the licenses of specified health care practitioners in the event of a public health emergency to include certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 400.021, F.S.; including services provided by a certified geriatric specialist within the definition of

nursing service; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; revising requirements for persons employed as nursing assistants to conform to the certification of certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; specifying that certified geriatric specialists shall be considered licensed nursing staff; authorizing licensed practical nurses to supervise the activities of certified geriatric specialists in nursing home facilities according to rules adopted by the Board of Nursing; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; revising the methodology for reimbursement of Medicaid program providers to include services of certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 458.303, F.S.; revising exceptions to the practice of medicine to include services delegated to a certified geriatric specialist under specified circumstances; amending s. 1009.65, F.S.; revising eligibility for the Medical Education Reimbursement and Loan Repayment Program to include certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 1009.66, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Program to include certified geriatric specialists; providing an appropriation; amending s. 464.201, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 464.202, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Nursing to adopt rules regarding the practice and supervision of certified nursing assistants; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 494—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building safety; amending s. 399.106, F.S.; revising the membership of the Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; removing provisions terminating the committee; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; providing code-amendment review requirements; amending s. 553.74, F.S.; revising the appointment of members to the Florida Building Commission; providing requirements relating to regional emergency elevator access; requiring elevators in certain newly constructed or substantially renovated buildings to be keyed alike within each of the state emergency response regions; providing for these requirements to be phased in for certain existing buildings; restricting the duplication and issuance of master elevator keys; requiring the labeling of master elevator keys; allowing local fire marshals to allow substitute emergency measures for elevator access in certain circumstances; providing for appeal of the local fire marshal's decision; providing for the State Fire Marshal to enforce these provisions; encouraging builders to use applicable new technology to provide regional emergency elevator access; providing an exemption; amending s. 553.77, F.S.; revising duties of the Florida Building Commission; deleting requirements that the commission hear certain appeals and issue declaratory statements; creating s. 553.775, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to the interpretation of the Florida Building Code; providing for the commission to resolve disputes regarding interpretations of the code; requiring the commission to review decisions of local building officials and local enforcement agencies; providing for publication of an interpretation on the Building Code Information System and in the Florida Administrative Weekly; amending s. 553.79, F.S.; exempting truss-placement plans from certain requirements; amending s. 553.791, F.S.; providing conditions for use of private plans review and inspection; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; authorizing local governments to impose certain fees for code enforcement; providing requirements and limitations; requiring the commission to expedite adoption and implementation of the existing state building code as part of the Florida Building Code pursuant to limited procedures; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Building Commission to conduct proceedings to review decisions of local officials; creating the Florida Construction Council as a nonprofit corporation; requiring the council to provide administrative, technical, and code-development services to the Florida Building Commission; providing for staff for the council to be provided by Florida State University; providing for a board of directors; providing terms of office; providing requirements for operations; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 553.841, F.S.; revising the Building Code Training Program; amending s. 553.842, F.S.; adding an evaluation entity to the list of entities specifically approved by the commission; amending s. 633.171, F.S.; establishing penalties for unauthorized use of fireworks and pyrotechnic devices; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Comprehensive Planning; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 496—A bill to be entitled An act relating to family child care homes; amending ss. 125.0109 and 166.0445, F.S.; redesignating family day care homes as family child care homes; deleting provisions relating to the regulation of registered family child care homes under local zoning regulations; conforming provisions to the licensure statute; amending s. 402.27, F.S.; requiring licensed family child care homes and large family child care homes to provide specified information to resource and referral agencies; amending 402.302, F.S.; defining the term "family child care homes"; amending s. 402.3051, F.S.; deleting references to registered family child care homes; conforming provisions to the licensure statute; amending s. 403.306, F.S.; requiring the department and local licensing agencies to provide information on large family child care homes; deleting reference to registered family care homes; conforming provisions to the licensure statute; amending s. 402.313, F.S.; requiring all family child care homes to be licensed; deleting provisions relating to registration of family child care homes; deleting provisions relating to voluntary licensing of family child care homes; requiring registered family child care homes to obtain a license by a specified date; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt rules for minimum licensing standards; amending ss. 409.1671 and 627.70161, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to registered family child care homes; conforming section to licensure statute; reenacting s. 400.953(3), F.S., relating to proof of compliance with background screening requirements, to incorporate the amendment to s. 402.313, F.S., in references thereto; providing that the act will not take effect unless a specified number of positions are funded for licensing family child care homes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 498—A bill to be entitled An act relating to supervised visitation programs for children; repealing ss. 753.001, 753.002, 753.004, F.S., relating to the Florida Family Visitation Network; creating ss. 753.01, 753.02, 753.03, 753.04, 753.05, 753.06, 753.07, 753.08, 753.09, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to administering supervised visitation programs; defining terms for supervised visitation and supervised exchange services; providing for the development of standards for supervised visitation and supervised exchange services; requiring compliance with interim minimum standards; providing for security of supervised visitation programs; requiring the Clearinghouse on Supervised Visitation to develop training materials; providing for the clearinghouse to develop and implement a mechanism for data collection; providing for the clearinghouse to develop standards for supervised visitation and supervised exchange services; providing for an advisory board; requiring a report to the Legislature; amending s. 943.135, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission to allow agencies employing law enforcement officers to authorize volunteer service as a means of fulfilling requirements for continuing education; creating s. 943.254, F.S.; authorizing law enforcement agencies to administer a volunteer program for officers to provide security services during off-duty hours for certain community programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Education; Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 500—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic control; amending s. 316.1945, F.S.; prohibits stopping or parking a vehicle in a school zone, except in a designated loading or unloading area; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Transportation.

By Senators Wise, Sebesta and Fasano—

SB 502—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Family First license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SJR 504—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article VII of the State Constitution, relating to finance and taxation, to require that any decrease in the rate of a tax levied by the state be enacted in a separate bill for that purpose only.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Ethics and Elections; Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic counselors; creating part XV of ch. 468, F.S., the "Genetic Counseling Practice Act"; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose and intent; providing definitions; requiring licensure to practice genetic counseling; providing exemptions; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors and providing for appointment and staggering of terms of its members; requiring the board to adopt rules; providing licensure requirements; providing for biennial renewal of licensure; providing for continuing education; providing fees; prohibiting certain acts; providing penalties; providing grounds for disciplinary action; providing for denial of licensure or imposition of other disciplinary actions authorized by law; amending s. 20.43, F.S.; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance in the Department of Health; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 508—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Jobs for Florida's Graduates Act; amending s. 446.609, F.S.; deleting provisions authorizing the Department of Education and the Commissioner of Education to oversee the activities of the board of directors of the Florida Endowment Foundation for Florida's Graduates; revising the selection criteria for schools chosen to participate in the program; revising the goals of the Jobs for Florida's Graduates Program; requiring the board of directors to conduct an annual financial audit of the foundation; deleting provisions requiring the program to conduct a review and deliver to the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability a report of the program's activities; deleting provisions requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to study the overall efficacy of the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 510—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facilities; amending s. 402.3055, F.S.; requiring an applicant, owner, or operator of a child care facility to sign an affidavit attesting to the accuracy of certain information; amending s. 402.309, F.S.; authorizing the local licensing agency or the Department of Children and Family Services to issue a provisional license or registration to a child care facility, family day care home, or large family child care home; providing that a provisional license or registration may not be issued unless child care personnel are screened according to law; requiring the department to adopt rules for issuing, suspending, and revoking provisional licenses and registrations; amending s. 402.310, F.S.; providing that an increased administrative fine may be imposed in addition to or in lieu of other disciplinary actions; authorizing the department or local licensing agencies to convert a license or registration to probation status for violation of certain laws and rules; authorizing the department or local licensing agencies to apply disciplinary actions to registered family day care homes; directing the department to adopt rules establishing grounds for imposing disciplinary actions for violations of certain laws and rules; directing the department to adopt rules to create a uniform system of procedures to use for disciplinary actions; creating s. 402.3105, F.S.; requiring the department to establish a database of information concerning violations, citations, and penalties imposed against child care facilities, family day care homes, and large family child care homes licensed by or registered with the department; requiring the department to consult with the State Technology Office; specifying database capabilities and the uses of information contained therein; providing that implementation is not contingent upon an appropriation; repealing ss. 402.313(1)(b) and 402.3131(1)(a), F.S.; abolishing the authority of the department or local licensing agency to impose an administrative fine for a family care home or a large family child care home; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 512—A bill to be entitled An act relating to independent living transition services; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; deleting references to children in foster care; adding references to children in the legal custody of the Department of Children and Family Services; defining children in the legal custody of the department to include children in the legal custody of a lead community-based provider; requiring each district or lead community-based provider to submit an annual plan for meeting the agency's specified obligations; abolishing the Independent Living Services Workgroup; creating the Independent Living Services Advisory Group to review and evaluate the operation of the department's independent living transition services; providing for the activities of the Independent Living Services Advisory Group; requiring the Independent Living Services Advisory Group to report to the Senate and the House of Representatives; providing for membership on the advisory group; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 514—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighter retirement; amending s. 175.371, F.S.; allowing use of firefighter pension plan assets to purchase past-service credit for firefighters who become members of the Florida Retirement System due to consolidation or merger of governments or transfer of government functions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 516—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; providing a short title; amending s. 106.011, F.S.; redefining the term "communications media"; amending s. 106.11, F.S.; extending the time for unopposed candidates to purchase "thank you" advertising; amending s. 106.141, F.S.; extending the date for unopposed candidates to file a termination report, to conform; amending s. 106.1437, F.S.; modifying reporting re-

quirements for miscellaneous advertisements intended to influence public policy; prescribing prohibitions and exemptions; prescribing penalties; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Constantine—

SB 518—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development incentives; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; providing for distribution of a portion of revenues from the tax on sales, use, and other transactions to specified units of local government owning eligible convention centers; creating s. 288.1171, F.S.; providing for certification of units of local government owning eligible convention centers by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development; requiring the office to adopt specified rules; providing a definition; providing requirements for certification; providing for use of proceeds distributed to units of local government under the act; providing for audits by the Department of Revenue; providing for revocation of certification; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 520—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building safety; amending s. 399.106; revising the membership of the Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; removing provisions terminating the committee; amending s. 399.13, F.S.; authorizing counties and municipalities to impose certain fees and fines; prohibiting a county or municipality from taking disciplinary action against certain certifications or registrations; amending s. 400.605, F.S.; deleting requirements that the Department of Elderly Affairs adopt physical plant standards for hospice facilities; creating s. 400.6056, F.S.; requiring that construction standards for hospice facilities comply with the Florida Building Code; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; including hospice facilities in the Florida Building Code; amending s. 633.171, F.S.; establishing penalties for the unauthorized use of fireworks and pyrotechnic devices; amending s. 1013.45, F.S.; requiring life-cycle cost analysis in selection of public school facilities; providing requirements relating to regional emergency elevator access; requiring elevators in newly constructed or certain substantially renovated buildings to be keyed alike within each of the state emergency response regions; providing for these requirements to be phased in for certain existing buildings; restricting the duplication and issuance of master elevator keys; requiring the labeling of master elevator keys; allowing local fire marshals to allow substitute emergency measures for elevator access in certain circumstances; providing for appeal of the local fire marshal's decision; providing for the State Fire Marshal to enforce these provisions; encouraging builders to use applicable new technology to provide regional emergency elevator access; providing an exemption for certain buildings; authorizing the Florida Building Commission to expedite adoption and implementation of the existing state building code as part of the Florida Building Code pursuant to limited procedures; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Regulated Industries; Banking and Insurance; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

Senate Resolutions 522-526—Not referenced.

By Senators Pruitt and Haridopolos—

SB 528—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funeral directing, embalming, direct disposition, and cemetery services; amending s. 20.121, F.S.; establishing the Division of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services and the Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services within the Department of Financial Services; amending s. 20.165, F.S.; abolishing the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 455.2226, F.S.; conforming a reference; amending ss. 470.002 and 497.005, F.S.; conforming definitions; amending s. 497.105, F.S.; conforming references; repealing ss. 470.003, 497.107, and 497.109, F.S., relating to the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers and the Board of Funeral and Cemetery Services, to conform; amending s. 497.101, F.S.; creating the Board of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services; providing for the appointment of board members; providing terms of office; providing grounds for removal or suspension of a member; providing immunity from liability for members acting in an official capacity; specifying the headquarters for the board; providing for compensation and reimbursement for per diem expenses; creating s. 497.102, F.S.; providing for the authority of the board; creating s. 497.1021, F.S.; providing duties of the Division of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services; providing powers of enforcement; creating s. 497.1022, F.S.; establishing the office of the director of the division; providing duties of the Chief Financial Officer under chapters 470 and 497, F.S.; providing for a type two transfer of the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers to the Department of Financial Services; providing for validity of judicial and administrative actions; providing for validity of licenses; providing for continuity of rules; abolishing the Board of Funeral and Cemetery Services and the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers; providing for deposit of fees; directing the Division of Statutory Revision to conform the statutes; amending s. 470.002, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 470.0085, F.S.; extending the embalmer apprentice period; amending s. 470.018, F.S.; increasing continuing education requirements; amending s. 470.021, F.S.; providing additional requirements for a direct disposal establishment; providing inspection requirements and criteria; amending s. 470.024, F.S.; revising requirements for a funeral establishment; amending s. 470.025, F.S.; revising cremation requirements for cinerator facilities relating to simultaneous cremations, body parts, cremation containers, and the cremation chamber; providing an exemption from liability for unintentional or incidental commingling of remains under certain conditions; amending s. 470.0255, F.S.; providing for cremation of parts of human bodies incidental to final disposition; amending s. 470.028, F.S.; providing for control and supervision of preneed agents; amending s. 470.029, F.S.; extending the filing time for reports of bodies embalmed or handled; amending s. 470.031, F.S.; prohibiting any guarantee on the future price of any goods or services; providing penalties; amending s. 470.0355, F.S.; revising requirements for identification of human remains prior to final disposition; providing requirements for identification of human remains in licensed and unlicensed cemeteries and by direct disposal establishments; reenacting s. 470.036(1)(a), F.S., relating to disciplinary proceedings, to incorporate the amendment to s. 470.031, F.S., in a reference thereto; amending s. 497.005, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; amending s. 497.305, F.S.; requiring that a cemetery company comply with its adopted bylaws; creating s. 497.306, F.S.; providing dimension and spacing standards for grave spaces; requiring a map of reference markers and a land survey for areas proposed to be developed by a licensed cemetery company; exempting adult grave spaces previously established; creating s. 497.307, F.S.; providing requirements for identification of human remains in licensed cemeteries; amending s. 497.325, F.S.; providing for procedures established by other entities operating a cemetery; amending s. 497.333, F.S.; providing for disclosure of certain information to customers; amending s. 497.361, F.S.; providing for approval of contracts; creating s. 497.365, F.S.; providing for regulation of monument establishments by the Department of Financial Services; providing for inspections; providing for rules; providing that the department may not unreasonably restrict commerce; creating s. 497.371, F.S.; providing for specifications for business locations; creating s. 497.379, F.S.; providing for the licensure of monument establishments that sell preneed contracts; creating s. 497.385, F.S.; providing for registration of monument sales representatives; creating s. 497.391, F.S.; providing for approval of preneed contracts by the board; creating s. 497.395, F.S.; providing financial requirements for monument establishments; providing requirements for minimum net worth; providing for submission of financial statements; providing for minimum sales volume with respect to preneed contracts; providing for guarantee agreements; providing for additional oversight in lieu of financial requirements; amending s. 497.405, F.S.; prohibiting any person from advertising for sale or making any arrangement for a preneed contract without having a valid certificate of authority; expanding the exemption from the required certificate of authority for certain religious-institution-owned cemeteries to include the sale and opening or closing of cremation interment containers to members and family members of the religious institution; amending s. 497.419, F.S.; requiring preneed

contracts to include in the refund notice the exclusion for amounts allocable to burial rights, merchandise, and services used by the purchaser; providing conditions for breach of contract by certificateholder and for rights of purchaser; amending s. 497.436, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Funeral and Cemetery Services to review the trust funds, trust agreements, and outstanding preneed contracts of, and perform other procedures at its discretion with respect to, a certificateholder filing notice to become inactive; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Geller—

SB 530—A bill to be entitled An act relating to parole for juveniles; amending s. 985.225, F.S.; providing that a child younger than a specified age who is found to have committed an offense punishable by death or life imprisonment is eligible for parole if the child has not previously been adjudicated for certain offenses; requiring that the child be incarcerated in a youthful-offender facility for a minimum period before becoming eligible for parole release; requiring that the Parole Commission review a child for release; requiring the commission to conduct an initial interview with the child; providing that the child's case be periodically reviewed thereafter for eligibility for parole release; providing that, if the child has not been granted parole by the time the child reaches a specified age, the child must be transferred from the youthful-offender facility to an appropriate adult facility; providing an effective date;

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Children and Families; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Crist—

SB 532—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Good Samaritan Act; amending s. 768.13, F.S.; including certain persons who participate in emergency response activities under the direction of or in connection with the Division of Emergency Management of the Department of Community Affairs or the Federal Emergency Management Agency within the act for purposes of immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; and Judiciary.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 534—A bill to be entitled An act relating to road and bridge designations; designating Browning-Pearce Memorial Highway in St. Johns and Putnam Counties; designating Jerome A. Williams Memorial Highway in Putnam County; designating James C. Penney Memorial Boulevard in Clay County; designating C. Fred and Marvin Arrington Bridge in Leon County; designating Howard E. Futch Memorial Highway in Brevard and Osceola Counties; designating the St. Johns River Bridge on I-4 at the Seminole/Volusia County line as "St. Johns River Veterans Memorial Bridge"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 536—A bill to be entitled An act relating to comprehensive plans; amending s. 163.3187, F.S.; providing an exception to a limit on the frequency of adopting amendments to a comprehensive plan by rural communities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 538—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pugilistic contests and exhibitions; providing a short title; amending s. 548.002, F.S.; defining the term "amateur sanctioning organization"; revising certain definitions to apply them to both amateur and professional participants; amending s. 548.003, F.S.; providing the Florida State Boxing Commission the responsibility for, and the authority to adopt rules relating to, the approval of amateur sanctioning organizations for amateur boxing and kickboxing matches held in the state; amending s. 548.006, F.S.; limiting required certification of competitiveness of mixed martial arts and kickboxing matches to professional matches; expanding power of the commission to control pugilistic contests and exhibitions to include exclusive jurisdiction over the approval of amateur sanctioning organizations for amateur boxing and kickboxing matches; specifying requirements for the holding of professional and amateur matches; creating s. 548.0065, F.S.; prohibiting certain amateur matches except under certain circumstances; prohibiting approval of amateur sanctioning organizations not meeting and enforcing certain health and safety standards and not meeting certain other background, training, and experience requirements; providing for periodic checks for compliance with enforcement and supervision requirements; requiring biennial or sooner, if necessary, sanctioning review; providing for continuation, suspension, or revocation of sanctioning approval pursuant to such review; amending s. 548.008, F.S.; prohibiting the holding of certain amateur matches not sanctioned and supervised by an amateur sanctioning organization approved by the commission; prohibiting the holding of amateur mixed martial arts matches; prohibiting the holding of professional matches not meeting the requirements of ch. 548, F.S., and rules adopted by the commission; providing penalties for participating in or holding, promoting, or sponsoring a prohibited match; deleting provisions relating to professional or amateur toughman or badman competitions; repealing s. 548.007, F.S., relating to applicability of ch. 548, F.S., to amateur matches and certain other matches or events; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 540—A bill to be entitled An act relating to manatee protection; amending s. 370.1201, F.S.; requiring the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to implement a manatee population research study; providing legislative intent regarding subject areas of manatee research; providing program goals for manatee population research relating to policy decisions based on sound scientific data; requiring that certain issues be studied in the manatee population research program; directing the commission to contract with Mote Marine Laboratory to conduct the research study; directing that an annual report be made to the Governor, Legislature, and commission which includes recommendations based upon study results; requiring an annual audit; providing a source of funds; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 542—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 370.1203, F.S.; creating the Manatee Population Study Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; providing for the use of funds and the source of funds; providing for review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 544—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction services; amending s. 218.70, F.S.; providing a short title; amending s. 218.72,

F.S.; redefining terms used in part VII of ch. 218, F.S.; amending s. 218.735, F.S.; revising provisions relating to timely payment for purchases of construction services; revising deadlines for payment; providing procedures for project closeout and payment of retainage; providing requirements for local government construction retainage; providing that ss. 218.72-218.76, F.S., apply to the payment of any payment request for retainage; creating s. 255.0705, F.S.; providing a short title; amending s. 255.071, F.S.; revising deadlines for the payment of subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, materialmen, and suppliers on construction contracts for public projects; creating ss. 255.072, 255.073, 255.074, 255.075, 255.076, 255.077, and 255.078, F.S.; providing definitions; providing for timely payment for purchases of construction services by a public entity; providing procedures for calculating payment due dates; providing procedures for handling improper payment requests; providing for the resolution of disputes; providing for payment of court costs and attorney's fees; providing for project closeout and payment of retainage; providing for public-construction retainage; providing that ss. 255.072-255.076, F.S., apply to the payment of any payment request for retainage; amending s. 255.05, F.S.; providing requirements for certain notices of nonpayment served by a claimant who is not in privity with the contractor; providing limitations on a claimant's institution of certain actions against a contractor or surety; providing for certain notices to the claimant; creating s. 725.09, F.S.; prohibiting the inclusion in a contract for the purchase of construction materials or services a provision that conditions payment for such materials or services on the receipt of payment from any other entity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; and Regulated Industries.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 546—A bill to be entitled An act relating to district school taxation; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; authorizing certain expenditures from district school tax revenues to pay insurance premiums; providing limitations; providing for legislative review; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 548—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Sportsmen's National Land Trust license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sales of such plates; providing an effective date;

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 550—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Litter Law; amending s. 403.413, F.S.; clarifying an exception to a prohibition against dumping litter on private property; requiring that the community service imposed for certain violations be performed in specified areas; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Dawson—

SB 552—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bridge designation; designating the Skypass Bridge in the City of Riviera Beach as the "L. E. Buie Bridge"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 554—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funeral vehicle lights; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; authorizing vehicles used by funeral homes or the clergy to display flashing purple lights while in a funeral procession; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 556—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student discipline and school safety; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; revising guidelines governing district school board duties relating to emergency management and emergency preparedness; providing requirements for the number and type of emergency drills that each school must conduct; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Bennett and Lynn—

SB 558—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated telephone answering systems; creating s. 282.108, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to automated telephone answering systems operated by state agencies; defining terms; requiring that each state agency provide an alternative menu option on each automated telephone answering system to allow the public to talk to an agency employee during normal business hours; providing exceptions for telephone calls received after business hours and on weekends; providing for dates of implementation by state agencies; prohibiting a state employee from using an automated telephone answering system except under specified circumstances; requiring the State Technology Office to ensure the proper administration of automated answering systems by state agencies; requiring the State Technology Office to adopt rules; requiring reports to the Governor and Legislature; repealing s. 110.1082, F.S., relating to telephone voice mail systems and telephone menu options system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 560—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; providing legislative findings and intent; amending s. 456.072, F.S., relating to grounds for discipline, penalties, and enforcement applicable to health care practitioners; providing that a practitioner's failure to disclose his or her training in health care advertisements and in professional relationships with patients constitutes grounds for disciplinary action; providing exceptions; providing penalties; specifying that a reference to the section constitutes a general reference under the doctrine of incorporation by reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 562—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electrical and alarm system contracting; amending s. 489.517, F.S.; requiring certificate-holders and registrants to have continuing education in preventing false alarms; amending s. 489.518, F.S.; revising qualifications for burglar alarm system agents; requiring an additional criminal background check; removing an exemption from training requirements for persons who only perform sales; authorizing employment as an alarm system agent or burglar alarm system agent under supervision for a specified period, pending completion of training and the criminal background

check; providing the format, the validity period, and renewal requirements for burglar alarm system agent identification cards; requiring an updated criminal background check of each burglar alarm system agent who renews certification; providing continuing education requirements for burglar alarm system agents; amending s. 489.5185, F.S.; revising qualifications for fire alarm system agents; requiring an additional criminal background check; requiring an updated criminal background check of each fire alarm system agent who renews certification; requiring fire alarm system agents to have continuing education in preventing false alarms; amending s. 489.529, F.S.; requiring a second alarm-verification call if the first call is unanswered; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SJR 564—A joint resolution proposing the repeal of Section 16 of Article III of the State Constitution, relating to legislative apportionment, and the creation of Section 10 of Article II of the State Constitution to prescribe reapportionment standards and procedures.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SJR 566—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article I of the State Constitution, relating to basic rights.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 568—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; providing an exemption for tangible personal property sold to a contractor employed directly by or as an agent of the United States Government or state or local government when such property will become part of a public K-12 school owned by the governmental entity, if specified conditions are met; providing duties of such governmental entities, contractors, and sellers with respect to documentation and recordkeeping; providing for application of penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SJR 570—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Section 10 of Article IV and Section 3 of Article XI of the State Constitution, relating to proposed revisions of or amendments to the State Constitution proposed by initiative petition.

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

By Senator Geller—

SB 572—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military personnel on duty; creating the Citizen Soldier Matching Grant Program within the Agency for Workforce Innovation; providing for matching grants to be awarded to private sector employers that provide wages to employees serving in the United States Armed Forces Reserves or the Florida National Guard while those employees are on federal active duty; providing eligibility requirements for grant recipients; directing the Agency for Workforce Innovation to develop a plan to administer the application and payment procedures for the matching grants; providing for the grant program to be funded by legislative appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SB 574—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating the Citizen Soldier Matching Grant Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation; requiring that moneys in the trust fund be used to award matching grants to private sector employers who provide wages to employees serving in the United States Armed Forces Reserves or the Florida National Guard while such employees are on federal active duty; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Fasano, Lynn and Argenziano—

SB 576—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal offenses; providing a short title; creating s. 775.0847; providing for the reclassification of felonies committed against the elderly or disabled; amending s. 784.08; providing for the reclassification of misdemeanors committed against persons 65 years of age or older; amending s. 812.0145; providing for a mandatory term of imprisonment for certain thefts against persons 65 years of age or older; amending s. 825.103; providing for a mandatory term of imprisonment for certain acts of exploitation against an elderly person or disabled adult; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Fasano and Aronberg—

SB 578—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public-records; exempting from public-records requirements information and records reported to the Department of Health under the electronic monitoring system for prescription of controlled substances listed in Schedules II-IV; authorizing certain persons and entities access to patient-identifying information; providing guidelines for the use of such information and penalties for violations; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a finding of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 580—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substances; creating s. 831.311, F.S.; prohibiting the sale, manufacture, alteration, delivery, uttering, or possession of counterfeit-resistant prescription blanks for controlled substances; providing penalties; amending s. 893.04, F.S.; providing additional requirements for the dispensing of a controlled substance listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV; providing rulemaking authority to the Board of Pharmacy; creating s. 893.055, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish an electronic system to monitor the prescribing of controlled substances listed in Schedules II, III, and IV; requiring the dispensing of such controlled substances to be reported through the system; providing exceptions; providing reporting requirements; providing penalties; requiring the department and regulatory boards to adopt rules; requiring the department to cover all costs for the system; providing for an appropriation,

subject to availability of funds; providing that a certain trust fund may not be used to fund the program; creating s. 893.065, F.S.; requiring the department to develop and adopt by rule the form and content for a counterfeit-proof prescription blank for voluntary use by physicians to prescribe a controlled substance listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV; providing an appropriation and authorizing positions; providing contingent applicability of penalties; providing contingent effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

SR 582—Not referenced.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 584—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high school graduation options; amending s. 1003.429, F.S.; revising credit requirements for the accelerated high school graduation career preparatory program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 586—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the family court efficiency; creating s. 25.375, F.S.; authorizing the Supreme Court to create a system to identify cases relating to individuals and families within the court system; amending s. 39.013, F.S.; providing for modifying a court order in a subsequent civil proceeding; amending s. 39.0132, F.S.; providing for limited admissibility of evidence in subsequent civil proceedings; amending s. 39.521, F.S.; providing for modifying a court order in a subsequent civil action or proceeding; amending s. 39.814, F.S.; providing for limited admissibility of evidence in subsequent civil proceedings; amending s. 61.13, F.S.; providing for the court to determine matters relating to child support in any proceeding under ch. 61, F.S.; eliminating provisions authorizing the court to award grandparents visitation rights; amending s. 61.21, F.S.; revising the timeframe for completing a parenting course; amending s. 741.30, F.S.; providing for an order of temporary custody, visitation, or support to remain in effect until the court enters an order in a subsequent action; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 588—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Live the Dream license plate and a UNITY license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 590—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Good Samaritan Act; amending s. 768.13, F.S.; providing immunity from civil liability for a person who participates in the emergency response activities of a community emergency response team if that person acts prudently and within the scope of his or her training; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; and Judiciary.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 592—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lottery revenues; amending ss. 24.115 and 24.121, F.S.; requiring that unclaimed prize money be deposited into the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund rather than used for future prizes or special promotions; amending s. 1010.70, F.S.; providing for the proceeds of unclaimed prize money to be distributed to community colleges and universities pro rata, based on the full-time-equivalent student enrollment for the immediately preceding academic year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on gross receipts for utility and communications services; amending s. 203.01, F.S.; providing for a tax on utility services delivered to a retail consumer in this state; providing for a tax on the gross receipts of a distribution company providing delivery of electricity to a retail consumer, based on an index price; providing for an annual calculation of the index price; providing a credit for similar taxes paid to another jurisdiction; providing for a tax on the gross receipts of a distribution company providing transportation of natural gas or manufactured gas to a retail consumer, based on an index price; providing for an annual calculation of the index price; providing a credit for similar taxes paid to another jurisdiction; providing for a tax on the cost price of electricity, natural gas, or manufactured gas to be paid by any person who causes these products to be severed or imported into the state for that person's own use; revising obsolete provisions; providing that the tax does not apply to the sale or transportation of natural gas or manufactured gas to a public or private utility for resale or for use as a fuel in the generation of electricity; amending s. 203.012, F.S.; redefining the term "utility service"; defining the term "distribution company"; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules to implement the act; providing an amnesty for unpaid gross receipts tax, penalties, and interest on unpaid gross receipts tax otherwise due for selling natural gas in this state; providing conditions for the amnesty; providing limitations for the amnesty; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules to implement the amnesty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Communication and Public Utilities; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 596—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water resources; creating s. 373.2315, F.S.; providing for restrictions on the sale or transfer of consumptive use permits or permitted quantities of groundwater; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Judiciary; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Smith—

SB 598—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax credits and rebates; providing a tax credit or sales tax rebate to a small business that provides health insurance to its employees; providing a tax credit or sales tax rebate to a small business that is located in an enterprise zone or rural area of critical economic concern and that provides health insur-

ance to its employees; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 600—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state attorneys; amending s. 27.25, F.S.; authorizing state attorneys to employ process servers; providing powers and duties of such process servers; exempting those process servers from the requirements applicable to process servers employed by a sheriff; amending s. 27.251, F.S.; providing for special criminal task force investigators employed by state attorneys; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 602—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crimes against children; creating s. 938.10, F.S.; imposing an additional court cost against persons who plead guilty or nolo contendere to, or who are found guilty of, certain crimes against minors; requiring the clerk of the court to deposit the proceeds of the court cost into the State Treasury for deposit into a specified trust fund to be used to fund children's advocacy centers; requiring the clerk of the court to retain a portion of the court cost as a service charge; requiring annual reports; requiring a report to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Children and Families; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 604—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing eligibility of certain medical and emergency personnel providing services at county detention facilities for membership in the Special Risk Class; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 606—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating the Child Advocacy Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services; providing for sources of funds and purposes; requiring the development of an allocation methodology for distributing funds deposited in the trust fund; providing for funds to establish children's advocacy centers; providing for future legislative review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 608—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sovereign immunity; amending s. 768.28, F.S.; prescribing limits and conditions on the state's waiver of sovereign immunity; providing that discretionary function immunity is an exception to the waiver; providing that public-duty immunity is an exception to the waiver; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 610—A bill to be entitled An act relating to attorneys who represent persons in postconviction capital collateral proceedings; amending s. 27.710, F.S.; requiring an attorney who applies to represent persons in postconviction capital collateral proceedings to certify that he or she is not currently representing more than nine persons in such proceedings; amending s. 27.711, F.S.; directing that an attorney may not represent more than 10 persons in postconviction capital collateral proceedings at any one time; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senators Fasano, Webster and Cowin—

SB 612—A bill to be entitled An act relating to display of flags in the public school system; amending s. 1000.06, F.S.; requiring that the flag of the United States be displayed in each classroom; providing for the purchase or donation of such flags; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 614—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the purchase of retirement credit; amending s. 121.1122, F.S.; deleting a limitation on the purchase of retirement credit for certain service in nonpublic schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 616—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the State Retirement Commission; amending s. 121.24, F.S.; revising the quorum requirements of the commission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to early voting; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; requiring supervisors of elections to allow electors to vote early; providing requirements for the location and number of early voting facilities; specifying the period and hours of operation; requiring supervisors of elections to provide notice of early voting; requiring the Department of State to adopt rules; providing a penalty for failure to provide for early voting; amending s. 101.5612, F.S.; modifying the timeframe for testing voting equipment; amending s. 101.5613, F.S.; providing for periodic examination of equipment during early voting; creating s. 101.659, F.S.; providing for a voter to cast an in-person absentee ballot as formerly provided under s. 101.657, F.S., to conform; amending s. 101.62, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senators Saunders, Fasano and Lawson—

SB 620—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Florida Food Banks license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sales of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Agriculture; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 622—A bill to be entitled An act relating to securities transactions; amending s. 517.191, F.S.; authorizing the Attorney General to enforce certain provisions, initiate certain actions, and bring civil actions to recover civil penalties, costs, and attorney's fees; amending s. 517.221, F.S.; increasing the administrative penalties for certain violations; amending s. 517.302, F.S.; increasing the criminal penalty for violations of specified sections of ch. 517, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Miller and Bullard—

SB 624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school and building designation at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University; designating the School of Business and Industry at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the "Sybil Collins Mobley School of Business and Industry"; designating the School of Journalism and Graphic Communication building at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the "Robert M. Ruggles Building"; authorizing the university to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senators Fasano, Peaden, Klein and Jones—

SB 626—A bill to be entitled An act relating to anesthesiologist assistants; amending s. 456.048, F.S.; requiring the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine to require medical malpractice insurance or proof of financial responsibility as a condition of licensure or licensure renewal for licensed anesthesiologist assistants; amending ss. 458.331, 459.015, F.S.; revising grounds for which a physician may be disciplined for failing to provide adequate supervision; creating ss. 458.3475, 459.023, F.S.; providing definitions; providing performance standards for anesthesiologist assistants and supervising anesthesiologists; providing for the approval of training programs and for services authorized to be performed by trainees; providing licensing procedures; providing for fees; providing for additional membership, powers, and duties of the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine; providing penalties; providing for disciplinary actions; providing for the adoption of rules; prescribing liability; providing for the allocation of fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 628—A bill to be entitled An act relating to lottery funds; amending ss. 24.115 and 24.121, F.S.; providing for the transfer of a percentage of unclaimed lottery prize moneys into the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; providing for the uses of such moneys; requiring that the remaining unclaimed funds be added to the pool from which future prizes are to be awarded or used for special prize promotions; providing for an analysis and report by the Department of Lottery and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability; increasing the percentage of the gross revenue from the sale of on-line lottery tickets and other lottery revenue which must be deposited into the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 630—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bridge designations; designating the bridge located on I-75 at the Lake Panasoffkee area exit in Sumter County as "Florida Veterans Memorial Bridge"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 632—A bill to be entitled An act relating to jai alai; amending s. 550.002, F.S.; redefining the term "full schedule of live racing or games" for purposes of ch. 550, F.S., to include a jai alai permitholder that conducted a certain number of live performances in a specified year; amending s. 550.09511, F.S.; providing the amount of license fees and taxes for a jai alai permitholder that conducts fewer than 100 live performances in any fiscal year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 634—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the indigent care surtax; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; allowing small counties having a specified population to levy an indigent care surtax; providing procedures; providing uses of the surtax; providing a maximum tax rate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Miller—

SB 636—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire hydrants; requiring owners of private fire hydrants to contract with licensed professionals or local fire-control authorities to inspect and service such hydrants; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Miller—

SB 638—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving under the influence; amending s. 316.1933, F.S.; requiring a law enforcement officer to administer a field sobriety test to the driver or person in control of any motor vehicle involved in a traffic accident resulting in death or serious bodily injury; providing for administration of blood tests in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Miller—

SB 640—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult entertainment establishments; amending s. 847.0134, F.S.; revising the prohibition against locating an adult entertainment establishment within a specified distance from a school; requiring that such establishment be approved by the county or municipality and the district school board; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Education.

By Senator Miller—

SB 642—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse; creating s. 948.201, F.S.; providing a short title; providing findings and purpose; providing definitions; providing for assignment of certain nonviolent drug offenders to rehabilitative treatment programs; providing conditions of such assignment; providing conditions for subsequent prosecution; providing for an annual accountability and evaluation study; providing applicability to other provisions of law; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Children and Families; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Miller—

SB 644—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gain-time awards for good conduct; amending s. 944.275, F.S.; increasing the amount of gain-time that the Department of Corrections may grant to certain prisoners; providing that such increase may not be granted to a prisoner convicted of committing a forcible felony; amending s. 921.002, F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Miller—

SB 646—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult video games; prohibiting the sale or rental of an adult video game to a person younger than a specified age; providing that a person buying or renting an adult video game be required to present proof of age; defining the term "adult video game"; providing a penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Children and Families; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 648—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community contribution tax credit; amending s. 220.183, F.S.; requiring that no more than 50 percent of the available annual tax credits may be granted for low-income and very-low-income households, under certain conditions, in order to be eligible for a community contribution tax credit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 650—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the receipt and processing of complaints against law enforcement officers; amending s. 112.533, F.S.; requiring that all identifiable witnesses to a complaint against a law enforcement officer be interviewed before the interview of the accused officer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 652—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 112.533, F.S.; providing that a law enforcement officer's personal and private records that are in the possession of a law enforcement agency because of a complaint investigation are exempt from disclosure under the public records law; defining the term "personal and private records" for purposes of the exemption; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing findings of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Fasano, Pruitt, Webster, Smith and Haridopolos—

SB 654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighter and municipal police pensions; creating s. 175.1015, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to create and maintain a database for use by insurers that report and remit an excise tax on property insurance premiums; providing insurers with incentives for using the database; providing penalties for failure to use the database; requiring local governments to provide information to the department; appropriating funds to the department for the administration of the database; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 185.085, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to create and maintain a database for use by insurers that report and remit an excise tax on casualty insurers premiums; providing incentives to insurers for using the database and penalties for failure to use the database; requiring local governments to provide information to the department; appropriating funds to the department for the administration of the database; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing for distribution of tax revenues through 2007; amending s. 175.351, F.S.; defining the term "extra benefits" with respect to pension plans for firefighters; amending s. 185.35, F.S.; providing for the meaning of the term "extra benefits" with respect to pension plans for municipal police officers; amending s. 175.061, F.S.; authorizing the plan administrator to withhold certain funds; amending s. 185.05, F.S.; authorizing the plan administrator to withhold certain funds; providing an appropriation to the Department of Revenue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 656—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating State Road 19 in Lake County from the northern county boundary to U.S. Highway 441 as the "Private Robert M. McTureous, Jr., U.S.M.C., Medal of Honor Memorial Highway"; designating the St. Johns River Bridge on I-4 at the Seminole/Volusia County line as the "St. Johns River Veterans Memorial Bridge"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SJR 658—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article VII and the creation of Section 26 of Article XII of the State Constitution, relating to a limitation on legislative power to impose or increase taxes, fees, penalties, or fines.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 660—A bill to be entitled An act relating to publication information; creating s. 283.551, F.S.; prohibiting government agencies from mailing general unsolicited reports to any person in the state; providing exceptions; providing requirements for agency reports; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SJR 662—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Section 1 of Article VII and Section 21 of Article XII of the State Constitution relating to a limitation on state appropriations.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 664—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; amending s. 400.461, F.S.; revising the purpose of part IV of ch. 400, F.S., to include the licensure of nurse registries and personal care organizations; amending s. 400.462, F.S.; revising definitions; defining the terms "advanced registered nurse practitioner," "direct employee," "personal care organization," and "physician assistant" for purposes of part IV of ch. 400, F.S.; amending s. 400.464, F.S., relating to licensure of home health agencies; revising the licensure period; deleting references to registration regulation; revising and providing additional administrative, civil, and criminal penalties, sanctions, and fines; clarifying provisions exempting from licensure requirements an individual who acts alone; amending s. 400.471, F.S.; revising requirements for license application by a home health agency; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to revoke a license under certain circumstances; authorizing administrative fines; requiring a license processing fee; amending s. 400.487, F.S.; revising requirements for home health agency service agreements and treatment orders; amending s. 400.491, F.S., relating to clinical records; revising the ownership of patient records generated by a home health agency; changing the timeframe for a home health agency to retain patient records; providing for the disposition of patient records when a home health agency ceases business; deleting a requirement for a service provision plan pertaining to nonskilled care; deleting requirements for maintaining such records; amending s. 400.494, F.S.; providing for the continued confidentiality of patient information in compliance with federal law; providing for disclosure in accordance with certain specified state laws; deleting a requirement for written consent of the patient or the patient's guardian for disclosure of confidential patient information; deleting an exemption provided for the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Legal Affairs; amending s. 400.495, F.S., relating to the toll-free telephone number for the central abuse hotline; adding references to personal care organizations to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 400.497, F.S., relating to rulemaking by the Agency for Health Care Administration; authorizing certain rules concerning personal care organizations; deleting the authority of county health departments to review and approve certain comprehensive emergency management plans; amending s. 400.506, F.S.; revising requirements governing nurse registries; increasing license fee; increasing the period of licensure; authorizing administrative penalties; revising criminal penalties and sanctions; revising certain requirements pertaining to health care professionals that provide services on behalf of a nurse registry; repealing s. 400.509, F.S., relating to the regulation of certain providers of companion services and homemaker services exempted from licensure under ch. 400, F.S.; creating s. 400.5095, F.S.; providing licensure requirements and penalties for personal care organizations; providing screening requirements for certain employees and officers of a personal care organization; providing license fees; authorizing the agency to impose administrative fines; authorizing the agency to institute injunctive proceedings; providing penalties; providing requirements for employees of a personal care organization; requiring personal care organizations to prepare and maintain an emergency management plan; requiring the agency to adopt rules governing emergency management plans and governing the licensure of personal care organizations; amending s. 400.512, F.S., relating to employment screening; providing requirements for the screening of employees of personal care organizations; deleting references to companion service personnel and homemaker service personnel to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 400.515, F.S.; providing additional circumstances under which the agency may petition for an injunction; amending s. 381.0303, F.S., relating to emergency management plans; conforming a cross-reference to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 666—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 718.501, F.S.; revising the time within which the division must respond to and take action on complaints; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 668—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the corporate income tax; creating s. 220.192, F.S.; providing a tax credit for donations to the Cultural Institutions Trust Fund; providing that the unused amount of a credit may not be carried forward; prohibiting conveying, assigning, or transferring the credit to another entity except as specified; providing application procedures; providing for rulemaking by the Department of Revenue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 670—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 672—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency elevator access; providing requirements relating to regional emergency elevator access; requiring elevators in newly constructed or certain substantially renovated buildings to be keyed alike within each of the state emergency response regions; providing for these requirements to be phased in for certain existing buildings; restricting the duplication and issuance of master elevator keys; requiring the labeling of master elevator keys; allowing local fire marshals to allow substitute emergency measures for elevator access in certain circumstances; providing for appeal of the local fire marshal's decision; providing for the State Fire Marshal to enforce the act; encouraging builders to use applicable new technology to provide regional emergency elevator access; providing an exemption for certain buildings; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Banking and Insurance; and Comprehensive Planning.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 674—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 400.945, F.S., relating to a public-records exemption for information concerning patients of a home medical equipment provider; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions that provide for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 676—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida State Fair Authority; creating s. 616.2575, F.S.; authorizing the authority to issue up to $10 million in bonds; prescribing projects for which bond proceeds may be used; providing for payment of debt service on such bonds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Smith, Lynn and Dawson—

SB 678—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault or battery on officials; amending s. 784.081, F.S.; providing enhanced penalties for the offense of assault, battery, aggravated assault, or aggravated battery if the offense is committed upon certain persons officiating at an interscholastic activity; creating s. 784.0815, F.S.; defining "sports official"; providing an additional penalty for battery upon a sports official under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

By Senator Smith—

SB 680—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elevator safety; requiring elevators in certain newly constructed or substantially renovated buildings within a state emergency response region to be operable in a fire emergency situation through the use of a single master elevator key; requiring compliance for certain existing buildings by a specified date; restricting the duplication and issuance of master elevator keys; authorizing local fire marshals to allow substitute emergency measures for emergency elevator access in certain circumstances; providing for appeal of a local fire marshal's decision; providing for enforcement by the Division of State Fire Marshal; providing an exemption for specified buildings; amending s. 399.106, F.S.; revising the membership of the Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; removing provisions terminating the committee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Banking and Insurance; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 682—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway safety; amending s. 316.075, F.S.; requiring a hearing for specified violations of traffic control signal devices resulting in a crash; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; providing penalties for certain traffic infractions requiring a mandatory hearing; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; providing a penalty for a specified violation of traffic control signal devices; providing for distribution of moneys collected; amending s. 318.19, F.S.; requiring a hearing for certain violations resulting in a crash; amending s. 318.21, F.S.; providing for distribution of specified civil penalties by county courts; amending s. 322.0261, F.S.; requiring the driver improvement course for a second violation of specified provisions within a specified time period; providing a penalty for failure to complete the course within a specified time period; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; assigning a point value for conviction of a specified violation of traffic control signal devices; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Crist and Bennett—

SB 684—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wrecker services; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; exempting hearings of the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol concerning the wrecker allocation system from requirements of ch. 120, F.S.; creating s. 205.1975, F.S.; prohibiting a county or municipality from issuing or renewing a license for a wrecker company that is not in compliance with the requirements of the act; amending s. 316.530, F.S., relating to traffic control; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 316.550(4), F.S., relating to special wrecker permits, to incorporate the amendment to s. 320.01, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 316.605, F.S.; providing requirements for licensing wreckers and other vehicles; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; redefining the term "wrecker" for purposes of the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 320.03 and 320.0706, F.S., relating to motor vehicle registration and license plates; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 320.08(5)(d) and (e), F.S., relating to license taxes, to incorporate the amendment to s. 320.01, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 320.0821, F.S.; revising requirements for the issuance of wrecker license plates; amending s. 320.13, F.S., relating to dealer license plates; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 321.051, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to establish a wrecker allocation system; providing requirements for the system; authorizing the division to set maximum rates for towing and storage of vehicles; prohibiting an unauthorized wrecker company from monitoring a police radio or engaging in other activities; providing penalties; providing requirements for dispatching wreckers; amending s. 323.001, F.S., relating to wrecker company storage facilities; providing definitions; providing procedures for a law enforcement agency to place a hold on a stored vehicle; providing for payment of towing and storage charges; amending s. 323.002, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for a county or municipality that operates a wrecker allocation system; providing requirements for the system; prohibiting an unauthorized wrecker company from monitoring a police radio or engaging in other activities; providing penalties; providing requirements for dispatching wreckers; creating chapter 508, F.S.; providing definitions; creating the Wrecker Operator Advisory Council within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for membership and terms; providing for reimbursement for travel and per diem expenses; requiring the council to advise the department on matters relating to standards and practices in the wrecker industry; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring wrecker companies to register with the department; providing requirements for registration renewal; providing requirements for advertisements; requiring insurance coverage; authorizing the department to deny registration under certain circumstances; establishing a certification program for wrecker operators; requiring the department to approve courses and organizations; providing requirements for examinations; providing for certification in specialized wrecker services; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing for certification cards to be issued to wrecker operators who complete the certification course and pass the examination; prohibiting the performance of wrecker services after a specified date unless the company is registered and obtains certification as required; authorizing the department to inspect employment records; providing requirements for continuing education; specifying prohibited acts; providing administrative, civil, and criminal penalties; providing for registration fees; providing for deposit of fees, penalties, and other funds; providing that the chapter does not apply to recovery agents; authorizing counties and municipalities to enact ordinances governing wrecker operators; amending s. 713.78, F.S., relating to liens for recovering, towing, or storing vehicles and vessels; providing definitions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for attorney's fees to be awarded to the prevailing party for a frivolous claim of wrongful taking or claim of lien; providing immunity from liability for a wrecker company, its operators, and other employees or agents if services are performed with reasonable care or for complying with the directions of a law enforcement officer; providing for the owner of a vehicle or vessel to dispute a claim of lien by a wrecker company based on a record of sale; clarifying that the amendments made by the act do not affect the validity of prior liens; creating s. 713.785, F.S.; authorizing the imposition of lien by a mobile home transport company for recovering, towing, or storing

a mobile home; providing definitions; requiring a mobile home transport company to provide notice of recovery, towing, or storage services; providing for the filing of a complaint; providing procedures for the sale of an unclaimed mobile home; specifying circumstances under which a mobile home transport company must obtain a certificate of destruction; providing for fees; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing penalties; amending s. 715.07, F.S., relating to the towing of vehicles and vessels parked on real property without permission; providing definitions; providing for the towing and removal of vehicles and vessels under certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing requirements for towing and storage; prohibiting a property owner from soliciting a wrecker company for a rebate for the privilege of removing vehicles from the owner's property; providing immunity from liability for a wrecker company, its operators, and other employees or agents if services are performed with reasonable care; providing that failure to comply with notice requirements precludes a wrecker company from imposing certain towing or storage charges; providing penalties; repealing s. 1.01(15), F.S., relating to the definition of the term "wrecker operator"; providing an appropriation and authorizing additional positions; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Jones—

SB 686—A bill to be entitled An act relating to coastal redevelopment hazard mitigation; providing a short title; amending s. 163.3164, F.S.; defining the term "local hazard mitigation strategy"; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; providing an additional requirement for a local government's comprehensive plan concerning hazard mitigation; amending s. 163.3178, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to coastal management; authorizing a demonstration project in certain counties to allow for the redevelopment of coastal areas within the designated coastal high hazard area; providing conditions; providing for application by a local government; providing for a written agreement between the state land planning agency and the local government; providing for a progress report; amending ss. 186.515, 288.975, and 369.303, F.S.; correcting cross-references to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Miller—

SB 688—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory reports of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; providing that certain persons who are employed or supervised by a religious institution or by an entity affiliated with such an institution must report to the Department of Children and Family Services their knowledge or reasonable suspicion of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Sebesta and Wise—

SB 690—A bill to be entitled An act relating to recreational activities at facilities for elderly or disabled adults; authorizing bingo games for residents or clients of certain facilities for the elderly or disabled and for their guests; providing conditions; providing for use of proceeds; providing exemption from local regulation and fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Wise and Sebesta—

SB 692—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the withholding or withdrawal of nutrition or hydration from incompetent persons; creating part VI of ch. 765, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions relating to the withholding or withdrawal of nutrition or hydration; declaring that an incompetent person is presumed to have directed health care providers to provide the necessary nutrition and hydration to sustain life; prohibiting a court, proxy, or surrogate from withholding or withdrawing nutrition or hydration except under specified circumstances; providing that the presumption to provide nutrition and hydration is inapplicable under certain circumstances; amending ss. 765.106, 765.107, 765.204, 765.305, 765.401, and 765.404, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; prohibiting an inference of incapacity due to a person's developmental disability; providing for the act to apply to pending litigation; declaring that the act supersedes existing court orders otherwise applicable on or after the effective date of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 694—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certified nursing assistants; amending s. 464.203, F.S.; revising the requirements for conducting the criminal background screening required for certification as a nursing assistant; providing for the screening conducted for purposes of certification to be used for purposes of employment under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Smith—

SB 696—A bill to be entitled An act relating to establishment of a performance-based environmental permitting system; creating s. 403.0874, F.S.; providing an act name; providing legislative findings; providing purposes; providing definitions; providing compliance incentives for certain environmental permitting activities; providing requirements and limitations; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt certain rules; providing for consequences for certain noncompliance with certain permitting decisions; providing for agency consideration of an applicant's compliance history for certain purposes; providing limitations; providing for consideration of civil or criminal violations; providing for permit application denials under certain circumstances; providing for limited application approval under certain circumstances; providing for limited permit approvals; providing for reporting forms; providing form information and structure requirements; providing rulemaking authority for the department; requiring agency notification of formal enforcement actions; providing notice requirements; providing construction relating to existing agency authority; specifying nonapplication to certain general permits; amending ss. 403.087, 403.0872, 403.088, and 403.707, F.S.; revising criteria for department permit issuance to conform; amending s. 403.703, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending ss. 373.413 and 161.041, F.S.; specifying application of the Performance-based Permitting Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 698—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Parole Commission; amending s. 947.06;, F.S. requiring that, prior to a meeting of the Parole Commission, the victim of the crime be given documents and evidence relating to the granting, denying, or revoking of the inmate's parole; amending s. 947.16, F.S.; requiring that an inmate convicted of kidnapping whose parole release order has been vacated by the court be

reinterviewed at 5-year intervals following the vacated release order; amending s. 947.174, F.S.; requiring that an inmate convicted of kidnapping whose presumptive parole release date is more than 5 years after the initial interview be reinterviewed thereafter at 5-year intervals; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

By Senators Peaden, Fasano, Campbell, Smith and Lynn—

SB 700—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; defining and redefining terms used in part I of ch. 394, F.S., "the Baker Act"; amending s. 394.4598, F.S., relating to guardian advocates; amending provisions to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 394.4615, F.S., relating to confidentiality of clinical records; providing additional circumstances in which information from a clinical record may be released; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; revising criteria for an involuntary examination; revising requirements for filing a petition for involuntary placement; creating s. 394.4655, F.S.; providing for involuntary outpatient placement; providing criteria; providing procedures; providing for a voluntary examination for outpatient placement; providing for a petition for involuntary outpatient placement; requiring the appointment of counsel; providing for a continuance of hearing; providing procedures for the hearing on involuntary outpatient placement; providing a procedure for continued involuntary outpatient placement; amending s. 394.467, F.S., relating to involuntary placement; conforming terminology to changes made by the act; providing for rulemaking authority; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Wise—

SB 702—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation to create an exemption to public-records requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 704—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation to create an exemption to public-records requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 706—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation to create an exemption to public-records requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 708—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government accountability; amending s. 11.40, F.S.; revising duties of the Legislative Auditing Committee; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; specifying requirements for a petition for a municipal audit; revising reporting requirements of the Auditor General; providing for technical advice by the Auditor General; amending s. 61.181, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 75.05, F.S.; deleting a requirement for an independent special district to submit a copy of a complaint to the Division of Bond Finance of the State Board of Administration; amending s. 112.08, F.S.; clarifying that local governments are authorized to provide health insurance; amending s. 112.625, F.S.; revising the definition of "governmental entity" to include counties and district school boards; amending s. 112.63, F.S.; providing for additional information to be provided to the Department of Management Services in actuarial reports with regard to retirement systems and plans and providing procedures therefor; providing for notification of the Department of Revenue and the Department of Financial Services in cases of noncompliance and authorizing the withholding of certain funds; requiring the Department of Management Services to notify the Department of Community Affairs in the case of affected special districts; amending s. 130.04, F.S.; revising provisions governing notice of bids and disposition of bonds; amending s. 132.02, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the authorization to issue refund bonds; amending s. 132.09, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the notice of sale, bids, and awards and private sale of bonds; amending s. 163.05, F.S.; revising provisions governing the Small County Technical Assistance Program; amending s. 166.121, F.S.; revising provisions governing the issuance of bonds by a municipality; amending s. 166.241, F.S.; providing a municipal budget amendment process and requirements; amending s. 189.4044, F.S.; revising special procedures for determination of inactive special districts; amending s. 189.412, F.S.; revising duties of the Special District Information Program of the Department of Community Affairs; amending s. 189.418, F.S.; revising reporting requirements of newly created special districts; authorizing the governing body of a special district to amend its budget; amending s. 189.419, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the failure of special districts to file required reports; amending s. 189.421, F.S.; revising provisions governing the failure of special districts to disclose financial reports; providing for extension of time for the filing of the reports; providing remedies for noncompliance; providing for attorney's fees and costs; amending s. 189.428, F.S.; revising provisions governing the special district oversight review process; amending s. 189.439, F.S.; revising provisions governing the issuance of bonds by special districts; amending s. 191.005, F.S.; exempting a candidate from campaign requirements under specified conditions; providing for the removal of a board member upon becoming unqualified; amending s. 218.075, F.S.; revising provisions governing the reduction or waiver of permit processing fees for certain counties; amending s. 218.32, F.S., relating to annual financial reports; requiring the Department of Financial Services to notify the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate of any municipality that has not had financial activity for a specified period of time; providing that such notice is sufficient to initiate dissolution procedures; repealing s. 218.321, F.S., relating to annual financial statements of local governmental entities; amending s. 218.39, F.S.; providing reporting requirements for certain special districts; amending s. 218.36, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for boards of county commissioners relating to the failure of a county officer to comply with the provisions of the section; amending s. 218.369, F.S.; revising the definition of "unit of local government" to include district school boards; renaming pt. V of ch. 218, F.S., as "Local Governmental Entity and District School Board Financial Emergencies"; amending s. 218.50, F.S.; renaming ss. 218.50-218.504, F.S., as the "Local Governmental Entity and District School Board Act"; amending s. 218.501, F.S.; revising the stated purposes of pt. V of ch. 218, F.S.; amending s. 218.502, F.S.; revising the definition of "local governmental entity"; amending s. 218.503, F.S.; revising provisions governing the determination of a financial emergency for local governments and district school boards; amending s. 218.504, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the authority of the Governor and authorizing the Commissioner of Education to terminate all state actions pursuant to ss. 218.50-218.504, F.S.; repealing ch. 131, F.S., consisting of ss. 131.01, 131.02, 131.03, 131.04, 131.05, and 131.06, F.S., relating to refunding bonds of counties, municipalities, and special districts; repealing s. 132.10, F.S., relating to minimum sale price of bonds; repealing s. 165.052, F.S., relating to special dissolution procedures for municipalities; repealing s. 189.409, F.S., relating to determination of financial emergencies of special districts; repealing s. 189.422, F.S., relating to actions of the Department of Community Affairs and special districts; repealing s. 200.0684, F.S., relating to an annual compliance report of the Department of Community Affairs regarding special districts; repealing s. 218.37(1)(h), F.S., relating to the requirement that the Division of Bond Finance use a served copy of the complaint for bond validation to verify compliance by special districts with the requirements in s. 218.38, F.S.; amending s. 215.195, F.S., relating to the Statewide Cost

Allocation Plan; providing that the Department of Financial Services is responsible for the plan's preparation and the monitoring of agency compliance; amending s. 215.97, F.S., relating to the Florida Single Audit Act; revising and providing definitions; revising the uniform state audit requirements for state financial assistance that is provided by state agencies to nonstate entities; requiring the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules and perform additional duties with respect to the provision of financial assistance to carry out state projects; specifying duties of coordinating agencies; amending s. 1010.47, F.S.; providing that school districts must sell bonds; deleting obsolete provisions relating to the sale of bonds by a school district; transferring a position from the Executive Office of the Governor to the Department of Financial Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Clary, Campbell and Fasano—

SB 710—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; repealing s. 627.062(6), F.S., relating to arbitration procedures in the case of a rate filing with the Department of Insurance; amending s. 627.351, F.S., relating to windstorm insurance risk apportionment; removing a provision authorizing arbitration of a rate filing; amending s. 627.0628, F.S., relating to the Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology; clarifying the membership of the commission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Judiciary.

By the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services—

SB 712—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 73.0155, F.S.; revising a public-records exemption for business records submitted in eminent domain negotiations on business damages; providing for confidentiality; prescribing the information that is confidential and exempt from disclosure; prescribing certain conditions for the confidentiality and exemption; providing for limitations on the confidentiality and exemption; providing for access by public employees; providing a penalty for disclosure; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Lawson and Fasano—

SB 714—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the designation of university buildings; designating the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering Building as the "Herbert F. Morgan Building"; providing for the erection of markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Clary—

SB 716—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Executive Branch Lobby Registration Trust Fund within the legislative branch without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 718—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the legislative branch without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 720—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Legislative Lobbyist Registration Trust Fund within the legislative branch without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 722—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Invasive Plant Control Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 724—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Air Pollution Control Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 726—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Coastal Protection Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 728—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Conservation and Recreation Lands Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 730—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund within the

Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 732—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Inland Protection Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 734—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Forever Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; reenacting s. 259.1051, F.S., relating to the purposes and administration of the Florida Forever Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 736—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Internal Improvement Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 738—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Nonmandatory Land Reclamation Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 740—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 742—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the State Park Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 744—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Water Management Lands Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 746—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 748—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Lake Okeechobee Protection Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 373.45952(4), F.S., relating to termination and review of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 750—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 752—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Agricultural Law Enforcement Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 754—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Citrus Inspection Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current

balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 756—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Contracts and Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 758—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Division of Licensing Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 760—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the General Inspection Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 762—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Preservation 2000 Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 764—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 589.065(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 766—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Agricultural Emergency Eradication Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 768—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Incidental Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 770—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Market Trade Show Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 772—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Market Improvements Working Capital Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 774—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Plant Industry Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 776—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Pest Control Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 778—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Quarter Horse Racing Promotion Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modifica-

tion; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 780—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Relocation and Construction Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 782—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Saltwater Products Promotion Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 784—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 786—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Viticulture Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 788—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Agricultural Promotional Campaign Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 790—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Conservation and Recreation Lands Program Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 570.207(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 792—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Bond Fee Trust Fund within the State Board of Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 794—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Arbitrage Compliance Trust Fund within the State Board of Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 796—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Expense Trust Fund within the State Board of Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 798—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Motor Vehicle Operating Trust Fund within the Department of Management Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 800—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Intangible Tax Trust Fund within the Department of Revenue without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 802—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Working Capital Trust Fund within the Department of Revenue without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 804—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Trust Fund within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 806—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Cigarette Tax Collection Trust Fund within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 808—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Pari-mutuel Wagering Trust Fund within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 810—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Child Labor Law Trust Fund within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 812—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Crew Chief Registration Trust Fund within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 814—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating and re-creating the Workers' Compensation Administration Trust Fund within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 440.501(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 816—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Unclaimed Property Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 818—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Casualty Insurance Risk Management Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 820—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Consolidated Payment Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 822—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Use of State Lands Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 824—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 826—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Preneed Funeral Contract Consumer Protection Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 828—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Miscellaneous Deduction Restoration Trust Fund within the Depart-

ment of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 830—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Rehabilitation Administrative Expense Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Treasurer's Administrative and Investment Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 834—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the "Trust Funds—no title" Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 836—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Working Capital Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 838—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Workers' Compensation Administration Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 840—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Special Disability Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 842—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Public Deposits Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 844—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Office of Financial Institutions and Securities Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 846—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Anti-Fraud Trust Fund within the Office of Financial Institutions and Securities Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 848—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Financial Institutions' Regulatory Trust Fund within the Office of Financial Institutions and Securities Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 850—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Mortgage Brokerage Guaranty Fund within the Office of Financial Institutions and Securities Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 852—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Regulatory Trust Fund within the Office of Financial Institutions and Securities Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 854—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Securities Guaranty Fund within the Office of Financial Institutions

and Securities Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 856—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Comptroller's Federal Equitable Sharing Trust Fund within the Office of Financial Institutions and Securities Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 858—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Korean Veterans Memorial Matching Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Department of Veterans' Affairs Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund within the department without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 862—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 864—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 866—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 868—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the State Home for Veterans Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 870—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida World War II Veterans Memorial Matching Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 872—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Design and Construction Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 874—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 876—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 878—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Child Welfare Training Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 880—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Children and Adolescents Substance Abuse Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 882—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Community Resources Development Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 884—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Department of Children and Family Services Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund within the department without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 886—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Domestic Violence Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 888—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 890—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 892—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 894—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Refugee Assistance Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 896—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Social Services Block Grant Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 898—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Working Capital Trust Fund within the Department of Children and Family Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 900—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 902—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Department of Health Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund within the department without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 904—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the County Health Department Trust Fund within the Department of

Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 906—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 908—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 910—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 912—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Epilepsy Services Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 914—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 916—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 918—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 920—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 922—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 924—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 926—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Planning and Evaluation Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 928—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Preventive Health Services Block Grant Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 930—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Radiation Protection Trust Fund within the Department of Health

without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 932—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Social Services Block Grant Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 934—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the United States Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 936—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Elderly Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 938—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Department of Elderly Affairs Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund within the department without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 940—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Federal Grants Trust Fund within the Department of Elderly Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 942—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Elderly Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 944—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund within the Department of Elderly Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 946—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Health Care Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 948—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 950—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Agency for Health Care Administration Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund within the agency without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 952—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 954—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Medical Care Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 956—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Organ and Tissue Donor Education and Procurement Trust

Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 958—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Resident Protection Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 960—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Public Medical Assistance Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 962—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Refugee Assistance Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 964—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Brownfield Property Ownership Clearance Assistance Revolving Loan Trust Fund within the Executive Office of the Governor without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 966—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Fine Arts Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 970—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Ringling Museum Investment Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 972—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Library Construction Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 974—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Library Services Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 976—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Cultural Institutions Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 978—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Elections Operating Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 980—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Historical Resources Operating Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 982—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Publication Revolving Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 984—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Records Management Trust Fund within the Department of State without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 986—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 988—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Coastal Zone Management Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 990—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 992—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Community Services Block Grant Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 994—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Energy Consumption Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 996—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 998—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Communities Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Local Government Housing Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the State Housing Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Preservation 2000 Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1006—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Grants and Donations Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1008—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; re-creating the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repeal-

ing s. 380.5115(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1010—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Block Grant Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1012—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Operating Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1014—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Federal Emergency Management Programs Support Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1016—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the U.S. Contributions Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1018—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Governor's Council on Criminal Justice Trust Fund within the Department of Community Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1020—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating and re-creating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 20.505(4), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1022—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Child Care and Development Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1024—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Displaced Homemaker Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1026—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Employment Security Administration Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1028—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating and re-creating the Welfare Transition Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 445.0325(5), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1030—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Revolving Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1032—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Special Employment Security Administration Trust Fund within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carry-

ing forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1034—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund Benefit Account within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1036—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund Clearing Account within the Agency for Workforce Innovation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1038—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Legal Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Crist—

SB 1040—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Florida Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund within the Department of Legal Affairs without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Crist—

SB 1042—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Operating Trust Fund within the Department of Corrections without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Crist—

SB 1044—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Forfeiture and Investigative Support Trust Fund within the Department of Law Enforcement without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Crist—

SB 1046—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Operating Trust Fund within the Department of Law Enforcement without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 1048—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Capital Collateral Representative Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1050—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Consumer Frauds Trust Fund within the Justice Administrative Commission without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1052—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Family Courts Trust Fund within the state courts system without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1054—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Public Records Modernization Trust Fund without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1056—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Florida Endowment for Vocational Rehabilitation Fund within the Department of Education without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1058—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance for foster children; creating a pilot program for the purpose of reimbursing foster parents for a portion of the increased costs of motor

vehicle insurance for a foster child who has a driver's license; directing the Department of Children and Family Services to establish the pilot program in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties; requiring that the remaining portion of the increase in costs be borne by the foster child; prohibiting a child who accumulates a specified number of points due to moving traffic violations from participating in the pilot program; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1060—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child support guidelines; amending s. 61.30, F.S.; revising certain child care cost guidelines; deleting a requirement that in calculating support obligations, certain child care costs must be reduced; requiring that the impact of any Federal Child Care Tax Credit be considered in such calculations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1062—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care facilities; creating s. 400.244, F.S.; allowing nursing homes to convert beds to alternative uses as specified; providing restrictions on uses of funding under assisted-living Medicaid waivers; providing for the applicability of certain fire and life safety codes; providing applicability of certain laws; requiring a nursing home to submit to the Agency for Health Care Administration a written request for permission to convert beds to alternative uses; providing conditions for disapproving such a request; providing for periodic review; providing for retention of nursing home licensure for converted beds; providing for reconversion of the beds; providing applicability of licensure fees; requiring a report to the agency; amending s. 400.021, F.S.; redefining the term "resident care plan," as used in part II of ch. 400, F.S.; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; revising in-service training requirements for persons employed as nursing assistants in a nursing home facility; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; requiring that certain information from the agency reflect the most current agency actions; amending s. 408.034, F.S.; requiring the nursing-home-bed-need methodology established by the agency by rule to include a goal of maintaining a specified district average occupancy rate; amending s. 408.036, F.S.; providing that replacing one nursing home facility with another nursing home facility within the same district and relocating one nursing home's licensed beds to another facility in the same district are projects subject to expedited agency review of the certificate-of-need application; providing that adding 20 beds to a Gold Seal nursing home, replacing a licensed nursing home on the same site or within 3 miles of the present site, or consolidating or transferring licensed nursing home beds by providers operating multiple nursing homes are exempt from certificate-of-need review; amending s. 52, ch. 2001-45, Laws of Florida; providing that the moratorium on approving certificates of need for nursing homes does not apply in counties meeting specified criteria; providing for review of the specified criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Saunders, Aronberg and Fasano—

SB 1064—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to impose mandatory enrollment in drug-therapy-management or disease-management programs for certain categories of recipients; amending s. 409.913, F.S.; providing specified conditions for providers to meet in order to submit claims to the Medicaid program; providing that claims may be denied if not properly submitted; providing that the agency may seek any remedy under law if a provider submits specified false or erroneous claims; providing that suspension or termination precludes participation in the Medicaid program; providing that the agency is required to report administrative sanctions to licensing authorities for certain violations; providing that the agency may withhold payment to a provider under certain circumstances; providing that the agency may deny payments to terminated or suspended providers; authorizing the agency to implement amnesty projects for providers to voluntarily repay overpayments; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for limiting, restricting, or suspending Medicaid eligibility of Medicaid recipients convicted of certain crimes or offenses; amending s. 409.9131, F.S.; redefining the term "peer review"; providing for peer review for purposes of determining a potential overpayment if the medical necessity or quality of care is evaluated; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1066—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health maintenance organizations; amending s. 408.7056, F.S.; changing the name of the Statewide Provider and Subscriber Assistance Program to the Subscriber Assistance Program; revising a definition; requiring certain records and reports to be provided to the Subscriber Assistance Panel; providing for penalties; amending s. 641.3154, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 641.511, F.S.; conforming provisions; adopting the federal claims procedures for certain commercial health maintenance organizations; specifying a coverage date; amending s. 641.58, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Wise and Fasano—

SB 1068—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational grants; amending s. 1009.89, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program by independent nonprofit colleges and universities; amending s. 1009.891, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in the Access to Better Learning and Education Grant Program by for-profit and nonprofit colleges and universities; reenacting ss. 282.105(4), 1009.57(2)(a), and 1009.765, F.S., to incorporate the amendment to s. 1009.89, F.S., in references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1070—A bill to be entitled An act relating to natural gas companies; amending s. 361.05, F.S.; providing that chapters 73 and 74, F.S., which govern actions in eminent domain, apply to natural gas transmission pipeline companies that are subject to regulation under the federal Natural Gas Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Judiciary; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1072—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement; amending s. 212.02, F.S.; redefining the terms "lease," "let," "rental," "sales price," and "tangible personal property" and defining the terms "agent," "seller," "certified service provider," "direct mail," "prewritten computer software," and "delivery charges" for purposes of sales and use taxes; providing applicability; amending s. 212.05, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the rental or lease of motor vehicles; providing for determination of the location of the sale or recharge of

prepaid calling arrangements; amending s. 212.054, F.S.; providing the time for applying changes in local option tax rates; providing guidelines for determining the situs of certain transactions; providing for notice of a change in a local option sales tax rate; providing for applicability of s. 202.22(2), F.S., relating to determination of local tax situs, for the purpose of providing and maintaining a database of sales and use tax rates for local jurisdictions; amending s. 212.06, F.S.; defining terms; providing general rules for determining the location of transactions involving the retail sale of tangible personal property, digital goods, or services and for the lease or rental of tangible personal property; requiring certain business purchasers to obtain multiple points of use exemption forms; providing for use of such forms; requiring certain purchasers of direct mail to obtain a direct mail form; providing for the use of such form; amending s. 212.08, F.S., relating to exemptions from the sales and use tax; defining and redefining terms used with respect to the exemption for general groceries; defining and redefining terms used with respect to the exemption for medical products and supplies; revising that exemption; amending s. 212.095, F.S.; revising provisions relating to refunds; creating s. 212.094, F.S.; providing that a purchaser seeking a refund or credit under chapter 212, F.S., must submit a written request for the refund or credit; providing a time period within which the dealer must respond to the written request; amending s. 212.17, F.S.; prescribing additional guidelines and procedures with respect to dealer credits for taxes paid on worthless accounts; creating s. 213.052, F.S.; providing for notice of state sales or use tax rate changes; creating s. 213.0521, F.S.; providing the effective date for state sales and use tax rate changes; amending s. 213.21, F.S.; providing for amnesty to certain sellers for uncollected or unpaid sales and use taxes; amending s. 213.256, F.S., relating to simplified sales and use tax administration; defining terms; providing that authority to administer the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement rests with a governing board comprised of representatives of member states; providing for continuing effect of the agreement; providing for annual recertification by member states; creating s. 213.2567, F.S.; providing for the registration of sellers, the certification of a person as a certified service provider, and the certification of a software program as a certified automated system by the governing board under the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; repealing s. 212.0596(6), F.S., relating to the exemption from collecting and remitting any local option surtax for certain dealers who make mail order sales; declaring legislative intent; providing for the adoption of emergency rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1074—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitation of actions; amending s. 775.15, F.S.; authorizing the prosecution of specified sexual offenses within 1 year after the identity of the accused is established through analysis of DNA evidence, notwithstanding time limitations otherwise prescribed by law; providing for application; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1076—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; prohibiting the issuance of new specialty license plates after a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SR 1078—A resolution supporting the continued inclusion of a "local sources first" policy in chapter 373, Florida Statutes, and opposing any amendment to the state's water resource policy which allows, encourages, or promotes water transfers.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1080—A bill to be entitled An act relating to title insurance; amending s. 627.782, F.S.; providing that the premium charged for title insurance on a refinanced mortgage may not exceed the amount of the title insurance premium for the original mortgage; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1082—A bill to be entitled An act relating to golf carts; amending s. 316.212, F.S.; permitting the operation of golf carts on county roads or municipal streets in 25-miles-per-hour, or less, speed zones; providing an effective date;

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1084—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unsolicited bulk electronic mail; prohibiting the fraudulent use of a computer or computer network to transmit unsolicited bulk electronic mail; prohibiting the sale, distribution, or possession of software designed to facilitate the falsification of information concerning the transmission of electronic mail; providing criminal penalties; providing enhanced penalties based on the volume of electronic mail transmitted or the amount of revenue generated in violation of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1086—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cardrooms; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; providing a definition; authorizing cardroom operators to host high-stakes poker tournaments at certain pari-mutuel facilities; providing limitations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1088—A bill to be entitled An act relating to provider contracts for health care services; amending s. 641.315, F.S.; requiring that a health maintenance organization disclose to the provider the schedule of fees for which the health maintenance organization and the provider of health care services have contracted, including any additional deviations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1090—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council within the Division of Workforce Development of

the Department of Education; amending s. 446.045, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the Governor appoint two nominating committees for the purpose of filling vacancies on the council; requiring the Governor to appoint certain members to the council representing sponsors of joint employee organizations and nonjoint employer organizations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Ethics and Elections.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1092—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care practice parameters; amending ss. 627.6418 and 627.6613, F.S., relating to health insurance policy coverage for mammograms; expressing legislative intent that requirements for such coverage conform to specified practice parameters; repealing s. 408.02, F.S., which requires that the Agency for Health Care Administration develop, endorse, and implement such parameters; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1094—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance costs; amending s. 627.732, F.S.; defining the terms "biometrics" and "biometric time date technology"; amending s. 627.736, F.S.; providing presumptions and revising procedures with respect to billing and payment for treatment of injured persons under personal injury protection benefits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

By Senators Fasano and Lynn—

SB 1096—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requirements for high school graduation; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; amending certain prerequisites to allow the award of a standard high school diploma to honorably discharged veterans of the Korean War who did not complete the necessary graduation requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1098—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victim assistance; amending s. 960.03, F.S., relating to the Florida Crimes Compensation Act; redefining the term "crime" to eliminate the offense of intentional vehicular homicide as a crime that is compensable under the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated external defibrillators; amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to the use of an automated external defibrillator; classifying an automated external defibrillator as a lifesaving device; defining a related term; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance coverage for autism spectrum disorder; requiring a health insurer or health maintenance organization that offers major medical coverage to include coverage for treating autism spectrum disorder; defining the term "autism spectrum disorder"; authorizing an insurer or health maintenance organization to confirm a diagnosis or review the appropriateness of a treatment plan; limiting the amount of annual coverage; providing that the act does not affect the licensure of a health care professional or impair the right to reimbursement of a health care provider; making a legislative finding that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water resources; amending s. 163.3167, F.S.; requiring local governments to include projected water use in comprehensive plans; creating s. 373.2234, F.S.; authorizing the governing board of a water management district to adopt rules identifying certain preferred water supply sources; providing requirements with respect to such rules; providing construction; amending s. 373.250, F.S.; authorizing water management districts to require the use of reclaimed water in lieu of surface or groundwater when the use of uncommitted reclaimed water is environmentally, economically, and technically feasible; providing construction with respect to such authority; providing legislative findings and intent with regard to landscape irrigation design; requiring water management districts to develop landscape irrigation and xeriscape design standards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Klein—

SB 1106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regional autism centers; amending s. 1004.55, F.S.; creating an additional regional autism center in the state; reducing the number of counties within the service areas of two existing regional autism centers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Education; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resales of admission tickets; amending s. 817.36, F.S.; providing for nonapplication of a criminal penalty for sales of certain admission tickets through a credit card, licensed money transmitter, or other mechanism that offers reimbursement for fraud, misrepresentation, or nonperformance; providing for unenforceability of resale limiting terms or conditions of original sales of such tickets by such means; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Criminal Justice; Regulated Industries; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumption of alcohol; amending s. 562.111, F.S.; providing that it is a crime for a person under 21 years of age to consume alcohol; providing penalties;

providing for the use of certain tests as evidence of a violation; reenacting ss. 322.056(1) and 397.951(2)(i), F.S., for the purpose of incorporating the amendment to s. 562.111, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving or boating under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance; amending ss. 316.1932 and 316.1939, F.S.; providing that any person operating a motor vehicle within the state who refuses to submit to a breath, urine, or blood test upon the request of a law enforcement officer commits a misdemeanor of the first degree; deleting provisions that limit imposition of the penalty to a second or subsequent refusal to submit to such a test; amending ss. 327.352 and 327.359, F.S.; providing that any person operating a vessel within the state who refuses to submit to a breath, urine, or blood test upon the request of a law enforcement officer commits a misdemeanor of the first degree; deleting provisions that limit imposition of the penalty to a second or subsequent refusal to submit to such a test; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to breast cancer treatment; amending ss. 627.64171, 627.66121, 641.31, F.S.; amending provisions prescribing the length of hospital stay relating to a mastectomy which specified health insurers and health maintenance organizations must cover; providing requirements for the length of hospital stay relating to a lymph-node dissection which specified health insurers and health maintenance organizations must cover; limiting the application of the law; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senators Webster and Fasano—

SB 1116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care delivery and research; creating the Florida Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease within the Department of Health; providing legislative findings and intent; specifying the purpose and duties of the center; requiring an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; authorizing the department to outsource the duties of the center; creating an advisory council; amending s. 215.5602, F.S.; expanding the long-term goals of the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program to include the cure of specified diseases; creating the Florida Cancer Research Cooperative; providing for a board of directors; providing the cooperative's mission and duties; creating the Florida Public Health Foundation, Inc.; providing the foundation's duties and mission; providing for its board of directors; requiring reports; requiring the foundation to coordinate monthly health awareness campaigns to disseminate information about specified diseases and conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to aggravated stalking; amending s. 784.048, F.S.; providing that an offender commits aggravated stalking, a third-degree felony, when he or she violates a court order of probation prohibting contact with the victim of the offense; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Sebesta and Fasano—

SB 1120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home inspectors; requiring home inspectors and persons holding themselves out as such to maintain a surety bond; prescribing the minimum bond amount; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senators Sebesta, Lee, Miller and Crist—

SB 1122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating the Old Gandy access road from Gandy Boulevard to the Friendship Trail Bridge as "Andrew J. Aviles Trail"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senators Peaden and Fasano—

SB 1124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dermatological services; creating s. 458.3245, F.S.; requiring a dermatologist to directly supervise a person who is not licensed to practice medicine while that person performs specified services; creating s. 459.0126, F.S.; requiring a dermatologist to directly supervise a person who is not licensed to practice osteopathic medicine while that person performs specified services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to space development; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to space, space research, and commercial space financing; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to space-related tourism; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to space-related tourism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to space and defense-related industries; expressing the legislative intent to provide for and support programs, facilities, and strategies to enhance and expand space

and defense-related industries within the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Military Affairs; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Military Affairs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the support of military bases; expressing the legislative intent to provide for and support programs, facilities, and strategies to reduce the exposure of military bases located in this state to closure or realignment of mission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Veterans' Affairs; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Veterans' Affairs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

SR 1138—Not referenced.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to administering medication to a child; amending s. 39.401, F.S.; providing that the refusal of a parent, legal guardian, or other person having control of a child to administer or consent to the administration of any psychotropic medication to the child does not, in and of itself, constitute grounds for the department to take the child into custody; providing an exception; creating s. 402.3127, F.S.; prohibiting specified persons working in child care facilities from administering medications to a child without written authorization of the child's parent or legal guardian; providing for the contents of the written authorization; directing procedures for administering medication to a child during an emergency medical condition; providing definitions; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 1006.062, F.S.; directing school boards to adopt rules prohibiting school board personnel from recommending psychotropic medication for a student; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Education; Judiciary; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water resources; amending s. 159.803, F.S.; revising the definition of "priority project"; amending s. 367.081, F.S.; revising procedure for fixing and changing rates to include the recovery of costs of alternative water supply facilities; amending s. 367.0814, F.S.; revising limit on the amount of revenues received by a utility to qualify for staff assistance in changing rates or charges; creating s. 373.227, F.S.; providing for the development of a water conservation guidance manual by the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for purpose and contents of the manual and requirements with respect thereto; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt the manual by rule by a specified date; providing program requirements for public water supply utilities that choose to design a comprehensive water conservation program based on the water conservation guidance manual; amending s. 373.0361, F.S.; providing for a public workshop on the development of regional water supply plans that include the consideration of population projections; providing for a list of water source options in regional water supply plans; providing additional regional water supply plan components; including conservation measures in regional water supply plans; revising specified reporting requirements of the Department of Environmental Protection; providing that a district water management plan may not be used as criteria for the review of permits for consumptive uses of water unless the plan or applicable portion thereof has been adopted by rule; providing construction; amending s. 373.0831, F.S.; revising the criteria by which water supply development projects may receive priority consideration for funding assistance; providing for permitting and funding of a proposed alternative water supply project identified in the relevant approved regional water supply plan; amending s. 373.1961, F.S.; providing funding priority; providing for the establishment of a revolving loan fund for alternative water supply projects; providing conditions for certain projects to receive funding assistance; amending s. 373.536, F.S.; expanding requirements of the 5-year water resource development work program for water management districts; amending s. 403.064, F.S.; revising provisions relating to reuse feasibility studies; providing for metering use of reclaimed water and volume-based rates therefor; requiring wastewater utilities to submit plans for metering use and volume-based rate structures to the department; creating s. 403.0645, F.S.; requiring certain uses of reclaimed water at state facilities; requiring state agencies and water management districts to submit to the Secretary of Environmental Protection periodic reports concerning reclaimed water use; amending s. 403.1835, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to make specified deposits for the purpose of enabling below-market interest rate loans for treatment of polluted water; providing for a study of the feasibility of discharging reclaimed wastewater into canals and the aquifer system in a specified area as an environmentally acceptable means of accomplishing described objectives; requiring reports; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Communication and Public Utilities; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway safety; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to highway safety; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to transportation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Transportation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearm records; creating s. 790.335, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; prohibiting the creation or maintenance of any list, record, or registry of privately owned firearms or any list, record, or registry of the owners of those firearms; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties for a violation of the act; providing for the imposition of civil fines on certain governmental entities; authorizing the Attorney General to enforce the civil penalties against governmental agencies; requiring the state attorney to prosecute violators of this act; prohibiting the expenditure of public funds for defense counsel for persons charged with a violation of this act; providing exceptions; requiring liberal construction of the act; providing for application to records already in existence; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Peaden and Jones—

SB 1154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a health care practitioner workforce database; creating s. 381.03015, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to a health care practitioner workforce database; providing definitions; creating the Florida Health Care Practitioner Workforce Database within the Department of Health; authorizing the database to be implemented in stages; giving priority in the database for information concerning allopathic and osteopathic physicians; specifying basic data elements of allopathic and osteopathic physicians for inclusion in the database; requiring that data for the health care practitioner workforce database be gathered from existing data sources; requiring certain entities to provide basic data elements to the department; authorizing the department to create an advisory committee; providing that the act will not take effect unless funds are specifically appropriated for this purpose; prohibiting the use of a specified trust fund to administer the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sport shooting and training range environmental liability protection; creating s. 790.333, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; specifying immunity from liability for certain persons or entities from certain claims relating to projectiles at sport shooting and training ranges; providing a limitation; requiring withdrawal of certain claims from courts or administrative agencies after a certain date; providing a cause of action for treble damages, costs, and fees under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; specifying preemption by the Legislature; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Comprehensive Planning; Criminal Justice; and Natural Resources.

By Senators Geller and Bullard—

SB 1158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school personnel; creating s. 1012.47, F.S.; requiring certain personnel in an alternative school that operates under contract with a charter school to file a set of fingerprints; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity—

SB 1160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advisory bodies, commissions, and boards of trustees; amending s. 20.052, F.S.; providing legislative findings that it is in the public interest to periodically review entities adjunct to executive agencies; providing definitions; revising requirements for the establishment and maintenance of advisory bodies, commissions, or boards of trustees that are adjunct to executive agencies; requiring each executive agency to periodically report certain information and make recommendations to the Executive Office of the Governor concerning adjunct advisory bodies, commissions, and boards of trustees; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to report to the Legislature; providing for substantive committees within the Legislature to review the recommendations of the executive branch; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Communication and Public Utilities—

SB 1162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 365.174, F.S., relating to an exemption from public-records requirements provided for proprietary confidential business information held by the Wireless 911 Board or the State Technology Office; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions that provide for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to standards for nursing services; creating s. 395.0075, F.S.; providing definitions relating to nursing standards; providing for a chief nursing officer to supervise a hospital's nursing service; providing for qualifications for a chief nursing officer; providing an exemption; specifying responsibilities for a chief nursing officer; requiring a hospital to adopt policies to ensure quality nursing services; directing a hospital to develop and implement a staffing plan for nursing personnel; providing criteria for the staffing plan; providing for procedures to monitor and critique the staffing plan; directing hospitals to develop procedures and polices before imposing mandatory overtime on nursing personnel; directing hospitals to develop procedures to use for drafting the staffing plan; directing a hospital to appoint an advisory staffing committee; providing for committee membership; providing for committee duties; requiring hospitals to conduct an annual evaluation of its nursing staffing plan; requiring nonemployee nursing personnel to adhere to the hospital's policies and procedures; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to adopt rules to provide for administrative penalties; directing the agency to conduct random

audits of a specified number of hospitals for compliance with the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to members of the armed forces stationed in this state; expressing the legislative intent to provide for and support state and local efforts to improve the quality of life for members of the armed forces stationed in this state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SJR 1168—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VII of the State Constitution to authorize legislation that would permit counties to enact ordinances that prohibit an increase in the assessed value of homestead property owned by certain persons who are 65 years of age or older.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; creating s. 290.00702, F.S.; providing for application by Osceola County or Osceola County and the City of Kissimmee jointly to apply for designation of an enterprise zone; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to designate an enterprise zone within an area of Osceola County or of Osceola County and the City of Kissimmee jointly; providing requirements with respect thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service charges; amending ss. 319.32 and 320.04, F.S.; increasing certain service charges; providing for periodic adjustments based upon the Consumer Price Index; providing criteria; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to make such adjustments by rule; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to developments of regional impact; amending s. 380.06, F.S.; providing for a reduction in the issues that must be included in an application for development approval; revising the requirements for development orders; revising requirements for development orders that require a contribution of land or public facilities; deleting provisions prohibiting a local government from issuing a permit for development subsequent to the termination date contained in a development order; revising certain thresholds under which a proposed change to a previously approved development constitutes a substantial deviation and is subject to review as a development of regional impact; requiring the state land planning agency to adopt rules; revising the criteria under which certain marinas and waterports are exempt from review; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Saunders and Aronberg—

SB 1176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building designations; designating the student community educational facility for health at Florida Gulf Coast University as "Kleist Health Education Center"; designating the facility at Florida Gulf Coast University which will house the resort and hospitality management program as "Herbert J. and Margaret S. Sugden Hall"; authorizing Florida Gulf Coast University to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senators Miller and Lawson—

SB 1178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to minority health care; creating s. 381.736, F.S.; providing for the Department of Health to develop a Florida Healthy People 2010 Program; providing program goals and guidelines; requiring a report to the Legislature; amending s. 409.901, F.S.; defining the term "minority physician network"; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide a Medicaid minority physician network; providing guidelines for the operation of the network; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Southwest Florida Water Management District; amending s. 373.073, F.S.; revising the residency requirements for vacancies on the governing board of the district; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary student fees; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing an exemption from payment of nonresident tuition and out-of-state fees for certain dependent children of migrant farmworkers who meet specified requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community associations; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; providing immunity from liability for certain information provided by associations to prospective purchasers or lienholders under certain circumstances; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; requiring specific notice to be given to association members before certain assessments or rule changes may be considered at a meeting;

amending s. 768.1325, F.S.; providing immunity from civil liability for community associations that provide automated defibrillator devices under certain circumstances; prohibiting insurers from requiring associations to purchase medical malpractice coverage as a condition of issuing other coverage; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; and Judiciary.

By Senator Miller—

SB 1186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requirements for high school graduation; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; prescribing a formula for computing each student's graduation grade point average, which formula includes results from the student's grade-10 FCAT and grade-10 Norm-Referenced Test, as well as coursework grades; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to county road systems; amending s. 336.02, F.S.; prescribing conditions under which the governing body of a county may declare an existing road to be a prescriptive easement by necessity and public right-of-way upon which public moneys may be spent for maintenance; providing for a hearing; providing for cancellation of delinquent taxes on lands so declared; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire prevention and control; amending s. 633.171, F.S.; establishing penalties for the unauthorized use of fireworks or pyrotechnic devices in an indoor facility; providing that the act does not apply to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of fireworks; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Comprehensive Planning; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drivers' licenses; amending s. 322.2615, F.S.; providing that the disposition of a related criminal proceeding may not affect a suspension of a driver's license for refusal to submit to blood, breath, or urine testing; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to invalidate a suspension for driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level if the suspended person is found not guilty at trial of the underlying violation of law; amending s. 322.025, F.S; authorizing the department to offer a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to attend a basic driver improvement course for drivers who meet certain criteria; requiring the department to deduct points from a driver's record upon proof of completion of the basic driver improvement course; requiring the department to record on the driver's record that the offer of the improvement course has been accepted and used; amending s. 318.1451, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Wise and Bullard—

SB 1194—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic; amending s. 316.006, F.S.; providing for jurisdiction and authority of municipalities to regulate commercial vehicle traffic; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Aronberg and Campbell—

SJR 1196—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article VI of the State Constitution to prescribe additional circumstances in which electors may vote in a primary election regardless of party affiliation.

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

By Senators Clary and Margolis—

SB 1198—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; increasing the annual use fee for the Florida educational license plate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway safety and motor vehicles; amending s. 316.613, F.S.; eliminating authorization for the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to expend certain funds; creating s. 316.6131, F.S.; authorizing the department to expend certain funds; amending s. 319.29, F.S.; directing the verification of identity for certain title certificates; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; clarifying the definition of the terms "apportionable vehicle" and "commercial motor vehicle"; amending s. 320.05, F.S.; providing that certain motor vehicle and vessel information is available free of charge on the department's website; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 320.0607, F.S.; directing the verification of identity for certain vehicle license plates and registrations; amending s. 320.0843, F.S.; requiring that an applicant eligible for a disabled parking plate be noted on the certificate; amending s. 320.0848, F.S.; requiring the verification of identity for certain disabled parking permits; amending s. 320.086, F.S.; revising provisions relating to historical license plates; amending s. 320.58, F.S.; authorizing inspectors employed by the department to enforce certain provisions relating to off-highway vehicles and vessels; amending s. 322.20, F.S.; authorizing the department to charge fees for electronic access to specified information; requiring that certain driver's license information be available free of charge on the department's website; amending s. 328.11, F.S.; revising requirements relating to the issuance of a duplicate certificate of title for vessels; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Cowin, Lawson, Argenziano, Dockery, Constantine, Atwater, Siplin, Clary, Fasano, Wise, Smith, Webster, Alexander, Peaden, Campbell, Pruitt, Aronberg, Klein, Garcia, Dawson and Lee—

SR 1202—A resolution recognizing March 31, 2004, as "Local Water Sources First Day," supporting the continued inclusion of a "local sources first" policy in chapter 373, Florida Statutes, and opposing any

amendment to the state's water resource policy which allows, encourages, or promotes water transfers.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SJR 1204—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VII of the State Constitution to authorize legislation that would permit counties to enact ordinances prohibiting an increase in the assessed value of homestead property owned by certain persons who are 65 years of age or older.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to chop shops; amending s. 812.16, F.S.; including airbags and airbag assemblies within the definition of the term "major component part" for purposes of provisions prohibiting the operation of a chop shop and authorizing the seizure and forfeiture of parts and vehicles; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Webster—

SB 1208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to timeshare plans; amending s. 721.02, F.S.; revising language with respect to legislative purpose under the Florida Vacation Plan and Timesharing Act; amending s. 721.03, F.S.; revising language with respect to the scope of the act to include reference to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.05, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 721.06, F.S.; revising language with respect to contracts for purchase of timeshare interests to include provisions with respect to personal property timeshare interests; amending s. 721.065, F.S.; revising language with respect to resale purchase agreements to include reference to certain real property and personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.07, F.S.; revising language with respect to public offering statements; amending s. 721.075, F.S.; revising language with respect to incidental benefits; requiring purchasers to execute a statement indicating the source of the benefit; amending s. 721.08, F.S.; revising language with respect to escrow accounts; amending s. 721.09, F.S.; revising language with respect to reservation agreements; amending s. 721.11, F.S.; revising language with respect to advertising materials; correcting cross-references; amending s. 721.12, F.S.; providing for required recordkeeping by the seller of a personal property timeshare plan; amending s. 721.13, F.S.; revising language with respect to management; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 721.14, F.S.; providing that a section of law governing the discharge of the managing entity shall not apply with respect to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.15, F.S.; revising language with respect to assessments for common expenses; amending s. 721.16, F.S.; providing that a section of law governing certain liens does not apply to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.17, F.S.; revising language with respect to transfer of interest; amending s. 721.18, F.S.; revising language with respect to exchange programs; amending s. 721.19, F.S.; including reference to personal property timeshare interests; amending s. 721.20, F.S., relating to licensing requirements; providing for the application of certain provisions to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.24, F.S.; exempting accommodations and facilities of personal property timeshare plans from a provision of law governing firesafety; amending s. 721.26, F.S.; revising language with respect to regulation by the division; amending s. 721.52, F.S.; redefining the term "multisite timeshare plan" and defining the terms "nonspecific multisite timeshare plan" and "specific multisite timeshare plan"; amending s. 721.53, F.S.; revising language with respect to subordination instruments; amending s. 721.54, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 721.55, F.S.; providing reference to filed rather than registered public offering statements; providing reference to multisite timeshare plans; amending s. 721.551, F.S.; providing for reference to filed rather than registered public offering statements; amending s. 721.552, F.S.; providing reference to multistate timeshare plans; amending s. 721.56, F.S.; providing reference to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.57, F.S.; revising language with respect to timeshare estates in multisite timeshare plans; amending s. 721.84, F.S.; revising language with respect to appointment of a registered agent; amending ss. 721.96 and 721.97, F.S.; including reference to personal property timeshare interests; amending ss. 475.011 and 718.103, F.S.; correcting cross-references; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Comprehensive Planning; Banking and Insurance; and Judiciary.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community contribution tax credits; amending ss. 220.183 and 624.5105, F.S.; increasing the annual limitation on the amount of such credits which may be granted against the corporate income tax and insurance premium taxes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senators Wise and Bullard—

SB 1212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the district school tax; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; continuing indefinitely a provision, previously applicable only in the 2003-2004 fiscal year, which allows a specified tax levy to be used to offset the cost of school buses purchased through contracts with private providers; amending s. 200.065, F.S., relating to the method of fixing millage, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Wekiva River Basin; creating s. 163.3247, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative intent with respect to protecting the Wekiva River Basin and implementing the findings and recommendations of the Wekiva River Basin Coordinating Committee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign financing; requiring certain organizations to file campaign finance disclosure reports; providing requirements for the contents of, and for the place and time of filing, such reports; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to use of social security numbers in public postsecondary education; creating s. 1004.09, F.S.; prohibiting certain uses of a student's social security number by state universities and community colleges; providing exceptions; requiring the development and implementation of a plan by each state university

and community college; providing for injunctive relief; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By the Committee on Finance and Taxation—

SB 1220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the reduction in property assessment for living quarters of parents or grandparents; amending s. 193.703, F.S.; authorizing a board of county commissioners to adopt an ordinance to provide for such reductions; requiring that a copy of the ordinance be delivered to the property appraiser by a specified date; requiring that a copy of the ordinance be delivered by a specified date to all other taxing authorities levying taxes on property in the county; defining the term "qualified parent or grandparent"; providing that the property appraiser shall rely on a sworn affidavit by the property owner that eligibility requirements have been met; providing that the assessment limitation provided for homestead property continues to benefit the portion of the property where a parent or grandparent resides; providing that such a reduction in assessment applies only while specified conditions are met; authorizing the Department of Revenue to provide an application form; providing requirements for the contents of the application form; requiring that the property owner reapply periodically for the reduction in assessment; providing for penalties and interest if an owner who was not entitled to the reduction receives it; waiving penalties and interest in specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Finance and Taxation—

SB 1222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 193.703, F.S.; creating an exemption from disclosure under the public records law for social security numbers of qualified parents or grandparents who are living in quarters for which a reduction in assessment has been allowed under that section; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the community college employment equity accountability program; amending s. 1012.86, F.S.; revising provisions relating to goals and objectives for diversity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 1226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the long-term-care service delivery system; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to assess certain nursing home residents to facilitate their transition to a community-based setting; amending s. 430.205, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs and the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop an integrated long-term-care service-delivery system; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs and the agency to phase in implementation of the integrated long-term-care system; specifying timeframes and activities for each implementation phase; authorizing the agency to seek federal waivers to implement the changes; requiring the department to integrate certain database systems; requiring development of pilot projects; requiring the agency and the department to develop capitation rates for certain services; providing rulemaking authority to the agency and the department; requiring reports to the Governor and the Legislature; amending s. 430.7031, F.S.; requiring the department and the agency to review the case files of a specified percentage of Medicaid nursing home residents annually for the purpose of determining whether the residents are able to move to community placements; amending s. 430.705, F.S.; providing additional eligibility requirements for entities that provide services under the long-term-care community diversion pilot projects; requiring the annual evaluation and certification of capitation rates; providing additional requirements to be used in developing capitation rates for the pilot projects; amending s. 430.709, F.S.; providing additional requirements for evaluating the long-term-care diversion pilot projects; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature; repealing s. 430.041, F.S.; eliminating the Office of Long-Term-Care Policy and its advisory council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to determination of resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying specified students as residents for tuition purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1230—A bill to be entitled An act relating to campaign financing; creating ss. 106.401-106.425, F.S., to establish the "Florida Clean Elections Act"; providing a short title; providing findings and declarations; defining terms; providing eligibility requirements for clean-money campaign funding for candidates for statewide or legislative office; providing transitional requirements for the current election cycle; providing a continuing obligation to comply; providing limitations on contributions and expenditures; providing limitations on the use of personal funds; providing for seed-money contributions; providing for participation in debates; providing for certification of eligibility; specifying benefits for participating candidates; providing for the amounts and payment schedule of clean-money funding; providing limitations on the expenditure of clean-money funds; providing for disclosure of excess spending by nonparticipating candidates; providing for disclosure of and additional clean money to respond to independent expenditures; providing for disclosure of and additional clean money to respond to issue advertisements; directing the Secretary of State to create a nonpartisan Voter Information Commission and providing its duties; requiring publicly funded television and radio stations to provide free coverage of debates for specified elections; providing limitations on mailing privileges of certain public officials; providing revenue sources for the Clean-Money Trust Fund; providing for the administration and dispersal of clean money funds; providing limits on political party contributions and expenditures; amending s. 106.011, F.S.; redefining the term "political advertisement"; amending s. 106.021, F.S.; eliminating authorization for unrestricted expenditures by political committees and political parties to jointly endorse three or more candidates; amending s. 106.08, F.S.; providing limits on contributions to political parties; revising limits on contributions to candidates by political parties; providing penalties; amending s. 106.087, F.S.; eliminating a restriction on independent expenditures by certain political committees and committees of continuous existence; conforming a cross-reference; reenacting s. 106.19(1) and (3), F.S., relating to penalties, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 106.08 and 106.265, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 106.29, F.S; revising reporting requirements of political parties; conforming cross-references; repealing ss. 106.30-106.36, F.S., the "Florida Election Campaign Financing Act," to conform; amending ss. 106.07, 106.141, 106.22, 106.265, 320.02, 322.08, 328.72, 607.1622, F.S.; revising references and providing for deposit of various fines, surplus funds, and voluntary contributions in the Clean-Money Trust Fund, to conform; providing for a surcharge on civil penalties to be deposited into the trust fund and for deposit of the surcharge funds into the trust fund; reenacting ss. 106.143(8) and 106.144(2), F.S., relating to the circulation of political advertisements

and endorsements or opposition by certain groups and organizations, to incorporate the amendment to s. 106.265, F.S., in references thereto; providing severability; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Communication and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Atwater, Fasano and Wilson—

SB 1232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abused, neglected, and abandoned children; creating s. 39.0016, F.S., relating to the education of abused, neglected, and abandoned children; creating definitions; providing for interpretation of the act; requiring an agreement between the Department of Children and Family Services and the Department of Education; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to enter into agreements with public or private entities for the delivery of services or programs to children known to the department; requiring agreements between the Department of Children and Family Services and district school boards or other local educational entities; specifying provisions of such agreements; requiring access to certain information; requiring education training components; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 106.426, F.S.; creating the Clean-Money Trust Fund, to be administered by the Department of State; providing for source of funds and purposes; providing for review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Communication and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Administrative Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Self-Insurance Assessment Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1240—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund within the Office of Insurance Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1242—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating and re-creating the Rape Crisis Program Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 794.056(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating and re-creating the Florida Center for Nursing Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 464.0198(3), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Trust Fund within the Department of Health without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 1248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state planning and budgeting; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to state planning and budgeting; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 1250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employee benefits; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to employee benefits; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 1252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to governmental operations; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to governmental operations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 1254—A bill to be entitled An act relating to governmental operations; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to governmental operations; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Crist—

SB 1256—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal justice programs; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to criminal justice programs; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to higher education; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to higher education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to class size reduction; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to class size reduction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school funding; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to public school funding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1266—A bill to be entitled An act relating to environmental protection; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to environmental protection; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Correctional Privatization Commission; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Correctional Privatization Commission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1270—A bill to be entitled An act relating to governmental fees; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to governmental fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Revenue; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Revenue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1274—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1276—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to health care; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1278—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human services; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to human services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1280—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Medicaid program; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Medicaid program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1282—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children and families; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to children and families; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1284—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1286—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Community Affairs; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Community Affairs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1288—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bridge designations; designating Charles E. Bennett Memorial Bridge in Duval County; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1290—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government finance; amending s. 1 of chapter 67-930, Laws of Florida, as amended; authorizing additional municipalities to levy the municipal resort tax; requiring referendum approval before the tax may be newly imposed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1292—A bill to be entitled An act relating to optional medical assistance and related services payments; amending s. 409.904, F.S.; providing for Medicaid eligibility for certain disabled persons under a Medicaid buy-in program, subject to specific federal authorization; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1294—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated pharmacy systems; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; defining the term "automated pharmacy system" for purposes of the Florida Pharmacy Act; creating s. 465.0235, F.S.; authorizing a pharmacy to provide services to a long-term care facility licensed under ch. 400, F.S., or a state correctional institution operated under ch. 944, F.S., through an automated pharmacy system; providing that drugs dispensed from an automated pharmacy system are considered to have been dispensed by the pharmacy that services a long-term care facility or correctional institution; requiring that the operation of an automated pharmacy system be under the supervision of a pharmacist; requiring the Board of Pharmacy to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1296—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school district and charter school employees and contractors; amending s. 1012.32, F.S.; requiring both instructional and noninstructional personnel of charter schools to file fingerprints with the school board of the district within which the charter school is located; providing that contractors have the same probationary status as employees; providing duties of the Department of Law Enforcement with respect to retention of fingerprint records submitted on behalf of school employees and contractors; providing for the availability of such fingerprints; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1298—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Inland Navigation District; amending s. 374.982, F.S.; including Nassau County within the jurisdiction of the district; amending s. 374.983, F.S.; increasing the membership of the board of commissioners of the district, to conform; providing for the appointment of a commissioner from Nassau County; providing for the initial and subsequent terms of office; amending s. 374.984, F.S.; revising an obsolete reference to Dade County; providing for a referendum with respect to the authority of the district to levy an ad valorem tax within Nassau County; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1300—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer services; amending s. 493.6101, F.S.; expanding the definition of the term "repossession" for purposes of the regulation of repossession services; amending s. 493.6102, F.S.; revising the applicability of ch. 493, F.S., governing private investigative, private security, and repossession services; amending s. 493.6110, F.S.; revising the insurance requirements for licensure as a security agency under such chapter; amending s. 493.6118, F.S.; revising the grounds for discipline of persons or entities that are licensed as, or applicants for licensure as, a recovery agency, recovery agent, and recovery agent intern under such chapter; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Agriculture; and Judiciary.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1302—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student report cards; amending s. 1033.33, F.S.; requiring district school boards to prohibit schools from using a student's grade for conduct and behavior or for attendance in calculating the student's grade for academic performance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1304—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student recipients of scholarships from eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations; amending s. 220.187, F.S.; requiring the parent of such a student to ensure that the student takes required statewide assessments; requiring school districts to provide locations and times for students to take such assessments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 1306—A bill to be entitled An act relating to satellite hospital facilities; amending s. 408.036, F.S.; providing an exemption from certificate-of-need review if a hospital licensed under ch. 395, F.S., transfers up to 100 acute care beds in order to establish a satellite hospital facility in the same county as the hospital's primary location; requiring the hospital to meet specified criteria in order to transfer the acute care beds to a satellite facility; prohibiting a hospital from establishing a satellite hospital facility if all the licensed hospital beds in the county are owned by or affiliated with the same corporation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Appropriations.

By Senators Pruitt, Fasano and Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1308—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; amending s. 408.036, F.S.; revising an exemption from certificate-of-need requirements for certain open-heart-surgery programs to apply the exemption to any hospital located within a specified health service planning district or a specified acute care subdistrict; providing criteria for qualifying for the exemption; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to report to the Legislature regarding the number of such exemptions requested and the number granted or denied each year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Appropriations.

By Senator Jones—

SB 1310—A bill to be entitled An act relating to developments of regional impact; amending s. 380.06, F.S.; revising provisions governing substantial deviation standards for the date of buildout of a development; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1312—A bill to be entitled An act relating to notaries public; amending s. 117.107, F.S.; permitting a notary public to notarize a signature of an immediate relative if the relative or the notary public is an attorney licensed by The Florida Bar; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1314—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer services; amending s. 525.09, F.S.; revising reporting requirements related to remittance of petroleum fuel inspection taxes; amending s. 559.801, F.S.; redefining the term "business opportunity" for the purposes of regulating the sale or lease of business opportunities; amending s. 559.920, F.S.; redefining actions by motor vehicle repair shops or employees which are unlawful; amending s. 559.928, F.S.; revising information to be submitted for registration as a seller of travel and information submitted by independent agents; amending s. 616.242, F.S.; revising conditions under which an amusement ride must be inspected by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; revising schedules for such inspections; amending s. 849.094, F.S.; redefining the term "operator" for purposes of the regulation of game promotions; increasing certain filing fees for operators of game promotions; revising notice requirements for game promotions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Agriculture; Transportation; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to renewable energy; creating s. 366.8155, F.S.; providing definitions for purposes of ss. 366.80-366.85 and 403.519, F.S., the Florida Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Natural Resources; and Agriculture.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1318—A bill to be entitled An act relating to appellate review of juvenile court orders; amending s. 985.234, F.S.; providing that the state may appeal an order denying restitution; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1320—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial motor vehicles; amending s. 316.302, F.S.; deleting certain exemptions relating to compliance with federal regulations for persons who operate commercial motor vehicles solely in intrastate commerce; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer; amending s. 316.1935, F.S.; providing an additional classification for the offense of fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer; providing an additional classification for the offense of aggravated fleeing or eluding; providing and revising elements of the offenses; providing and revising criminal penalties for the offenses of fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer and aggravated fleeing or eluding with serious bodily injury or death; providing for a minimum period of incarceration in certain circumstances involving serious bodily injury or death; providing an affirmative defense to fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement office under certain circumstances; prohibiting courts from suspending, deferring, or withholding adjudication of guilt or imposition of sentence in certain circumstances; providing for seizure and forfeiture of certain motor vehicles as contraband in certain circumstances; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; ranking and revising the offense classifications of fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer on the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; ranking the offense of aggravated fleeing or eluding with serious bodily injury or death on the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; reenacting ss. 318.17(1) and 322.61(1)(d), F.S.; incorporating the amendment to s. 316.1935, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1324—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vehicular homicide; amending s. 782.071, F.S.; providing that operating a motor vehicle without having slept within the preceding 24 hours creates a rebuttable presumption that the person is operating the vehicle in a reckless manner for purposes of vehicular-homicide provisions; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1326—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school visitation rights; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and intent; defining terms; requiring employers to grant leave for a school conference or activity to parents and guardians under specified conditions; providing for employees to make up the leave time taken, under specified conditions; requiring the Commissioner of Education to give notice of this act to schools; requiring schools to give notice to parents; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to give notice to employers; requiring employees who take such leave to obtain documentation from the school and to submit the documentation to the employer; providing for consequences of a failure to submit such documentation; preserving certain employee rights; providing penalties for violations by employers; providing limitations on the granting of such leave; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1328—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction practices; requiring the Florida Building Commission to review construction practices and building inspections in this state and to make recommendations for the improvement of those practices and inspections; providing procedures for the review; requiring the commission to report to the Governor and legislative leaders; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instruction for exceptional students; amending s. 1003.57, F.S.; providing guidelines for determining the residency for a student who receives instruction as an exceptional student; requiring the student's state of residence to pay the cost of such instruction, facilities, and services; providing responsibilities of the Department of Education; providing responsibilities of residential facilities that educate exceptional students; providing applicability; amending s. 1003.58, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1332—A bill to be entitled An act relating to private passenger motor vehicle insurance; requiring an employee or agent of an insurer to provide certain disclosures prior to the sale of such insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1334—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community residential homes; amending s. 419.001, F.S.; authorizing a sponsoring agency that does not have a contract with the Department of Children and Family Services to establish a community residential home for six or fewer residents in a single-family or multifamily zone without first obtaining approval from the local government; authorizing a sponsoring agency that has a contract with the department to provide specified services to establish a community residential home for six or fewer residents in a multifamily zone without first obtaining approval from the local government; prohibiting a sponsoring agency that has a contract with the department to provide specified services from establishing a community residential home for six or fewer residents in an area zoned for single families without first obtaining approval from the local government; requiring that a sponsoring agency planning to establish a community residential home notify the chief executive officer of the local government and provide specified information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Children and Families.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing membership in the Special Risk Class for persons employed as nurses in county correctional facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1338—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the determination of local tax situs for purposes of the communications services tax; amending s. 202.22, F.S.; requiring that a database of enhanced zip codes be certified by the Department of Revenue by a specified date if a dealer of communications services employs such a database to determine the local taxing jurisdiction in which a service address is located; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1340—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mobile home parks; amending s. 723.0612, F.S.; revising provisions for payment by the park owner to the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Corporation when the mobile home owner chooses to abandon the mobile home rather than relocate due to a change in use of the mobile home park; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1342—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; creating s. 399.1061, F.S.; reestablishing the committee within the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, notwithstanding abolishment of the committee pursuant to law; providing for the membership of the committee; requiring the committee to provide technical assistance to the division; providing for terms of office and for payment of per diem and travel expenses; providing for members of the committee whose terms expired on December 31, 2003, but who have not completed a 4-year term, to continue to hold office until completion of a 4-year term;

repealing s. 399.106, F.S., relating to the former Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to hospice facilities; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; including hospice facilities in the Florida Building Code; amending s. 400.605, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to adopt physical plant standards for hospice facilities; creating s. 400.6055, F.S.; requiring construction standards for hospice facilities to comply with the Florida Building Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Regulated Industries.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1346—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sentencing of minors; amending ss. 985.225 and 985.233, F.S.; limiting the age at which a minor convicted of an offense punishable by death or life imprisonment may be sentenced as an adult; amending ss. 985.226 and 985.227, F.S.; revising requirements for the state attorney with respect to prosecuting a minor as an adult for certain violent felonies and for an offense punishable by death or life imprisonment; creating s. 985.2335, F.S.; requiring that the court commit a child of a specified age or younger to the Department of Juvenile Justice or to a maximum-risk juvenile facility following the child's conviction of an offense that, if committed by an adult, would be punishable by death or life imprisonment; requiring the court to conduct a hearing after the child has reached a specified age to determine whether the child is rehabilitated; providing for the child to be placed on conditional release or sentenced to life imprisonment with eligibility for parole as an adult offender; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SM 1348—A memorial the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to enact a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the rights of crime victims.

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

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1350—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mold remediation; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose; providing the scope of the act; defining terms; providing registration requirements for mold assessment companies, mold assessment consultants, mold remediation companies, mold remediation contractors, and mold training providers; requiring training; providing application procedures; providing for fees; providing qualifications for registration; providing for rules and orders of the Construction Industry Licensing Board; prohibiting the assignment of a registration; providing for replacement certificates; prohibiting performing more than one specified activity on a given project; providing for the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to issue reprimands and to modify, suspend, or revoke a registration; providing guidelines for disciplinary action; providing for rulemaking by the board and by the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1352—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction contracting; amending s. 489.117, F.S.; specifying conditions under which a person may perform specialty contracting services for the construction, remodeling, repair, or improvement of a swimming pool or spa without obtaining a local professional license; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer services; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws to protect consumers in the marketplace; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Agriculture; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1356—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workforce development; expressing the intent of the Legislature to enact policies enhancing the state's workforce-development activities and labor force; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1358—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; expressing the legislative intent to revise the laws relating to economic development; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1360—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commerce; expressing the intent of the Legislature to enact policies that foster commerce, produce economic opportunities, and promote consumer protection; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1362—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commerce; expressing the legislative intent to enact policies promoting commerce, economic opportunities, and consumer services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military awards and decorations; authorizing the Governor to present the Governor's Medal of Merit to a resident of this state who has rendered exceptional meritorious service or who is serving, or who has been honorably discharged from service, in the United States Armed Forces, the Florida National Guard, or the United States Reserve Forces and, while on active duty, rendered exceptional meritorious service; providing a definition; providing for the medal to be presented to a designated representative in the event of the death of a chosen recipient; authorizing the Governor to make rules for presenting and distributing the Governor's Medal of Merit; amending s. 250.10, F.S.; authorizing the Adjutant General to issue military decorations and awards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1366—A bill to be entitled An act relating to animal welfare protection programs; creating s. 570.93, F.S.; creating the Florida Animal Friend Council as a direct-support organization of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the purpose of distributing funds received from the sale of the Animal Friend license plate; providing for membership and meetings of the council; providing for a grant solicitation and award process; providing purposes for funding; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating the Animal Friend license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to engineering; amending s. 471.031, F.S.; providing an exemption from a prohibition against unlicensed persons using the title "engineer"; providing limitations on such exemption; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1370—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community contribution tax credits; amending ss. 212.08 and 220.183, F.S.; increasing the annual limitation on the amount of such credits which may be granted against the sales and use tax, the corporate income tax, and insurance premium taxes; amending s. 624.5105, F.S.; providing that an insurer claiming a credit is not subject to the retaliatory tax levied under s. 624.5091, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; defining the term "Internet pharmacy"; amending s. 465.0156, F.S.; exempting Internet pharmacies from registration requirements applicable to nonresident pharmacies; amending s. 465.016, F.S.; providing for disciplinary action for dispensing a medicinal drug when the pharmacist knows or has reason to believe a prescription is not valid; creating s. 465.0161, F.S.; prohibiting the distribution of medicinal drugs by an Internet pharmacy without a permit; providing penalties; amending s. 465.0196, F.S., relating to special pharmacy permits, to conform; creating s. 465.0197, F.S.; requiring Internet pharmacies to be permitted and providing requirements therefor; amending s. 895.02, F.S.; including violation of s. 465.0161, F.S., in the definition of the term "racketeering activity" for prosecution under ch. 895, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care providers; amending s. 766.1115, F.S.; revising a definition for purposes of the Access to Health Care Act to provide that a contract with a health care provider to serve low-income patients requires the provider to either deliver the services without compensation or be a free clinic delivering specified services without charge to low-income patients; defining the term "free clinic"; authorizing a health care provider to select patients if the governmental contractor approves the selection process; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1376—A bill to be entitled An act relating to habitual misdemeanor offenders; creating s. 775.0837, F.S.; defining the term "habitual misdemeanor offender" to mean a defendant who has been convicted as an adult of a certain number of misdemeanors within a specified period; defining the term "convicted" for purposes of the act; requiring the court to sentence a habitual misdemeanor offender to an extended term of imprisonment and providing a minimum mandatory sentence; prohibiting the court from sentencing a defendant as a habitual misdemeanor offender if the defendant is subject to a more severe penalty; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1378—A bill to be entitled An act relating to victim assistance; amending s. 960.03, F.S., relating to the Florida Crimes Compensation Act; redefining the term "crime" to include any vehicular homicide as a crime that is compensable under the act; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1380—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dealing in stolen property; amending s. 812.022, F.S.; creating an inference that a person accepting used property knew or should have known that the property is stolen if the property contains conspicuous ownership information identifying the owner; providing that the inference does not arise if the dealer confirms that the property is not stolen property; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1382—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school readiness; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to school readiness; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1384—A bill to be entitled An act relating to required preinsurance inspections of private passenger motor vehicles; amending s. 627.744, F.S.; deleting an exception to the inspection requirement; deleting a requirement to take an imprint of the vehicle identification number; requiring that certain digital images of the vehicle be made; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1386—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the documentary stamp tax on promissory or nonnegotiable notes and written obligations to pay money; amending s. 201.08, F.S.; exempting from the tax notes or other written obligations to pay money executed by agriculture producers in this state to the Commodity Credit Corporation and security instruments for such notes and obligations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Banking and Insurance; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1388—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exemptions from taxation; amending s. 196.199, F.S.; exempting certain property owned by local governments which is leased to other persons; exempting such property from annual resale certificates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1390—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Corrections; amending s. 944.10, F.S.; providing for the department to preselect certain construction managers based on continuing contracts; applying specific advertising requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning—

SB 1392—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community development districts; amending s. 190.046, F.S.; providing for additional dissolution procedures; amending s. 190.006, F.S.; specifying procedures for selecting a chair at the initial landowners' meeting; specifying requirements for proxy voting; requiring notice of landowners' elections; specifying the terms of certain supervisors; providing for nonpartisan elections; specifying the time that resident supervisors assume office; authorizing the supervisor of elections to designate seat numbers for resident supervisors of the board; providing procedures for filing qualifying papers; allowing candidates the option of paying a filing fee to qualify for the election; specifying payment requirements; specifying the number of petition signatures required to qualify for the election; requiring the county canvassing board to certify the results of resident elections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Natural Resources; and Ethics and Elections.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1394—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitation of civil liability; creating s. 768.1365, F.S.; limiting the civil liability of a retail food seller for damages arising from personal injury or wrongful death when the claim is premised upon a person's long-term consumption of food or nonalcoholic beverages; providing an exception for false or misleading nutritional information; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Regulated Industries; and Agriculture.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1396—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public libraries; amending s. 257.191, F.S.; revising provisions relating to public library construction grants; providing for waiver of local matching requirement under certain circumstances; authorizing the Division of Library and Information Services to administer certain funds; providing for eligibility for grant funding; providing for the adoption of rules; providing for effect contingent upon certain appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1398—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating a portion of U.S. Highway 192 as "Howard E. Futch Memorial Highway"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senators Bennett and Dawson—

SB 1400—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government solid waste fees; amending s. 403.706, F.S.; waiving such fees for certain nonprofit organizations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1402—A bill to be entitled An act relating to conveyances of land; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 689.26, F.S.; providing that certain contracts are voidable for a specified period; requiring that a purchaser provide written notice of cancellation; transferring and renumbering s. 689.265, F.S., relating to required financial reports of certain residential subdivision developers; amending s. 498.025, F.S., relating to the disposition of subdivided lands; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Alexander—

SB 1404—A bill to be entitled An act relating to waterway markers; amending s. 327.40, F.S.; providing for the placement of certain markers

on waterways by specified governmental entities; providing that the placement of specified markers on state submerged lands does not subject such lands to certain lease requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Comprehensive Planning.

By the Committee on Judiciary—

SB 1406—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Joint Legislative Committee on Article V; repealing s. 11.75, F.S., which created the Joint Legislative Committee on Article V and charged the committee with implementing Revision 7 to Article V of the State Constitution; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Senator Garcia—

SB 1408—A bill to be entitled An act relating to telephone solicitation; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to prepare a report and submit recommendations to the Governor and Legislature concerning the state's "no sales solicitation calls" listing; prescribing items to be included as part of the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Agriculture.

By Senators Miller, Aronberg, Crist, Dawson, Siplin, Bennett, Campbell, Margolis, Saunders, Bullard and Lawson—

SB 1410—A bill to be entitled An act relating to neighborhood crime watch programs; authorizing a county sheriff or municipal police department to establish neighborhood crime watch programs; providing for residents and business owners located within the county or municipality to participate in the program; prohibiting the harassment of a participant of a neighborhood crime watch program; providing a penalty; defining the term "harass"; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Argenziano and Dockery—

SB 1412—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the security of agricultural products; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation to provide for the security of agricultural products; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1414—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mobile and manufactured homes; amending s. 319.261, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the manufacturer's certificate of origin be recorded with the clerk of court in order for the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to retire the title to a mobile home; amending s. 320.822, F.S.; defining the term "installation"; amending s. 320.823, F.S.; requiring that mobile and manufactured homes sold in this state be constructed to meet certain standards; amending s. 320.8249, F.S.; revising penalties imposed against mobile home installers who engage in certain prohibited activities; prohibiting a local government from requiring an installer to obtain an additional bond or insurance; requiring installers to maintain a location log; creating s. 320.8251, F.S.; requiring a person or entity that manufactures mobile home installation components, products, or systems to obtain a certificate of approval from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing requirements for certification; authorizing the department to revoke or suspend the certification under certain circumstances; providing that products, components, or systems currently used in the installation of mobile homes need not be certified until a certain date; amending s. 320.8285, F.S.; requiring each county or municipality to be responsible for the onsite inspection of mobile home installation within its jurisdiction; revising competency requirements for performing onsite inspections; providing requirements for a county or municipality in issuing a permit for the installation of a mobile home and issuing a certificate of occupancy; amending s. 320.8325, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring the use of tie-downs and anchors; revising requirements of the department with respect to rules setting forth standards for the installation of mobile homes, manufactured homes, and park trailers; providing that owners are responsible for installation pursuant to department rules; amending s. 320.834, F.S.; providing legislative intent that mobile homes be an affordable housing resource in this state; amending s. 320.835, F.S.; requiring installers to warrant the installation of a new mobile home from the date of receipt of a certificate of occupancy for a certain period; authorizing the department to adopt rules to resolve disputes between mobile home manufacturers, dealers, installers, or suppliers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Regulated Industries; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1416—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alimony; amending s. 61.046, F.S.; defining the term "de facto marriage"; amending s. 61.14, F.S.; requiring a court to terminate payment of alimony if there is competent, substantial evidence to show that the recipient former spouse is cohabitating with a person of the opposite sex outside of the legal bond of matrimony; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1418—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cruelty to animals; amending s. 828.121, F.S.; providing a definition; providing that it is a third-degree felony for a person to intentionally drag or fell by the tail a bovine animal in an organized sports exhibition; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1420—A bill to be entitled An act relating to rural land protection; amending s. 570.70, F.S.; providing conclusions of a study by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; providing for the distribution of certain excise taxes on documents to the Rural Lands Program Trust Fund of the department; creating s. 215.6195, F.S.; authorizing the issuance of bonds for rural land protection; providing certain conditions; providing for the deposit of proceeds; providing that issuance of such bonds is in the best interests of the state; amending s. 570.207, F.S.; providing uses for funds in the Conservation and Recreation Lands Program Trust Fund; amending s. 570.71, F.S.; authorizing the use of rural land protection bonds to implement provisions relating to conservation and rural land protection easements and agreements; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1422—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human immunodeficiency virus; amending s. 381.0046, F.S.; increasing the number of HIV and AIDS minority coordinators within the Department of Health; requiring the department to expand its HIV/AIDS prevention efforts in Florida's minority communities and establish linkage programs for HIV-positive inmates prior to their release from jail; deleting obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1424—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requiring the Department of Education to award grants to public school districts to implement school-based AIDS educational activities; providing for the grant awards to be made from funds appropriated by the Legislature; specifying requirements for grant proposals by school districts; requiring that the department consider specified factors in awarding grants; requiring school districts that receive a grant to file an annual report with the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SJR 1426—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VI of the State Constitution, relating to suffrage and elections, to provide for restoration of a felony offender's right to vote and hold office upon completion of incarceration and postconviction supervision.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

SR 1428—Not referenced.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1430—A bill to be entitled An act relating to law enforcement and correctional officers; amending s. 943.13, F.S.; authorizing advanced registered nurse practitioners to conduct required physical exams for such officers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1432—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; amending s. 290.0065, F.S.; authorizing certain counties to apply to the Office Of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend existing enterprise zone boundaries under specified conditions and in accordance with certain criteria; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1434—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating and re-creating the Quality of Long-Term Care Facility Improvement Trust Fund within the Agency for Health Care Administration without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; repealing s. 400.0239(5), F.S.; abrogating provisions relating to the termination of the trust fund, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1436—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 570.209, F.S.; creating the Rural Lands Program Trust Fund within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for sources of funds and purposes; providing for an annual carryforward of funds; providing for future legislative review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1438—A bill to be entitled An act relating to marketable record titles to real property; amending s. 712.01, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 712.03, F.S.; providing that marketable record title does not affect certain interests that have been reinstated or that arise out of documents relating to the creation of condominiums or cooperatives; amending s. 712.06, F.S.; providing requirements for the reinstatement of certain covenants or restrictions by the filing of statutory notice; amending s. 712.09, F.S.; extending the 30-year vesting period for creating marketable title; providing for reinstating certain covenants or restrictions that have been extinguished; amending s. 720.301, F.S.; providing applicability of certain definitions; creating s. 720.313, F.S.; providing for the reinstatement of certain extinguished covenants or restrictions; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senators Sebesta and Aronberg—

SB 1440—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter education; requiring district school boards and county supervisors of elections jointly to provide a program of voter education for high-school seniors; providing guidelines for the content of the educational program; requiring that the program of voter education be conducted during school hours; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Ethics and Elections; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1442—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement for disability; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; providing that, when an employee works in another state full time, his or her permanent disability may be certified by physicians licensed in that state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1444—A bill to be entitled An act relating to gambling; creating s. 849.088, F.S.; allowing certain types of state-regulated gambling activity as an alternative to federally allowed gambling; providing for the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to determine whether such federally allowed

gambling exists in this state; requiring the division to adopt rules to license and regulate the state-sponsored gambling; providing criteria for awarding such licenses; providing for a state tax on revenues from such state-regulated gambling activities; providing for the Legislature to adjust the rate of such a tax; providing procedures for payment of the tax; providing that the tax proceeds must be deposited into the State School Fund and used to support public free schools; providing criteria for determining the percentage of gambling revenues to be allocated as prize money; defining the term "net revenues"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1446—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; providing requirements for eligibility of certain relatives caring for children to receive benefits under the Relative Caregiver Program upon determination by the Department of Children and Family Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1448—A bill to be entitled An act relating to legal holidays; amending s. 683.01, F.S.; deleting Confederate Memorial Day and the birthday of Jefferson Davis as legal holidays in this state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1450—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid copayments; amending s. 409.9081, F.S.; requiring Medicaid recipients to pay a specified amount per month, subject to federal regulations and limitations; deleting provisions requiring copayments for certain medical services and prescription drugs; providing for the proceeds of the payment to be deposited into the Public Medical Assistance Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1452—A bill to be entitled An act relating to career and technical education; providing legislative intent; requiring career and technical education programs within a comprehensive high school program of study to be industry certified; requiring State Board of Education rules for the certification process; providing full-time equivalent student funding for student enrollment; requiring articulation with postsecondary programs; providing academic requirements for students enrolled in career and technical education programs; providing for a career and technical education endorsement on a high school diploma and incentive funding to school districts for students receiving the endorsement; providing professional development programs for guidance counselors and career specialists; amending s. 1002.34, F.S.; allowing charter technical career center sponsors to submit full-time enrollment membership data as defined in the charter agreement; deleting requirements relating to number of days of instruction; amending s. 1003.491, F.S.; providing certain responsibilities for district school boards and superintendents relating to career and technical education; amending s. 1011.62, F.S., relating to the Florida Education Finance Program; providing for funding of career and technical education programs; revising a program group; providing incentive funding for attainment of high school career and technical education endorsements as a categorical program; amending s. 1012.01, F.S.; revising a personnel classification title; requiring a study by the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1454—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nurse registries; repealing s. 400.506(10)(c), F.S.; deleting provisions requiring that a registered nurse periodically visit the home of each patient who is attended by a certified nursing assistant or home health aide referred by a nurse registry, in order to assess the patient's medical condition and the quality of care that is being provided to the patient, and deleting provisions requiring specified reports and recordkeeping relating to such assessments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1456—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Transportation; amending s. 20.23, F.S.; authorizing the secretary of the department to appoint an additional assistant secretary and deputy assistant secretaries or directors; revising the organization of the department to specify areas of program responsibility; authorizing the secretary to reorganize offices within the department in consultation with the Executive Office of the Governor; amending s. 110.205, F.S., relating to career service; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1458—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Virtual School; amending s. 1002.37, F.S., relating to the Florida Virtual School; authorizing the board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School to enter into franchise agreements with Florida-based virtual schools that are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; requiring the board of trustees to establish the terms and conditions governing franchise agreements if the board enters into franchise agreements with a Florida district school board or an accredited Florida-based virtual school; establishing requirements for the board of trustees for establishing performance and accountability measures and reporting the performance of franchises to the Commissioner of Education; authorizing certain accredited and approved Florida-based virtual schools to count full-time equivalent students; prohibiting accredited and approved Florida-based virtual schools from charging parents of a student a fee if the student received services and was counted as a full-time student by the Florida-based virtual school; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1460—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements; providing for the confidentiality of personal identifying information contained in records of current or former personnel of a crime laboratory or medical examiner's office and their spouses and children; providing for future repeal and legislative review under the

Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 1462—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the licensure of health care practitioners; amending s. 456.039, F.S.; revising the requirements for information submitted by designated health care professionals for licensure, licensure renewal, and updates thereof; authorizing the Department of Health to receive automated criminal arrest information concerning health care professionals who are subject to the profiling requirements; requiring certain health professionals to submit fingerprints to the Department of Health and to pay fees for a criminal history records check; amending s. 456.0391, F.S.; revising the requirements for information submitted by advanced registered nurse practitioners for certification; authorizing the Department of Health to receive automated criminal arrest information concerning health care professionals who are subject to the profiling requirements; requiring certain health professionals to submit fingerprints to the Department of Health and to pay fees for a criminal history records check; amending s. 456.041, F.S.; revising the duties of the Department of Health with respect to its compilation of information into a practitioner profile for designated health care professionals; requiring the department to verify specified information submitted for compilation into practitioner profiles; requiring the department to include in each practitioner's profile specified criminal history information, specified information regarding the status of the practitioner's license, and, upon notification, information regarding the date of death of the practitioner; requiring applications for a physician license and license renewal to be submitted electronically by a specified date; amending s. 456.042, F.S.; requiring designated health care practitioners to electronically submit updates of required information for compilation into practitioner profiles; amending s. 456.051, F.S.; revising requirements for the Department of Health to publish reports of claims or actions for damages for certain health care practitioners on the practitioner profiles; amending ss. 458.319, 459.008, 460.407, and 461.007, F.S.; revising requirements for physician licensure renewal; authorizing the Department of Health to gain access to renewal applicants' records in an automated system maintained by the Department of Law Enforcement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

SB 1464—A bill to be entitled An act relating to patient safety; requiring the Patient Safety Center at the Florida State University College of Medicine to study the return on investment by hospitals from implementing computerized physician order entry and other information technologies related to patient safety; providing requirements for the study; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature; amending s. 395.1012, F.S.; providing additional duties of the patient safety committee at hospitals and other licensed facilities; requiring patient safety officers to make certain recommendations concerning the use of computerized physician order entry and other information technologies; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Education.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1466—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administration of public assistance eligibility programs; directing the Department of Children and Family Services to competitively bid the eligibility determination activities of certain public assistance programs; providing for implementation in two districts by a specified date; allowing current employees the opportunity to present an offer to continue to perform eligibility determination services; directing the department to assist the employees, if requested; authorizing the department to use state funds to compensate consultants who help current employees prepare a bid response; requiring prior approval from the Technology Review Workgroup before certain changes are made; requiring an assessment prior to implementation beyond the two districts; specifying elements to be included in the assessment; requiring reports to the Governor and Legislature by specified dates; directing the Governor to direct the department regarding further implementation unless countermanded by the Legislature; requiring semiannual reports if implementation is continued beyond June 30, 2005; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Siplin, Dawson, Hill and Bullard—

SB 1468—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Lifeline telecommunication services; amending s. 364.10, F.S.; requiring each local exchange telecommunications company providing Lifeline Assistance services to submit specified information to the Public Service Commission and the Office of Public Counsel; directing that the information be provided monthly; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1470—A bill to be entitled An act relating to seaport security; amending s. 311.12, F.S., relating to seaport security standards; requiring any public or private entity that operates within the boundaries of an active seaport in the state to meet minimum statewide standards for security; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1472—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing home facilities; providing that nursing home facilities that participate in the Medicaid program may contract with the Department of Management Services to purchase coverage in the state group health insurance plan for the facility's eligible employees and their dependents; providing requirements for such participation; providing for administrative fees; requiring the department to maintain specified records; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1474—A bill to be entitled An act relating to complementary or alternative health care services; creating s. 456.43, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and intent; defining the term "complementary or alternative health care services"; clarifying that persons who are not health care practitioners licensed by this state may provide complementary or alternative health care services under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain acts; requiring certain disclosures; providing civil and criminal penalties; amending s. 456.065, F.S.; providing that the disciplinary provisions of the law prohibiting the unlicensed practice of a health care profession do not prohibit the provision of

complementary or alternative health care services as provided under the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

SR 1476—Not referenced.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1478—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax-exempt entities; requiring organizations that are exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code to file annual financial reports with the Department of Revenue; requiring the department to review such reports and to provide information to the state attorney if the department reasonably suspects specified wrongdoing; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1480—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing for purchase of credit for upgraded service by Special Risk Class members for prior creditable service as community-based correctional probation officers when such service was not credited as special-risk service; authorizing the employer of such a person to purchase the credit on the employee's behalf; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1482—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fraudulent practices; amending s. 817.481, F.S.; prohibiting the knowing use of a false or counterfeit hotel key card to obtain or attempt to obtain credit or to purchase or attempt to purchase any goods, property, or service; providing penalties; amending s. 817.568, F.S.; redefining the term "access device" to include a hotel key card; providing criminal penalties for the unlawful use of a hotel key card; amending s. 817.625, F.S.; redefining the term "payment card" to include a hotel key card; providing criminal penalties for the unlawful use of a hotel key card as a payment card; reenacting s. 921.0022(3)(b), (d), (e), (h), and (i), F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 817.481, 817.568, and 817.625, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1484—A bill to be entitled An act relating to living wills; amending s. 765.302, F.S.; providing that a person may specify in a living will or written declaration which life-prolonging procedures the person chooses to use and which life-prolonging procedures the person chooses not to use to sustain, restore, or supplant a spontaneous vital function; amending s. 765.303, F.S.; revising the suggested form of a living will to permit a person to direct which life-prolonging procedures the person chooses to have withheld or withdrawn; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Carlton and Posey—

SB 1486—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the exemption of assets from legal process; amending s. 222.22, F.S.; exempting from legal process in favor of creditors or other claimants assets held in qualified tuition programs, in certain medical savings accounts, or in Coverdell education savings accounts; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1488—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Tampa Bay Commuter Rail Authority; amending ss. 343.71, 343.72, 343.73, and 343.74, F.S., relating to the Tampa Bay Commuter Rail Authority Act; redesignating the authority as the "Tampa Bay Commuter Transit Authority"; adding representatives of Manatee and Sarasota Counties to the board of authority; including Manatee and Sarasota Counties within the jurisdiction of the authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Comprehensive Planning.

SR 1490—Not referenced.

By the Committee on Communication and Public Utilities—

SB 1492—A bill to be entitled An act relating to renewable energy; creating s. 366.91, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 366.92, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating s. 366.93, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 366.94, F.S.; authorizing the Public Service Commission to require public utilities to offer a purchase contract to facilities that produce qualified renewable resources; providing requirements for such contracts; providing for cost recovery; creating s. 366.95, F.S.; providing for sales of renewable energy to a utility other than the host utility; creating s. 366.96, F.S.; authorizing the commission to adopt rules; requiring a report to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Senator Garcia—

SB 1494—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax refund programs for qualified target industry businesses and qualified defense contractors; amending s. 288.095, F.S.; requiring the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to pay claims for tax refunds in the order approved; requiring Enterprise Florida, Inc., to report on the efforts of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend tax refund agreements; amending s. 288.1045, F.S.; defining the term "jobs" to include new and retained jobs; requiring applications for certification to include the number of jobs retained; providing that new applicants may not be certified for the tax refund program for qualified defense contractors after June 30, 2009; specifying that tax refund agreements existing on that date continue in effect; amending s. 288.106, F.S.; providing that new applicants may not be certified for the tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses after June 30, 2009; specifying that tax refund agreements existing on that date continue in effect; requiring the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to attempt to amend certain tax refund agreements, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Transportation—

SB 1496—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver responsibility; creating s. 322.75, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 322.751, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to assess specified annual surcharges against a motor vehicle licensee who accumulates six or more points against his or her license within the previous 36 months; requiring the department to notify a licensee by first-class mail upon receipt of five points against his or her license; creating s. 322.7515, F.S.; directing the department to assess specified annual surcharges against motor vehicle licensees who have a final conviction within the previous 36 months for a DUI offense; creating s. 322.752, F.S.; directing the department to assess specified annual surcharges against motor vehicle licensees who have been convicted of driving without a license or without insurance within the previous 36 months; creating s. 322.7525, F.S.; requiring the department to notify licensees of the surcharges and the time period in which to pay the surcharges; creating s. 322.753, F.S.; requiring the department to accept installment payments for the surcharges; providing sanctions for a licensee's failure to pay an installment; allowing the department to permit licensees to pay assessed surcharges with credit cards; requiring the department to suspend a driver's license if the licensee does not pay the surcharge or arrange for installment payments within a specified time after the notice of surcharge is sent; creating s. 322.7535, F.S.; authorizing the department to enter into a contract with a public or private vendor for the collection of specified annual surcharges; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1498—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care funding; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to the funding of health care in this state for the uninsured; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1500—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care insurance; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to health insurance for the uninsured; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Klein—

SJR 1502—A joint resolution proposing the repeal of Section 19 of Article X of the State Constitution, which section requires the development and operation of a high-speed ground transportation system.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Pruitt—

SM 1504—A memorial to the United States Army Corps of Engineers, urging prompt action to complete the Indian River Lagoon Restoration Plan on schedule.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Jones—

SB 1506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board; amending s. 11, chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended; providing that certain definitions in general law which relate to contracting also apply to the board; providing that specified definitions in chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended, shall remain as rules of the board, subject to amendment by it; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1508—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.051, F.S.; revising the calculation of contributions and creditable service for members of the Special Risk Class who are dually employed; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1510—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water management districts; amending s. 373.199, F.S.; eliminating an obsolete requirement for a report by the districts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1512—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pollution control; amending s. 376.121, F.S., relating to liability for damage to natural resources; conforming provisions to the transfer of the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; amending s. 376.30713, F.S.; eliminating obsolete provisions that require the Department of Environmental Protection to report on preapproved advanced cleanup projects; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1514—A bill to be entitled An act relating to extracurricular student activities; amending s. 1006.15, F.S.; providing, as an additional requirement for eligibility to participate in such activities, that a student must receive a passing grade in each core course required for graduation; defining the term "core course"; applying the eligibility requirements to all extracurricular activities, rather than to interscholastic activities only; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1516—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state lands; amending s. 253.71, F.S.; eliminating obsolete provisions relating to lease fees and surcharges for the use of submerged lands; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1518—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 403.8163, F.S.; removing an obsolete reference to the Division of Beaches and Shores of the Department of Environmental Protection; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

SR 1520—Not referenced.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1522—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Legislative Historic Preservation Commission; creating s. 11.801, F.S.; creating the Legislative Historic Preservation Commission within the legislative branch of government; providing for membership of the commission and terms of office; providing powers and duties of the commission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1524—A bill to be entitled An act relating to space development; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to space development, space research, and commercial-space financing; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1526—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; amending s. 261.03, F.S.; redefining the term "off-highway vehicle" to include a two-rider ATV; adding a definition; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining the term "traffic signal preemption system"; amending s. 316.0775, F.S.; providing that the unauthorized use of a traffic signal preemption device is a moving violation; amending s. 316.122, F.S.; providing for the right-of-way for certain passing vehicles; creating s. 316.1576, F.S.; providing clearance specifications for a railroad-highway grade crossing; amending s. 316.183, F.S.; increasing the minimum speed limit on interstate highways; amending s. 316.1932, F.S.; revising the requirements for printing the notice of consent for sobriety testing on a driver's license; amending s. 316.194, F.S.; authorizing traffic accident investigation officers to remove vehicles under certain circumstances; amending s. 316.2074, F.S.; redefining the term "all-terrain vehicle" to include a two-rider ATV; amending s. 317.0003, F.S.; defining the term "off-highway vehicle" to include a two-rider ATV; providing a definition; amending s. 317.0007, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue a validation sticker as an additional proof of title for an off-highway vehicle; providing for the replacement of lost or destroyed off-highway vehicle validation stickers; providing for disposition of fees; repealing s. 317.0008(2), F.S., relating to the expedited issuance of duplicate certificates of title for off-highway vehicles; creating s. 317.0014, F.S.; establishing procedures for the issuance of a certificate of title for an off-highway vehicle; providing duties of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing for a notice of lien and lien satisfaction; creating s. 317.0015, F.S.; providing for the applicability of certain provisions of law to the titling of off-highway vehicles; creating s. 317.0016, F.S.; providing for the expedited issuance of titles for off-highway vehicles; creating s. 317.0017, F.S.; prohibiting specified actions relating to the issuance of titles for off-highway vehicles; providing a penalty; creating s. 317.0018, F.S.; prohibiting the transfer of an off-highway vehicle without delivery of a certificate of title; prescribing other violations; providing a penalty; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; authorizing the department to modify certain actions to suspend or revoke a driver's license following notice of final disposition; amending s. 318.15, F.S.; providing for disposition of fees; amending s. 319.23, F.S.; requiring a licensed motor vehicle dealer to notify the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles of a motor vehicle or mobile home taken as a trade-in; requiring the department to update its title record; amending s. 320.0601, F.S.; requiring that a transaction of a long-term leased motor vehicle be registered in the name of the lessee; amending s. 320.0605, F.S.; exempting a vehicle registered as a fleet vehicle from the requirement that the certificate of registration be carried in the vehicle at all times; amending s. 320.131, F.S.; authorizing the department to provide for an electronic system for motor vehicle dealers to use in issuing temporary tags; providing a penalty; amending s. 320.18, F.S.; authorizing the department to cancel the vehicle or vessel registration, driver's license, or identification card of a person who pays certain fees or penalties with a dishonored check; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; requiring motor vehicle dealers to maintain records for a specified period; providing certain penalties; amending s. 320.8249, F.S.; providing penalties for certain unlawful acts by a mobile home installer; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the application for an identification card; providing that the requirement for a fullface photograph or digital image on an identification card may not be waived under ch. 761, F.S.; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; providing that a United States passport is an acceptable proof of identity for purposes of obtaining a driver's license; providing that a naturalization certificate issued by the United States Department of Justice is an acceptable proof of identity for such purpose; providing that specified documents issued by the United States Department of Justice are acceptable as proof of nonimmigrant classification; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; requiring the department to require proof that an interlock device has been installed under certain circumstances; amending s. 322.135, F.S.; revising requirements for the deposit of certain fees for a driver's license; revising requirements for the tax collector in directing a licensee for examination or reexamination; requiring county officers to pay certain funds to the State Treasury by electronic funds transfer within a specified period; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; providing that the requirement for a fullface photograph or digital image on a driver's license may not be waived under ch. 761, F.S.; amending s. 322.17, F.S., relating to duplicate and replacement certificates; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 322.18, F.S.; revising the expiration period for driver's licenses issued to specified persons; conforming cross-references; amending s. 322.19, F.S., relating to change of address or name; conforming cross-references; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; requiring the department to set a fee for a hazardous-materials endorsement; amending s. 322.22, F.S.; authorizing the department to cancel any identification card, vehicle or vessel registration, or fuel-use decal of a licensee who pays certain fees or penalties with a dishonored check; amending s. 322.271, F.S.; requiring that proof be made to the department that an ignition interlock device has been installed; repealing s. 322.53(4), F.S., relating to a requirement that certain operators of a commercial motor vehicle obtain a specified license; amending s. 322.54, F.S.; revising requirements for drivers' licenses for certain commercial motor vehicles; amending s. 322.57, F.S.; providing testing requirements for school bus drivers; amending and reenacting s. 322.61, F.S.; specifying additional violations that disqualify a person from operating a commercial motor vehicle; providing penalties; amending s. 322.63, F.S.; clarifying provisions governing alcohol and drug testing for commercial motor vehicle operators; amending s. 713.78, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the placement of a wrecker operator's lien against a motor vehicle; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1528—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving privilege; providing a popular name; creating s. 318.1225, F.S.; providing additional charges for certain traffic violations; providing for distribution of moneys collected; amending s. 318.21, F.S.; revising provisions relating to disposition of civil penalties by county courts; creating s. 322.287, F.S.; providing additional fees for reinstatement of suspended driving privilege; providing for distribution of moneys collected; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1530—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cosmetology; amending s. 477.0135, F.S.; exempting from cosmetology licensure the provision of certain services to certain persons during the production of motion pictures, television broadcasts, stage plays, and products of other entertainment-related industries; providing that such services are not required to be performed in a licensed salon; prohibiting provision of such services to the general public; amending s. 477.0263, F.S.; revising an exception to the requirement to perform cosmetology services in a licensed salon, to conform; amending s. 477.0265, F.S.; prohibiting in cosmetology and specialty salons and schools the use or possession of cosmetic products containing liquid nail monomers containing methyl methacrylate or the use of cosmetic products in a manner inconsistent with restrictions established by the United States Food and Drug Administration; providing penalties; reenacting s. 477.029(1)(h) and (2), F.S., relating to grounds for administrative penalties, to incorporate the amendment to s. 477.0265, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing administrative penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1532—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the official Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.2421, 11.2422, 11.2424, and ll.2425, F.S.; adopting the Florida Statutes 2004 and designating the portions thereof that are to constitute the official law of the state; providing that the Florida Statutes 2004 shall be effective immediately upon publication; providing that general laws enacted during the August 12-13, 2003, Special Session and prior thereto and not included in the Florida Statutes 2004 are repealed; providing that general laws enacted during the October 20-24, 2003, Special Session and the 2004 regular session are not repealed by this adoption act.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1534—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.40, 28.2401, 101.049, 110.205, 112.061, 117.05, 121.021, 121.051, 163.01, 163.3167, 163.524, 192.0105, 206.02, 206.9825, 220.187, 265.285, 287.057, 288.1045, 288.31, 315.031, 316.1937, 320.02, 322.051, 322.08, 322.09, 322.18, 332.004, 341.301, 369.255, 370.01, 372.001, 373.0421, 373.45922, 381.06014, 391.029, 393.0657, 394.741, 394.9082, 394.917, 400.0075, 402.3057, 403.7192, 404.20, 409.017, 409.1671, 409.1757, 409.904, 409.9065, 409.908, 409.91196, 409.912, 409.9122, 414.095, 440.02, 440.102, 440.14, 440.15, 440.25, 440.33, 440.385, 440.45, 440.491, 440.515, 440.60, 443.1215, 455.2125, 456.028, 456.048, 456.051, 458.320, 458.347, 459.0085, 475.01, 475.278, 475.611, 475.6221, 487.046, 493.6106, 499.01, 499.0121, 499.0122, 499.015, 499.03, 499.05, 504.011, 504.014, 517.021, 538.18, 552.40, 565.02, 601.48, 607.1331, 607.1407, 624.123, 624.307, 624.430, 624.461, 624.462, 624.509, 626.175, 626.371, 626.731, 626.7315, 626.7351, 626.7355, 626.7845, 626.785, 626.8305, 626.831, 626.8414, 626.865, 626.866, 626.867, 626.874, 626.9916, 627.351, 627.733, 627.736, 627.832, 628.6012, 628.6013, 631.57, 631.60, 636.0145, 636.029, 636.052, 641.21, 641.225, 641.31, 641.386, 648.34, 648.355, 648.45, 651.013, 657.001, 657.002, 657.021, 657.026, 657.031, 657.039, 657.066, 657.068, 679.338, 679.520, 732.2025, 741.04, 766.102, 766.203, 766.206, 766.209, 787.03, 790.061, 817.566, 817.567, 895.02, 921.0024, 943.171, 985.203, 1003.52, 1007.27, 1009.29, 1011.60, 1012.56, 1013.74, and 1013.79, F.S.; amending and reenacting s. 921.0022, F.S.; reenacting ss. 112.191, 220.191, 259.032, 296.10, and 499.007, F.S.; and repealing s. 414.70, F.S.; pursuant to s. 11.242, F.S.; deleting provisions that have expired, have become obsolete, have had their effect, have served their purpose, or have been impliedly repealed or superseded; replacing incorrect cross-references and citations; correcting grammatical, typographical, and like errors; removing inconsistencies, redundancies, and unnecessary repetition in the statutes; improving the clarity of the statutes and facilitating their correct interpretation; and confirming the restoration of provisions unintentionally omitted from republication in the acts of the Legislature during the amendatory process.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1536—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; repealing ss. 110.116(2), 197.1722, 215.555(16), 261.06(12), 288.063(11), 338.2216(5), 372.60, 375.041(6), 401.113(4), 403.1838(4), 403.7095(7), 409.1671(1)(m), 468.805, 489.118(2)(b), 553.8412, and 1010.78(2), F.S., all of which provisions have become inoperative by noncurrent repeal or expiration and, pursuant to s. 11.242(5)(b) and (i), may be omitted from the Florida Statutes 2004 only through a reviser's bill duly enacted by the Legislature; and repealing s. 440.185(11), F.S., to confirm the October 2, 2003, repeal of an exemption in accordance with the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lee—

SB 1538—A reviser's bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 627.6515 and 766.1015, F.S., to conform to the directive in s. 1, ch. 93-199, Laws of Florida, to remove gender-specific references applicable to human beings from the Florida Statutes without substantive change in legal effect.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

SR 1540—Not referenced.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1542—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; defining the term "public school member" for purposes of the system; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; providing retirement benefits payable to public school members; providing retroactive applicability; providing for funding of the revision of the Florida Retirement System by this act; providing a finding of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1544—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational choice programs; creating s. 1002.395, F.S.; establishing the K-12 GI Bill Program to provide educational options for dependents of Florida's veterans and active military personnel; providing that a student may attend a public school in the school district other than the one to which assigned; providing that a student may receive a K-12 GI Bill to attend a public school in an adjacent school district or to attend a private school; providing K-12 GI Bill eligibility requirements; providing school district and Department of Education obligations; providing private school eligibility requirements; providing obligations of families choosing the private school option; providing for the amount, funding, and payment of a K-12 GI Bill; exempting the state from liability; authorizing State Board of Education rules; amending s. 1002.20, F.S., relating to student and parent rights to educational choice, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Siplin, Bullard and Dawson—

SB 1546—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Lifeline telecommunications service; amending s. 364.10, F.S.; directing local exchange telecommunications companies to notify company customers of the Lifeline service and the eligibility criteria for Lifeline participation; requiring the company to send brochures, pamphlets, or other materials to the customers at least once each year in the customer's monthly billing envelope; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1548—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Lifeline telecommunications service; amending s. 364.10, F.S.; prohibiting a local exchange telecommunications company from discontinuing local service to a consumer for nonpayment of other telephone services; directing the Public Service Commission to adopt rules to administer the prohibition; authorizing a local exchange telecommunications company to block specified long-distance services when a customer owes an outstanding account for those services; requiring certain state agencies to automatically enroll an eligible consumer in the Lifeline service with the appropriate local exchange telecommunications company; requiring the commission, the Department of Children and Family Services, and the Office of Public Counsel to enter into a memorandum of understanding concerning the automatic enrollment of consumers in Lifeline services; directing a local exchange telecommunications company to offer a consumer who applies for or receives Lifeline service the option of blocking all toll calls; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

SR 1550—Not referenced.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1552—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Internet screening in public libraries; defining terms; requiring public libraries to provide technology that blocks or filters Internet access to specified proscribed visual depictions; allowing adults to request disablement of the technology; providing a finding of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Criminal Justice; Communication and Public Utilities; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1554—A bill to be entitled An act relating to care for elderly persons; providing a short title; providing legislative findings; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Elderly Affairs to assist a private, not-for-profit organization within a specified county in providing services under a federal program known as the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly; specifying the number of enrollees; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to contract with the private organization providing the program under specified conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1556—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; revising certain limitations on positions for which school boards, community colleges, universities, and the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind may employ a member after a specified period of retirement; revising the election period in the Deferred Retirement Option Program for employees in grades K-20 and extending participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program to personnel in grades K-20 who receive administrative authorization; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1558—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing homes; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; providing that a nursing home that fails to comply with a specified percentage of the state minimum-staffing requirements may not accept new admissions until certain conditions are satisfied; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; providing that the standards for nursing supervision of nursing home residents are altered for night shift duties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1560—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic security; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to domestic security; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1562—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic security; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to domestic security; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1564—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic security; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to domestic security; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1566—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; providing a short title; specifying periods during which the sale of clothing, wallets, bags, school supplies, and books shall be exempt from such tax; defining the terms "clothing," "school supplies," and "books" for purposes of the exemption; providing that the exemption

does not apply to sales within certain theme parks, entertainment complexes, public lodging establishments, or airports; providing for rules by the Department of Revenue; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1568—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic violence; amending s. 784.046, F.S.; providing that a petitioner for an injunction for protection against sexual violence may list the address of his or her current residence in a separate confidential filing; amending s. 784.047, F.S.; providing that an act of sexual violence committed in violation of an injunction for protection against sexual violence is a first-degree misdemeanor; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Crist—

SB 1570—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic control signals; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; defining "traffic signal preemption transmitter"; amending s. 316.0775, F.S.; prohibiting use or possession of such transmitter; providing for exceptions; providing penalties; providing for application as a criminal violation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1572—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care personnel training; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; requiring child care personnel to be trained in recognizing and preventing shaken baby syndrome, preventing sudden infant death syndrome, and understanding early childhood brain development; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Children and Families.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1574—A bill to be entitled An act relating to administrative hearings; amending ss. 39.301 and 39.302, F.S., relating to the initiation of a protective investigation following a report to the Department of Children and Family Services of known or suspected child abuse, abandonment, or neglect; authorizing the subject of a report by the department making a determination of indicated abuse or verified abuse to request an administrative hearing under certain circumstances; providing for notice of the right to an administrative hearing; requiring the subject of the report to request a hearing in writing within a specified period; providing certain restrictions on entering the name of the subject of the report into the department's statewide database or central abuse registry; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1576—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the staffing of health care facilities; creating ss. 395.051-395.057, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings; defining terms; prescribing safe staffing standards for health care facilities; requiring licensed facilities to submit an annual staffing plan to the Agency for Health Care Administration; providing standards for the required skill mix; requiring compliance with the staffing plan; requiring recordkeeping; prohibiting mandatory overtime; providing applicability; providing to employees the right to refuse certain assignments and the right to report suspected violations of safe staffing standards; providing for the agency to enforce compliance with the act; requiring the agency to develop rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1578—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; providing that a school district may not require a student to obtain a prescription for any specified controlled substance as a prerequisite to the student's attending school or receiving other services of the school district; providing for rulemaking by the Department of Education; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1580—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student financial assistance; creating s. 1009.892, F.S.; creating the Innovation Florida Scholarships for Developing High-Tech Jobs Program; authorizing need-based scholarships for students enrolled in certified degree programs in targeted employment areas at Florida postsecondary educational institutions; providing for administration and funding of the program; providing student eligibility requirements for initial and renewal awards; providing for the adoption of rules; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1582—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Haines City Water Control District, Polk County; codifying the district's charter pursuant to section 189.429, Florida Statutes; providing legislative intent; amending, codifying, repealing, and reenacting all special acts relating to Haines City Water Control District as a single act; repealing chapters 13649 (1929) 14517 (1929), Laws of Florida, relating to the Haines City Water Control District; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1584—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sanitary regulations; amending s. 509.221, F.S.; requiring food service establishments issued a license on or after a specified date to provide diaper-changing tables; providing exceptions; defining terms; providing requirements for diaper-changing tables; requiring the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1586—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Building Commission; amending s. 553.74, F.S.; providing for the appointment of

a swimming pool contractor to the commission; providing for the appointment of certain nonvoting members; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Regulated Industries; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1588—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08053, F.S.; increasing the number of motor vehicle owners who must indicate, according to a scientific sample survey, that they intend to purchase a proposed specialty plate; defining the term "scientific sample survey"; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; increasing the number of plates that must be purchased to prevent a plate from being discontinued; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Fasano and Miller—

SB 1590—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certified stroke treatment centers; providing legislative intent with respect to certified stroke treatment centers; providing definitions; directing the Department of Health to adopt, by a specified date, certain guidelines as minimal clinical standards for stroke centers; directing the department to notify hospitals that are eligible to become certified stroke treatment centers; requiring a hospital to file a letter of intent; directing hospitals to file completed applications with the department by a specified date; directing the department to issue certificates to stroke treatment centers that meet the guidelines; authorizing the department to issue provisional certifications; providing that a stroke center's certification automatically expires 2 years after the date of issuance; providing that a certification may be renewed; limiting the certification to the hospital to which it was issued; directing the department to post a listing of certified stroke treatment centers on its website; requiring the department to mail the list to certain persons and entities; requiring a hospital to notify the department at least 6 months in advance of its decision to terminate stroke treatment; prohibiting a person from claiming that a facility is a stroke treatment center unless the facility is certified as provided by law; authorizing the department to inspect stroke treatment centers; requiring emergency medical services to transport identified stroke victims to certified stroke treatment centers; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Siplin, Miller, Dawson, Wilson, Lawson, Hill and Bullard—

SB 1592—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education assessment instruments; amending s. 1008.23, F.S.; allowing a student's parent or guardian and an accompanying assistant to review the questions and the student's answers to those questions on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test and other state-required academic assessment tests; providing conditions to such review; requiring the Department of Education to ensure that the department and the school districts honor requests for such review; providing for damages for violations; providing for costs and attorney's fees incurred in seeking compliance and payment of damages; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to psychotherapist-patient privilege; amending s. 90.503, F.S.; redefining the term "psychotherapist" to include certain advanced registered nurse practitioners for purposes of the psychotherapist-patient privilege of the Florida Evidence Code; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Judiciary.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1596—A bill to be entitled An act relating to disciplinary procedures applicable to a prisoner for filing frivolous or malicious actions; amending s. 944.279, F.S.; providing that if a court finds that a prisoner brought a frivolous or malicious collateral criminal proceeding that is filed after a specified date, the prisoner is subject to disciplinary procedures under the rules of the Department of Corrections; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 1598—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; providing legislative intent; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; revising provisions relating to benefits payable for total and permanent disability for certain Special Risk Class members of the Florida Retirement System who are injured in the line of duty; providing for contribution rate increases to fund benefits provided in s. 121.091, F.S., as amended; directing the Division of Statutory Revision to adjust contribution rates set forth in s. 121.071, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1600—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public construction bonds; amending s. 255.05, F.S.; providing for a mandatory form for public construction bonds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Judiciary.

By Senator Wise—

SM 1602—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to request that the Secretary of the Navy name a future United States Navy warship the "USS Charles E. Bennett" in honor of United States Representative Bennett who died September 6, 2003, at the age of 92.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Rules and Calendar.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Senators Fasano, Clary, Crist, Siplin, Lynn, Wasserman Schultz, Haridopolos and Miller—

SB 1604—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military affairs; creating s. 14.2018, F.S.; creating the Office of Military and State Relations; providing for its powers and duties; creating s. 163.3175, F.S.; providing legislative findings on the compatibility of development with military installations; providing for the exchange of information relating to proposed land use decisions between counties and local governments and military installations; providing for responsive comments by the commanding officer or his or her designee; providing for the county or affected local government to take such comments into consideration; providing for a representative of the military installation to be an ex-officio, nonvoting member of the county's or local government's land

planning or zoning board; encouraging the commanding officer to provide information on community planning assistance grants; providing definitions; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; providing for the future land use plan element of comprehensive plans to include compatibility with military installations; requiring the inclusion of criteria; requiring local governments to update or amend their comprehensive plan by a certain date; providing for the coordination by the state land planning agency and the Department of Defense on compatibility issues for military installations; amending s. 163.3187, F.S.; providing that amendments to address compatibility or include criteria do not count toward the limitation on frequency of amending comprehensive plans; amending s. 163.3191, F.S.; providing that evaluations of comprehensive plans include whether such criteria were successful in resolving land use compatibility uses around military installations; amending s. 288.980, F.S.; creating the Military Base Protection Grant program; providing an appropriation to fund such program; providing the purpose and for implementation of the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Senators Fasano, Clary, Crist, Siplin, Lynn, Wasserman Schultz, Haridopolos and Miller—

SB 1606—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unemployment compensation for spouses of members of the military; amending s. 443.101, F.S.; providing eligibility for unemployment compensation benefits for the spouses of a member of the military under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning—

SB 1608—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public nuisances; amending s. 893.138, F.S.; clarifying the uses of property that constitute a public nuisance; specifying the period that property may be closed; providing exceptions; requiring a nuisance abatement board to specify procedures to abate a public nuisance; providing exceptions; providing for closure of property only if the use of the property materially contributes to the nuisance; providing that closure of property constituting an unabated nuisance is not a taking; providing that a property may be reopened under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Judiciary.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1610—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to juvenile justice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1612—A bill to be entitled An act relating to law enforcement; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to law enforcement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1614—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to sentencing; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1616—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Corrections; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Corrections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to capital collateral representation; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to capital collateral representation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice—

SB 1620—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale and delivery of firearms; amending s. 790.065, F.S.; delaying, until October 1, 2009, the repeal of provisions requiring a criminal history record check by the Department of Law Enforcement prior to the sale or delivery of a firearm to a person other than a licensed importer, manufacturer, dealer, or collector; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Senators Fasano, Clary, Crist, Siplin, Lynn, Wasserman Schultz, Haridopolos and Miller—

SB 1622—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military families; amending s. 295.01, F.S.; revising certain requirements relating to scholarships for children of deceased veterans; amending s. 445.007, F.S.; providing for the appointment of a military representative to certain regional workforce boards; amending s. 464.009, F.S.; providing for licensure by endorsement of certain nurses licensed in another state that is a member of the Nurse Licensure Compact; amending s. 464.022, F.S.; providing that certain nurses relocating to this state may perform nursing services for a period of 120 days after submitting application for licensure; amending s. 1002.39, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for military dependents applying for a John M. McKay Scholarship; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; directing the Department of Education to assist in the development of memoranda of agreement between school districts and military installations; creating s. 1008.221, F.S.; providing for alternate assessments for the grade 10 FCAT for certain military dependents; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying certain liaison officers and their spouses and dependent children as residents for tuition purposes; directing Workforce Florida, Inc., to establish an employment advocacy and assistance program targeting military spouses and dependents; directing the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to assess the

housing needs of Florida's military families; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to banking regulation; amending s. 494.0011, F.S.; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; providing application; amending s. 494.0016, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; amending s. 494.0029, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; specifying certain permits as not transferable or assignable; amending s. 494.00295, F.S.; revising provisions to specify continuing education for certain professions; amending s. 494.003, F.S.; clarifying application of an exemption from application of certain mortgage broker licensure requirements to certain entities; amending s. 494.0031, F.S.; requiring licensure of mortgage brokerage businesses; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; authorizing the commission or the Office of Financial Regulation to require certain information from certain applicants; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; specifying certain licenses as nontransferable or nonassignable; amending s. 494.0033, F.S.; clarifying mortgage broker licensure requirements; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; deleting certain provisions relating to cancellation and reinstatement of licenses; amending s. 494.0034, F.S.; clarifying the commission's authorization to prescribe license renewal forms; amending s. 494.0036, F.S.; clarifying provisions relating to issuance of mortgage brokerage business branch office licenses; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; amending s. 494.0041, F.S.; specifying an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 494.006, F.S.; clarifying application of an exemption from application of certain mortgage lender licensure requirements to certain entities; amending s. 494.0061, F.S.; requiring licensure of mortgage lenders; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; deleting certain provisions relating to cancellation and reinstatement of licenses; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; amending s. 494.0062, F.S.; requiring licensure of correspondent mortgage lenders; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; authorizing the office to require applicants to provide certain information; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; deleting certain provisions relating to cancellation and reinstatement of licenses; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; amending s. 494.0064, F.S.; clarifying a reference to professional continuing education for certain licensees; amending s. 494.0065, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; specifying certain education and testing requirements for certain principal representatives and for certain applications or transfer applications; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; increasing a license transfer fee; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; requiring mortgage lenders to designate a principal representative; providing criteria and requirements; amending s. 494.0066, F.S.; clarifying branch office licensure requirements; amending s. 494.0067, F.S.; clarifying reference to professional continuing education requirements; amending s. 494.0072, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 494.00721, F.S.; correcting cross-references; amending s. 516.03, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; authorizing the commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; amending s. 516.07, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 516.12, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain minimum information in a licensee's books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; amending ss. 517.051, 517.081, F.S.; revising standards for accounting principles to be used in preparing certain financial statements; amending s. 517.12, F.S.; revising provisions for taking and submitting fingerprints of dealers, associated persons, and similarly situated persons; revising provisions relating to expiration and renewal of registration of such persons; amending s. 517.131, F.S.; revising conditions under which recovery can be made from the Securities Guaranty Fund; amending s. 517.141, F.S.; prescribing circumstances under which a claimant must reimburse the fund; amending s. 517.161, F.S.; providing an additional ground for revocation, restriction, or suspension of a registration; amending ss. 520.03, 520.32, 520.52, and 520.63, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; amending s. 520.994, F.S.; authorizing the commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; amending s. 520.995, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending ss. 520.997 and 537.009, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain minimum information in a licensee's books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; amending ss. 560.105 and 560.118, F.S.; authorizing the commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; amending s. 560.114, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 560.121, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain minimum information in a licensee's books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; decreasing the required time period for the office to retain certain reports, records, applications, and related information; amending s. 560.205, F.S.; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; authorizing the commission to establish procedures for depositing fees and filing documents electronically; deleting a requirement that an applicant provide a list of certain vendors; requiring the reporting of certain changes of registration by written amendment; amending s. 560.207, F.S.; authorizing the commission to establish procedures for depositing fees and filing documents electronically; amending s. 560.210, F.S.; revising permissible investment requirements for certain registrants; amending ss. 560.211 and 560.310, F.S.; requiring notice to the office of the location of certain amended records; amending ss. 560.305 and 560.308, F.S.; authorizing the commission to establish procedures for depositing fees and filing documents electronically; amending s. 560.306, F.S.; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; requiring the reporting of certain changes of registration by written amendment; specifying in general that accounting principles are those generally accepted in the United States; specifying commission authority by rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1626—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; providing an exemption from public-records requirements for a manuscript or other archival material donated to and held by an official archive of a municipality or county and subject to special terms and conditions that limit the right to copy or inspect the manuscript or material; requiring that such a manuscript or other archival material be made available for inspection and copying after a specified period or pursuant to court order; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a finding of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1628—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonemergency telecommunications systems; amending s. 365.171, F.S.; continuing the authorization for certain counties to expend moneys derived from the "911" fee for nonemergency telecommunications; deleting the limitation imposed under a pilot project; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Communication and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1630—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the rental car surcharge; amending s. 212.0606, F.S.; revising allocations of proceeds from the rental car surcharge; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1632—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prevention and control of communicable diseases; amending s. 381.003, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to adopt certain standards applicable to all public sector employers; requiring the compilation and maintenance of certain information by the department for use by employers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1634—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile services; amending s. 20.316, F.S.; redesignating the Department of Juvenile Justice as the "Department of Juvenile Services"; redesignating the Secretary of Juvenile Justice as the "Secretary of Juvenile Services"; amending ss. 216.133 and 216.136, F.S.; redesignating the Juvenile Justice Estimating Conference as the "Juvenile Services Estimating Conference"; requesting the Division of Statutory Revision of the Office of Legislative Services to prepare a reviser's bill for introduction at a subsequent session of the Legislature to conform the Florida Statutes to the changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1636—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designation; designating a portion of Dunn Avenue in Jacksonville as "Dan Jones Avenue"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1638—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating a portion of Dunn Avenue in Jacksonville as the "Robert 'Bullet Bob' Hayes Avenue"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1640—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating a portion of I-95 at approximately mile marker 284 as the "Deputy Charles 'Chuck' Sease Highway"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1642—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle registration; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; requiring motor vehicle registration and renewal forms to provide for a voluntary contribution to the Florida National Guard Foundation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1644—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drivers' licenses; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; providing for license applicants to make a $2 voluntary contribution to the American Cancer Society; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1646—A bill to be entitled An act relating to liability insurance; creating s. 1006.245, F.S.; requiring school districts to pay only from insurance proceeds any damages awarded against the district through a claims bill; providing minimum amounts of coverage for insurance against such damages; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1648—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public access to records relating to aquifer storage and recovery wells and other underground injection control programs; creating s. 403.0879, F.S.; requiring semiannual reports by the Department of Environmental Protection regarding aquifer storage and recovery wells and other underground injection control programs; providing requirements for the report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1650—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state financial matters; amending s. 112.363, F.S.; providing that the spouse at the time of a Florida Retirement System participant's death is considered the beneficiary for purposes of the retiree health insurance subsidy unless a different beneficiary has been designated; amending s. 121.4501, F.S.; defining the term "retiree" for purposes of the Public Employee Optional Retirement Program; changing the dates for election to participate in the program; providing that a terminated, vested member of the program need not become reemployed to change retirement plans; prescribing the obligation of system employers to communicate the existence of both retirement plans; providing that certain terminated, vested system members are eligible to participate in the program; amending s. 121.591, F.S.; providing for cashing out de minimis accounts; amending s. 121.78, F.S.; providing the participant's obligation to return excess contributions; amending s. 215.47, F.S.; revising guidelines for foreign obligations that are eligible for state investment; amending ss. 215.475, 215.5601, F.S.; redesignating investment plans as "investment policy statements"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1652—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of State; amending s. 20.04, F.S.; authorizing nonstandard internal structuring of the department; amending s. 20.10, F.S.; reorganizing the department; providing for an assistant Secretary of State and deputy secretaries of state; deleting existing divisions of the department and creating offices as internal subdivisions and providing their responsibilities; amending ss. 15.09, 15.16, 15.18, 15.21, 17.27, 20.121, 23.22, 28.30, 97.021, 97.026, 97.053, 98.081, 98.0979, 98.101, 98.461, 99.097, 100.371, 101.015, 101.017, 101.293, 101.294, 101.545, 101.5608, 101.5614, 101.694, 101.732, 101.733, 102.111, 102.141, 105.031, 105.035, 105.036, 105.041, 106.011, 106.021, 106.03, 106.04, 106.06, 106.07, 106.11, 106.141, 106.1475, 106.22, 106.23, 106.24, 106.25, 106.26, 106.29, 106.33, 106.35, 119.01, 119.041, 119.05, 119.09, 120.55, 193.505, 196.1997, 196.1998, 215.20, 253.025, 253.027, 257.01, 257.02, 257.031, 257.04, 257.05, 257.12, 257.14, 257.15, 257.16, 257.171, 257.172, 257.18, 257.191, 257.192, 257.193, 257.195, 257.22, 257.23, 257.24, 257.30, 257.34, 257.35, 257.36, 257.37, 257.375, 257.41, 257.42, 258.007, 258.501, 259.035, 259.037, 260.0142, 265.283, 265.284, 265.286, 265.2861, 265.2862, 265.2865, 265.603, 265.606, 265.608, 265.609, 265.701, 265.702, 267.021, 267.031,267.061, 267.0612, 267.0617, 267.0619, 267.062, 267.071, 267.072, 267.0731, 267.074, 267.0743, 267.075, 267.081, 267.11, 267.115, 267.12, 267.13, 267.135, 267.14, 267.16, 267.161, 267.17, 267.173, 286.001, 380.06, 380.061, 380.285, 403.941, 403.9411, 413.011, 445.004, 468.401, 561.01, 872.02, 872.05, 943.1728, 1004.51, 1004.52, 1004.94, 1013.64, F.S., to conform; creating s. 257.015, F.S.; providing definitions applicable to public libraries and state archives; repealing ss. 265.51, 265.52, 265.53, 265.54, 265.55, 265.56, F.S., relating to authority of the department to enter indemnity agreements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Ethics and Elections; Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to negligence actions; creating s. 768.0706, F.S.; providing limitations on premises liability for a person or organization owning or controlling an interest in specified commercial real property; creating a presumption against liability; providing conditions for the presumption; amending s. 768.81, F.S.; redefining the term "negligence cases" for the purpose of apportioning damages in actions involving comparative fault to include actions for damages based upon the commission of an intentional tort; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1656—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational facilities; creating s. 1013.352, F.S.; authorizing a school district to exempt itself from Department of Education educational facilities construction and funding standards and adopt alternative standards; requiring approval by referendum; requiring an educational facilities task force to propose alternative standards; providing for public notice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1658—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public health services; providing legislative intent with respect to the licensure and regulation of facilities that provide care for medically fragile or technologically dependent children; providing definitions; providing requirements for the licensure of subacute pediatric prescribed extended alternative care centers; providing for the licensing of such facilities by the Agency for Health Care Administration; providing criminal sanctions; prescribing a license fee; providing requirements for applicants for licensure; providing requirements for a licensee in administering and managing a SPPEAC center; requiring that each center have an advisory board; providing for membership on the advisory board; providing requirements for the admission of a child to a SPPEAC center; requiring each center to maintain policies for child care; requiring that a board-certified pediatrician serve as the medical director of a center; providing requirements for the nursing services provided at a SPPEAC center; providing requirements for the qualifications and experience of nursing personnel; specifying the minimum staff-to-child ratio for a center; providing requirements for ancillary professional staff; requiring that a SPPEAC center provide certain educational services for children admitted to the center; requiring in-service training for center staff and family members of children admitted to the center; requiring that the center maintain certain medical records; requiring that a center have a committee to conduct reviews for quality assurance; providing requirements for dietary services provided at a center; providing requirements for the physical environment of a SPPEAC center; requiring that a center maintain certain specified safety, medical, and emergency equipment; providing requirements for infection control; providing requirements for transportation services provided by a center; requiring that a center conform to certain minimum emergency standards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1660—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings; creating an exemption from public-records requirements for certain documents produced by certified stroke treatment centers; exempting portions of meetings or proceedings at which records or reports concerning specific patients are discussed from public-meeting require-

ments; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing findings of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1662—A bill to be entitled An act relating to immunity from liability; amending s. 39.203, F.S.; providing that a person is immune from civil and criminal liability for reporting child pornography to the Department of Children and Family Services or to a law enforcement agency; providing that any person suspected of being involved in the production, distribution, or possession of child pornography may not be granted immunity from liability; amending s. 847.0139, F.S.; providing that a person is immune from criminal liability for reporting child pornography to a law enforcement officer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children and Families; and Criminal Justice.

By Senators Hill and Alexander—

SB 1664—A bill to be entitled An act relating to worker safety with respect to agricultural pesticides; creating s. 487.2011, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 487.2021, F.S.; declaring legislative intent; creating s. 487.2031, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 487.2041, F.S.; providing for enforcement of federal worker protection regulations; creating s. 487.2051, F.S.; requiring agricultural employers to make agricultural pesticide information available to workers, designated representatives, and medical personnel; creating s. 487.2061, F.S.; prohibiting agricultural employers from failing to provide required information and from taking retaliatory action against workers for exercising their rights; creating s. 487.2071, F.S.; providing penalties; providing for relief against retaliation; providing for monitoring complaints of retaliation; providing for a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Saunders and Jones—

SB 1666—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing education for health care practitioners; amending s. 456.025, F.S.; deleting requirements for the Department of Health to administer an electronic continuing education tracking system for health care practitioners; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1668—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax administration; amending ss. 213.235 and 220.807, F.S.; providing an alternative to a requirement that the interest rate on certain tax deficiencies shall be the rounded adjusted prime rate charged by banks plus 4 percentage points; providing application of certain adjustments; requiring the Department of Revenue to use certain adjusted prime rates in certain calculations; amending ss. 213.24, 213.255, 220.723, and 220.809, F.S., to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1670—A bill to be entitled An act relating to course requirements for students in community colleges; amending s. 1001.02, F.S.; providing that the required credit hours in general education courses must include civics instruction that focuses on North American national government; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education.

By the Committee on Children and Families—

SB 1672—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child protective investigations; amending s. 39.302, F.S.; requiring that the Department of Juvenile Justice rather than the Department of Children and Family Services investigate certain allegations of child abuse, neglect, and abandonment; providing an exception; deleting a requirement that the Department of Children and Family Services notify the state attorney of a report of institutional child abuse; authorizing a law enforcement agency and a licensing or oversight agency conducting a joint investigation to have access to information of the Department of Children and Family Services to the extent allowed by law; requiring that the department inform the facility of a report of child abuse; requiring that the child's parent or legal custodian be notified of the report; providing for an on-site visit to the child's place of residence; requiring the agency with oversight responsibility of a facility to implement identified safety actions under certain circumstances; authorizing the Department of Children and Family Services to recommend corrective actions; deleting a requirement that the department assist a facility in maintaining its operation under certain circumstances; requiring that the department notify the state attorney or a law enforcement agency of criminal conduct; requiring that criminal investigations be coordinated with child protective investigations when possible; deleting requirements that the department provide a specialized team to investigate child abuse, neglect, or abandonment; requiring the department to adopt procedures for child protective investigations by rule; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to adopt policies for protecting youth from abuse and for responding to child protective investigations; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services and the Department of Juvenile Justice to develop and enter into an interagency agreement; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt minimum hiring and training requirements by rule; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to report to the Governor and the Legislature on its implementation of the recommendations of an interim project and the recommendations of the Protective Investigator Retention Workgroup; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1674—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics; creating s. 468.8051, F.S.; providing that individuals who previously applied for licensure to the Department of Health prior to a certain date and who have been approved by the Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists to practice orthotics, prosthetics, or pedorthics may be licensed as a prosthetist, orthotist, orthotic fitter assistant, or pedorthist without meeting certain educational requirements; requiring the Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists to investigate the individual's background and experience; providing an application fee; specifying periods of experience required for licensure; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1676—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protection of manatees; amending s. 370.12, F.S.; requiring that measurable biological

goals for manatee recovery adopted under the Florida Endangered and Threatened Species Act be used by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission when evaluating existing and proposed manatee-protection rules; directing that existing manatee-protection rules be presumed adequate and additional rules unnecessary in a region where the measurable biological goals are being achieved; providing that the presumption does not prevent the commission from addressing manatee issues within that region; defining the term "region" for purposes of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity—

SB 1678—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 39.2021, F.S.; authorizing a petition for an order to make public records pertaining to certain investigations by the Department of Children and Family Services; amending s. 119.01, F.S.; establishing state policy with respect to public records; requiring governmental agencies to consider certain factors in designing or acquiring electronic recordkeeping systems; providing certain restrictions with respect to electronic recordkeeping systems and proprietary software; requiring governmental agencies to provide copies of public records stored in electronic recordkeeping systems; authorizing agencies to charge a fee for such copies; specifying circumstances under which the financial, business, and membership records of an organization are public records; amending s. 119.011, F.S.; providing definitions; repealing ss. 119.0115, 119.012, and 119.02, F.S., relating to specified exemption for certain videotapes and video signals, records made public by the use of public funds, and penalties for violation of public records requirements by a public officer; amending s. 119.021, F.S.; providing requirements for governmental agencies in maintaining and preserving public records; requiring the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State to adopt rules for retaining and disposing of public records; authorizing the division to provide for archiving certain noncurrent records; providing for the destruction of certain records and the continued maintenance of certain records; providing for the disposition of records at the end of an official's term of office; requiring that a custodian of public records demand delivery of records held unlawfully; repealing ss. 119.031, 119.041, 119.05, and 119.06, F.S., relating to the retention and disposal of public records and the delivery of records held unlawfully; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; revising provisions governing the inspection and copying of public records; establishing fees for copying; providing requirements for making photographs; authorizing additional means of copying; repealing s. 119.08, F.S., relating to requirements for making photographs of public records; amending s. 119.084, F.S.; deleting certain provisions governing the maintenance of public records in an electronic recordkeeping system; repealing ss. 119.085 and 119.09, F.S., relating to remote electronic access to public records and the program for records and information management of the Department of State; amending s. 119.10, F.S.; clarifying provisions with respect to penalties for violations of ch. 119, F.S.; amending s. 119.105, F.S.; clarifying provisions under which certain police reports may be exempt from the public records law; amending s. 120.55, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to publication of the Florida Administrative Code to provide that the Department of State is required to compile and publish the code through a continuous revision system; amending s. 257.36, F.S.; providing procedures with respect to the official custody of records upon the transfer of duties or responsibilities between state agencies or the dissolution of a state agency; amending s. 328.15, F.S.; revising the classification of records of notices and satisfaction of liens on vessels maintained by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 372.5717, F.S.; revising the classification of records of hunter safety certification cards maintained by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; creating s. 415.1071, F.S.; authorizing a petition for an order making public certain investigatory records of the Department of Children and Family Services; amending s. 560.121, F.S.; decreasing and qualifying the period of retention for examination reports, investigatory records, applications, application records, and related information compiled by the Department of Banking and Finance under the Money Transmitters' Code; amending s. 560.123, F.S.; decreasing the period of retention for specified reports filed by money transmitters with the Department of Banking and Finance under the Money Transmitters' Code; amending s. 560.129, F.S.; decreasing and qualifying the period of retention for examination reports, investigatory records, applications, application records, and related information compiled by the Department of Banking and Finance under the Money Transmitters' Code; amending s. 624.311, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Insurance to maintain an electronic recordkeeping system for specified records, statements, reports, and documents; eliminating a standard for the reproduction of such records, statements, reports, and documents; amending s. 624.312, F.S.; providing that reproductions from an electronic recordkeeping system of specified documents and records of the Department of Insurance shall be treated as originals for the purpose of their admissibility in evidence; amending s. 633.527, F.S.; decreasing the period of retention for specified examination test questions, answer sheets, and grades in the possession of the Division of State Fire Marshal of the Department of Insurance; amending s. 655.50, F.S.; revising requirements of the Department of Banking and Finance with respect to retention of copies of specified reports and records of exemption submitted or filed by financial institutions under the Florida Control of Money Laundering in Financial Institutions Act; amending s. 945.25, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to obtain and place in its records specified information on every person who may be sentenced to supervision or incarceration under the jurisdiction of the department; eliminating a requirement of the department, in its discretion, to obtain and place in its permanent records specified information on persons placed on probation and on persons who may become subject to pardon and commutation of sentence; amending s. 985.31, F.S.; revising the classification of specified medical files of serious or habitual juvenile offenders; repealing s. 212.095(6)(d), F.S., which requires the Department of Revenue to keep a permanent record of the amounts of refunds claimed and paid under ch. 212, F.S., and which requires that such records shall be open to public inspection; repealing s. 238.03(9), F.S., relating to the authority of the Department of Management Services to photograph and reduce to microfilm as a permanent record its ledger sheets showing the salaries and contributions of members of the Teachers' Retirement System of Florida, the records of deceased members of the system, and the authority to destroy the documents from which such films derive; amending ss. 23.22, 101.5607, 112.533, 1012.31, 257.34, 257.35, 282.21, 287.0943, 320.05, 322.20, 338.223, 378.406, 400.0077, 401.27, 403.111, 409.2577, 455.219, 456.025, 627.311, 627.351, 633.527, 668.50, and 794.024, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting s. 947.13(2)(a), F.S., relating to the duty of the Parole Commission to examine specified records, to incorporate the amendment to s. 945.25, F.S., in a reference thereto; repealing s. 430.015, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for identifying information contained in records of elderly persons collected and held by the Department of Elderly Affairs; amending s. 440.132, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for investigatory records of the Agency for Health Care Administration made or received pursuant to a workers' compensation managed care arrangement and examination records necessary to complete an investigation; repealing s. 723.0065, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for specified financial records of mobile home park owners acquired by the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and the Bureau of Mobile Homes of the division; repealing s. 768.301, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for certain claims files records and minutes of meetings and proceedings relating to risk management programs entered into by the state and its agencies and subdivisions, and a public meetings exemption for proceedings and meetings regarding claims filed; amending s. 943.031, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records and public meetings exemption for specified portions of meetings of the Florida Violent Crime and Drug Control Council, specified portions of public records generated at closed council meetings, and documents related to active criminal investigations or matters constituting active criminal intelligence; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Children and Families; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1680—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the licensure of health care providers; creating ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and intent; providing applicability; providing definitions; prohibiting the provision of certain services without obtaining a license from the Agency for Health Care Administration; requiring that the license be displayed; requiring that licensure fees cover

the agency's cost of the licensure, inspection, and regulation of providers; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing requirements for license application; providing for late fees; providing duties of the agency, including requirements for inspections; authorizing the electronic submission of information to the agency; providing requirements for licensure upon a change of ownership of a provider; specifying license categories; requiring background screening of a licensee, administrator, financial officer, or controlling interest; providing minimum licensure requirements; providing requirements for a licensee that discontinues operation; requiring that notice be provided to clients; requiring a licensee to inform clients of certain rights; requiring an applicant for licensure to provide proof of liability insurance and financial ability to operate; authorizing the agency to make inspections and investigations; prohibiting certain unlicensed activity; providing penalties; providing for administrative fines; authorizing the agency to impose a moratorium under certain circumstances; specifying grounds under which the agency may deny or revoke a license; authorizing the agency to institute proceedings for an injunction against a provider; requiring that fees and fines be deposited into the Health Care Trust Fund and used for administering the laws and rules governing providers; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 112.045, F.S., relating to the Drug-Free Workplace Act; requiring drug-testing laboratories to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; deleting obsolete and repetitive provisions; providing for rules and licensure fees; amending ss. 383.301, 383.305, 383.309, 383.315, 383.324, 383.33, and 383.335, F.S., and repealing ss. 383.304, 383.325, 383.331, and 383.332, F.S., relating to the Birth Center Licensure Act; requiring birth centers to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 390.011, 390.012, 390.014, and 390.018, F.S., and repealing ss. 390.013, 390.015, 390.016, 390.017, 390.019, and 390.021, F.S., relating to the regulation of abortion clinics; requiring abortion clinics to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending s. 394.455, F.S., relating to the Florida Mental Health Act; clarifying a definition; amending ss. 394.67, 394.875, 394.877, 394.878, 394.879, 394.90, and 394.902, F.S., and repealing s. 394.876, F.S., relating to the Community Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Act; defining the term "short-term residential treatment facility"; requiring substance abuse or mental health facilities, programs, and services to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative penalties; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 395.003, 395.004, 395.0161, 395.0163, 395.0199, 395.1046, 395.1055, and 395.1065, F.S., and repealing ss. 395.002(4), 395.0055, and 395.0162, F.S., relating to hospitals and other licensed facilities; requiring hospitals and other licensed facilities to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 395.10973, 395.10974, and 395.10975, F.S., relating to health care risk managers; requiring health care risk managers to comply with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.022, 400.051, 400.062, 400.063, 400.071, 400.102, 400.111, 400.1183, 400.121, 400.141, 400.17, 400.179, 400.18, 400.19, 400.191, 400.20, 400.211, and 400.23, F.S., and repealing ss. 400.021(5) and (20), 400.125, and 400.241(1) and (2), F.S., relating to nursing homes; requiring nursing homes to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; revising reporting requirements; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.402, 400.407, 400.4075, 400.408, 400.411, 400.412, 400.414, 400.417, 400.4174, 400.4176, 400.418, 400.419, 400.42, 400.424, 400.4255, 400.4256, 400.427, 400.4275, 400.431, 400.434, 400.441, 400.442, 400.444, 400.452, and 400.454, F.S., and repealing ss. 400.415, 400.4178(7), 400.435(1), 400.447(1), (2), and (3), and 400.451, F.S., relating to assisted living facilities; requiring assisted living facilities to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.464, 400.471, 400.474, 400.484, 400.494, 400.495, 400.497, 400.506, 400.509, and 400.512, F.S., and repealing s. 400.515, F.S., relating to home health agencies and nurse registries; requiring home health agencies and nurse registries to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.551, 400.554, 400.555, 400.556, 400.5565, 400.557, 400.5572, 400.559, 400.56, and 400.562, F.S., and repealing ss. 400.5575, 400.558, and 400.564, F.S., relating to adult day care centers; requiring adult day care centers to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.602, 400.605, 400.606, 400.6065, 400.607, and 400.6095, F.S., relating to hospices; requiring hospices to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.617, 400.619, 400.6194, 400.6196, 400.621, 400.6211, and 400.625, F.S., and repealing s. 400.622, F.S., relating to adult family-care homes; requiring adult family-care homes to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.801 and 400.805, F.S., relating to homes for special services and transitional living facilities; requiring such homes and facilities to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.902, 400.903, 400.905, 400.907, 400.908, 400.912, 400.914, and 400.915, F.S., and repealing ss. 400.906, 400.910, 400.911, 400.913, 400.916, and 400.917, F.S., relating to prescribed pediatric extended care centers; requiring such centers to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.925, 400.93, 400.931, 400.932, 400.933, and 400.935, F.S., and repealing ss. 400.95, 400.953(2), 400.955(4), and 400.956, F.S., relating to home medical equipment providers; requiring home medical equipment providers to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.960, 400.962, 400.967, 400.968, and 400.969, F.S., and repealing ss. 400.963 and 400.965, F.S., relating to intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled; requiring such facilities to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending s. 400.908, F.S.; requiring health care services pools to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 400.991, 400.9915, 400.992, 400.9925, 400.993, 400.9935, and 400.995, F.S., and repealing ss. 400.9905(2), 400.994, and 400.9945, F.S., relating to health care clinics; requiring health care clinics to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending s. 408.831, F.S., relating to the authority of the Agency for Health Care Administration to impose certain penalties against a regulated or licensed entity; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 440.102, F.S., relating to the drug-free workplace program; requiring laboratories to be in compliance with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 483.035, 483.051, 483.061, 483.091, 483.101, 483.111, 483.172, 483.201, 483.221, and 483.23, F.S., and repealing ss. 483.131 and 483.25, F.S., relating to clinical laboratories; requiring clinical laboratories to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; amending ss. 483.291, 483.294, 483.30, 483.302, and 483.32, F.S., and repealing ss. 483.311, 483.317(1), 483.322(1), and 483.328, F.S., relating to multiphasic health testing centers; requiring such centers to be in compliance with ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for licensure fees; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for administrative fines; conforming provisions with the requirements of ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S.; providing for ss. 408.801-408.819, F.S., to prevail in the case of a conflict with other laws governing the licensure of health care providers by the agency; authorizing the agency to issue a

license for less than a specified period and to charge a prorated fee; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1682—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential tenancies; amending s. 83.67, F.S.; prohibiting a landlord from preventing a tenant from displaying a United States flag in or on the dwelling unit; providing for injunctive relief; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1684—A bill to be entitled An act relating to additional employment by state correctional employees; amending s. 944.38, F.S.; providing that an officer or employee of the Department of Corrections is not prohibited from accepting other employment or secondary employment under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1686—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating an Aquaculture license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Agriculture; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 1688—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the judiciary; amending s. 26.031, F.S.; increasing the number of judges in specified judicial circuits; providing for their election; amending s. 34.022, F.S.; increasing the number of judges in specified county courts; providing for their election; amending s. 35.06, F.S.; increasing the number of judges in specified district courts of appeal; providing for their appointment by the Governor; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1690—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; terminating the Florida Korean Veterans Memorial Matching Trust Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund, and the Design and Construction Trust Fund within the Department of Veterans' Affairs; providing for the disposition of balances in and revenues of such trust funds; prescribing procedures for the termination of such trust funds; repealing s. 292.085, F.S., relating to the Department of Veterans' Affairs Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1692—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Financial Institutions' Regulatory Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1694—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; recreating the Workers' Compensation Administration Trust Fund within the Office of Insurance Regulation without modification; carrying forward current balances and continuing current sources and uses thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 1696—A bill to be entitled An act relating to law enforcement and correctional officers; amending s. 112.532, F.S.; providing a limitation on certain actions involving the discipline, demotion, or dismissal of a law enforcement officer or correctional officer; providing for written notification of such actions; providing exceptions to the limitation; providing for the reopening of investigations and subsequent disciplinary action in certain circumstances; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1698—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community-based care; amending s. 409.1671, F.S.; directing the Department of Children and Family Services and lead community-based providers to develop a proposal for a statewide shared financial risk program to protect the community-based lead agencies that contract with the department to deliver foster care and related services; requiring the department to submit the proposal for the financial risk program to the Legislative Budget Commission for formal adoption before October 1, 2004; requiring the department to present the proposal in the form of recommended legislation if the commission refuses to adopt the department's proposal; specifying the purposes for which the financial risk program may be used; authorizing the department to request appropriations to fund the program; requiring the department to submit a detailed operational plan that identifies the sources of the funds to be used and the reasons justifying their use before appropriated funds may be released; clarifying conditions for the need of a performance bond; limiting the value of any performance bond required; providing for an irrevocable letter of credit to substitute for a performance bond; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1700—A bill to be entitled An act relating to constitutional amendments; amending s. 16.061, F.S.; requiring the Attorney General to immediately petition the Supreme Court for review of certain fiscal impact statements; deleting duties of the Attorney General with respect to constitutional amendments proposed other than by initiative; amending s. 100.371, F.S.; reducing the period for which initiative petition signatures remain valid; revising times within which the Revenue Estimating

Conference must complete its analysis and fiscal impact statement for amendments proposed by initiative; prescribing ballot language to be used if a fiscal impact statement is not timely approved by the Supreme Court; requiring the Revenue Estimating Conference and authorizing the amendment sponsor to produce a financial information statement and summary; providing for distribution and publication of the financial information statement and summary; repealing s. 100.381, F.S., relating to fiscal impact statement requirements for amendments proposed other than by initiative; amending s. 101.161, F.S.; prescribing placement of the fiscal impact statement on the ballot; amending s. 101.62, F.S., relating to absentee ballots, to conform; reenacting ss. 15.21 and 216.136(3)(a), F.S., to conform to changes made by the act; providing procedures for commencing the fiscal impact statement development and review process for certain proposed initiatives; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1702—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Haridopolos and Webster—

SB 1704—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Discover Florida's Oceans license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1706—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty behavioral health care providers; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to establish a demonstration project in District 4 in order to determine the benefits of developing a specialty behavioral health care provider to deliver behavioral health services to persons who reside in an assisted living facility that holds a limited mental health license; requiring the department to select the provider through a competitive bid process; directing the department to create a workgroup to develop the request for proposal; providing for membership on the workgroup; providing for the department to assist the Agency for Health Care Administration in selecting the managed care entity delivering behavioral health care; requiring the department to implement the demonstration project by a specific date; providing for an independent evaluation; requiring that a report be submitted to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1708—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic stimulus; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising sales-price criteria for characterizing business property; specifying the use of certain funds from the community contribution tax credit pool; amending s. 212.097, F.S.; revising provisions providing for an urban job tax credit program to apply to designated urban job tax credit areas rather than high crime areas; revising and providing definitions, eligibility criteria, application procedures and requirements, and area characteristics and criteria; authorizing the transfer of unused credits; specifying the use of transferred credits; amending s. 212.098, F.S.; allowing the transfer of unused credits taken under the Rural Job Tax Credit Program; amending s. 220.183, F.S.; specifying the use of certain funds from the community contribution tax credit pool; amending s. 220.1895, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; removing an obsolete reference; amending s. 288.1045, F.S.; extending, under certain conditions, the period applicable to an exemption under the qualified defense contractor tax refund program; amending s. 288.106, F.S.; extending, under certain conditions, the period applicable to an exemption under the tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses; providing for the continuation of certain tax-refund agreements beyond the expiration date prescribed in this act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1710—A bill to be entitled An act relating to construction contracts; amending s. 725.06, F.S.; including promises to insure or obtain insurance for certain parties to construction contracts for certain actions as void and unenforceable; providing exceptions; providing for limited liability protection for additional insured coverage under certain agreements or contracts; prohibiting a contractor or subcontractor from withholding payment to certain subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, or materialmen under certain insurance policies under certain circumstances; providing conditions; revising application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; and Judiciary.

By Senators Argenziano, Jones and Smith—

SB 1712—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agricultural economic development; creating s. 70.005, F.S.; providing a cause of action for landowners aggrieved by certain changes to agricultural land use; amending s. 163.2514, F.S.; defining the term "agricultural enclave"; amending s. 163.2517, F.S.; providing for amendment to a local government comprehensive plan for an agricultural enclave; creating s. 259.047, F.S.; providing requirements relating to purchase of lands for which an agricultural lease exists; amending s. 373.236, F.S.; specifying conditions for permit renewal for the consumptive use of water for agricultural purposes; creating s. 373.407, F.S.; providing for memorandums of agreement regarding qualification for agricultural related exemptions; creating s. 570.384, F.S.; authorizing certain horserace permitholders making specified capital expenditures to conduct any parimutuel wagering activity authorized by chapter 550, F.S., or any gambling activity authorized by chapter 849, F.S.; providing requirements; authorizing rulemaking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Natural Resources; Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1714—A bill to be entitled An act relating to vessel licenses; amending s. 372.09, F.S.; providing that revenues from the sale of freshwater vessel licenses be deposited into the State Game Trust Fund; amending s. 372.57, F.S.; creating a Freshwater Vessel License Pilot Program within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; establishing nonmandatory license fees and categories; prohibiting the transfer of vessel licenses under certain circumstances; providing for the expiration of the pilot program; creating a Vessel License Task Force within the commission; providing for membership of the task force; providing responsibilities and duties of the task force; requiring the task force to submit recommendations to the commission and certain commit-

tees of the Legislature; providing for expiration of the task force; amending s. 372.562, F.S.; providing exemptions from certain fees and requirements for persons fishing from or operating a freshwater vessel with a freshwater vessel license; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1716—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Classrooms for Kids Program; amending s. 1013.735, F.S.; modifying the formula to be used in allocating funds from the Classrooms for Kids appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Posey—

SJR 1718—A joint resolution proposing a revision of Article XI of the State Constitution relating to amendments to the State Constitution.

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

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1720—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regional cultural facilities; amending s. 265.702, F.S.; revising criteria used by the Division of Cultural Affairs of the Department of State in awarding certain grants; extending the period over which an award limitation applies; providing for certain project costs to increase over the original proposed cost; authorizing local governments to use award funds as reimbursement for funds previously expended; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Posey—

SB 1722—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of watercraft speed in manatee slow-speed zones; directing the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to conduct a study of the effectiveness of signs warning boaters of manatee slow-speed zones in the inland and ocean waters of this state; providing legislative intent regarding certain areas to be studied in the effectiveness evaluation; directing the commission to prepare a report and submit the report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; directing the commission to make specific policy recommendations regarding signs in manatee slow-speed zones; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1724—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student financial assistance; providing legislative intent to expand access to postsecondary education and reduce student indebtedness; requiring each state university and community college to report information relating to certain funds used to provide financial assistance to certain students; prohibiting the use of such funds to provide financial assistance to specified foreign students; providing for the redirection of funds to provide additional need-based financial assistance to students classified as residents for tuition purposes; requiring annual state university and community college reporting; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Cowin and Dockery—

SB 1726—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Lake County; amending chapter 93-346, Laws of Florida; providing for liens in favor of physicians licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459, Florida Statutes, in Lake County upon causes of action, suits, claims, counterclaims, and demands accruing to patients who received physician services in Lake County hospitals, or the patients' legal representatives, and upon judgments, settlements, and settlement agreements, on account of illness or injury of such patients, for all reasonable charges incurred before filing the claim of lien for physician services rendered in the hospital; providing for a method of perfecting and enforcing such liens; providing duties of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Lake County; requiring claims for liens to be recorded and providing for recording fees; providing for validity of a release or satisfaction of an action, suit, claim, counterclaim, demand, judgment, settlement, or settlement agreement against a lien under certain circumstances; specifying actions constituting impairment of a lien; entitling lienholders to actions for damages for such impairment; specifying actions in satisfaction of a lien; providing for recovery of attorney's fees and expenses under certain circumstances; prohibiting recovery of damages for physician and hospital care, treatment, and maintenance unless a claimant has paid certain costs; providing an exception; providing for intervention by a lienholder and for verdict and judgment in favor of a lienholder in certain cases; providing an exemption for matters within the purview of the Worker's Compensation Law of this state; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1728—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominiums and cooperatives; creating s. 718.1085, F.S., and amending s. 719.1055, F.S.; authorizing certain condominiums, condominium associations, cooperatives, and unit owners to opt out of retrofitting requirements with respect to handrails and guardrails; prescribing limits on such authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Regulated Industries; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1730—A bill to be entitled An act relating to contributions made in support of an initiative petition; amending s. 106.08, F.S., and reenacting subsection (7) thereof, relating to penalties; prohibiting a person, political committee, or committee of continuous existence from making contributions in excess of $500 to any political committee seeking signatures of registered electors in support of a constitutional amendment proposed by initiative; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1732—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter information; creating s. 100.391, F.S.; requiring the Department of State to prepare a voter information guide for elections in which a constitutional amendment or a candidate for retention as a justice is on the ballot; specifying the information the guide is to contain; providing requirements for the submission, review, and adoption of such information; providing for publication and dissemination of the guide; providing for assessment of fees

to cover certain costs of publication and dissemination; providing the department with rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Campbell—

SJR 1734—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Section 1 of Article III, Section 10 of Article IV, and Sections 3 and 5 of Article XI, and the creation of Section 20 of Article III of the State Constitution to provide for enactment of legislation by citizen initiative and to revise certain procedures with respect to proposing constitutional amendments by initiative.

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

By Senator Hill—

SB 1736—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating an Omega Psi Phi Fraternity license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1738—A bill to be entitled An act relating to limitations on actions to collect taxes; amending s. 95.091, F.S.; excluding certain tax liens relating to unentitled homestead exemptions from a 5-year expiration provision; including such liens under a 20-year expiration provision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1740—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the corporate income tax; amending s. 220.187, F.S.; redefining the term "qualified student" to include certain postsecondary students; defining the term "qualified postsecondary scholarship program"; allowing credit to be taken against the tax for contributions to district school board direct-support organizations that provide scholarships for postsecondary students who qualify for free or reduced-price lunch under the National School Lunch Act; providing standards and procedures for such scholarship programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1742—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high-speed rail system surety bonds; creating s. 341.843, F.S.; providing that contractors entering into specified contracts with the Florida High-Speed Rail Authority must provide a performance and payment bond in an amount determined by the authority; providing requirements with respect to such surety bonds; amending ss. 255.05 and 337.18, F.S.; specifying that surety bonds for construction of a high-speed rail system authorized pursuant to the Florida High-Speed Rail Authority Act shall be governed by the provisions of s. 341.843, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1744—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health flex plans; amending s. 408.909, F.S.; expanding a pilot program to provide for the establishment of health flex plans statewide by the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission; authorizing the agency and the commission to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1746—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real estate brokers, salespersons, and schools; amending s. 475.011, F.S., relating to exemptions from applicability of pt. I, ch. 475, F.S.; revising an exemption to authorize payment of certain finder's fees or referral fees to unlicensed persons who are tenants in apartment communities; providing an exemption to authorize certain compensation of certified leasing professionals who are onsite employees at apartment communities; providing supervision and certification requirements; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Jones—

SB 1748—A bill to be entitled An act relating to multiservice senior centers; amending s. 430.203, F.S.; amending a definition; amending s. 403.206, F.S.; encouraging each multiservice senior center to have a functioning automated external defibrillator; requiring training, maintenance, and location registration; providing immunity from liability under the Good Samaritan Act and the Cardiac Arrest Survival Act; authorizing the Department of Eldery Affairs to adopt rules; requiring the department to arrange for purchase of such defibrillators; requiring certain entities to reimburse the department for purchased defibrillators under certain circumstances; providing criteria for distribution of such defibrillators; providing an appropriation; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1750—A bill to be entitled An act relating to long-term care facilities; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to long-term care facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1752—A bill to be entitled An act relating to long-term care civil enforcement; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to long-term care civil enforcement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1754—A bill to be entitled An act relating to long-term care liability insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to long-term care liability insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1756—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Uninsured Health Care Task Force; providing a legislative finding; creating the Florida Uninsured Health Care Task Force; providing for membership; providing purposes and duties; providing for staffing the task force; requiring a report; providing for termination; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1758—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeless persons; defining terms; providing for the appointment of shelter capacity coordinators; requiring the coordinator to supply certain information to law enforcement agencies; prohibiting a law enforcement officer from citing, arresting, or incarcerating an individual for committing, under specified circumstances, certain life-sustaining acts that would ordinarily constitute misdemeanors; allowing officers to enforce certain other laws or misdemeanors and to require an individual to submit to an involuntary examination as specified; providing responsibilities of shelter capacity coordinators; requiring law enforcement agencies to prepare annual reports; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1760—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care providers; defining the term "health care practitioner"; providing for waiver of biennial license renewal fees and fulfillment of a portion of continuing education hours for specified health care practitioners who provide services, without compensation, to low-income recipients as an agent of a governmental contractor; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1762—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trauma care; amending s. 381.74, F.S.; requiring hospitals and trauma centers to provide data on moderate-to-severe brain or spinal cord injuries to the Department of Health; amending s. 395.40, F.S.; revising legislative findings; revising duties of the Department of Health to implement and plan for a statewide trauma system; amending s. 395.4001, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 395.401, F.S.; revising components for local and regional trauma services system plans; correcting references to the term "trauma center"; revising provisions prohibiting a hospital or facility from holding itself out as a trauma center unless it is approved and verified by the Department of Health to have met specified requirements to operate as a trauma center; amending s. 395.4015, F.S.; eliminating requirements for the Department of Health to develop the minimum components for systems plans in defined trauma regions; requiring the department to consider the regional approach of the domestic security initiatives when establishing a state trauma system plan; amending s. 395.402, F.S.; revising requirements for the Department of Health to review trauma service areas; deleting an obsolete requirement that the department's assignment of counties for the purposes of developing a system of trauma centers remain as established by ch. 90-284, Laws of Florida, until completion of the department's initial review; correcting references to the term "trauma center"; amending s. 395.4025, F.S.; revising requirements for the Department of Health's development of a state trauma system plan; deleting obsolete references; correcting references to the term "trauma center"; revising requirements for the department's approval and verification of a facility as a trauma center; granting the department authority to adopt rules for the procedures and process for notification, duration, and explanation of a trauma center's termination of trauma services; amending s. 395.403, F.S.; correcting references to the term "trauma center"; revising legislative intent; revising eligibility requirements for state funding of trauma centers; amending s. 395.4035, F.S.; correcting references to the term "trauma center"; amending s. 395.404, F.S.; revising reporting requirements to the trauma registry data system maintained by the Department of Health; providing that hospitals and trauma centers subject to reporting trauma registry data to the department are required to comply with other duties concerning the moderate-to-severe brain or spinal cord injury registry maintained by the department; correcting references to the term "trauma center"; amending s. 395.405, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt and enforce rules necessary to administer part II of ch. 395, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1764—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a limitation of liability for donated firefighting equipment; creating s. 768.1315, F.S.; providing a short title; providing definitions; providing that a state agency or political subdivision is not liable for civil damages resulting from personal injuries, property damage, or death proximately caused by defective fire control or fire rescue equipment donated to a volunteer fire department; providing certain exceptions to the limitation on liability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Judiciary.

SR 1766—Not referenced.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1768—A bill to be entitled An act relating to possession of ammunition by felons and delinquents; amending s. 790.001, F.S.; providing a definition of the term "ammunition"; amending s. 790.23, F.S.; including ammunition among the specified items for which possession by a felon or delinquent constitutes a felony of the second degree; providing penalties; amending s. 790.235, F.S.; including ammunition among the specified items for which possession by a violent career criminal subjects such criminal to a mandatory minimum prison sentence; providing penalties; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart, to conform; reenacting s. 790.01(5), F.S., relating to carrying concealed weapons, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 790.23 and 790.235, F.S., in references thereto; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

By Senators Argenziano, Dockery, Crist, Hill, Bullard, Wasserman Schultz, Siplin, Pruitt, Aronberg, Posey, Smith, Peaden, Campbell, Alexander and Bennett—

SB 1770—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida beef industry; creating s. 570.9135, F.S.; providing a short title; providing

legislative intent; defining terms; creating the Florida Beef Council, Inc.; providing purposes; providing powers and duties of the council and restrictions upon actions of the council; providing for a board of directors of the council; providing for a referendum on assessments proposed to be deducted from the sale of each head of cattle; allowing the council to accept grants and gifts; providing guidelines for payments to other organizations; providing for the collection of assessments at the time of marketing; providing duties of marketing agents and collecting agents; requiring the council to maintain a separate accounting of moneys received from assessments; providing for legal action to collect delinquent assessments; providing for the collection of penalties, enforcement costs, and court costs; providing for refunds; providing for a referendum on continuing this act; providing for council bylaws; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1772—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual misconduct; creating ss. 393.135, 394.4593, and 916.1075, F.S.; defining the terms "employee," "sexual activity," and "sexual misconduct"; providing that it is a second-degree felony for an employee to engage in sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients, certain mental health patients, or certain forensic clients; providing certain exceptions; prohibiting certain employment, and providing for dismissal from employment, of a person who has engaged in sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients, certain mental health patients, or certain forensic clients; requiring certain employees to report sexual misconduct to the central abuse hotline of the Department of Children and Family Services; providing for notification to the inspector general of the Department of Children and Family Services; providing that it is a first-degree misdemeanor to knowingly and willfully fail to make a report as required, or to prevent another from doing so, or to submit inaccurate or untruthful information; providing that it is a third-degree felony to coerce or threaten another person to alter testimony or a report with respect to an incident of sexual misconduct; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 435.03, F.S.; expanding level 1 screening standards to include criminal offenses related to sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients, mental health patients, or forensic clients and the reporting of such sexual misconduct; amending s. 435.04, F.S.; expanding level 2 screening standards to include the offenses related to sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients, mental health patients, or forensic clients and the reporting of such sexual misconduct; amending s. 943.0585, F.S., relating to court-ordered expunction of criminal history records, for the purpose of incorporating the amendment to s. 943.059, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing that certain criminal history records relating to sexual misconduct with developmentally disabled clients, mental health patients, or forensic clients, or the reporting of such sexual misconduct, shall not be expunged; providing that the application for eligibility for expunction certify that the criminal history record does not relate to an offense involving sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients, mental health patients, or forensic clients, or the reporting of such sexual misconduct; amending s. 943.059, F.S., relating to court-ordered sealing of criminal history records, for the purpose of incorporating the amendment to s. 943.0585, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing that certain criminal history records relating to sexual misconduct with developmentally disabled clients, mental health patients, or forensic clients, or the reporting of such sexual misconduct, shall not be sealed; providing that the application for eligibility for sealing certify that the criminal history record does not relate to an offense involving sexual misconduct with certain developmentally disabled clients, mental health patients, or forensic clients, or the reporting of such sexual misconduct; amending s. 400.215, F.S., and reenacting paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (2) and subsection (3), relating to background screening requirements for certain nursing home personnel, for the purpose of incorporating the amendments to ss. 435.03 and 435.04, F.S., in references thereto; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 400.964, F.S., and reenacting subsections (1), (2), and (7), relating to background screening requirements for certain personnel employed by intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled, for the purpose of incorporating the amendments to ss. 435.03 and 435.04, F.S., in references thereto; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 435.045, F.S., and reenacting paragraph (a) of subsection (1), relating to requirements for the placement of dependent children, for the purpose of incorporating the amendment to s. 435.04, F.S., in a reference thereto; correcting a cross-reference; reenacting ss. 400.414(1)(f) and (g), 400.4174, 400.509(4)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 400.556(2)(c), 400.6065(1), (2), and (4), 400.980(4)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 409.175(2)(k), 409.907(8)(d), 435.05(1) and (3), 744.3135, and 985.04(2), F.S., relating to denial, revocation, or suspension of license to operate an assisted living facility; background screening requirements for certain personnel employed by assisted living facilities; registration of particular home health care service providers; denial, suspension, or revocation of license to operate adult day care centers; background screening requirements for certain hospice personnel; background screening requirements for registrants of the health care service pools; the definition of "screening" in connection with the licensure of family foster homes, residential child-caring agencies, and child-placing agencies; background screening requirements of Medicaid providers; employment of persons in positions requiring background screening; credit and criminal investigations of guardians; and oaths, records, and confidential information pertaining to juvenile offenders, respectively, for the purpose of incorporating the amendments to ss. 435.03 and 435.04, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 400.512, 400.619(4), 400.6194(1), 400.953, 409.912(32), 435.07(4), 464.018(1)(e), 744.309(3), 744.474(12), and 985.407(4), F.S., relating to background screening of home health agency personnel, nurse registry personnel, companions, and homemakers; application and renewal of adult family-care home provider licenses; denial, revocation, or suspension of adult family-care home provider license; background screening of home medical equipment provider personnel and background screening requirements for certain persons responsible for managed care plans; exemptions from disqualification from employment; denial of nursing license and disciplinary actions against such licensees; disqualification of guardians; removal of guardians; and background screening requirements for certain Department of Juvenile Justice personnel, respectively, for the purpose of incorporating the amendment to s. 435.03, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 39.001(2)(b), 39.821(1), 110.1127(3)(a) and (c), 112.0455(12)(a), 381.0059(1), (2), and (4), 381.60225(1)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 383.305(7)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 390.015(3)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 393.0655(1), 393.067(6)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 394.4572(1)(a), 394.875(13)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 395.0055(1), (2), (3), (4), (6), and (8), 395.0199(4)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 397.451(1)(a), 400.071(4)(a), (b), (c), (d), and (f), 400.471(4)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 400.506(2)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 400.5572, 400.607(3)(a), 400.801(4)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 400.805(3)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 400.906(5)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 400.931(5)(a), (b), (c), (e), and (f), 400.962(10)(a), (b), (c), (d), and (f), 400.991(7)(b) and (d), 402.302(2)(e), 402.305(2)(a), 402.3054(3), 483.30(2)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 483.101(2)(a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g), 744.1085(5), 984.01(2)(b), 985.01(2)(b), 1002.36(7)(a) and (b), F.S., relating to background screening requirements for certain Department of Children and Family Services personnel; qualifications of guardians ad litem; security checks of certain public officers and employees; background screening requirements of certain laboratory personnel in connection with the Drug-Free Workplace Act; background screening requirements for school health services personnel; background screening of certain personnel of the public health system; background screening and licensure of birth center personnel; background screening and licensure of abortion clinic personnel; background screening of direct service providers; background screening and licensure of personnel of intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled; background screening of mental health personnel; background screening and licensure of personnel of crisis stabilization units, residential treatment facilities, and residential treatment centers for children and adolescents; background screening and licensure of personnel of hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and mobile surgical facilities; background screening of certain personnel in connection with registration for private utilization reviews; background screening of certain service provider personnel; background screening and licensure of certain long-term care facility personnel; background screening and licensure of certain home health agency personnel; background screening and licensure of nurse registry applicants; background screening of certain adult day care center personnel; denial or revocation of hospice license; background screening and licensure of certain transitional living facility personnel; background screening and licensure of certain prescribed pediatric extended care center personnel; background screening and licensure of certain home medical equipment provider personnel; background screening and licensure of certain personnel of intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled; background screening and licensure of health care clinic personnel; the definition of "child care facility" in connection with background screening of

operators; background screening requirements for personnel of child care facilities; background screening requirements for child enrichment service providers; background screening and licensure of certain personnel of multiphasic health testing centers; background screening and licensure of certain clinical laboratory personnel; regulation of professional guardians; background screening of certain Department of Juvenile Justice and Department of Children and Family Services personnel in connection with programs for children and families in need of services; and background screening of certain Department of Juvenile Justice and Department of Children and Family Services personnel in connection with juvenile justice programs, background screening of personnel of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, respectively, for the purposes of incorporating the amendment to s. 435.04, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 943.0582(2)(a) and (6), F.S., relating to prearrest, postarrest, or teen court diversion program expunction for the purpose of incorporating the amendments to ss. 943.0585 and 943.059, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 943.053(7), (8), and (9), F.S., relating to dissemination of criminal justice information, for the purpose of incorporating the amendment to s. 943.059, F.S., in references thereto; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 1774—A bill to be entitled An act relating to persons appointed or employed to work with children; requiring that each state or governmental subdivision search the records of sexual predators and sexual offenders maintained by the Department of Law Enforcement before appointing or employing a person to work or volunteer at a park, playground, day care center, or other place where children regularly congregate; authorizing use of the department's toll-free telephone number or Internet site to conduct the search; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 1776—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of law; amending s. 454.23, F.S.; increasing the criminal penalty for the unauthorized practice of law and for licensed attorneys violating ch. 454, F.S., from a misdemeanor of the first degree to a felony of the third degree; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 1778—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funding for the judicial system; amending ss. 28.2401, 28.241, and 34.041, F.S.; authorizing a county to impose a surcharge on court fees and charges if that county had previously imposed increased fees or charges on specified court fees for the purpose of securing payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the county before July 1, 2003, for financing state court facilities; directing that the revenue from the surcharge be used to pay the principal and interest on the bonds until the date of maturity; authorizing the use of surcharge revenue to refund existing bonds under specified conditions; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; authorizing a county to impose a surcharge on traffic fines and forfeitures if that county had previously imposed increased fees or charges on specified court fees for the purpose of securing payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the county before July 1, 2003, for financing state court facilities; directing that the revenue from the surcharge be used to pay the principal and interest on the bonds until the date of maturity; authorizing the use of surcharge revenue to refund existing bonds under specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 1780—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public K-12 educational instruction; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; requiring physical education on a full-year basis for students in grades 1 through 8; requiring development of a physical education program; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; increasing physical education credit requirements and decreasing elective credit requirements for high school graduation; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules for satisfaction of certain credit requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1782—A bill to be entitled An act relating to guardianship; creating s. 744.7101, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 744.711, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent relating to the Joining Forces for Public Guardianship program; creating s. 744.712, F.S.; establishing the grant program; providing for the program's purposes; creating s. 744.713, F.S.; providing for the administration of the program by the Statewide Public Guardianship Office; providing the duties and responsibilities of the office relating to the grant program; creating s. 744.714, F.S.; providing eligibility for grant awards; creating s. 744.715, F.S.; providing application requirements, an application process, and review criteria; amending s. 393.063, F.S.; redefining the term "guardian advocate" for purposes of provisions governing services for the developmentally disabled; amending s. 393.12, F.S.; exempting a guardian advocate from a requirement to file an annual accounting in certain situations; amending s. 744.102, F.S.; defining the term "guardian advocate" for purposes of the Florida Guardianship Law; amending s. 744.1083, F.S.; requiring that additional information be reviewed by the Statewide Public Guardianship Office prior to registering a professional guardian; creating s. 744.3085, F.S.; recommending that courts consider appointing a guardian advocate for persons with developmental disabilities as a less restrictive form of guardianship; amending s. 744.3135, F.S.; requiring the clerks of court to forward certain information to the Statewide Public Guardianship Office; amending s. 744.3678, F.S.; exempting a guardian from a requirement to file an annual accounting in certain situations; amending s. 744.7082, F.S.; defining the term "direct-support organization"; requiring the Secretary of Elderly Affairs to appoint a board of directors for the direct-support organization; authorizing such an organization to use property and facilities of the Department of Elderly Affairs and the Statewide Public Guardianship Office; requiring an annual audit of the organization; providing for the dissolution of entities improperly using the direct-support organization designation; amending ss. 121.091, 709.08, and 744.1085, F.S., relating to the designation of beneficiaries, the durable power of attorney, and the regulation of professional guardians; conforming cross-references; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

SR 1784—Not referenced.

By Senator Posey—

SB 1786—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public officers and employees; amending s. 112.19, F.S.; providing a short title; providing additional death benefits for certain officers killed at the scene of a traffic accident or while enforcing a traffic law or ordinance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Posey—

SB 1788—A bill to be entitled An act relating to liens on commercial real estate; creating ch. 714, F.S., the "Commercial Real Estate Lien Act"; providing definitions; specifying conditions under which a broker is entitled to a lien on commercial real estate; requiring a written instrument; requiring the recording of a notice of lien; providing for the contents and service of such notice; providing requirements with respect to installment and future commissions, leases, sales of property before commission is due, and written instruments with transferees; providing for enforcement of the lien by lawsuit; requiring written demand to initiate or file an answer to such lawsuit; providing conditions for satisfaction or release of the lien; providing for an alternative dispute resolution process; providing for assessment of costs, fees, and interest; declaring any waiver of lien rights void; providing priority of other recorded liens, mortgages, and encumbrances; providing for escrow of disputed amounts; amending s. 475.42, F.S.; providing that brokers may place liens on property as provided by law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Senator Posey—

SB 1790—A bill to be entitled An act relating to exemptions from liability for governmental property owners or lessees and public employees; amending s. 316.0085, F.S.; including the game of paintball in the exemption from liability granted to governmental property owners or lessees and public employees; providing for liability of independent concessionaires or other persons or organizations for certain injuries or damages; providing for the assumption of certain risks; providing requirements for participants in the game of paintball; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Judiciary.

By Senator Garcia—

SB 1792—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission; amending s. 943.11, F.S.; revising the membership of the commission; amending s. 943.1395, F.S.; providing for the inspection and copying of certain records; tolling certain time limitations regarding investigations; authorizing an officer who is under investigation, or the office's attorney, to review certain documents regarding the investigation; requiring the commission to periodically conduct a workshop and review disciplinary guidelines; providing for an advisory panel; requiring the Criminal Justice Professionalism Program within the Department of Law Enforcement to review disciplinary penalties imposed against an officer by an employing agency; providing for the adoption of rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Judiciary.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1794—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school buses; amending s. 316.6145, F.S.; requiring pelvic and upper torso restraints on school buses; requiring use of the restraints; limiting liability; providing priority for allocation; providing exceptions; amending s. 1006.25, F.S.; requiring occupant crash protection system compliance; reenacting s. 316.6146, F.S., relating to transportation of private school students on public school buses and public school students on private school buses, to incorporate the amendment to s. 316.6145, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

Senate Resolutions 1796–1800—Not referenced.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1802—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway safety; amending s. 316.650, F.S.; providing for a parental notification form to be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; requiring the form to be completed by a traffic enforcement officer who stops a vehicle driven by a person under 21 years of age if the vehicle has a parental notification decal; requiring the chief administrative officer to provide parental notification as provided on the parental notification decal; creating s. 322.093, F.S.; providing for a traffic enforcement notification form and a parental notification decal to be issued by the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Atwater, Wise, Dawson, Klein, Aronberg, Lynn, Bullard and Alexander—

SB 1804—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community colleges; creating s. 1004.85, F.S.; authorizing community colleges to create teacher institutes; authorizing community colleges through teacher institutes to offer competency-based alternative teacher certification programs; requiring Department of Education approval of such programs; providing requirements for program completion; providing eligibility for funding; providing program requirements; authorizing rulemaking; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; providing that successful completion of a community college alternative certification program meets certain educator certification requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1806—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reimbursement for trauma center services; amending s. 395.403, F.S.; revising a legislative finding; requiring trauma centers to include in certain claims the cost of certain medically necessary services provided by certain persons; requiring such centers to pay such persons amounts paid for such services under a claim; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1808—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida School Recognition Program; amending s. 1008.36, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the distribution of financial awards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1810—A bill to be entitled An act relating to indictment and information; repealing s. 923.03, F.S., which provides for the form of indictment and information in applicable cases; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1812—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumer credit reports; requiring certain consumer reporting agencies to provide cer-

tain consumers with a complete consumer report at no charge to the consumer under certain circumstances; requiring report explanations under specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1814—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the offense of sexual battery on a minor; providing for the statute of limitations for the offense of sexual battery on a minor to be tolled during the period of a victim's minority; specifying additional circumstances under which the statute of limitations for a civil or criminal action involving such offense is tolled; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Children and Families.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1816—A bill to be entitled An act relating to civil penalties; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; imposing additional court costs for certain infractions; providing a limitation; providing for the use of proceeds from such court costs; amending s. 318.21, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the court to collect and distribute such additional court costs; authorizing funding for certain civil traffic infraction hearing officer programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports—

SB 1818—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trauma regions; amending s. 395.4015, F.S.; requiring that the boundaries of the trauma regions administered by the Department of Health be coterminous with the boundaries of the regional domestic security task forces established within the Department of Law Enforcement; amending s. 395.402, F.S.; providing requirements for the regional trauma system plan when a trauma service area is located within the boundaries of more than one trauma region; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By the Committee on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports—

SB 1820—A bill to be entitled An act relating to seaport security standards; amending s. 311.12, F.S.; providing for legislative review of seaports not in substantial compliance with statewide minimum security standards by November 2005; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; and Criminal Justice.

By Senator Posey—

SM 1822—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to enact a permanent ban on Internet access taxes.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1824—A bill to be entitled An act relating to veterinary prescription drugs; amending s. 499.003, F.S.; defining the term "veterinary prescription drug wholesaler"; amending s. 499.01, F.S.; requiring a person or establishment to obtain a permit in order to operate as a veterinary prescription drug wholesaler; amending s. 499.012, F.S.; providing that the distribution of veterinary prescription drugs is not included within the meaning of the terms "wholesale distribution" or "wholesale distributor" of prescription drugs; amending s. 499.041, F.S.; requiring an annual fee for a veterinary prescription drug wholesaler's permit; amending s. 499.065, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to inspect veterinary prescription drug wholesale establishments; authorizing the department to close such establishment if it creates an imminent danger to the public health; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1826—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the corporate income tax; amending s. 220.03, F.S.; providing for the adoption of the 2004 version of the Internal Revenue Code; providing for retroactive operation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1828—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home-invasion robbery; amending s. 812.135, F.S.; providing additional offense classifications and revising the penalties for home-invasion robbery; providing that it is a first degree felony punishable by a term of imprisonment not exceeding life imprisonment to commit a home-invasion robbery in the course of which a firearm or other deadly weapon is carried; providing penalties; reenacting s. 943.325(1), F.S., relating to blood specimen testing for DNA analysis, to incorporate the amendment made to s. 812.135, F.S., by this act in a reference thereto; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code offense severity ranking chart, with respect to home-invasion robberies; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 1830—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Indian reservations; amending s. 285.16, F.S.; specifying that the state's jurisdiction over criminal offenses committed within Indian reservations does not apply to Indian reservations of the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida; providing an exception for such reservations with respect to the applicability of civil and criminal laws of the state; reenacting s. 285.061(3), F.S., relating to transfer of land to United States in trust for Seminole and Miccosukee Tribes, to incorporate the amendment to s. 285.16, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to special risk membership in the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; eliminating the Special Risk Administrative Support Class of the Florida Retirement System and providing that members of the Special Risk Administrative Support Class shall become members of the Special Risk Class; amending ss. 110.205, 121.021, 121.051, 121.055, 121.071, 121.091, 121.4501, 121.71, 121.72, and 121.73, F.S., to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Appropriations.

SR 1834—Not referenced.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1836—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle emissions; amending s. 316.2935, F.S.; authorizing persons to report the license plate number of a vehicle emitting visible emissions from its exhaust pipe to the Department of Environmental Protection via a telephone hotline; providing for a caller to the hotline to remain anonymous; requiring the department to maintain a database for tracking reports and notify the vehicle owner; requiring the department to notify the local law enforcement agency following receipt of three reports within a specified period from different sources; requiring the department to conduct an educational awareness campaign; requiring information to be included in driver's license handbooks; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1838—A bill to be entitled An act relating to powers and duties of district school boards; amending s. 1001.43, F.S.; authorizing district school board programs and policies to require drug testing of middle and high school students in certain circumstances; authorizing the State Board of Education to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1840—A bill to be entitled An act relating to offenses by public officers and employees; amending s. 112.3173, F.S.; providing that a public officer or employee convicted of child abuse, aggravated child abuse, or neglect of a child shall forfeit certain benefits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Criminal Justice; Ethics and Elections; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Miller—

SB 1842—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sales representative contracts involving commissions; amending s. 686.201, F.S.; revising definitions; providing for application to certain persons as well as businesses; including services as well as products; providing for application to retail as well as wholesale transactions; increasing damages under certain actions for compliance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Judiciary.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1844—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school-entry health and vision examinations; amending s. 1003.22, F.S.; requiring children who enter public or private schools in the state to present evidence of having received a comprehensive vision examination; providing an exemption; amending ss. 1002.20 and 1002.42, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1846—A bill to be entitled An act relating to designating Jean-Jacques Dessalines Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; designating Frederick Douglass Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; designating Alexandre Petion Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; designating George Gill Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; designating James Weldon Johnson Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; designating Judge Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; designating Sidney Alterman Way in Miami-Dade County; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1848—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance field representatives; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; deleting a prohibition against the collection of less than the applicable premium; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1850—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential tenancies; amending s. 83.43, F.S.; redefining the term "landlord" for purposes of part II of ch. 83, F.S., to include a rental management company, rental agency, or any other person having the actual or apparent authority to lease a dwelling; creating s. 83.451, F.S.; limiting the use of credit reports and credit scores by landlords when renting a residential dwelling unit; providing definitions; requiring a landlord to inform an applicant or tenant that a credit report or score is being requested for rental purposes; directing a landlord who makes an adverse decision based upon a credit report to provide a copy of the credit report to the applicant or tenant at no charge or provide the applicant or tenant with the name, address, and telephone number of the consumer reporting agency from which the tenant or applicant may obtain the credit report; directing a landlord to notify an applicant or tenant and explain the reasons for the adverse decision; providing that a landlord may not request a credit report based on specified factors; prohibiting a landlord from making an adverse decision solely because of information contained in a credit report without consideration of any other factor; providing criteria for the proper use of a credit report; requiring a landlord to provide a means of appeal for an applicant or tenant whose credit report or credit score is unduly influenced by certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1852—A bill to be entitled An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Save Our Seas license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Miller, Sebesta and Crist—

SB 1854—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Hillsborough County; authorizing the waiver of payment and performance bonds for the construction of a public building, for the prosecution and completion of a public work, or for repairs upon a public building or public work when the cost of the project is $500,000 or less and the contract for the construction, completion, or repair is awarded pursuant to an economic development program established to encourage local small businesses to

participate in county procurement programs; providing for a committee to determine suitable projects; providing requirements for the economic development program for local small businesses; providing procedures for waiver of the payment and performance bond; requiring a report; providing for repeal of the act; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Sebesta, Miller and Crist—

SB 1856—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Hillsborough County Public Transportation Commission; amending chapter 2001-299, Laws of Florida; revising the definition of the term "limousine" for regulatory purposes of the commission; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1858—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the City of Lakeland, Polk County; amending the amended Charter of the City of Lakeland, 1976; revising limitations on length of service of the Mayor and City Commissioners; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundaries of certain enterprise zones; providing a limitation; authorizing expansion of such enterprise zone to include certain noncontiguous areas; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1862—A bill to be entitled An act relating to arbitrator compensation; amending s. 44.103, F.S.; deleting an arbitrator compensation limitation under court-ordered, nonbinding arbitration; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1864—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the communications services tax; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the tax on communications services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1866—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax administration; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to tax administration; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1868—A bill to be entitled An act relating to taxation; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to taxation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Crist and Miller—

SB 1870—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Lowry Park Zoo; designating the Lowry Park Zoo as the state center for Florida species conservation and biodiversity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1872—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating the Family Values license plate; providing for an annual use fee; providing for the distribution of such fees received from the sale of the plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Children and Families; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Webster—

SB 1874—A bill to be entitled An act relating to guardians for unborn children; amending s. 744.102, F.S.; defining the term "ward" for purposes of the Florida Guardianship Law to include an unborn child for whom a guardian has been appointed by the court; amending s. 744.3021, F.S.; providing procedures for appointing a guardian of an unborn child; amending s. 744.3725, F.S.; directing that the court receive as evidence medical evaluations or other reports, documents, or testimony by competent professionals before authorizing the guardian of an unborn child to consent to certain placements or procedures; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1876—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic control; amending s. 316.003, F.S.; revising the definition of "official traffic control devices"; amending s. 316.006, F.S.; revising jurisdiction provisions to provide for devices to enforce traffic control signals; amending s. 316.0745, F.S.; providing for a uniform system of traffic control signal enforcement devices to be included in the uniform system of traffic control devices adopted by the Department of Transportation; providing for inclusion of traffic control signal enforcement devices in the manual of definitions and specifications published by that department; requiring such signal enforcement devices to conform to the department's manual

and specifications; providing for review and approval of the devices by the department; providing procedures for removal of nonconforming devices; providing penalties for failure to conform; providing for exceptions; creating s. 316.1003, F.S.; providing for enforcement of traffic control signals by the Department of Transportation; providing for signal enforcement officers; providing for issuance of citations; providing responsibility and liability for payment of a citation; providing for evidence; prohibiting submission of a false affidavit; providing penalties; providing for restricting issuance of a license plate or revalidation sticker for outstanding violations; providing for collection and distribution of fines; providing that enforcement is supplemental to enforcement by law enforcement officers; requiring rulemaking; amending s. 316.640, F.S.; providing for development of training and qualifications standards for signal enforcement officers; authorizing such officers to enforce traffic control signals; amending s. 316.650, F.S.; providing procedures for citations issued pursuant to s. 316.1003, F.S.; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; providing procedures for disposition of said citations; amending s. 318.18, F.S.; providing for payment of a fine to the Department of Transportation in lieu of court; amending s. 320.03, F.S.; restricting issuance of a license plate or revalidation sticker for outstanding violations; amending s. 335.09, F.S.; providing for erection and maintenance of traffic control signal enforcement devices; amending s. 335.14, F.S.; exempting computerized traffic control signal enforcement devices from the Information Resources Management Act of 1997 and the Commerce Protection Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1878—A bill to be entitled An act relating to professional geology; amending s. 287.055, F.S.; including professional geology in the services covered by the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act; amending s. 190.033, F.S., relating to services contracted by community development districts, to conform; amending s. 373.117, F.S.; providing requirements for certification by a professional geologist of water resource activities for which a permit or license and such certification are required; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 1880—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a public records exemption; amending s. 119.07; providing an exemption from public records requirements for the home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs of active or former emergency medical technicians or paramedics certified in compliance with ch. 401, F.S., the home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, and places of employment of the spouses and the children of such emergency medical technicians and paramedics, and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by children of such emergency medical technicians and paramedics; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 1882—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wage discrimination; providing a short title; providing for the director of Workforce Innovation to appoint the Equal Pay Commission; providing membership criteria; requiring the commission to conduct a study; specifying the subject of the study; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1884—A bill to be entitled An act relating to evidence; creating s. 90.807, F.S.; providing for admission of certain evidence otherwise precluded by the hearsay rule; providing an effective date.

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

By the Committee on Agriculture—

SB 1886—A bill to be entitled An act relating to food safety; amending s. 500.12, F.S.; revising provisions exempting the operator of a minor food outlet from the requirement to obtain a food permit from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for the exemption to be based on the amount of floor space used to display and store food items rather than the amount of shelf space used for food items; amending s. 500.121, F.S.; authorizing the department to prohibit a food establishment from selling food if the establishment is exempt from the requirement to obtain a food permit and has violated certain laws or rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Senator Dockery—

SM 1888—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to give first priority to supporting and passing the Defense Appropriations Bill.

—was referred to the Committees on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SM 1890—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to work to abolish the death tax permanently.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1892—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; redefining the terms "normal retirement date" and "normal retirement age" for a specified period to allow normal retirement after 25 years of service and attainment of age 50; limiting participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program; creating s. 121.185, F.S.; authorizing the state to purchase annuities for certain state personnel; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1894—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; redefining the term "average final compensation" with respect to the Florida Retirement System; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1896—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; providing for indexing compensation, as used for calculating benefits for terminated and vested members of the Florida Retirement System, by 3 percent a year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Klein—

SB 1898—A bill to be entitled An act relating to arthritis prevention and education; creating s. 385.210, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings; providing purposes; directing the Department of Health to establish an arthritis prevention and education program; requiring the department to conduct a needs assessment; providing for establishment of an advisory panel on arthritis; providing for implementation of a public awareness effort; providing for funding through contributions; directing the Secretary of Health to seek federal waivers as necessary to maximize federal funding; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Klein—

SB 1900—A bill to be entitled An act relating to centers of excellence; amending s. 1004.225, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; providing for terms of members appointed to the Emerging Technology Commission; providing for filling any vacancy that occurs during the term of a member of the commission; delaying the expiration of the Florida Technology Development Act; requiring Florida Research Consortium, Inc., to report to the Emerging Technology Commission within a specified timeframe with respect to criteria for reviewing proposals for a center of excellence; requiring the commission to notify state universities and the State Technology Office of approved criteria for submitting a proposal for a center of excellence by a specified date; requiring the Emerging Technology Commission to submit, by a specified date, a recommended plan to the State Board of Education for establishing or expanding one or more centers of excellence; providing a timeframe for the State Board of Education to approve a final plan and report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing appropriations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1902—A bill to be entitled An act relating to district school board employees; creating s. 112.1916, F.S.; extending special death benefits to certain district school board employees who provide indirect services to students; amending s. 732.402, F.S., to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1904—A bill to be entitled An act relating to per diem and travel expenses; amending s. 112.061, F.S.; establishing per diem and subsistence ranges for travel expenses of public employees; conforming provisions and deleting obsolete provisions; providing for future adjustments of such rates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1906—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; redefining the term "special risk member" for the purposes of the Florida Retirement System to include certain members employed by certain public acute care hospitals; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; revising criteria for membership in the special risk class to include certain members employed by certain public acute care hospitals; providing a statement of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1908—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of used motor vehicles; creating the "Used Motor Vehicle Warranty Act"; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; requiring express warranties with respect to the sale of used motor vehicles; providing exceptions; providing requirements for used motor vehicle dealers in honoring warranties; providing for extension of warranty terms under certain circumstances; providing for inability of a dealer to conform the motor vehicle to the warranty; providing certain remedies; providing for duties of the Department of Legal Affairs; providing for establishment of a resource center and toll-free consumer number; providing liability for bad-faith claims; providing for application of the Used Motor Vehicle Warranty Act; amending s. 320.27, F.S.; providing additional circumstances under which the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may suspend certain vehicle dealers' licenses; providing for collection of a fee on each sale of a used motor vehicle; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1910—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school teachers; creating s. 1011.63, F.S.; requiring the Legislature to fund a cost-of-living increase in the General Appropriations Act for teachers who teach prekindergarten through grade 12 in the public school system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 1912—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the student assessment program for public schools; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; delaying the date by which the Commissioner of Education must approve the use of other available standardized tests as alternatives to the grade-10 Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT); amending s. 1003.433, F.S.; providing an exemption from the assessment requirement for high school graduation for certain students whose parents transfer to this

state under military orders; requiring evidence of stationing orders be provided to the school district; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports.

By Senators Carlton, Cowin, Constantine, Fasano, Aronberg, Bullard, Jones, Dawson, Smith, Alexander, Posey and Dockery—

SB 1914—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cultural and historical preservation funding; amending s. 15.09, F.S.; providing for deposit of certain reinstatement fees, late fees, and penalties collected by the Division of Corporations of the Department of State into the Cultural Institutions Trust Fund rather than the General Revenue Fund; providing for disbursement of such revenues to fund cultural and historical preservation grants and programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 1916—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bridge designations; designating Circus Bridge in Sarasota County; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1918—A bill to be entitled An act relating to blind services; amending s. 413.011, F.S.; providing legislative policy and intent; providing duties of the Division of Blind Services; requiring the division to develop and implement a state plan for vocational rehabilitation services; requiring the division to develop and implement a state plan for independent living services; providing for the division to purchase and distribute specialized equipment without using state centralized purchasing procedures; exempting such equipment from certain record and inventory requirements; creating a children's program; requiring background investigations of division personnel; redesignating the Advisory Council for the Blind as the Rehabilitation Council for the Blind; amending ss. 413.014, 413.041, 413.051, and 413.091, F.S.; modernizing terminology; requiring the division to conduct a periodic survey of state properties; creating s. 413.095, F.S.; providing for the division to retain title to certain real and personal property intended for use by people who have visual impairments and certain personnel; allowing the division to repossess, transfer, and dispose of such property; providing for rulemaking by the division; authorizing the division to create a blind services direct-support organization; providing purposes and objectives; providing for members of the board of the direct-support organization; providing that the organization is subject to s. 24, Art. I of the State Constitution, ch. 119, F.S., and s. 286.011, F.S.; requiring expenses of the organization to be paid by private funds; providing guidelines for the use of the funds; repealing ss. 413.061, 413.062, 413.063, 413.064, 413.065, 413.066, 413.067, 413.068, and 413.069, F.S., relating to permits for soliciting funds to benefit the blind; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1920—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tobacco settlement agreement proceeds; requiring the disbursement of a portion of the interest from tobacco settlement agreement proceeds to the Department of Health for specified purposes; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1922—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulatory assessment fees; amending s. 367.145, F.S.; requiring large water and wastewater utilities to pay the fee semiannually; requiring small utilities with revenues less than $200,000 to pay annually; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1924—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; providing that a publicly owned facility meeting certain criteria at which a collegiate football team is based may use those proceeds for the purpose of renovating the facility; providing for reporting of sales to the Department of Revenue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1926—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation; creating s. 624.4315, F.S.; requiring workers' compensation insurers to notify the Office of Insurance Regulation of significant underwriting changes; amending s. 627.171, F.S.; providing that the 10-percent limit on the percentage of commercial insurance policies that an insurer may write at a rate in excess of the applicable filed rate excludes workers' compensation policies written for an employer in lieu of coverage from the joint underwriting plan established under s. 627.311(5), F.S.; amending s. 627.211, F.S.; revising the standards used by the Office of Insurance Regulation in approving or disapproving an insurer's deviation from the approved workers' compensation rate filing; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to submit an annual report to the Legislature which evaluates competition in the workers' compensation insurance market; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1928—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the unlawful use of a recording device in a motion picture theater; providing definitions; providing that a person who knowingly operates the audiovisual recording function of any device in a motion picture theater without the express written consent of the theater owner and the licensor of the motion picture being exhibited commits a felony of the third degree; providing for the imposition of criminal fines; authorizing the theater owner or licensor to detain a person in violation of the act; providing immunity to the theater owner or licensor for detaining a person in violation of the act while awaiting the arrival of a law enforcement officer; providing an exception to the immunity; providing that an employee or agent of certain law enforcement, protective services, or investigative agencies may operate an audiovisual recording device as part of a lawfully authorized activity; directing that the act does not apply to a person operating an audiovisual recording function of a device in a retail establishment when demonstrating the use of the device for sales purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1930—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Prepaid College Program; amending s. 1009.98, F.S.; revising provisions relating to eligibility for benefits if the program is terminated; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1932—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighters; creating s. 112.183, F.S.; providing that death or disability due to certain types of cancer suffered by a firefighter employed by the state or its political subdivisions is presumed accidental and suffered in the line of duty under certain conditions; authorizing purchase of insurance by local governments; providing criteria for physical exams for firefighters; requiring the employing agency to keep records and notify firefighters of their reported exposure to known carcinogens; providing that firefighters employed on the effective date of the act need not comply with physical-examination requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1934—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state vehicles; requiring insurance on vehicles used by employees performing law-enforcement duties; prescribing uses for which coverage must be provided; providing for reimbursement for certain off-duty use; providing for rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1936—A bill to be entitled An act relating to custodial interrogations in cases involving capital felonies; creating s. 901.241, F.S., providing purpose and intent to create true, complete, and accurate records of certain custodial interrogations in order to eliminate factual disputes in court as to events alleged to have occurred during such interrogations; providing definitions; describing circumstances in which an oral, written, or sign language statement made by an accused person during a custodial interrogation is presumed inadmissible as evidence against such person; describing circumstances in which the prosecution may rebut such presumption; describing circumstances in which law enforcement officers may have good cause not to electronically record all or part of an interrogation; providing for the admissibility of certain statements of an accused person when made in certain proceedings or when obtained by federal law enforcement officers or law enforcement officers from other states; providing for the preservation of electronic recordings made pursuant to this act; providing for admissibility of certain statements of an accused person; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1938—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retrofitting of common areas of condominiums and cooperatives with fire sprinkler systems; amending ss. 718.112 and 719.1055, F.S.; revising notification and voting procedures with respect to any vote to forego retrofitting of the common areas of condominiums and cooperatives with fire sprinkler systems; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Regulated Industries.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1940—A bill to be entitled An act relating to arcade amusement centers; amending s. 849.161, F.S.; revising provisions exempting certain amusement centers from the application of gambling regulations; restricting use of points or coupons received by players; clarifying a reference; providing for local governments to establish or amend the zoning map designation of a parcel or parcels of land or change the actual list of permitted, conditional, or prohibited uses within a zoning category with respect to arcade amusement centers; authorizing local governments to limit the hours of operation of arcade amusement centers and limit the number of machines in such centers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1942—A bill to be entitled An act relating to farm labor; creating s. 450.39, F.S.; providing that persons who use the services of farm labor contractors must guarantee the payment of applicable wages due to certain farm workers; creating s. 450.395, F.S.; providing legal remedies for farm workers whose wages were not paid as due; providing for the recovery of unpaid wages and of liquidated damages in specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Judiciary.

By Senators Hill and Miller—

SB 1944—A bill to be entitled An act relating to absentee ballots; amending s. 101.62, F.S.; revising a restriction on what can be mailed or delivered with an absentee ballot; amending s. 101.64, F.S.; requiring the supervisor of elections to include an absentee ballot receipt acknowledgment card with the absentee ballot; providing for instructions and applicability; amending s. 101.67, F.S.; requiring the supervisor of elections, upon receipt of an envelope containing the marked ballot of an absent elector, to mail to that elector an acknowledgment of receipt of that ballot; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1946—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile justice; amending s. 287.042, F.S.; providing an exemption from competitive solicitation requirements for contracted provider organizations acting as agents of the Department of Juvenile Justice; amending s. 790.22, F.S.; eliminating a requirement that the department provide nonidentifying information concerning certain juvenile offenders to the Office of Economic Development and Demographic Research; amending s. 984.06, F.S.; revising provisions limiting public inspection of court records pertaining to children and families in need of services; authorizing a guardian ad litem to inspect such records under certain circumstances; amending s. 985.201, F.S.; clarifying circumstances in which the court may retain jurisdiction beyond the 19th birthday of certain juvenile offenders; amending s. 985.2075, F.S.; expanding the circumstances in which a youth custody officer is authorized to act; requiring youth custody officers to file petitions and gather evidence in certain circumstances; amending ss. 985.213 and 985.215, F.S.; authorizing the use of telephone or video teleconference to facilitate the appearance of a child at detention hearings; amending s. 985.231, F.S.; authorizing the department or the state attorney to file an affidavit alleging violation of a probation of postcommitment probation program; requiring the state attorney to represent the state in any hearing on such alleged violation; providing for quarterly, rather than monthly, treatment reports; authorizing the use of telephone or video teleconference to facilitate the appearance of a child at certain hearings; conforming provisions relating to jurisdiction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SM 1948—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to pass S. 1028 and its companion bill H.R. 1734 to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish an Office of Men's Health.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1950—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing membership in the Special Risk Class for employees of a law enforcement agency or medical examiner's office whose duties include collecting, examining, preserving, documenting, preparing, or analyzing physical evidence or testimony as expert witnesses; providing retroactive applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1952—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the disposition of civil penalties by county courts; amending s. 318.21, F.S.; requiring that a specified amount of the civil penalties received by county courts be deposited into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund in the state courts system Justice Administrative Commission for specified purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

SR 1954—Not referenced.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1956—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government funding; amending s. 215.211, F.S.; adjusting the phase-out of the service charge on local gas option taxes; deleting the redirection of funds into local transportation grant programs; requiring that the proceeds of the service charge be deposited into the Local Government Half-cent Trust Fund and distributed through the emergency distribution; amending s. 218.65, F.S.; revising the criteria for a county to be eligible to receive an emergency distribution; restricting certain funds from the emergency distribution to counties of a specified size which levy a prescribed minimum millage; revising the manner in which the emergency distribution is made; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1958—A bill to be entitled An act relating to self-pay patients; amending s. 395.301, F.S.; requiring hospitals to develop and make available a payment allowance program for certain patients; providing program guidelines and requirements; providing exclusions; providing a definition of patients qualified for such program; providing exceptions; prohibiting hospitals from pursuing certain civil remedies against such patients; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SJR 1960—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VI and the creation of Section 26 of Article XII of the State Constitution, relating to limitations on the number of consecutive years during which certain elected constitutional officers may hold office before being denied the right to have their names appear on the ballot.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1962—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sex trafficking; creating s. 796.035, F.S.; providing that it is a felony of the first degree for a parent, legal guardian, or other person having custody or control of a minor to offer to, or to actually, sell or otherwise transfer custody or control of such minor, with knowledge that such sale or transfer will result in force, fraud, or coercion being used to cause the minor to engage in prostitution or otherwise participate in the trade of sex trafficking; providing criminal penalties; creating s. 796.045, F.S.; providing for the offense of sex trafficking; providing that it is a felony of the second degree to knowingly recruit, entice, harbor, transport, provide, or obtain a person, knowing that force, fraud, or coercion will be used to cause that person to engage in prostitution; providing that it is a felony of the first degree if sex trafficking involves a person under the age of 14 or results in death; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 895.02, F.S.; expanding the definition of racketeering activity to include the offenses created herein; reenacting ss. 16.56(1)(a), 27.34(1), 655.50(3)(g), 896.101(2)(g), and 905.34(3), F.S., which relate to the authority of the Office of Statewide Prosecution to investigate and prosecute certain offenses, the contribution of funds by counties and municipalities towards salaries of assistant state attorneys, the Florida Control of Money Laundering in Financial Institutions Act, the Florida Money Laundering Act, and the subject matter jurisdiction of the statewide grand jury, respectively, to incorporate the amendment to s. 895.02, F.S., in references thereto; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1964—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational facilities; amending s. 1013.735, F.S., relating to the Classrooms for Kids Program; revising the formula for determining each school district's share of the annual appropriation for the Classrooms for Kids Program; providing that a percentage of the appropriation shall be used to reduce class size; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1966—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; creating s. 1000.055, F.S., relating to dignity for all students; providing a popular name; providing legislative findings with respect to harassment, discrimination, and violence in Florida schools; prohibiting specified conduct and providing for punitive measures; defining the term "harassment"; providing duties of educational institutions; requiring the adoption of rules; providing for technical assistance to educational institutions; amending s. 1003.42, F.S., relating to required instruction in the public schools; requiring the character-development program curricu-

lum to include information relating to harassment, discrimination, and violence; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facilities; amending s. 402.281, F.S.; revising the development of Gold Seal Quality Care program standards; allowing the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt standards and procedures by rule; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; excluding certain child care personnel from certain training requirements; adding minimum education requirements for child care personnel; amending s. 402.313, F.S.; revising information provided by family day care homes for registration; requiring operator substitutes to complete a specified course in child care prior to caring for children; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1970—A bill to be entitled An act relating to confidentiality and privilege against disclosure of mediation proceedings; creating s. 44.401, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 44.402, F.S.; providing that the act applies to specified mediations; creating s. 44.403, F.S.; providing definitions relating to mediation proceedings; creating s. 44.404, F.S.; providing for durational time limits for mediations; creating s. 44.405, F.S.; providing that all mediation communications are confidential unless otherwise provided in the act; providing that a mediation participant has the privilege to refuse to testify concerning communications made during a mediation; describing the circumstances when mediations begin and end; providing exceptions to confidentiality and privilege provided for mediation communications; creating s. 44.406, F.S.; providing civil remedies for disclosing mediation communications; providing for attorney's fees and costs; amending s. 44.107, F.S.; providing immunity from liability for trainees in the Supreme Court's mentorship program; conferring immunity from liability on persons serving as mediators in specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1972—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 44.407, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements for documents produced during mediation proceedings; providing for exceptions to the exemption; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing findings of public necessity; repealing ss. 44.102(3) and (4), 44.201(5), and 61.183(3), F.S., relating to communications or materials made during a mediation proceeding; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1974—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending s. 121.051, F.S.; providing that participating members in the Community College Optional Retirement Program may transfer into the Florida Retirement System defined benefit program; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; removing the 780-hour annual limitation on reemployment of community college instructional personnel; providing that instructional and other personnel in community colleges may participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program for up to 96 months; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Miller—

SB 1976—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real estate taxation; amending s. 196.101, F.S.; revising provisions for exemption for totally and permanently disabled persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1978—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Corrections; amending s. 944.091, F.S.; authorizing the department to contract with the Federal Government to house prisoners convicted in federal courts in this state; specifying conditions to be included in, and to be excluded from, such contracts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1980—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public K-12 education; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; allowing children of military personnel transferred to Florida after a school year has begun to enroll in certain schools or programs in the state; providing for priority listing for enrollment under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Posey—

SB 1982—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electric transmission line siting; amending s. 403.52, F.S.; changing the short title to the "Florida Electric Transmission Line Siting Act"; amending s. 403.521, F.S.; revising legislative intent; amending s. 403.522, F.S.; revising definitions; defining "licensee"; amending s. 403.523, F.S.; revising powers and duties of the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the department to collect and process fees, to prepare a project impact analysis, to act as clerk for the siting board, and to administer and manage the terms and conditions of the certification order and supporting documents and records; amending s. 403.524, F.S.; revising provisions for applicability, certification, and exemptions under the act; requiring that the application contain the starting point and ending point of a transmission line specifically defined by the applicant and verified by the commission; revising provisions for notice by an electric utility of its intent to construct an exempted transmission line; amending s. 403.525, F.S.; providing for powers and duties of the administrative law judge designated by the Division of Administrative Hearings to conduct the required hearings; amending s. 403.5251, F.S.; revising application procedures and schedules; providing for the formal date of certification application filing and commencement of the certification review process; requiring the department to prepare a proposed schedule of dates for determination of completeness and other significant dates to be followed during the certification process; providing for the formal date of application distribution; requiring the applicant to file notice of distribution and notice of filing of the application; amending s. 403.5252, F.S.; revising timeframes and procedures for determination of completeness of the application; requiring the department to consult with affected agencies; revising requirements for the department to file a statement of its determination of completeness with the Division of Administrative Hearings, the applicant, and all parties within a certain time after distribution of the application; revising requirements for the applicant to file a statement with the department, the division, and all parties, if the department determines the application is not complete; providing for that statement to notify the department that the information will not be provided; revising timeframes and procedures for contests of the determination by the department; providing for parties to a hearing on the issue of completeness; repealing s. 403.5253, F.S., relating to determination of sufficiency of application or amendment to the application;

amending s. 403.526, F.S.; revising criteria and procedures for preliminary statements of issues, reports, and studies; revising timeframes; requiring that the preliminary statement of issues from each affected agency be submitted to all parties; revising criteria for the Department of Community Affairs' report; requiring the Department of Transportation to prepare an impact report; providing for project impact reports from other agencies; revising required content of the reports; providing for notice of any agency nonprocedural requirements not listed in the application; providing for failure to provide such notification; providing for a recommendation for approval or denial of the application; providing that receipt of an affirmative determination of need be a condition precedent to further processing of the application; requiring the department to prepare a project impact analysis to be filed with the administrative law judge and served on all parties within a certain timeframe; amending s. 403.527, F.S.; revising procedures and timeframes for the certification hearing conducted by the administrative law judge; revising provisions for notices and publication of notices, public hearings held by local governments, testimony at the public hearing portion of the certification hearing, the order of presentations at the hearing, consideration of certain communications by the administrative law judge, requiring the applicant to pay certain expenses and costs, and requiring the administrative law judge to issue a recommended order disposing of the application; requiring that certain notices be made in accordance with specified requirements and within a certain timeframe; specifying the Department of Transportation as a party to the proceedings; providing for the administrative law judge to cancel the certification hearing and relinquish jurisdiction to the department upon request by the applicant or the department; requiring the department and the applicant to publish notice of such cancellation; providing for parties to submit proposed recommended orders to the department when the certification hearing has been canceled; providing that the department prepare a recommended order for final action by the siting board when the hearing has been canceled; amending s. 403.5271, F.S.; revising procedures and timeframes for consideration of proposed alternate corridors; revising notice requirements; providing for notice of the filing of the alternate corridor and revised time schedules; providing for notice to agencies newly affected by the proposed alternate corridor; requiring the person proposing the alternate corridor to provide all data to the agencies within a certain timeframe; providing for determination by the department that the data is not complete; providing for withdrawal of the proposed alternate corridor upon such determination; providing that agencies file reports with the applicant and department which address the proposed alternate corridor; providing that the department file with the administrative law judge, the applicant, and all parties a project impact analysis of the proposed alternate corridor; providing that the party proposing an alternate corridor shall have the burden of proof on the certifiability of the alternate corridor; amending s. 403.5272, F.S.; revising procedures for informational public meetings; providing for informational public meetings held by regional planning councils; revising timeframes; amending s. 403.5275, F.S.; revising provisions for amendment to the application prior to certification; amending s. 403.529, F.S.; revising provisions for final disposition of the application by the siting board; providing for the administrative law judge's or department's recommended order; amending s. 403.531, F.S.; revising provisions for conditions of certification; amending s. 403.5312, F.S.; requiring the applicant to file notice of a certified corridor route with the department; creating s. 403.5317, F.S.; providing procedures for changes proposed by the licensee after certification; requiring the department to determine within a certain time if the proposed change requires modification of the conditions of certification; requiring notice to the licensee, all agencies, and all parties of changes that are approved as not requiring modification of the conditions of certification; creating s. 403.5363, F.S.; requiring publication of certain notices by the applicant, the proponent of an alternate corridor, and the department; requiring the department to adopt rules specifying the content of such notices; amending s. 403.5365, F.S.; revising application fees and the distribution of fees collected; revising procedures for reimbursement of local governments and regional planning organizations; repealing s. 403.5369, F.S., relating to application of the act to applications prior to a certain date; amending s. 403.537, F.S.; revising the schedule for notice of a public hearing by the Public Service Commission to determine the need for a transmission line; amending ss. 373.441, 403.061, 403.0876, and 403.809, F.S.; conforming terminology; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Comprehensive Planning; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SR 1984—Not referenced.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1986—A bill to be entitled An act relating to deeds or conveyances of real estate; amending s. 689.07, F.S.; revising criteria for granting certain estates, transferring and assigning certain interests, and vesting certain rights in certain deeds or conveyances of real estate; providing legislative intent; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Regulated Industries.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1988—A bill to be entitled An act relating to uninsured hospital patients; creating s. 395.3012, F.S.; requiring hospitals to establish certain policies and procedures to determine a patient's ability to pay for certain services; providing criteria; requiring notification of a patient of such policies and procedures; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1990—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominiums; amending s. 718.503, F.S.; requiring unit owners who are not developers to provide a specific question and answer disclosure document to certain prospective purchasers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Judiciary.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1992—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public schools; requiring the Department of Education to conduct a study of the feasibility of providing a performance bonus to public school classroom teachers; providing a methodology for the study; requiring the department to develop criteria and a methodology for determining when to provide performance bonuses to classroom teachers in kindergarten through grade 2; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1994—A bill to be entitled An act relating to upgrading service under the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; deleting a requirement that interest be paid on certain amounts authorized to be paid by certain Special Risk Class members to upgrade service for retirement purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1996—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the compensation of elected district school superintendents; amending s. 145.19, F.S.; adding a cross-reference; providing for the superintendent's annual performance salary incentive and special qualification salary to be added to

adjusted salary rate; amending s. 1001.47, F.S.; providing a calculation methodology for the salary for elected district school superintendents based on county population; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Cowin and Dockery—

SB 1998—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the North Lake County Hospital District, Lake County; amending s. 4 of chapter 2002-348, Laws of Florida; providing for payment of tax proceeds to designees of the Florida Hospital Waterman Foundation, Inc., and Leesburg Regional Medical Center, Inc., under specified circumstances; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Dockery, Peaden, Atwater, Fasano, Argenziano, Jones, Pruitt, Bennett, Lynn and Cowin—

SB 2000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children's health care; amending s. 409.811, F.S.; clarifying definitions for purposes of the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 409.8132, F.S.; revising provisions governing the Medikids program component; deleting obsolete and duplicative provisions; deleting requirements for a special enrollment period; amending s. 409.8134, F.S.; requiring that the Florida Kidcare program provide for open enrollment periods; providing enrollment criteria; providing for the enrollment of certain children on an emergency basis; requiring the program to initiate certain disenrollment procedures under specified circumstances; exempting certain children from disenrollment; revising requirements for state agencies in analyzing data regarding the Kidcare program; amending s. 409.814, F.S.; revising requirements for enrollment in the Florida Kidcare program; requiring proof of income and lack of insurance coverage for the child; deleting obsolete and duplicative provisions; providing requirements if a child is transferred to another program component; requiring the withholding of benefits upon determination of ineligibility; providing penalties for unlawfully obtaining benefits or assisting in unlawfully obtaining benefits; amending s. 409.815, F.S.; revising coverage requirements for dental services; amending s. 409.816, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 409.818, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to contract for the provision of comprehensive insurance coverage for enrollees; requiring a competitive selection process; repealing s. 409.818(2)(b) and 409.819, F.S., relating to an outreach program operated by the Department of Health; amending s. 624.91, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to expanding health care coverage for children; conforming provisions of the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation Act to changes made in the Florida Kidcare program; deleting obsolete provisions; requiring the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation to contract for an analysis of and recommendations for managing ineligible enrollment in the Kidcare program; providing appropriations; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senators Peaden and Fasano—

SB 2002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care initiatives; creating s. 460.4062, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to issue a chiropractic medicine faculty certificate for certain faculty who have accepted appointment at a publicly funded state university or college; authorizing a fee; providing requirements; providing for renewal and expiration of the certificate; creating s. 1004.383, F.S.; authorizing a chiropractic medicine degree program at Florida State University; amending s. 561.121, F.S.; providing for annual appropriations from the proceeds of the excise tax on alcoholic beverages; providing for distribution of the funds to the Department of Elderly Affairs, the Department of Health, and Florida State University for specified research and programs; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; authorizing the establishment of for-profit subsidiaries of the governing corporation of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; prohibiting certain activities by such for-profit subsidiaries; requiring that the contract with the State Board of Education permit the use of lands, facilities, and personnel for research, education, treatment, prevention, and early detection of cancer; authorizing the governing corporation and its subsidiaries to obtain their own property insurance coverage; requiring that certain appropriations be paid directly to the board of directors of the governing corporation; changing the appointing authority for certain members of the council of scientific advisers; amending s. 1004.445, F.S.; renaming the Florida Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute as the Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr., Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute; deleting obsolete provisions; authorizing the establishment of for-profit subsidiaries of the governing corporation; requiring that the contract with the State Board of Education permit the use of lands, facilities, and personnel for research, education, treatment, prevention, and early detection of Alzheimer's disease; authorizing the governing corporation and its subsidiaries to obtain their own property insurance coverage; requiring that certain appropriations be paid directly to the board of directors of the governing corporation; changing the appointing authority for certain members of the council of scientific advisers; creating the Florida Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease within the Department of Health; providing legislative findings and intent; specifying the purpose and duties of the center; requiring an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; authorizing the department to outsource the duties of the center; creating an advisory council; amending s. 215.5602, F.S.; expanding the long-term goals of the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program to include the cure of specified diseases; providing funding priority; amending s. 215.5601, F.S., relating to the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund, to conform an intent provision; designating the Life Sciences Building at Florida State University as the "James E. 'Jim' King, Jr., Building"; authorizing Florida State University to erect markers; creating the Florida Cancer Research Cooperative, Inc.; providing for a board of directors; requiring annual reports; specifying the cooperative's mission and duties; creating the Florida Public Health Foundation, Inc.; providing for the foundation's duties and mission; providing for its board of directors; requiring annual reports; requiring the foundation to coordinate monthly health awareness campaigns to disseminate information about specified diseases and conditions; establishing the Prostate Cancer Awareness Program within the Department of Health for the purpose of providing statewide outreach and education concerning the early detection of prostate cancer; authorizing the department and the Florida Public Health Foundation, Inc., to enter into contracts and seek grant moneys; creating an advisory committee to assist the program; providing for membership of the committee; authorizing reimbursement for certain per diem and travel expenses; creating the Cervical Cancer Elimination Task Force; providing duties and membership of the task force; requiring the task force to make periodic reports to the Governor and the Legislature; providing for the task force to be dissolved on a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to teacher salaries; creating the Teacher Salary Incentive Program to provide funding for improved salaries for instructional personnel; providing eligibility for salary increases; authorizing school districts to establish additional criteria; requiring the Department of Education to provide technical assistance to school districts; authorizing the department to adopt rules to administer the program; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

SR 2006—Not referenced.

By Senators Sebesta, Clary and Geller—

SB 2008—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; revising the exemption from public-records requirements for personal information contained in a motor vehicle record; removing the requirement that the exemption be conditioned on a

request for exemption by the person who is the subject of the record; restricting the release of social security numbers and medical and disability information; eliminating certain conditions under which the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles may release information in connection with a legal proceeding; revising conditions for the release of information for bulk distribution use; providing for release of information when the subject has given consent on a form prescribed by the department; providing that the restrictions on the disclosure of information do not affect the use of organ donor information; providing for rulemaking; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a finding of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

Senate Resolutions 2010–2012—Not referenced.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2014—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public swimming pools; creating s. 514.0305, F.S.; requiring such pools to be enclosed by a barrier; establishing additional safety requirements; requiring inspections; providing penalties for violations; providing definitions and for application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2016—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home inspection services; creating s. 501.935, F.S.; providing for licensure of persons providing home inspection services; providing legislative intent and definitions; providing standards of practice; creating the Florida Home Inspection Advisory Council; providing licensure requirements, including grandfathering provisions; providing exemptions; providing prohibited acts and penalties; providing for complaints and discipline; providing fees; requiring liability insurance; exempting from duty to provide repair cost estimates; providing for reciprocity; providing continuing education requirements; providing limitations; providing for enforcement of violations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Haridopolos—

SB 2018—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the electronic monitoring of probationers and community controllees; amending s. 948.03, F.S.; requiring the court to order the electronic monitoring of certain sex offenders whose crime is committed on or after a specified date; amending s. 948.11, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to use an electronic monitoring system that reports the location of a monitored offender and correlates that information with other crime data; providing requirements for the capacity of the monitoring system; requiring a statewide steering committee to oversee and evaluate the system; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Clary—

SB 2020—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating the Save Our Seas license plate; creating the Aquaculture license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Agriculture; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Alexander—

SB 2022—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; amending s. 395.10973, F.S.; directing the Agency for Health Care Administration to make data concerning patient charges and performance outcomes collected from health care facilities available to the public; requiring the data to be placed on the agency's website by a specified date; directing the agency to select 100 medical conditions and treatments in order to compare data from licensed facilities; providing criteria for comparison procedures; directing the agency to publicly disclose the amount that each licensed facility charges for its services; requiring the agency to evaluate the benefit of disclosing comparative measures; directing the agency to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by a specified date and annually thereafter; requiring the agency to implement an audit program to examine a health care facility's patient bills and payor claims for charges of $20,000 or more; providing an acceptable error rate; authorizing the agency to impose a fine on licensed facilities that exceed the error rate; amending s. 395.301, F.S.; requiring that, in cases of nonemergency services, a licensed facility give each patient an estimate, in writing, of the anticipated charges the facility typically bills to treat the patient's condition; requiring that the estimate be given to the patient before treatment is rendered or before the patient is admitted to the facility; providing that, if a licensed facility increases the estimated cost by a specified amount, the patient or payor is not required to pay more than the original written estimate; providing an exception for costs arising from unanticipated complications; requiring a licensed facility to give a patient access to the records necessary to verify the accuracy of the patient's bill within a certain time after the licensed facility receives the request for the records; providing that a patient or a patient's payor may appeal any charge listed in a licensed facility's bill; providing procedures for an appeal; requiring each licensed facility to file its uniform schedule of charges each year with the agency by January 1; requiring each licensed facility to notify the agency and the public of any proposed change to its schedule of charges 30 days before implementing the change; amending s. 408.061, F.S.; directing each licensed facility to report certain data to the agency each quarter; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 2024—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the specialty license plate program; amending s. 320.08053, F.S.; revising requirements for establishing a specialty license plate; requiring the submission of a sample plate; requiring a financial analysis of anticipated revenues and expenditures; requiring the submission of prepaid applications; providing for the retention by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles of amounts sufficient to offset application and development costs; providing for the refund of annual use fees if a specialty license plate is not authorized or enacted; requiring the department to adopt rules, including rules specifying viewpoint-neutral design specifications for specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; revising requirements for issuing specialty license plates; revising design requirements for such plates; revising the retention and distribution requirements for annual use fees; revising conditions and procedures for the discontinuation of specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08062, F.S.; revising provisions for audits and attestations required of entities receiving annual use fees from specialty license plates; requiring the department, in cooperation with local tax collectors and PRIDE, to study the possibility of using direct-to-customer distribution; requiring the department to report the results to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 2026—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of professions under the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; amending s. 455.32, F.S.; revising the Management Privatization Act; providing definitions; authorizing the department, pursuant to board, commission, or council request, to establish and contract with a nonprofit corporation to perform support services specified pursuant to contract for the applicable profession; providing corporation organization, powers, duties, and staff; authorizing per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses; requiring adherence to the code of ethics for public officers and employees; providing sovereign immunity; providing for corporation boards of directors and for executive director liaisons; providing contract requirements; establishing financing, reporting, recordkeeping, and audit requirements; providing for quarterly assessment and annual certification of contract compliance; providing requirements in the event any provision of the section is held unconstitutional; amending s. 455.2177, F.S.; revising requirements for the monitoring of continuing education compliance; removing provisions relating to privatization and dispute resolution; revising penalties for failure to comply with continuing education requirements; revising requirements for waiver of such monitoring; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 455.2178, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for continuing education providers; removing provisions relating to private vendors; revising penalties for noncompliant continuing education providers; providing for conduct of investigations and prosecutions of noncompliant continuing education providers; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 455.2179, F.S.; revising continuing education provider and course approval procedures; revising penalties for failing to teach approved course content; providing for conduct of investigations and prosecutions of noncompliant continuing education providers; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 455.2281, F.S., relating to unlicensed activities; removing a cross-reference to conform; amending s. 481.205, F.S., relating to the Board of Architecture and Interior Design; removing a cross-reference to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2028—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; amending s. 290.0065, F.S.; permitting a county to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development by a certain date for an expansion of an existing enterprise zone; requiring that the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development approve an amendment to the boundary of an enterprise zone by a specified date if certain conditions exist; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2030—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving or boating under the influence; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; revising level of alcohol content in blood or breath at which certain penalties shall apply for the offense of driving under the influence; amending s. 316.656, F.S.; revising level of alcohol content in blood or breath at which the prohibition against accepting plea to lesser offense shall apply; amending s. 327.35, F.S.; revising level of alcohol content in blood or breath at which certain penalties shall apply for the offense of boating under the influence; reenacting ss. 316.066(3)(a), 316.072(4)(b), 316.1932(3), 316.1933(4), 316.1934(1) and (4), 316.1937(1) and (2)(d), 316.1939(1)(b), 318.143(4) and (5), 318.17(3), 322.03(2), 322.0602(2)(a), 322.21(8), 322.25(5), 322.26(1)(a), 322.2615(1), (2), (7), (8)(b), (10)(b), and (14), 322.2616(1)(a), (15), and (19), 322.264(1)(b), 322.271(2)(a), (2)(c), and (4), 322.28(2), 322.282(2)(a), 322.291(1)(a), 322.34(9)(a), 322.44, 322.62(3), 322.63(2)(d) and (6), 322.64(1), (2), (7)(a), (8)(b), (14), and (15), 323.001(4)(f), 327.35(6), 397.405(10), 440.02(17)(c), 440.09(7)(b), 493.6106(1)(d), 627.758(4), 790.06(2)(f) and (10)(f), 903.36(2), 907.041(4)(c), 938.07, 938.21, 938.23(1), 943.05(2)(d), 948.03(8)(b), and 960.03(3)(b), F.S.; incorporating the amendment to s. 316.193, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 327.352(3), 327.35215(1) and (2), 327.353(4), 327.354(1) and (4), 327.355(1)(a) and (4), 327.359(2), 327.36, and 938.07, F.S.; incorporating the amendment to s. 327.35, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Smith—

SB 2032—A bill to be entitled An act relating to involuntary mental health treatment of mentally ill inmates; amending s. 945.41, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring the Department of Corrections to contract with the Department of Children and Family Services for mental health services; providing legislative intent with respect to the involuntary administration of psychotropic medications to a mentally ill inmate who refuses treatment and poses a threat to others; amending s. 945.42, F.S.; defining the term "administrative panel"; redefining the term "mental health treatment facility"; amending s. 945.48, F.S.; revising the period during which involuntary mental health treatment may be provided; requiring an administrative panel rather than the circuit court to determine whether to continue involuntary mental health treatment of an inmate in an emergency or nonemergency situation; extending the period for providing involuntary mental health treatment in a nonemergency situation; specifying circumstances under which an administrative panel may issue an order authorizing the continuation of involuntary mental health treatment; requiring the Department of Corrections to adopt procedures for conducting hearings of the administrative panel; specifying conditions that the administrative panel must consider in determining whether to order involuntary mental health treatment for an inmate; deleting requirements that an inmate be provided with a copy of the petition for involuntary mental health treatment and an attorney; amending s. 945.49, F.S.; deleting a requirement that the Department of Children and Family Services cooperate in adopting rules for administering the Corrections Mental Health Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2034—A bill to be entitled An act relating to investigative incident reports; amending s. 943.045, F.S.; defining the term "investigative incident report"; creating s. 943.0595, F.S.; authorizing a court to order that an investigative incident report be sealed by the criminal justice agency that makes the report; providing requirements for the petition to seal an investigative incident report; requiring a certification of eligibility issued by the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring that the department adopt rules governing the issuance of certificates of eligibility; requiring that a petition to seal a report be served on the agency that prepared the report; requiring that an order to seal a report be forwarded to any agency that received the investigative incident report to which the order pertains; providing that an agency need not comply with an order to seal if the order does not comply with the requirements for sealing; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to notify the court of the noncompliance; providing that there is not a cause of action against an agency that does seal a record if the petitioner failed to comply with the requirements for sealing; providing that a person who is the subject of an investigative incident report may lawfully deny or fail to acknowledge an incident that is the subject of a sealed report; specifying certain exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2036—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 943.0596, F.S.; providing an exemption from public-records requirements for investigative incident reports that are ordered sealed by

a court; providing certain exceptions; exempting information relating to the existence of a sealed investigative incident report from public-records requirements; providing for the release of such information for specified purposes of employment or licensing; prohibiting the unlawful release of information; providing a penalty; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 2038—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consumers' insurance rights; amending s. 20.121, F.S.; providing that an employee of the Division of Consumer Services of the Department of Financial Services be designated as primary contact for consumers on issues involving sinkholes; amending s. 626.9541, F.S.; providing that, under certain circumstances mandating arbitration pursuant to an insurance contract is an unfair claim settlement practice; providing that the refusal to insure based on certain prior water damage and prior claims resulting from an act of God are unfair or deceptive acts; amending s. 626.9641, F.S.; requiring that personal and commercial residential insurers offer comprehensive coverage to consumers; providing rulemaking authority; creating s. 626.9742, F.S.; requiring certain information to be provided to consumers related to loss underwriting; creating s. 625.9743, F.S., relating to claim settlement practices for motor vehicle insurance; prescribing standards to be followed by insurers; providing rulemaking authority; creating s. 626.9744, F.S., relating to claim settlement practices for residential and commercial property insurance; prescribing standards to be followed by insurers; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 627.4133, F.S.; requiring notice to a mortgage company for its failure to timely pay a homeowner's premium pursuant to an escrow agreement; providing that the mortgage company is responsible for any additional costs relating to policy lapse or reinstatement and for any loss to the insured property during the period of lapse; prohibiting cancellation or nonrenewal of property insurance as a result of claims for water damage under certain conditions; providing severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Clary—

SB 2040—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cemeteries; amending s. 704.08, F.S.; providing a statutory easement for ingress and egress, for the visitation and maintenance of a cemetery, for members of not-for-profit organizations whose purposes include the preservation of state history; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Lynn—

SB 2042—A bill to be entitled An act relating to suicide prevention; creating s. 397.3335, F.S.; creating the Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention in the Office of Drug Control; providing the goals and objectives of the office; creating the position of statewide coordinator for the statewide office; specifying the education and experience requirements for the position of coordinator; detailing the duties and responsibilities of the coordinator; creating s. 397.3336, F.S.; creating the Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council within the Office of Drug Control; providing the scope of activities for the coordinating council; creating an interagency workgroup for state agencies within the coordinating council in order to coordinate state agency plans for suicide prevention; authorizing the coordinating council to assemble an ad hoc committee to advise the coordinating council; providing for membership on the coordinating council; authorizing the coordinating council to seek and accept grants or funds from any source to support its operation; providing an appropriation and authorizing an additional position; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2044—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public high schools; requiring the Department of Education, with the cooperation of the school districts, to develop a standard profile for each public high school; specifying the items to be included in the profile; requiring the high schools to make the profiles available for distribution to the public by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 2046—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adoption; amending s. 39.812, F.S.; restricting the ability of the Department of Children and Family Services to remove a child from the home of a foster parent or court-ordered custodian under certain circumstances; providing an exception to a requirement that a department consent be attached to an adoption petition; amending s. 63.062, F.S.; requiring a waiver of department consent under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; and Judiciary.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2048—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school student progression; amending s. 1008.25, F.S.; repealing provisions mandating the retention of a student in grade 3 if the student exhibits a deficiency in reading; deleting provisions requiring the elimination of social promotion; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SR 2050—A resolution recommending increased funding at the state and federal levels for hepatitis prevention and treatment.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Miller—

SB 2052—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; authorizing the establishment of for-profit subsidiaries of the governing corporation; prohibiting certain activities by such for-profit subsidiaries; providing that the contract with the State Board of Education shall permit the use of lands, facilities, and personnel for research, education, treatment, prevention, and early detection of cancer and for certain teaching and research programs; authorizing the governing corporation and its subsidiaries to obtain their own property insurance coverage; changing the appointing authority for certain members of the council of scientific advisors; requiring that certain appropriations be paid directly to the board of directors of the governing corporation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 2054—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual offenders and predators; amending ss. 775.21, 943.0435, and 944.607, F.S.; redefining the term "temporary residence" for purposes of the Florida Sexual Predators Act; revising the requirements for registering as a sexual offender or predator with the Department of Corrections or the sheriff's office if the offender has more than one residence, lacks a temporary or permanent residence, or lists a homeless shelter as his or her residence; requiring the sexual offender or predator to register annually; providing a penalty for failing to register; providing that a defendant's confession or admission is admissible during trial without the prosecution proving the corpus delicti of the crime under certain circumstances; requiring the prosecution to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that there is sufficient evidence to establish the trustworthiness of the defendant's confession or admission; providing for venue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senators Aronberg and Smith—

SB 2056—A bill to be entitled An act relating to corporations not for profit; amending s. 617.0505, F.S.; providing exceptions to a prohibition against such corporations paying dividends to members, officers, or directors; authorizing a corporation to make distributions to certain nonprofit corporations or governmental entities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Judiciary.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2058—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reimbursement for lung transplant services for Medicaid recipients; amending s. 409.9062, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to reimburse lung transplant facilities a global fee for services provided to Medicaid recipients, unless otherwise directed in the General Appropriations Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2060—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alcoholic beverage licenses; amending s. 565.02, F.S.; authorizing the issuance of a nonquota license to certain sporting and recreational lodges; providing serving hours; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2062—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 39.202, F.S., relating to confidentiality requirements for reports and records in cases of child abuse or neglect; providing that staff members of a child advocacy center who are providing the services of the center to the child may have access to the records; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senators Siplin, Miller, Hill, Lawson and Dawson—

SB 2064—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a state work opportunity tax credit; amending s. 220.02, F.S.; revising legislative intent relating to application of certain corporate income tax credits; creating s. 220.1893, F.S.; providing an additional credit against the corporate income tax for certain businesses hiring certain persons under certain circumstances; providing requirements and limitations; providing for the Department of Revenue and the Agency for Workforce Innovation to adopt certain rules and establish certain guidelines; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 2066—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the community contribution tax credit; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; conforming provisions to requirements that a percentage of certain community contributions be distributed to rural counties for certain purposes; amending ss. 220.183 and 624.5105, F.S.; requiring that a specified percentage of community contributions made by business firms and insurers in order to obtain the tax credit be distributed to rural counties; providing for amounts unclaimed by rural counties by a specified date to be released to other eligible claimants; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2068—A bill to be entitled An act relating to determination of resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying specified students as residents for tuition purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2070—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Workers' Compensation Insurance Guaranty Association Act; amending s. 631.904, F.S.; redefining the term "covered claim" to exclude certain claims disallowed in the claimant's state of residence; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

By Senators Diaz de la Portilla and Jones—

SB 2072—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty nursing; amending s. 464.003, F.S.; defining the terms "clinical nurse specialist practice" and "clinical nurse specialist"; creating s. 464.0115, F.S.; providing requirements for certification of clinical nurse specialist practice; providing fees; providing the Board of Nursing rulemaking authority to implement such requirements; creating s. 464.0125, F.S.; requiring advanced registered nurse practitioners to register with the Board of Nursing to prescribe medicinal drugs, including controlled substances; providing requirements for registration and renewal of registration, including continuing education; providing fees; prohibiting prescription of controlled substances for personal use or the use of immediate family members; providing for disciplinary actions; providing rulemaking authority to the board; amending s. 464.015, F.S.; restricting the use of professional titles and abbreviations relating to clinical nurse specialist practice; providing penalties; amending s. 464.016, F.S.; prohibiting clinical nurse specialist practice without an active license or certificate; prohibiting the use of any name or title stating or implying that a person is a clinical nurse specialist unless the person is duly licensed or certified;

providing penalties; amending s. 893.02, F.S.; revising the definition of "practitioner" under the "Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act" to include certain advanced registered nurse practitioners; amending ss. 458.348 and 464.012, F.S.; conforming cross references; reenacting s. 921.0022(3)(g), F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment to s. 464.016, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2074—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sales disclosures; creating s. 475.423, F.S.; specifying the transactions that are subject to the requirements of the act; providing definitions; requiring that certain disclosures be made by the transferor or his or her agent with respect to real property located within a flood hazard area, an area with severe constraints for development, an area having sinkhole activity, a wellhead protection area, a priority wetland zone, a habitat conservation area, an airport's environs, an environmental hazard site, or a radon gas zone; providing that the waiver of such requirements is against public policy; providing certain exceptions; specifying the form to be used as the Property Identification Disclosure Statement; providing requirements for identifying information that accompanies the disclosure statement; providing requirements for delivery of the required disclosure statement; providing a limitation with respect to liability for errors, inaccuracy, or omissions; requiring a third party that provides information with respect to the disclosure statement to maintain a specified amount of insurance protection; providing that information updates are not required after delivery of the required disclosures; requiring that disclosures be made in good faith; providing that the act does not limit or abridge other disclosures required by law; authorizing the amendment of a disclosure; providing for delivery of disclosures; providing requirements for the licensee or broker acting as an agent in a transaction subject to the act; specifying liability for willful or negligent violation or failure to perform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SJR 2076—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 6 of Article VII of the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature to allow counties and municipalities to grant K-12 public school classroom teachers an additional homestead tax exemption not to exceed $25,000 each year.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 2078—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing eligibility of certain treatment and rehabilitation personnel at correctional or forensic facilities for membership in the Special Risk Class; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2080—A bill to be entitled An act relating to resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying as residents for tuition purposes certain active duty members of a foreign nation's military and certain employees of international multilateral organizations; providing an exemption from payment of nonresident tuition at community colleges and state universities for certain students meeting eligibility criteria; reenacting s. 1009.40(1)(a), F.S., relating to general requirements for eligibility for state financial aid, to incorporate the amendment to s. 1009.21, F.S., in a reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 2082—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a public records exemption; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; providing an exemption from public records requirements for the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs of children who participate in government-sponsored recreation programs or camps, the names and locations of the schools attended by such children, and the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, and social security numbers of the parents or guardians of such children; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Pruitt—

SM 2084—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to change the existing formula for distribution of Medicaid funds.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 2086—A bill to be entitled An act relating to employment screening; creating s. 435.015, F.S.; providing for incorporation by reference; providing that the purpose of the chapter is to provide uniform criteria for employment screening; providing that a reference to the chapter, or any section or subdivision, constitutes a general reference; creating s. 435.025, F.S.; authorizing consideration of arrest records in determining whether certain persons satisfy the requirement of good moral character; amending s. 435.04, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Juvenile Justice from removing a disqualification from employment or granting an exemption from disqualification in certain circumstances; amending ss. 984.01 and 985.01, F.S.; providing that certain persons who fail to satisfy the requirement of good moral character may be disqualified from employment or denied an exemption from disqualification; amending s. 985.407, F.S.; providing that certain persons who fail to satisfy the requirement of good moral character may be disqualified from employment or denied an exemption from disqualification; requiring the Department of Juvenile Justice to require employment screening of certain personnel pursuant to level 2, rather than level 1, screening standards of ch. 435, F.S.; reenacting ss. 400.953(3), 943.0585(4)(a), 943.059(4)(a), and 985.05(4)(e), F.S., relating to background screening of home medical equipment provider personnel, court-ordered expunction of criminal history records, court-ordered sealing of criminal history records, and use of juvenile court records as proof of certain disqualification, respectively, for the purpose of incorporating the amendment to s. 985.407, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 2088—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alarm system contractors; amending s. 633.702, F.S.; providing a criminal penalty for installing, servicing, testing, repairing, improving, or inspecting a fire alarm system without a license; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Banking and Insurance.

By Senators Villalobos and Smith—

SB 2090—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 410.706, F.S.; creating the Elder Victims Trust Fund within the Department of Elderly Affairs; providing for sources of moneys and purposes; providing for annual carryforward of unused funds; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Villalobos and Smith—

SB 2092—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elderly persons; providing a short title; creating s. 410.701, F.S.; providing legislative intent; creating s. 410.702, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 410.703, F.S.; providing that the financial exploitation of an elderly person is unlawful; providing for declaratory or injunctive relief, damages in case of injury or loss, and reasonable attorney's fees and costs; providing jurisdiction in case of death of the elderly person; providing that certain persons may bring an action on behalf of an elderly person under the act; providing for advancement of a trial on the docket; authorizing the Attorney General to conduct an investigation and bring a civil suit in circuit court for a violation of the act; requiring that an award of attorney's fees and costs of the action and investigation by the Attorney General be deposited into the Elder Victims Trust Fund; creating s. 410.704, F.S.; providing that punitive damages may not exceed a certain amount; providing an exception; requiring that punitive damages be equally divided between the claimant and the Elder Victims Trust Fund according to certain conditions; requiring the Department of Revenue to collect punitive damages payable to the Elder Victims Trust Fund; creating s. 410.705, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to develop and implement educational initiatives concerning the exploitation of elderly persons; prohibiting a party from recovering punitive damages under the act in addition to punitive damages under ch. 772, F.S.; providing that lack of knowledge of an elderly person's age is not a defense; providing that a waiver of rights or remedies by an elderly person under this act is unenforceable and void; creating s. 825.1035, F.S.; defining the term "financial exploitation of a person over the age of 60"; providing for criminal penalties for such offense; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

SR 2094—Not referenced.

By Senator Wise—

SB 2096—A bill to be entitled An act relating to providing nutrition to children; providing a short title; requiring the Food and Nutrition Management Office of the Department of Education to develop a plan for providing, in each school district, summer food programs that serve children who qualify for free or reduced-price lunches during the school year; providing requirements of the department and of the superintendent of schools; requiring the school districts to report to the department annually; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 2098—A bill to be entitled An act relating to caregivers for disabled or elderly adults; providing legislative intent to foster caregiving as a nonlicensed paraprofessional activity and to promote the caregivers' use of best practices; creating the Florida Caregiver Institute, Inc., an independent nonprofit corporation housed in the Agency for Workforce Innovation; providing purposes, duties, and powers of the corporation; providing for a board of directors; providing for membership, terms of office, meetings, and powers and duties of and restrictions on the board; requiring reports to the Governor and the Legislature; providing duties of the Agency for Workforce Innovation and other public agencies; providing for the Office of Program Policy and Governmental Accountability to conduct a review of the corporation by a specified date and to report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

Senate Resolutions 2100-2102—Not referenced.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing juveniles; amending s. 985.233, F.S.; providing that juveniles may be sentenced to juvenile sanctions or to a combination of juvenile and adult sanctions; directing the Department of Juvenile Justice to give the sentencing court a written report if it determines a juvenile sanction to be inappropriate for a child; providing a procedure for those instances when the department proposes to discharge the child before he or she becomes 21 years of age; requiring the department to notify the sentencing court of its intent to discharge the child no later than 30 days before discharge; directing the department to file written notice with the clerk of the court; directing the department to give a copy of the notice to specified persons; providing that a proposed discharge will be construed as approved if the sentencing court or state attorney fails to object to the discharge; directing the sentencing court to consider the educational needs of the child; requiring the court to prepare findings as to the child's educational needs; authorizing the court to order that certain specified educational goals be met; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on corporate income; amending s. 220.187, F.S.; providing for tax credits for contributions to eligible nonprofit educational-improvement organizations, as well as for contributions to eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations; providing that an additional purpose of the section is to train teachers in certain public elementary schools to provide intensive reading instruction; defining terms; providing for allocating among the categories of recipients the total allowable amount of tax credits which may be granted during each state fiscal year; providing obligations of eligible nonprofit educational-improvement organizations; providing obligations of participating public schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to minority disparities; creating the Florida Commission to Eliminate Minority Disparities; providing legislative intent; providing for membership, meetings, and duties of the commission; requiring the creation of standing committees;

providing duties of the committees; requiring an annual report to the Governor and legislative leaders; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 2110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing home contracts; amending s. 400.424, F.S.; requiring each nursing home facility to use a standard contract approved by the Department of Elderly Affairs for use at that facility; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Judiciary.

By Senators Dockery, Bennett and Lawson—

SB 2112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nonsettling-manufacturer cigarettes; creating s. 210.0205, F.S.; providing definitions; imposing a fee on certain cigarettes; providing payment requirements; requiring reporting of the number and denominations of stamps affixed to individual packages of certain cigarettes by manufacturer and brand family; authorizing rulemaking regarding such reports; requiring registration with the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation of nonsettling manufacturers of cigarettes; requiring development, maintenance, and publication by the division of a list of nonsettling manufacturers of cigarettes which have certified their compliance with this act; treating cigarettes of certain manufacturers that have not paid the fee imposed by this act or that have not complied with reporting requirements as cigarettes for which the tax imposed by s. 210.02, F.S., has not been paid; prohibiting the stamping of certain cigarettes for which the fee imposed by this act has not been paid in full or the nonsettling manufacturer of which has not complied with reporting requirements; creating s. 210.0207, F.S.; prohibiting the transport of certain unstamped cigarettes across state lines under certain circumstances; prohibiting the affixing of certain stamps to certain cigarettes or paying certain excise taxes prohibited by another state under certain circumstances; providing for reports on the transport of stamped cigarettes across state lines; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Senator Garcia—

SB 2114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child development; amending ss. 20.19, 20.50, 39.001, 39.01, 39.0121, and 39.301, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; revising definitions for purposes of proceedings relating to children; deleting obsolete references to a repealed program; providing for the adoption of rules; amending s. 39.5085, F.S.; deleting an obsolete reference to a repealed program; providing that certain children in the Relative Caregiver Program are eligible for school readiness services; amending s. 39.604, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; revising requirements of the Rilya Wilson Act; clarifying that parents or caregivers may not withdraw certain children from child development services except under specified conditions; revising requirements for the reporting of absences; amending ss. 125.0109 and 166.0445, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; amending ss. 196.095, 212.08, 220.03, and 220.19, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; correcting cross–references; revising definitions for purposes of the corporate income tax; amending s. 381.0072, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; correcting a cross–reference; amending s. 400.953, F.S.; correcting a cross–reference; amending s. 409.1671, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; correcting cross–references; clarifying that licensed foster homes may be dually licensed as child development providers and receive certain payments; deleting an obsolete reference to a repealed program; creating ch. 432, F.S., titled "Child Development Services," consisting of part I relating to general provisions, part II relating to state–funded child development programs, and part III relating to child development providers; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 402.302, F.S.; revising and providing definitions for purposes of child development; correcting cross–references; creating ss. 432.02 and 432.03, F.S.; creating the Florida Partnership for School Readiness; providing membership and meeting requirements; providing for the partnership's staff, powers and duties, and rulemaking authority; requiring a report; assigning the Florida Partnership for School Readiness to the Agency for Workforce Innovation; prescribing the agency's duties for financial administration of the school readiness system; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 411.0105, F.S.; revising federal lead agency responsibilities; requiring a contract; creating ss. 432.05, 432.06, 432.07, 432.08, and 432.09, F.S.; providing for the establishment of school readiness coalitions; providing membership and meeting requirements; requiring a report; requiring the adoption of school readiness plans; providing for the approval of school readiness plans; authorizing the formation of multicounty coalitions; requiring the designation of fiscal agents under certain circumstances; providing requirements for the distribution and expenditure of school readiness funds; limiting expenditures for administrative costs; establishing competitive procurement requirements for school readiness coalitions; authorizing contracts with central agencies and other qualified entities; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.27, 402.3018, 402.3051, and 409.178, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; revising provisions for the statewide resource and referral network; encouraging child development providers to serve children with disabilities; providing for technical assistance to child development providers; revising definitions for purposes of child care market rate reimbursement; revising requirements for calculating the market rate and prevailing market rate; requiring the adoption of a prevailing market–rate schedule; revising requirements for the Child Care Executive Partnership Program; deleting a short title and legislative intent; revising requirements for family income; deleting obsolete references to a repealed program; requiring the Florida Partnership for School Readiness to provide for staff; revising provisions for the administration of purchasing pools; providing for the adoption of rules; creating s. 432.14, F.S.; providing for the resolution of conflicts with federal requirements; creating ss. 432.31 and 432.32, F.S.; providing a definition for purposes of state–funded child development programs; specifying that certain child development programs are not part of the public–school system; limiting application of the chapter; urging the United States Congress to preserve certain tax credits for families with children in specified programs; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.25 and 411.012, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; providing an effective date for the voluntary universal prekindergarten education program; deleting obsolete requirements for a study; creating ss. 432.51, 432.52, 432.53, 432.54, and 432.55, F.S.; providing requirements for school readiness programs; establishing program expectations; providing eligibility requirements and priorities for participation in the programs; specifying program elements and requirements for school readiness services; directing that certain program requirements be included in school readiness plans; providing for parental choice in school readiness programs; providing a definition for purposes of parental choice; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 402.3145, F.S.; revising requirements for transportation services in school readiness programs; limiting the use of school readiness funds; conforming provisions to revised definitions; authorizing contracts; deleting obsolete references to a repealed program; creating s. 432.57, F.S.; providing accountability requirements for school readiness programs; requiring the adoption of a system to measure school readiness and compare the performance of participants in school readiness programs to nonparticipants; requiring the adoption of performance standards and outcome measures; providing for a school readiness uniform screening; requiring performance–based budgeting of school readiness programs; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.3016 and 402.3017, F.S.; providing requirements for school readiness quality initiatives; revising requirements for the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps scholarship program; establishing requirements for the Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters program; revising provisions for Early Head Start collaboration grants; creating s. 432.71, F.S.; providing definitions for purposes of child development providers; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.30501, 402.3055, and 402.3057, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; revising requirements for

child care personnel; correcting cross–references; establishing requirements for background screening, training, and testing of child development personnel; requiring the adoption of rules and annual evaluations of training and testing; providing for the articulation of certain training into community college credit; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.308, 402.309, 402.312, and 402.3125, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; revising requirements for the issuance and renewal of licenses and provisional licenses for child development providers; deleting requirements for the change of ownership of child care facilities; revising requirements for the form of a license; correcting cross–references; deleting requirements for the display of licenses and citations and for the distribution of model brochures; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.311 and 402.3115, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; clarifying requirements for inspections of child development providers; correcting cross–references; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 402.305, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; providing a definition; redesignating child care facilities as "child care centers"; revising licensing standards, personnel and training requirements, and staff credentials for child care centers; requiring child care centers to display licenses and citations; requiring the licensure of indoor recreational centers; providing requirements for drop–in services; providing for the distribution of model brochures; deleting requirements for specialized child care facilities for the care of mildly ill children; revising requirements for the transfer of ownership of child care centers; deleting requirements for certain notices before the transfer of ownership of family day care homes; creating s. 432.82, F.S.; requiring the adoption of rules creating standards for specialized child care centers for mildly ill children; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.313 and 402.3131, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; providing definitions; redesignating family day care homes as "family child care homes"; revising requirements for family child care homes and large family child care homes; deleting requirements for the annual publication of a directory of available child care facilities; requiring certain notices before the closure of family child care homes; requiring the adoption of rules; deleting an obsolete reference to a repealed program; correcting cross–references; requiring the minimum standards for large family child care homes to include specified provisions for vehicles; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.3054 and 402.318, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; revising requirements for child enrichment service providers; revising requirements prohibiting advertisement of licensed child development providers except under certain conditions; providing a penalty; creating s. 432.87, F.S.; providing attendance and reporting responsibilities under the Rilya Wilson Act for licensed child development providers; specifying that licensed providers failing or refusing to comply with the attendance and reporting responsibilities are subject to disciplinary action; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.306, 402.307, 402.310, and 402.315, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; revising provisions authorizing disciplinary actions against child development providers; revising requirements for the designation and approval of local licensing agencies; revising provisions for the collection and allocation of licensing fees; correcting cross–references; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.3025, 402.3045, and 402.316, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; declaring that the freedom of religion is inviolate; clarifying that governmental agencies are not provided authority to regulate certain religious services and programs; revising exemptions for certain religious centers, membership organizations, after–school programs, and public and nonpublic schools; providing that certain membership organizations are not child development providers; exempting personnel of the organizations from screening requirements; correcting cross–references; revising and providing penalties; transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 402.281 and 402.314, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; revising requirements for the Gold Seal Quality Care program and supportive services; correcting a cross–reference; specifying that certain child development providers are educational institutions for purposes of ad valorem taxation; requiring a database of available child development providers; creating s. 432.97, F.S.; authorizing the adoption of rules; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 402.319, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions; revising and providing penalties; correcting cross–references; amending s. 445.023, F.S.; clarifying family income requirements for a program of dependent care for families with children with special needs; correcting a cross–reference; amending ss. 490.014 and 491.014, F.S.; deleting obsolete references to a repealed program; correcting cross–references; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; correcting cross–references; amending ss. 624.5107, 627.70161, and 893.13, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; correcting cross–references; revising definitions for purposes of family child care insurance; amending ss. 985.04, 985.05, and 1002.42, F.S.; correcting cross–references; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; amending s. 1008.21, F.S.; revising requirements for implementation of the school readiness uniform screening; amending s. 1009.64, F.S.; conforming provisions to revised definitions governing child development; deleting an obsolete reference to a repealed program; providing for the type two transfer of the statewide resource and referral network and the Child Care Executive Partnership to the Florida Partnership for School Readiness; repealing ss. 402.26, 402.301, 402.3135, and 411.01, F.S., relating to legislative intent and declarations of public policy, the subsidized child care case management program, and the School Readiness Act; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Education; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Senator Garcia—

SB 2116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending ss. 39.201, 39.202, and 119.07, F.S.; conforming public records exemptions to revised definitions governing child development programs and providers; specifying that the names of child development personnel provided to central abuse hotline staff for purposes of reporting child abuse, abandonment, or neglect are confidential; providing that access to records of licensure or approval of certain child development providers may be provided to specified employees, agents, or contractors of the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Health, or specified county agencies; providing that the names and locations of child development providers attended by children of certain active or former public officers and employees are confidential; transferring, renumbering, and amending s. 411.011, F.S.; extending an exemption from public records requirements provided for school readiness records to records in certain child development programs, including the voluntary universal prekindergarten education program; extending the exemption to records held by child development providers and certain contractors of school readiness coalitions; providing for future review and repeal; extending the review and repeal date of the public records exemption for school readiness records; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Education; Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Miller, Sebesta and Crist—

SB 2118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Hillsborough County School District; repealing chapter 8705 (1921), Laws of Florida, relating to issuing and selling interest-bearing time warrants; repealing chapter 9464 (1923), Laws of Florida, relating to the procurement of a loan for $200,000; repealing chapter 12847 (1927), Laws of Florida, relating to borrowing money for use by public free schools of any special tax school district; repealing chapter 12860 (1927), Laws of Florida, relating to exercising the right of eminent domain to acquire certain property; repealing chapter 12862 (1927), Laws of Florida, conferring additional powers to borrow money and sell interest-bearing time warrants; repealing chapter 24570 (1947), Laws of Florida, consolidating all school districts into one; repealing chapter 24575 (1947), Laws of Florida, transferring property from the board of county commissioners to the board of public instruction; repealing chapter 24576 (1947), Laws of Florida, authorizing the board of county commissioners to acquire land from the board of public instruction; repealing chapter 24582 (1947), Laws of Florida, relating to the selection of school trustees for each public school; repealing chapter 27606 (1951), Laws of Florida, conveying certain land between the board of county commissioners and the board of public instruction; repealing chapter 27611 (1951), Laws of Florida, disbursing capital outlay to the credit of the Gillette Special Tax School District; repealing chapter 30832 (1955), Laws of Florida, creating school crossing zones in unincorporated Hillsborough County; repealing chapter 59-1351, Laws of Florida, relating to the leasing of

certain lands for recreational, park, or similar purposes; repealing chapter 59-1366, Laws of Florida, validating the conveyance of certain lands from the trustees of Special Tax School District No. 1 to the board of public instruction; repealing chapter 63-1405, Laws of Florida, relating to the conveyance of certain lands between the board of public instruction and municipalities in Hillsborough County; repealing chapter 67-1501, Laws of Florida, providing for an internal auditing department and internal auditor; repealing chapter 71-495, Laws of Florida, allowing the district school board to expend moneys for per diem and travel expenses; repealing chapter 71-676, Laws of Florida, providing for the payment of terminal pay to noninstructional personnel upon death or retirement; repealing chapter 71-687, Laws of Florida, permitting entering into agreements for group insurance for the benefit of retired employees; repealing chapter 73-489, Laws of Florida, relating to group insurance for retired employees; repealing chapter 80-505, Laws of Florida, relating to the employment of an internal auditor; providing a savings clause; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 2120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Pasco County; providing legislative findings and intent with respect to monopoly water utilities; providing for a pilot project for Pasco County to facilitate county response to certain consumer complaints; permitting the chair of the board of county commissioners to establish a monopoly water utility ad hoc committee for a prescribed period; providing for the membership and duties of the committee; allowing the county commission to adopt additional technological standards to address issues relating to black water and rotten-egg odor in domestic plumbing; requiring that utilities receive notice of the standards and submit a compliance plan to the county; prohibiting the county commission from adopting standards that relate to the finances of a monopoly water utility or conflict with specified standards imposed by other regulatory bodies; providing procedures for challenging standards adopted by the county; providing for a monopoly water utility to recover certain costs of compliance with the county requirements; providing that this act supersedes conflicting provisions of ch. 367, F.S.; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

Proof of publication of the required notice was attached.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 2122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records and meetings exemptions; creating s. 624.465, F.S.; exempting from public records and public meetings requirements certain records of the Florida Self-Insurers Guaranty Association, Incorporated, and meetings of the board of directors of the association; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing findings of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building designations; designating H. William Heller Hall at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg in Pinellas County; directing the university to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Clary—

SB 2126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver's licenses; amending s. 322.09, F.S.; requiring the signature of a secondary guardian on a driver's license application for a minor under certain circumstances; amending s. 322.11, F.S.; providing for notice to a minor before canceling the minor's license due to the death of or withdrawal of consent by the person who co-signed the initial application; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Incentive-based Permitting Act; creating s. 403.0874, F.S.; providing a section name; providing legislative findings; providing purposes; providing definitions; providing for an Incentive-based Permitting Program; providing compliance incentives for certain environmental permitting activities; providing requirements and limitations; providing for administration by the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt certain rules; requiring agency notification of formal enforcement actions; providing notice requirements; amending ss. 161.041 and 373.413, F.S.; specifying application of Incentive-based Permitting Program provisions; amending s. 403.087, F.S.; revising criteria for department permit issuance to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public roads; amending s. 335.0415, F.S.; providing specified exceptions to the public road jurisdiction and transfer process; creating s. 335.04155, F.S.; providing for county road relief under described conditions; authorizing a county to assign to the Department of Transportation responsibility for operation and maintenance of county roads within the boundaries of the county; providing for transfer of funds to the department; authorizing the department to acquire and administer funds; authorizing the department to perform such operation and maintenance; providing for a county to transfer roads or portions of roads to the State Highway System; providing for a county to enter into an agreement with the department for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of any part of its transportation system and related facilities and the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of any roads and streets on the county road system; providing for the department to perform and administer the engineering services and construction of designated transportation projects for a county; amending s. 335.06, F.S.; requiring the department to maintain access roads to the state park system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Construction Industries Recovery Fund; amending s. 489.140, F.S.; renaming the fund as the Florida Homeowners' Construction Recovery Fund; creating s. 489.1401, F.S.; declaring legislative intent with respect to use of the fund; creating s. 489.1402, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 489.141, F.S.; revising conditions for recovery from the fund; amending s. 489.142, F.S.; providing for hearings and for service of notice; amending s. 489.1425, F.S.; conforming to changes in terminology; amending s. 489.143, F.S.; providing a limit on disbursements with respect to a single contract; revising guidelines for making payments from the fund; providing criminal penalties for specified fraudulent acts; amending ss. 489.144, 489.13, 489.131, F.S.; conforming terminology to the changes made by the act; amending s. 468.631, F.S.; requiring certain informa-

tion relating to building permits to be reported to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to statewide intermediary assistance for faith-based and community-based organizations; providing legislative findings; designating the Florida Faith-Based Association as a statewide intermediary organization for certain purposes; providing duties of the association; requiring a report; providing appropriations; providing duties of the Chief Financial Officer; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 2136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency medical services; amending s. 401.113, F.S.; requiring that a recipient of funds from the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund return unexpended funds to the Department of Health at the end of the grant period; authorizing the expenditure of interest generated from grant funds under certain circumstances; amending s. 401.27, F.S.; authorizing the electronic submission of an application for certification as an emergency medical technician or paramedic; requiring that rules of the department provide for the approval of certain equivalent courses for purposes of certification; deleting provisions authorizing the department to issue a temporary certification; revising requirements for insignia identifying a person as a certified emergency medical technician or paramedic; creating s. 401.27001, F.S.; providing requirements for background screening for applicants for initial certification as an emergency medical technician or paramedic and for renewal of certification; requiring an applicant to pay the costs of screening; requiring that fingerprints be submitted to the Department of Law Enforcement and forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation; specifying the offenses that are grounds for denial of certification; authorizing the department to grant an exemption to an applicant, notwithstanding certain convictions; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 401.2701, F.S.; requiring that a training program for emergency medical technicians and paramedics include information concerning the requirements for background screening; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Jessie Trice Cancer Prevention Program within the Department of Health; amending s. 381.91, F.S.; expanding the program statewide; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 2140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the excise tax on documents; amending s. 201.02, F.S.; exempting documents conveying a realty interest related to the final disposition of human remains from the tax; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Regulated Industries; and Finance and Taxation.

SR 2142—Not referenced.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 2144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the voluntary universal prekindergarten education program; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation establishing a policy framework for this program, as required by the State Constitution; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Carlton—

SB 2146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to open government; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to public records and open meetings policies with respect to the voluntary universal prekindergarten education program required by the State Constitution; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Hill—

SB 2148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unemployment compensation; amending s. 443.101, F.S.; limiting the scope of the definition of work applicable to disqualification for benefits; amending s. 443.111, F.S.; providing an exception to full weekly benefits for totally unemployed persons under certain circumstances; amending s. 443.151, F.S.; prohibiting overpayment recoveries under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 2150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to moving services; amending s. 507.03, F.S.; revising mover registration requirements; providing for proof of bond, certificate of deposit, or letter of credit in lieu of proof of insurance coverage; amending s. 507.04, F.S.; revising requirement to maintain cargo legal liability coverage; providing for bond, certificate of deposit, or letter of credit in lieu of insurance coverage for a mover operating a certain number of vehicles; limiting use of such bond, certificate of deposit, or letter of credit to claims adjudicated by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing that aggregate payout by the department for all claims shall not exceed amount of the bond, certificate of deposit, or letter of credit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Banking and Insurance; and Judiciary.

SR 2152—Not referenced.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 2154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; creating s. 290.00703, F.S.; authorizing the City of South Daytona to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to designate an enterprise zone within an area of the City of South Daytona; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Develop-

ment to designate one enterprise zone in the City of South Daytona; providing requirements with respect thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of health professions; amending s. 456.025, F.S.; providing for voluntary participation by licensees in an electronic continuing education tracking system developed by the Department of Health; providing system requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 2158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 253.034, F S.; providing a time-limited exemption from public records requirements for information regarding valuation of surplus state-owned land before the associated agreement for purchase, exchange, or disposal is first considered for approval by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund; authorizing the Division of State Lands in the Department of Environmental Protection to disclose valuation information under certain circumstances, notwithstanding the confidentiality requirement; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 2160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substances; amending s. 893.033, F.S.; adding anhydrous ammonia to the listed essential chemicals that may be used to manufacture controlled substances; amending s. 893.06, F.S.; providing that it is a third-degree felony to store anhydrous ammonia in a container that does not meet certain safety standards; providing an exception; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; providing that it is a first-degree felony to manufacture, or to possess with intent to manufacture, methamphetamine or phencyclidine within 1,000 feet of any real property in which a child under the age of 16 years is present; requiring that the defendant be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment under certain circumstances; amending s. 893.135, F.S.; providing that possession of a specified weight of pseudoephedrine is a felony of the first degree; providing additional penalties; amending s. 893.149, F.S.; providing that possession of more than a specified weight of certain drugs creates a rebuttable presumption that the person intends to use the drug product as a precursor to certain controlled substances; providing that the rebuttable presumption does not apply to a person who lawfully possesses the drug product in the course of a legitimate business; reenacting s. 775.087(2) and (3), F.S., relating to possession and use of a weapon, reenacting s. 782.04(1), (3), and (4), F.S., relating to murder, and reenacting s. 921.0022(3)(g), (h), and (i), F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment to s. 893.135, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Geller—

SB 2162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance rate standards; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; deleting a provision that allows insurers to require arbitration in rate-filing matters; amending s. 627.351, F.S., relating to windstorm risk apportionment; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Judiciary.

By Senator Geller—

SB 2164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to parent-child privilege; creating s. 90.5045, F.S.; creating a parent-child privilege to prevent disclosure of communications that were made by children younger than a specified age to their parents or by parents older than a specified age to their children and were intended to be made in confidence; defining the term "parent"; providing proceedings in which the privilege does not exist; providing for waiver of the privilege; requiring that a guardian ad litem be appointed to represent a minor child prior to the court's approving a waiver of the privilege; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Peaden—

SB 2166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure of an emergency medical department; amending s. 395.003, F.S.; providing that, notwithstanding any right or privilege granted to a licensed hospital, a medical facility located away from the primary premises of a licensed hospital may not be licensed as, or represent itself to the public to be, an emergency department of a licensed hospital; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 2168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax exemptions; amending s. 196.196, F.S.; exempting property owned by a not-for-profit fraternal or benevolent organization and used as a bar or restaurant from ad valorem taxation under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 2170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Health; amending s. 395.0193, F.S., relating to disciplinary powers; correcting references to the Division of Medical Quality Assurance and the department; amending s. 395.0197, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to forward reports of adverse incidents to the division; amending s. 395.3025, F.S.; providing requirements for a facility administrator or records custodian with respect to the certification of patient records; specifying the charges for reproducing records; revising purposes for which patient records may be used; amending s. 395.7015, F.S., relating to annual assessments; correcting cross-references; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; providing requirements for the production of records by nursing home facilities; amending s. 400.145, F.S.; providing requirements for a facility administrator or records custodian with respect to the certification of patient records; amending s. 400.147, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide certain reports to the division; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; revising inservice training requirements for nursing assistants; amending s. 400.423, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to forward reports of adverse incidents to the division; creating s. 400.455, F.S.; providing requirements for the production of records by assisted living facilities; amending s. 456.005, F.S.; requiring the department to

obtain input from licensees in developing long-range plans; amending s. 456.011, F.S.; providing procedures for resolving a conflict between two or more boards; authorizing the Secretary of Health to resolve certain conflicts through rulemaking or a declaratory statement; amending s. 456.012, F.S.; limiting challenges by a board to a declaratory statement; amending s. 456.013, F.S.; increasing the period of validity of a temporary license; authorizing a rule allowing coursework to be completed by certain teaching activities; revising requirements for wall certificates; revising requirements for continuing education; amending s. 381.00593, F.S., relating to the public school volunteer program; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 456.017, F.S.; revising requirements for examinations; authorizing the department to post scores on the Internet; creating s. 456.0195, F.S.; requiring continuing education concerning domestic violence, HIV and AIDS, and the prevention of medical errors; specifying course content; providing for disciplinary action for failure to comply with the requirements; amending s. 456.025, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for the department concerning management of the boards; amending s. 456.031, F.S.; revising requirements for continuing education concerning domestic violence; deleting a reporting requirement; amending ss. 456.036 and 456.037, F.S.; authorizing the board or department to require the display of a license; amending s. 456.039, F.S., relating to designated health care professionals; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 456.057, F.S.; specifying the charges for reproducing records; amending s. 456.063, F.S.; authorizing the board or the department to adopt rules to determine the sufficiency of an allegation of sexual misconduct; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; revising certain grounds for disciplinary action; prohibiting the provision of a drug if the patient does not have a valid professional relationship with the prescribing practitioner; authorizing the department to impose a fee to defray the costs of monitoring a licensee's compliance with an order; amending s. 456.073, F.S.; revising certain procedures for investigations concerning a disciplinary proceeding; amending s. 457.105, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure to practice acupuncture; authorizing the department to require certain additional information and to require the evaluation of an applicant; amending s. 457.109, F.S.; clarifying circumstances under which the department may take disciplinary action; amending s. 458.303, F.S., relating to certain exceptions to the practice acts; correcting cross-references; amending s. 458.311, F.S.; revising licensure requirements for physicians; amending s. 458.3124, F.S., relating to restricted licenses; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 458.315, F.S.; revising requirements for issuing a limited license to practice as a physician; providing for waiver of fees and assessments; amending s. 458.319, F.S., relating to continuing education; conforming provisions; amending s. 458.320, F.S., relating to financial responsibility; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 458.331, F.S.; revising requirements for a physician in responding to a complaint or other document; amending s. 458.345, F.S., relating to the registration of residents, interns, and fellows; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 458.347, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure as a physician assistant; revising requirements for temporary licensure; authorizing the board to mandate requirements for continuing medical education, including alternative methods for obtaining credits; amending s. 459.008, F.S.; authorizing the board to require by rule continuing medical education and approve alternative methods of obtaining credits; amending s. 459.015, F.S.; revising requirements for an osteopathic physician in responding to a complaint or other document; amending s. 459.021, F.S.; revising certain requirements for registration as a resident, intern, or fellow; amending s. 460.406, F.S., relating to the licensure of chiropractic physicians; correcting a reference; amending ss. 460.413 and 461.013, F.S.; revising requirements for a chiropractic physician and podiatric physician in responding to a complaint or other document; amending s. 463.006, F.S., relating to optometry; correcting a reference; amending s. 464.0205, F.S., relating to volunteer nurses; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 464.201, F.S.; defining the term "practice of a certified nursing assistant"; amending s. 464.202, F.S.; requiring rules for practice as a certified nursing assistant which specify the scope of authorized practice and level of supervision required; amending s. 464.203, F.S.; revising screening requirements for certified nursing assistants; amending s. 464.204, F.S., relating to disciplinary actions; clarifying a cross-reference; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; redefining the term "pharmacy" to include an Internet pharmacy; amending s. 465.0075, F.S.; clarifying requirements for certain continuing education for pharmacists; amending s. 465.016, F.S.; providing that the dispensing of drugs when there is not a valid practitioner-patient relationship constitutes grounds for denying licensure or imposing disciplinary action; amending s. 465.0161, F.S.; providing that the distribution of medicinal drugs without a license is a second-degree felony; amending s. 465.018, F.S.; revising licensing requirements for community pharmacies; requiring background checks of licensees and certain officers of a corporation; amending s. 465.025, F.S.; revising requirements for the substitution of drugs; deleting requirements that a pharmacy establish a formulary of generic and brand name drugs; amending s. 465.0265, F.S.; providing requirements for central fill pharmacies that prepare prescriptions on behalf of pharmacies; amending s. 466.007, F.S.; revising requirements for dental hygienists in qualifying for examination; amending s. 466.021, F.S.; revising records requirements concerning unlicensed persons employed by a dentist; amending s. 467.009, F.S., relating to midwifery programs; correcting references; amending s. 467.013, F.S.; providing for placing a midwife license on inactive status pursuant to rule of the department; deleting requirements for reactivating an inactive license; amending s. 467.0135, F.S.; revising requirements for fees, to conform; amending s. 467.017, F.S.; revising requirements for the emergency care plan; amending s. 468.1155, F.S., relating to the practice of speech-language pathology and audiology; correcting references; amending s. 468.509, F.S., relating to dietitian/nutritionists; correcting references; amending s. 468.707, F.S., relating to licensure as an athletic trainer; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 480.033, F.S., relating to the regulation of massage therapists; providing definitions and deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 480.034, F.S.; specifying certain exemptions with respect to the application of ch. 480, F.S.; amending s. 480.041, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure as a massage therapist; authorizing the department to require certain additional information and to require the evaluation of an applicant; amending s. 480.043, F.S.; providing requirements for the licensure of a massage establishment; requiring background checks of an applicant; providing requirements for the transfer of a license or the transfer of an interest in a license or business; requiring background checks; amending s. 480.046, F.S.; providing additional grounds for disciplinary action; amending s. 486.021, F.S., relating to the practice of physical therapy; redefining the term "direct supervision"; amending s. 486.031, F.S., relating to licensure requirements; correcting references; amending s. 486.051, F.S.; revising examination requirements; amending s. 486.081, F.S.; providing for licensure by endorsement for physical therapists licensed in another jurisdiction; amending s. 486.102, F.S.; revising requirements for licensure; correcting reference; amending s. 486.104, F.S.; revising examination requirements for a physical therapist assistant; amending s. 486.107, F.S.; providing for licensure by endorsement for physical therapist assistants licensed in another jurisdiction; amending s. 486.109, F.S.; revising requirements for continuing education; amending s. 486.161, F.S.; providing an exemption from licensure for certain physical therapists affiliated with a team or organization temporarily located in the state; amending s. 486.172, F.S.; clarifying provisions governing the qualifications of immigrants for examination; amending s. 490.005, F.S., relating to psychological services; correcting references; amending s. 491.005, F.S., relating to clinical, counseling, and psychotherapy services; revising licensure requirements; correcting references; amending s. 491.006, F.S.; providing requirements for licensure by endorsement as a mental health counselor; amending ss. 491.009 and 491.0145, F.S.; clarifying provisions governing the discipline of a certified master social worker; creating s. 491.0146, F.S.; providing for the validity of certain licenses to practice as a certified master social worker; amending s. 817.505, F.S.; clarifying provisions prohibiting actions that constitute patient brokering; amending s. 817.567, F.S., relating to making false claims of a degree or title; correcting a reference; amending s. 895.02, F.S.; including Medicaid provider fraud and the distribution of drugs as an Internet pharmacy without a license within the definition of the term "racketeering activity" for purposes of the Florida RICO Act; amending s. 1009.992, F.S., relating to the Florida Higher Education Loan Authority Act; correcting a reference; repealing ss. 456.033, 456.034, 458.313, 458.3147, 458.316, 458.3165, 458.317, 468.711(3), and 480.044(1)(h), F.S., relating to instruction concerning HIV and AIDS, licensure by endorsement of physicians, medical school eligibility, public health and public psychiatry certificates, limited licenses, and examination fees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 2172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to interest payable on death claim payments; amending s. 627.4615, F.S.; specifying alterna-

tive interest rates for proceeds payable on death claims; deleting a minimum rate requirement; providing an effective date.

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

By Senator Geller—

SB 2174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to energy efficiency standards; providing legislative findings; providing definitions; providing that the act applies to specified types of new products sold, offered for sale, or installed in this state; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Public Service Commission, to adopt rules establishing minimum efficiency standards; specifying minimum efficiency standards; specifying implementation deadlines; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to amend efficiency standards and establish efficiency standards for nonspecified products for the purpose of promoting energy conservation and cost efficiency if such standards do not become effective within a certain time period; requiring the department to adopt procedures for testing the energy efficiency of new products if the procedures are not provided for in the state building code; requiring the department to use nationally recognized testing methods; requiring manufacturers of certain new products to certify compliance with the act; requiring the department to adopt rules governing the identification and certification of new products; authorizing the department to use an accredited testing facility; requiring the department to charge the manufacturer for noncompliant products and to provide information to the public about noncompliant products; permitting the department to conduct periodic inspections of distributors or retailers; requiring the department to investigate complaints and report the results to the Attorney General; permitting the Attorney General to initiate civil proceedings to enforce the act; providing for penalties against a manufacturer, distributor, or retailer in violation of the act; requiring the department to adopt additional rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Communication and Public Utilities; Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 2176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulation of faith-based counseling; providing definitions; requiring registration of faith-based counselors; specifying nonapplication of certain licensing provisions to certain faith-based counselors under certain circumstances; providing registration procedures and requirements; providing for certification by examination; providing procedures; providing for a fee; providing for registration or certification by endorsement; providing criteria and requirements; providing for renewal of registrations or certificates; providing for a fee; providing criteria and requirements; providing for inactive status; providing requirements and criteria for reactivation of certification; providing fees; providing continuing education requirements; providing procedures and criteria; providing for certain status as a provider; providing for a fee; authorizing the Department of Health to adopt rules; providing for disciplinary actions for certain activities; providing for confidentiality of certain information; providing exceptions; requiring keeping and maintaining certain records; providing requirements for display of certificates and use of professional titles on certain materials; requiring a report to the department; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SJR 2178—A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 22 of Article X of the State Constitution, relating to miscellaneous matters, to require the Legislature to enact legislation providing for the notification of a pregnant minor's parent or guardian prior to termination of the pregnancy and setting requirements and conditions therefor.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

Senate Bills 2180-2362—Not referenced.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 2364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating s. 376.90, F.S.; creating the Shooting Range Cleanup Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for sources of funds and purposes; exempting the trust fund from certain service charges; providing for interest earnings to be invested and credited to the trust fund; providing for the transfer and use of moneys in the trust fund upon the fund's termination; providing for the annual carryforward of funds; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Appropriations.

Senate Bills 2366-2378—Not referenced.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2380—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care clinics; amending s. 400.991, F.S.; changing the date by which an initial application for a health care clinic license must be filed with the Agency for Health Care Administration; making conforming changes to the requirement that qualified applicants receive a temporary license; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Finance and Taxation; and Senator Posey—

CS for SB 16—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Indian River County; providing for the relief of Debra Smith, Pamela Hughes, Michael Truitt, and Charles Hughes; authorizing and directing the Indian River County School Board to compensate them for the death of their father, Sammie Lee Hughes, due to the negligence of the school board; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Finance and Taxation; and Senator Posey—

CS for SB 18—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Indian River County School Board; providing for the relief of Amanda Johnson, a minor, by and through her parents and natural guardians, Virginia and Charles Johnson, for injuries sustained due to the negligence of the Indian River County School Board; providing for the use of such funds; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Finance and Taxation; and Senator Posey—

CS for SB 20—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Indian River County School Board; providing for the relief of Ryan Besancon, a minor, by and through his parents and natural guardians, Mark and Laurie Besancon, for injuries sustained due to the negligence of the Indian River County School Board; providing for the use of such funds; providing for restrictions on expenditure of the funds; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Hill—

CS for SB 24—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Escambia County; providing for the relief of Patricia Stolfi; authorizing and directing the Escambia County Utilities Authority to compensate Ms. Stolfi for

personal injuries that she suffered due to the negligence of an employee of the utilities authority; providing for attorney's fees and costs; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Villalobos—

CS for SB 44—A bill to be entitled An act relating to DNA evidence; amending s. 925.11, F.S.; extending the period following sentencing during which a petition may be filed or considered by the court to order the testing of criminal DNA evidence; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Senator Villalobos—

CS for CS for SB 44—A bill to be entitled An act relating to DNA evidence; amending s. 925.11, F.S.; extending the period following sentencing during which a petition may be filed or considered by the court to order the testing of criminal DNA evidence; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Clary—

CS for SB 114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an exemption from public records and public meetings requirements for certain information held by the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for specified materials, actual and potential trade secrets, and information identifying donors to the institute; providing for specified access to certain information by governmental entities; creating an exemption from public meetings requirements for meetings of the not-for-profit corporation or a subsidiary at which exempt records are discussed; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Education; and Senator Clary—

CS for CS for SB 114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to an exemption from public records and public meetings requirements for certain information held by the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, Inc.; creating s. 1004.4472, F.S.; creating an exemption from public records requirements for specified materials, actual and potential trade secrets, and information identifying donors to the institute; providing for specified access to certain information by governmental entities; creating an exemption from public meetings requirements for meetings of the not-for-profit corporation or a subsidiary at which exempt records are discussed; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Clary—

CS for SB 116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education technology; creating the Florida Teaching and Learning Technology Initiative; providing for implementation by the Department of Education; providing for the appointment of a technology evaluation committee; providing for membership and duties of such committee; providing for the administration of grants to school districts; providing for the appointment of an independent contractor to evaluate the Florida Teaching and Learning Technology Initiative; requiring a report to the Governor and Legislature; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to theft; amending s. 316.1975, F.S.; requiring that an unattended semitrailer have a kingpin locking device attached to the semitrailer; providing that failing to provide a locking device is a noncriminal traffic infraction; creating s. 316.526, F.S.; requiring that an unattended semitrailer have a locking device attached; providing that an unattended semitrailer may be towed under specified conditions; providing for exceptions; reenacting s. 812.014(1) and (2), F.S., relating to theft; creating s. 812.0147, F.S.; providing that it is unlawful to possess or use a fifth wheel to commit or attempt to commit theft; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; reclassifying the offenses of cargo theft of the first degree and cargo theft of the second degree under the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code to increase the penalties imposed for any such offense; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection testing of newborn infants; amending s. 384.31, F.S.; requiring all newborn infants to be tested at the time of delivery for HIV infection; providing for notification to the mother of the infant's HIV test results; requiring that information be provided to the mother about medical and support services if the infant's test results are positive; providing an exemption from testing requirements based on the religious beliefs of the parent or legal guardian; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school district employees and contractors; amending ss. 1002.33, 1012.32, 1012.56, 1012.57, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of charter school employees and members of the governing board; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of persons certified under ch. 1012, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of adjunct educators; requiring both instructional and noninstructional personnel of charter schools to undergo background screening by filing fingerprints with the school board of the district within which the charter school is located; providing that contractors have the same probationary status as employees; providing duties of the Department of Law Enforcement with respect to retention of fingerprint records submitted on behalf of school employees and contractors; creating s. 1012.465, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of certain noninstructional personnel and contractors with the school district; requiring any such person to report his or her conviction of a disqualifying offense; providing that noninstructional personnel may perform certain services before the results of the screening have been reported, with limitations; providing for suspending any such personnel who do not meet the screening requirements and revoking or suspending the certification of any such certified person; providing for appeal; providing that the school district or the employee may pay for the screening; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Criminal Justice; Education; and Senators Saunders and Fasano—

CS for CS for SB 154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school district employees and contractors; amending ss. 1002.33, 1012.32, 1012.56, 1012.57, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of charter school employees, contractors, and members of the governing board; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of persons certified under ch. 1012, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of adjunct educators; requiring both instructional and noninstructional personnel of charter schools to undergo background screening by filing fingerprints with the school board of the district within which the charter school is located; providing that contractors have the same probationary status as employees; providing duties of the Department of Law Enforcement with respect to retention of fingerprint records submitted on behalf of school employees and contractors; requiring the Department of Law Enforcement to search all fingerprint records for arrest records; directing the department to report the arrest record to the school district employing the person; directing the school district to participate in the search; requiring the department to set a fee to be imposed on the school district; creating s. 1012.465, F.S.; requiring background screening, initially and periodically, of certain

noninstructional personnel and contractors with the school district; requiring any such person to report his or her conviction of a disqualifying offense; providing that noninstructional personnel may perform certain services before the results of the screening have been reported, with limitations; providing for suspending any such personnel who do not meet the screening requirements and revoking or suspending the certification of any such certified person; providing for appeal; providing that the school district or the employee may pay for the screening; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating the Entertainment Industry Financial Incentive Trust Fund; providing for sources of funds and purposes; requiring funds to remain in the trust fund at the end of each fiscal year; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the fund; providing a contingent effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to religious-exempt child care programs; amending s. 402.316, F.S.; providing for a child care program affiliated with a church, temple, or parochial school to be exempt from regulation by the department as a religious-exempt child care program; requiring religious-exempt child care programs to display a certificate of compliance issued by an accrediting agency recognized by the department; providing requirements for accrediting agencies recognized by the department; requiring a recognized accrediting agency to conduct an initial on-site review; providing timeframes within which child care programs must meet the requirements for training and credentials; requiring recognized accrediting agencies for religious exemption to submit standards to the department; requiring the department to create and maintain a list of recognized accrediting agencies; providing that the act does not authorize the department to regulate certain specified elements of a religious-exempt child care program; requiring that the department notify recognized accrediting agencies of any revision in standards; requiring that a recognized accrediting agency submit an annual report; providing timeframes within which an exempt child care program must notify an accrediting agency of its transfer and termination of accreditation; prohibiting a recognized accrediting agency for religious exemption from owning, operating, or administering certain programs; requiring the department to facilitate an annual meeting; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child support; amending s. 61.046, F.S.; redefining the term "support order" for purposes of ch. 61, F.S., to include an order of an administrative agency; amending s. 61.13, F.S.; deleting the requirement that a child support order include the minor's social security number; amending s. 61.1301, F.S.; providing for continuation of a support obligation at the same amount after emancipation until any arrearage is satisfied; providing for application to support orders or income or income deduction orders entered before, on, or after July 1, 2004; requiring an obligor contesting an income deduction order rendered by the Title IV-D agency to file the petition with the Title IV-D agency; amending s. 61.14, F.S.; providing for the termination of the current child support obligation when the child emancipates unless certain conditions occur; providing for continuation of a support obligation at the same amount after emancipation until any arrearage is satisfied; providing for application to support orders entered before, on, or after July 1, 2004; amending s. 61.181, F.S.; requiring the clerk of the court to establish an account for interstate cases; amending s. 61.1814, F.S.; providing for types of moneys to be deposited into the Child Support Enforcement Trust Fund; providing for the use of moneys deposited into the Child Support Enforcement Trust Fund; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; providing for the location of an administrative hearing; amending ss. 382.013 and 382.016, F.S.; permitting voluntary acknowledgments of paternity which are witnessed; amending s. 409.2558, F.S.; providing for a notice to the noncustodial parent in applying an undistributable support collection to another support order; amending s. 409.2561, F.S.; providing for the Department of Revenue to establish the obligation of support; amending s. 409.2563, F.S.; providing for the noncustodial parent to request that the Department of Revenue proceed in circuit court to determine the support obligation; revising the requirements under which a noncustodial parent may petition the circuit court to determine the support obligation; providing that the Department of Revenue is a party to court action only with respect to issues of support; providing for the assignment of an account number with the depository upon initiating establishment of an administrative support order; amending s. 409.25656, F.S.; providing for the recovery of fees in liquidating securities for the support owed; creating s. 409.25659, F.S.; providing for insurance claim data exchange; providing definitions; specifying the duties of the insurer; providing for the payment of a fee to the insurer; providing immunity to the insurer; limiting the department's disclosure of information obtained from insurers; providing rulemaking authority; creating s. 409.25662, F.S.; providing for withholding of pari-mutuel winnings for unpaid support; providing definitions; requiring pari-mutuel facilities to identify whether individuals with winnings owe unpaid child support; requiring pari-mutuel facilities to withhold the amount of the unpaid child support; providing for the right to contest the withholding through an administrative hearing; providing a pari-mutuel facility with immunity; providing that a pari-mutuel facility is liable for amounts not withheld or remitted; authorizing the department to adopt rules; amending s. 409.257, F.S.; permitting the use of any means of service of process under ch. 48, F.S.; amending s. 409.2572, F.S.; revising the definition of noncooperation or failure to cooperate as applied to an applicant for or a recipient of public assistance; substituting the use of DNA sample for drawing a blood sample to confirm paternity; amending s. 409.259, F.S.; revising the manner of reimbursement to the clerk of the court for court filings in Title IV-D cases; amending s. 409.2598, F.S.; providing definitions; providing for the suspension of licenses under specified circumstances; amending s. 742.10, F.S.; permitting voluntary acknowledgments of paternity which are witnessed; providing legislative intent to address the child support issues of incarcerated noncustodial parents to improve their ability to meet child support obligations; requiring the Department of Revenue, with the assistance of the Department of Corrections, to identify inmates with child support obligations; requiring the Department of Corrections and Department of Revenue to jointly develop a plan to facilitate child support payment from incarcerated noncustodial parents upon release; providing for the minimum requirements of the plan; requires reports to the Governor and Legislature; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Wasserman Schultz—

CS for SB 176—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pari-mutuel wagering; requiring dogracing permitholders to provide a greyhound-adoption booth at each dogracing facility in the state; requiring that the booth be operated by certain qualified persons on weekends; requiring that information concerning the adoption of a greyhound be made available to the public at the facility; requiring the permitholder to provide adoption information in racing programs and to identify greyhounds that will become available for adoption; authorizing the permitholder to hold an additional charity day that is designated as "Greyhound Adopt-A-Pet Day"; requiring that profits derived from the charity day be used to fund activities promoting the adoption of greyhounds; authorizing the Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt rules; providing penalties; amending s. 550.1647, F.S., relating to unclaimed tickets and breaks with respect to greyhound racing; defining the term "bona fide organization that promotes or encourages the adoption of greyhounds"; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to district school board duties relating to student discipline and school safety; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; amending requirements relating to codes of student conduct; deleting the notice requirement for possession of an electronic telephone pager while a student is on school property or attending a school function; providing for the possession of wireless communications devices; requiring notice of possible disciplinary action or criminal penalties if a wireless communications device is used in a criminal act;

providing for rules by the district school board; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to magistrates and masters; amending ss. 26.012, 27.06, 34.01, 48.20, 142.09, 316.635, 373.603, 381.0012, 450.121, 560.306, 633.14, 648.44, 817.482, 832.05, 876.42, 893.12, 901.01, 901.02, 901.07, 901.08, 901.09, 901.11, 901.12, 901.25, 902.15, 902.17, 902.20, 902.21, 903.03, 903.32, 903.34, 914.22, 923.01, 933.01, 933.06, 933.07, 933.10, 933.101, 933.13, 933.14, 939.02, 939.14, 941.13, 941.14, 941.15, 941.17, 941.18, 947.141, 948.06, 985.05, F.S., relating to various court procedures; redesignating "magistrates" as "trial court judges"; amending ss. 56.071, 56.29, 61.1826, 64.061, 65.061, 69.051, 70.51, 92.142, 112.41, 112.43, 112.47, 162.03, 162.06, 162.09, 173.09, 173.10, 173.11, 173.12, 194.013, 194.034, 194.035, 206.16, 207.016, 320.411, 393.11, 394.467, 397.311, 397.681, 447.207, 447.403, 447.405, 447.407, 447.409, 475.011, 489.127, 489.531, 496.420, 501.207, 501.618, 559.936, 582.23, 631.182, 631.331, 633.052, 744.369, 760.11, 837.011, 838.014, 839.17, 916.107, 938.30, 945.43, F.S., relating to various administrative and judicial proceedings; redesignating "masters" and "general or special masters" as "general or special magistrates"; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; and Senator Campbell—

CS for CS for SB 192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to magistrates and masters; amending ss. 26.012, 27.06, 29.004, 34.01, 48.20, 142.09, 316.635, 373.603, 381.0012, 450.121, 560.306, 633.14, 648.44, 817.482, 832.05, 876.42, 893.12, 901.01, 901.02, 901.07, 901.08, 901.09, 901.11, 901.12, 901.25, 902.15, 902.17, 902.20, 902.21, 903.03, 903.32, 903.34, 914.22, 923.01, 933.01, 933.06, 933.07, 933.10, 933.101, 933.13, 933.14, 939.02, 939.14, 941.13, 941.14, 941.15, 941.17, 941.18, 947.141, 948.06, 985.05, F.S., relating to various court procedures; redesignating "magistrates" as "trial court judges"; amending ss. 56.071, 56.29, 61.1826, 64.061, 65.061, 69.051, 70.51, 92.142, 112.41, 112.43, 112.47, 162.03, 162.06, 162.09, 173.09, 173.10, 173.11, 173.12, 194.013, 194.034, 194.035, 206.16, 207.016, 320.411, 393.11, 394.467, 397.311, 397.681, 447.207, 447.403, 447.405, 447.407, 447.409, 475.011, 489.127, 489.531, 496.420, 501.207, 501.618, 559.936, 582.23, 631.182, 631.331, 633.052, 744.369, 760.11, 837.011, 838.014, 839.17, 916.107, 938.30, 945.43, F.S., relating to various administrative and judicial proceedings; redesignating "masters" and "general or special masters" as "general or special magistrates"; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senators Clary, Dawson, Fasano, Posey and Bennett—

CS for SB 202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property tax exemptions; amending s. 196.012, F.S.; defining the term "ex-service member" for purposes of ch. 196, F.S.; amending s. 196.24, F.S.; revising the qualifications for the exemption; entitling the surviving spouse of a disabled ex-service member to an exemption from property taxation for the value of certain property under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

CS for SB 204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to burial rights; creating s. 497.310, F.S.; providing for the optional recording of evidence of burial rights; providing for the purpose of recordation; providing for recording fees; amending s. 497.003, F.S.; applying provisions relating to recording of burial rights to all cemeteries in this state; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senator Fasano—

CS for SB 206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Council on Deafness; creating the Florida Council on Deafness; providing for the appointment of members and the organization of the council; requiring the staff of the Department of Education to assist the council in its duties; providing the role, purpose, powers, duties, and responsibilities of the council; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senators Wasserman Schultz and Siplin—

CS for SB 210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 391.026, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to provide a 30-day grace period for late payment of premium relating to Children's Medical Services and to establish a waiting period for reinstatement of coverage upon cancellation for nonpayment of premium; amending s. 409.8132, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide a 30-day grace period for late payment of premiums for coverage under the Medikids program; revising the waiting period for reinstatement of coverage upon cancellation for nonpayment of premium; creating s. 409.8141, F.S.; providing that an uninsured parent, guardian, or relative caretaker of a child enrolled in the Florida Kidcare program is eligible for coverage under the program, subject to certain limitations; requiring separate premiums or cost-sharing requirements for the parent, guardian, or relative caretaker; providing that nonpayment of premiums or cost-sharing requirements for an adult is not grounds for disenrolling a child in that family from the program; providing for coverage of a parent, guardian, or relative caretaker whose income is above a specified level if the adult pays the full cost of the premium, including administrative costs; providing that the eligibility for coverage provided by the act is not an entitlement; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration and the board of directors of the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation to limit enrollment under the act; exempting the adults enrolled under the act from the enrollment limitations of the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 624.91, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide a 30-day grace period for late payment of premium and to establish a waiting period for reinstatement of coverage upon cancellation for nonpayment of premium; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to submit a plan amendment to the United States Department of Health and Human Services which would implement the employer-sponsored group health insurance plans specified in s. 409.813, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; and Senators Wasserman Schultz and Siplin—

CS for CS for SB 210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 391.026, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to provide a 1-month grace period for late payment of premium relating to Children's Medical Services and to establish a waiting period for reinstatement of coverage upon cancellation for nonpayment of premium; amending s. 409.8132, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide a 1-month grace period for late payment of premiums for coverage under the Medikids program; revising the waiting period for reinstatement of coverage upon cancellation for nonpayment of premium; creating s. 409.8141, F.S.; providing that an uninsured parent, guardian, or relative caretaker of a child enrolled in the Florida Kidcare program is eligible for coverage under the program, subject to certain limitations; providing that an uninsured parent, guardian, or relative caretaker who is eligible for the Medicaid program must receive health benefits coverage under the Medicaid program; providing that the uninsured parent, guardian, or relative caretaker shall receive the standard health care benefits package as established under s. 627.6699(12), F.S.; requiring separate premiums or cost-sharing requirements for the parent, guardian, or relative caretaker; providing that nonpayment of premiums or cost-sharing requirements for an adult is not grounds for disenrolling a child in that family from the program; providing for coverage of a parent, guardian, or relative caretaker whose income is above a specified level if the adult pays the full cost of the premium, including administrative costs; providing that the eligibility for coverage provided by the act is not an entitlement;

authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration and the board of directors of the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation to limit enrollment under the act; exempting the adults enrolled under the act from the enrollment limitations of the Florida Kidcare program; authorizing the agency to seek federal waivers; amending s. 624.91, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide a 1-month grace period for late payment of premium and to establish a waiting period for reinstatement of coverage upon cancellation for nonpayment of premium; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to submit a plan amendment to the United States Department of Health and Human Services which would implement the employer-sponsored group health insurance plans specified in s. 409.813, F.S.; authorizing the agency to seek federal waivers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Crist—

CS for SB 218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to crimes against minors; amending ss. 787.01 and 787.02, F.S.; revising the elements of the crimes of kidnapping a minor child and false imprisonment of a minor child; amending s. 787.025, F.S.; revising the elements of the crime of luring or enticing a minor child for an unlawful purpose; specifying an evidentiary fact that may be considered by the court in determining whether the defendant committed or attempted to commit such offense; increasing the penalty imposed for committing that offense; reenacting ss. 435.03(2)(j) and (k), 435.04(2)(k) and (l), 775.21(4), 903.133, and 910.14, F.S., relating to screening standards, the Florida Sexual Predators Act, bail on appeal, and kidnapping, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 787.01, 787.02, 787.025, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting and amending s. 921.0022(3)(f), (i), and (j), F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendments to s. 787.02, F.S., in references thereto; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 943.0435(1)(a), 943.0585, 943.059, 944.606(1)(b), 944.607(1)(a), 948.01(15), and 948.06(2)(a), F.S., relating to the registration of sexual offenders, expunction and court-ordered sealing of criminal history records, the definition of the term "sexual offender," and probation and community control, to incorporate the amendments to ss. 787.01, 787.02, 787.025, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Crist—

CS for SB 222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service of process; amending s. 48.031, F.S.; deleting the requirement to use certified mail in service of a subpoena on a witness in specified cases; prohibiting a finding of contempt for failure to appear in response to a subpoena that is not certified; allowing the posting of a criminal witness subpoena under specified conditions; requiring the placement of certain information on the copy of the process served; providing for alternative methods of service under certain circumstances; amending s. 48.081, F.S.; providing alternative methods of service on a corporation; amending s. 48.21, F.S.; requiring servers of process to provide certain information on the return of service; amending s. 48.29, F.S.; deleting the requirement that certified process servers provide certain information on the face of any process served; amending s. 83.13, F.S.; authorizing the party who had a distress writ issued to deliver the writ to a sheriff in another county; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Campbell and Fasano—

CS for SB 250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student loans; creating s. 43.201, F.S.; providing for a financial assistance program administered by the Justice Administrative Commission to provide assistance to qualified assistant state attorneys and assistant public defenders for the repayment of eligible student loans; defining the term "eligible student loan"; providing the elements of the program; providing for funding; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; and Senators Campbell and Fasano—

CS for CS for SB 250—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student loans; creating s. 43.201, F.S.; providing for a financial assistance program administered by the Justice Administrative Commission to provide assistance to qualified assistant state attorneys and assistant public defenders for the repayment of eligible student loans; defining the term "eligible student loan"; providing the elements of the program; providing for funding; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Senator Fasano—

CS for SB 262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tourism; amending s. 288.1223, F.S.; revising the membership of the Florida Commission on Tourism; amending s. 288.1226, F.S.; revising the membership of the board of directors of the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation, to conform; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Geller—

CS for SB 268—A bill to be entitled An act relating to planning for school growth; amending s. 163.3174, F.S.; revising the procedures for coordinating the efforts of local planning agencies and school districts toward planning for school growth; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Geller—

CS for SB 272—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bingo; providing a short title; amending s. 849.0931, F.S.; defining the terms "instant bingo" and "deal"; providing rules for the operation of instant bingo games; providing penalties; providing requirements for the manufacture and sale of instant bingo tickets; providing duties of the Department of the Lottery; reenacting ss. 718.114, 723.079(8), F.S., relating to condominiums and homeowners' associations, to incorporate the amendment to s. 849.0931, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Communication and Public Utilities; and Senator Aronberg—

CS for SB 284—A bill to be entitled An act relating to video voyeurism; creating s. 810.145, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting a person from secretly viewing, recording, or broadcasting images of another person for the purpose of entertainment, sexual arousal, profit, or abuse when that other person is in a location that provides a reasonable expectation of privacy; prohibiting a person from secretly filming, recording, or broadcasting images of another person under or through that other person's clothing for the purpose of viewing that other person's body or undergarments without consent of the person viewed; prohibiting a person from disseminating images when the person disseminating the images knows that the images were recorded in violation of law; prohibiting a person from selling images to another for consideration when the person selling the images knows that the images were recorded in violation of law; prohibiting a person from disseminating images that were recorded in violation of law to another person for that person to sell the images to others; providing for certain exceptions; providing criminal penalties; defining a previous conviction or adjudication of delinquency; amending s. 932.701, F.S.; defining the term "contraband article" to include any imaging equipment, format, or device used in violation of law; amending s. 932.7055, F.S.; requiring agencies seizing images of persons recorded in violation of law to destroy the images; providing that the seizing agency may not retain or sell the images; amending s. 932.707, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; reenacting ss. 705.101(6) and 932.703(4), F.S., relating to definitions of lost or abandoned property and the seizure of a vessel, motor vehicle, aircraft, other personal property, or real property in or on which a contraband article is located, to incorporate the amendment to s. 932.701, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 286—A bill to be entitled An act relating to agency reorganization; transferring the Division of Retirement and its powers, duties, functions, components, and assets from the Department of Management Services to the State Board of Administration; amending s. 110.205, F.S.; providing status of division personnel under the Career Service System; amending ss. 20.22, 20.28, 112.05, 112.3173, 112.363, 112.625, 112.63, 112.64, 112.658, 112.661, 112.665, 121.021, 121.025, 121.031, 121.051, 121.0511, 121.0515, 121.052, 121.055, 121.081, 121.085, 121.091, 121.095, 121.101, 121.111, 121.133, 121.135, 121.136, 121.1905, 121.192, 121.193, 121.22, 121.23, 121.24, 121.30, 121.35, 121.40, 121.45, 121.4501, 121.4503, 121.591, 121.5911, 121.72, 121.73, 121.74, 122.02, 122.03, 122.05, 122.06, 122.07, 122.08, 122.09, 122.10, 122.12, 122.13, 122.15, 122.16, 122.23, 122.30, 122.34, 122.351, 175.032, 175.121, 175.1215, 175.341, 185.02, 185.10, 185.105, 185.23, 215.20, 215.28, 215.44, 215.50, 215.52, 238.01, 238.02, 238.03, 238.05, 238.07, 238.08, 238.09, 238.10, 238.11, 238.12, 238.14, 238.15, 238.171, 238.181, 238.32, 650.02, 650.06, F.S., to conform to such transfer; providing duties of the Department of Financial Services with respect to issuing benefit payments under retirement plans; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 312—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the provision of health care services; specifying conditions under which a health care provider must be permitted to participate as a service provider under a health plan offered by a managed care organization; defining the term "managed care organization"; requiring that a health care provider be reimbursed for providing services under specified conditions; providing for civil penalties; amending s. 627.419, F.S.; providing for construction of policies; providing for application; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse treatment and intervention; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; providing additional legislative findings and purposes with respect to the treatment of substance abuse; authorizing the court to require certain persons to undergo treatment following adjudication; amending ss. 39.402 and 39.407, F.S.; authorizing the court to order specified persons to submit to a substance abuse assessment upon a showing of good cause in connection with a shelter hearing or petition for dependency; authorizing sanctions for noncompliance; amending ss. 39.507 and 39.521, F.S.; authorizing the court to order specified persons to submit to a substance abuse assessment as part of an adjudicatory order or pursuant to a disposition hearing; requiring a showing of good cause; authorizing the court to require participation in a treatment-based drug court program; authorizing the court to impose sanctions for noncompliance; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; authorizing the court to extend the time for completing a case plan during judicial review, based upon participation in a treatment-based drug court program; amending s. 397.334, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to treatment-based drug court programs to reflect participation by community support agencies, the Department of Education, and other individuals; including postadjudicatory programs as part of treatment-based drug court programs; requiring each judicial circuit to establish a position for a coordinator of the treatment-based drug court program; requiring the chief judge of each judicial circuit to appoint an advisory committee for the treatment-based drug court program; providing for membership of the committee; revising provisions with respect to an annual report; amending s. 910.035, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to conditions for the transfer of a case in the drug court treatment program to a county other than that in which the charge arose; amending s. 948.08, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in pretrial intervention programs; authorizing the court to refer certain defendants who are assessed with a substance abuse problem to a pretrial intervention program with the approval of the state attorney; deleting provisions authorizing advisory committees for the district pretrial intervention programs; amending s. 985.306, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in delinquency pretrial intervention programs; authorizing the court to refer certain juveniles who are assessed as having a substance abuse problem to a substance abuse education and treatment intervention program; deleting provisions authorizing advisory committees for the district delinquency pretrial intervention program; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 322—A bill to be entitled An act relating to protective injunctions; providing a short title; amending s. 784.046, F.S.; deleting the definition of the term "repeat violence" for purposes of protective injunctions; providing for an injunction for protection in cases of violence rather than in cases of repeat violence; providing requirements for a petition for protection against violence; redesignating the Domestic, Dating, and Repeat Violence Injunction Statewide Verification System in the Department of Law Enforcement as the "Violence Injunction Statewide Verification System"; providing for service of process and enforcement of an injunction for protection against violence; amending s. 784.047, F.S.; providing that it is a first-degree misdemeanor to violate an injunction for protection against violence; amending ss. 61.1825, 741.2901, and 741.30, F.S., relating to the State Case Registry and domestic violence; providing for the award of attorney's fees, costs, and certain other expenses in specified circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 784.048, F.S.; revising the elements of the offense of aggravated stalking to prohibit certain acts following an injunction for protection against violence rather than following an injunction for protection against repeat violence; amending ss. 790.06 and 790.065, F.S., relating to a license to carry a concealed weapon or firearm and the sale and delivery of firearms; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 901.15, F.S.; authorizing arrest without a warrant when an officer has probable cause to believe that a person has knowingly committed an act of violence in violation of an injunction for protection from violence; amending s. 943.05, F.S., relating to the Criminal Justice Information Program; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting ss. 775.084(1)(d) and 921.0022(3)(g), F.S., relating to violent career criminals and the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, to incorporate the amendment to s. 784.048, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the community contribution tax credit; amending ss. 212.08, 220.03, 220.183, and 624.5105, F.S.; deleting provisions providing for the tax credit to expire on June 30, 2005; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 344—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the regulation of massage therapy; amending s. 480.034, F.S.; exempting certain settings where massage therapy is rendered from the licensure and inspection requirements for massage establishments; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Peaden—

CS for SB 348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements; providing for the confidentiality of personal identifying information contained in records for United States attorneys, assistant United States attorneys, judges of the United States Courts of Appeal, United States district judges, United States magistrate judges, and their spouses and children; providing for future repeal and legislative review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; and Senator Peaden—

CS for CS for SB 348—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements; providing for the confidentiality of personal identifying information contained in records for United States attorneys, assistant United States attorneys, judges of the United States Courts of Appeal, United States district judges, United States magistrate judges, and their spouses and children; providing for future repeal and legislative review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Constantine—

CS for SB 354—A bill to be entitled An act relating to middle schools; creating s. 1003.415, F.S., the "Middle Grades Reform Act"; providing definitions; prescribing program criteria and content; providing a timeline for implementation; requiring an academic performance study; providing for individual student plans; authorizing the State Board of Education to adopt rules; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; requiring additions to improvement plans for certain schools; amending s. 1008.25, F.S.; providing for additions to academic improvement plans; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; adding performance criteria to the assessment process for instructional personnel; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Constantine—

CS for SB 362—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring the charter of a charter school to contain information concerning the salary or salary range of each position in the charter school and an explanation of the method used in determining the salaries or salary ranges; prohibiting a charter school administrative employee's salary and benefits from exceeding the maximum salary and benefits adopted for an equivalent position in the district school system by the district school board in whose district the charter school is located; providing that the local district school board shall determine the equivalent position; requiring the charter of a charter school to contain information concerning the employment of certain relatives at the charter school; defining relative; requiring the charter school to report salary and benefit levels of each charter school employee; providing for prospective application; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Constantine—

CS for SB 364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to options for accelerated high school graduation; amending s. 1003.429, F.S.; amending requirements applicable to the selection of such an accelerated option; amending required courses for the 3-year standard college preparatory program; deleting provisions authorizing a student to select a 3-year standard career preparatory program; revising requirements for grades that must be earned to participate in the accelerated program; providing for default to the standard graduation requirements in certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

CS for SB 366—A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential property insurance; amending s. 627.4133, F.S.; increasing the time period when an insurer must give notice before nonrenewing, canceling, or terminating a residential property insurance policy; providing an effective date;

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Constantine—

CS for SB 368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to environmental health; creating s. 381.0069, F.S.; providing for the regulation of portable restroom contracting; providing definitions; requiring a portable restroom contractor to apply for registration with the Department of Health; providing requirements for registration, including an examination; providing for administration; providing rulemaking authority; providing for renewal of registration, including continuing education; providing for certification of partnerships and corporations; providing grounds for suspension or revocation of registration; providing fees; providing penalties and prohibitions; amending s. 381.0061, F.S.; authorizing imposition of an administrative fine for violation of portable restroom contracting requirements; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; specifying the department's powers and duties with respect to the regulation of portable restroom facilities and the companies that provide and service them; authorizing the department to enter the business premises of any portable restroom contractor for compliance determination and enforcement; authorizing issuance of a citation for violation of portable restroom contracting requirements which may contain an order of correction or a fine; amending s. 381.0066, F.S.; authorizing the continuation of permit fees for system construction permits for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Constantine—

CS for CS for SB 368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to environmental health; creating s. 381.0069, F.S.; providing for the regulation of portable restroom contracting; providing definitions; requiring a portable restroom contractor to apply for registration with the Department of Health; providing requirements for registration, including an examination; providing for administration; providing rulemaking authority; providing for renewal of registration, including continuing education; providing for certification of partnerships and corporations; providing grounds for suspension or revocation of registration; providing fees; providing penalties and prohibitions; amending s. 381.0061, F.S.; authorizing imposition of an administrative fine for violation of portable restroom contracting requirements; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; specifying the department's powers and duties with respect to the regulation of portable restroom facilities and the companies that provide and service them; authorizing the department to enter the business premises of any portable restroom contractor for compliance determination and enforcement; authorizing issuance of a citation for violation of portable restroom contracting requirements which may contain an order of correction or a fine; amending s. 381.0066, F.S.; authorizing the continuation of permit fees for system construction permits for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Carlton—

CS for SB 402—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency lights on vehicles; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; requiring wreckers to display amber rotating or flashing lights in certain situations; amending s. 316.126, F.S.; requiring drivers who are approaching a wrecker performing a recovery or loading on the roadside to take certain precautions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 410—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements to include building plans, blueprints, schematic drawings, and diagrams held by a public agency and relating to specified facilities, developments, and structures; providing exceptions; providing for legislative review and repeal; providing definitions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

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

CS for SB 420—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial motor vehicles; creating s. 316.570, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring a minimum amount of insurance coverage for persons engaged in retrofitting, rebuilding, or modifying commercial trucks, truck tractors, or

heavy trucks into dump trucks; providing safety standards; providing penalties; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 428—A bill to be entitled An act relating to independent living transition services; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Children and Family Services, its agent, or certain community-based providers to administer a system of independent living services; requiring each district of the Department of Children and Family Services to identify adolescent foster children with developmental disabilities or special mental health needs and assist such youth in the transition to self-sufficiency; revising eligibility requirements for independent living transition services, participation in the Road-to-Independence Scholarship Program, and transitional support services; authorizing Medicaid coverage for youth who are eligible for transitional support services; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Margolis—

CS for SB 432—A bill to be entitled An act relating to notaries public; amending s. 117.01, F.S.; specifying the duty of the Executive Office of the Governor to notify notaries public of changes in notary fees and duties under the law; amending s. 117.05, F.S.; requiring notaries to provide services without charge for certain persons; creating s. 117.055, F.S.; requiring notaries to maintain a journal and record notarial acts; providing journal requirements; providing that a violation of s. 117.055, F.S., may result in sanctions against the notary public, but shall not invalidate the notarial act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Margolis—

CS for SB 446—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of products containing ephedrine; amending s. 499.033, F.S.; prohibiting the sale or delivery of products containing ephedrine over the counter without a prescription, subject to certain exceptions; repealing s. 501.0583, F.S., relating to selling, delivering, bartering, furnishing, or giving weight-loss pills to persons under age 18; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Margolis and Wasserman Schultz—

CS for CS for SB 446—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of products containing ephedra and other dietary supplement ingredients; amending s. 499.033, F.S.; prohibiting the sale or delivery of products containing ephedra over the counter without a prescription, subject to certain exceptions; creating the Weight Loss and Athletic Performance Dietary Supplement Review Committee; providing duties and membership requirements; providing for administrative support; requiring a report to the Legislature; repealing s. 501.0583, F.S., relating to selling, delivering, bartering, furnishing, or giving weight-loss pills to persons under age 18; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Margolis—

CS for SB 448—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elder abuse and neglect; amending s. 415.104, F.S.; requiring that a protective investigator from the Department of Children and Family Services request an assessment of a vulnerable adult who is an alleged victim of abuse, neglect, or exploitation if there is suspicion of a lack of capacity to consent; amending s. 825.102, F.S.; increasing the penalty for committing aggravated abuse of an elderly person or disabled adult from a second-degree felony to a first-degree felony; directing that a workgroup be established to evaluate the curriculum for training law enforcement officers in identifying abuse and neglect of the elderly; prescribing membership and duties of the workgroup; requiring a report to the Legislature; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

CS for SB 464—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 395.3025, F.S.; revising a public-records exemption for specified information concerning certain employees of hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and mobile surgical facilities; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions that provide for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

CS for CS for SB 464—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 395.3025, F.S.; revising a public-records exemption for specified information concerning certain employees of hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and mobile surgical facilities; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions that provide for the repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

CS for SB 466—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 744.7081, F.S., relating to a public-records exemption for certain records held by the Statewide Public Guardianship Office; saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; deleting provisions providing for a repeal of the exemption; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 476—A bill to be entitled An act relating to respiratory therapy; amending s. 468.352, F.S.; revising and providing definitions applicable to the regulation of respiratory therapy; amending s. 468.355, F.S.; revising provisions relating to respiratory therapy licensure and testing requirements; amending s. 468.368, F.S.; revising exemptions from respiratory therapy licensure requirements; repealing s. 468.356, F.S., relating to the approval of educational programs; repealing s. 468.357, F.S., relating to licensure by examination; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Margolis—

CS for SB 478—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the sale of homestead property; creating s. 689.261, F.S.; requiring a seller to give notice to the prospective purchaser of homestead property concerning ad valorem taxes on the property; specifying the form of notice; providing for the right of the purchaser to void the contract for sale under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Natural Resources; and Senator Lawson—

CS for SJR 488—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 9 of Article VII of the State Constitution, relating to ad valorem taxes for water management purposes, to standardize the maximum millage rate for the entire state.

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Carlton and Fasano—

CS for SB 492—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certified geriatric specialty nursing; providing a short title; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to establish a pilot program for delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education; specifying eligibility requirements for certified nursing assistants to obtain certified geriatric specialty nursing education; specifying requirements for the education of certified nursing assistants to prepare for certification as a certified geriatric specialist; creating a Certified Geriatric Specialty Nursing Initiative Steering Committee; providing for the composition of and manner of appointment to the Certified Geriatric Specialty Nursing Initiative Steering Committee; providing responsibilities of the steering committee; providing for reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to conduct or contract for an evaluation of the pilot program for delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education; requiring the evaluation to include recommendations regarding the expansion of the delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education in nursing homes; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to report to the Governor and Legislature regarding the status and evaluation of the pilot program; creating s. 464.0125, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for persons to become certified geriatric specialists; specifying fees; providing for articulation of geriatric specialty nursing coursework and practical nursing coursework; providing practice standards and grounds for which certified geriatric specialists may be subject to discipline by the Board of Nursing; creating restrictions on the use of professional nursing titles; prohibiting the use of certain professional titles; providing penalties; authorizing approved nursing programs to provide education for the preparation of certified geriatric specialists without further board approval; authorizing certified geriatric specialists to supervise the activities of others in nursing home facilities according to rules by the Board of Nursing; revising terminology relating to nursing to conform to the certification of geriatric specialists; amending s. 381.00315, F.S.; revising requirements for the reactivation of the licenses of specified health care practitioners in the event of a public health emergency to include certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 400.021, F.S.; including services provided by a certified geriatric specialist within the definition of nursing service; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; revising requirements for persons employed as nursing assistants to conform to the certification of certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; specifying that certified geriatric specialists shall be considered licensed nursing staff; authorizing licensed practical nurses to supervise the activities of certified geriatric specialists in nursing home facilities according to rules adopted by the Board of Nursing; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; revising the methodology for reimbursement of Medicaid program providers to include services of certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 458.303, F.S.; revising exceptions to the practice of medicine to include services delegated to a certified geriatric specialist under specified circumstances; amending s. 1009.65, F.S.; revising eligibility for the Medical Education Reimbursement and Loan Repayment Program to include certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 1009.66, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Program to include certified geriatric specialists; providing an appropriation; amending s. 464.201, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 464.202, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Nursing to adopt rules regarding the practice and supervision of certified nursing assistants; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 494—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building safety; amending s. 399.106, F.S.; revising the membership of the Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; removing provisions terminating the committee; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; providing code-amendment review requirements; amending s. 553.74, F.S.; revising the appointment of members to the Florida Building Commission; providing requirements relating to regional emergency elevator access; requiring elevators in certain newly constructed or substantially renovated buildings to be keyed alike within each of the state emergency response regions; providing for these requirements to be phased in for certain existing buildings; restricting the duplication and issuance of master elevator keys; requiring the labeling of master elevator keys; allowing local fire marshals to allow substitute emergency measures for elevator access in certain circumstances; providing for appeal of the local fire marshal's decision; providing for the State Fire Marshal to enforce these provisions; encouraging builders to use applicable new technology to provide regional emergency elevator access; providing an exemption; amending s. 553.77, F.S.; revising duties of the Florida Building Commission; deleting requirements that the commission hear certain appeals and issue declaratory statements; creating s. 553.775, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to the interpretation of the Florida Building Code; providing for the commission to resolve disputes regarding interpretations of the code; requiring the commission to review decisions of local building officials and local enforcement agencies; providing for publication of an interpretation on the Building Code Information System and in the Florida Administrative Weekly; amending s. 553.79, F.S.; exempting truss-placement plans from certain requirements; amending s. 553.791, F.S.; providing conditions for use of private plans review and inspection; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; authorizing local governments to impose certain fees for code enforcement; providing requirements and limitations; requiring the commission to expedite adoption and implementation of the existing state building code as part of the Florida Building Code pursuant to limited procedures; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Building Commission to conduct proceedings to review decisions of local officials; creating the Florida Construction Council as a nonprofit corporation; requiring the council to provide administrative, technical, and code-development services to the Florida Building Commission; providing for staff for the council to be provided by Florida State University; providing for a board of directors; providing terms of office; providing requirements for operations; providing rulemaking authority; amending s. 553.841, F.S.; revising the Building Code Training Program; amending s. 553.842, F.S.; adding an evaluation entity to the list of entities specifically approved by the commission; amending s. 633.171, F.S.; establishing penalties for unauthorized use of fireworks and pyrotechnic devices; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 496—A bill to be entitled An act relating to family child care homes; amending ss. 125.0109 and 166.0445, F.S.; redesignating family day care homes as family child care homes; deleting provisions relating to the regulation of registered family child care homes under local zoning regulations; conforming provisions to the licensure statute; amending s. 402.27, F.S.; requiring licensed family child care homes and large family child care homes to provide specified information to resource and referral agencies; amending 402.302, F.S.; defining the term "family child care home"; amending s. 402.3051, F.S.; deleting references to registered family child care homes; conforming provisions to the licensure statute; amending s. 402.306, F.S.; requiring the department and local licensing agencies to provide information on large family child care homes; deleting reference to registered family care homes; conforming provisions to the licensure statute; amending s. 402.312, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the registration of family child care homes; amending s. 402.313, F.S.; requiring all family child care homes to be licensed; deleting provisions relating to registration of family child care homes; deleting provisions relating to voluntary licensing of family child care homes; requiring registered family child care homes to obtain a license by a specified date; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to adopt rules for minimum licensing standards; amending ss. 409.1671 and 627.70161, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to registered family child care homes; conforming section to licensure statute; reenacting s. 400.953(3), F.S., relating to proof of compliance with background screening requirements, to incorporate the amendment to s. 402.313, F.S., in references thereto; providing that the act will not take effect unless a specified number of positions are funded for licensing family child care homes; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 498—A bill to be entitled An act relating to supervised visitation programs for children; repealing ss. 753.001, 753.002, 753.004, F.S., relating to the Florida Family Visitation Network; creating ss. 753.01, 753.02, 753.03, 753.04, 753.05, 753.06, 753.07, 753.08, 753.09, and 753.10, F.S.; providing legislative intent with respect to administering supervised visitation programs; defining terms for supervised visitation and supervised exchange services; providing for the development of standards for supervised visitation and supervised exchange services; requiring compliance with interim minimum standards; providing for security of supervised visitation programs; providing

for the use of funds generated from an additional fee on requests for a certification of birth to be used by supervised visitation programs to meet security standards; requiring the Clearinghouse on Supervised Visitation to develop training materials; providing for the clearinghouse to fully implement and maintain a mechanism for data collection; encouraging supervised visitation programs to develop partnerships with community organizations; providing for the clearinghouse to develop standards for supervised visitation and supervised exchange services; providing for an advisory board; requiring reports to the Legislature; amending s. 943.135, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission to allow agencies employing law enforcement officers to authorize volunteer service as a means of fulfilling requirements for continuing education; creating s. 943.254, F.S.; authorizing law enforcement agencies to administer a volunteer program for officers to provide security services during off-duty hours for certain community programs; amending s. 382.0255, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to charge an additional fee for requests for a certification of birth issued by the department; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 500—A bill to be entitled An act relating to traffic control; amending s. 316.1945, F.S.; prohibits stopping a vehicle in a school safety zone during school hours, except in a designated loading or unloading area; permitting parking in school safety zones; providing a definition of school hours; providing a definition of school safety zone; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Cowin—

CS for SB 506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic counselors; creating part XV of ch. 468, F.S., the "Genetic Counseling Practice Act"; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose and intent; providing definitions; requiring licensure to practice genetic counseling; providing exemptions; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors and providing for appointment and staggering of terms of its members; requiring the board to adopt rules; providing licensure requirements; providing for biennial renewal of licensure; providing for continuing education; providing fees; prohibiting certain acts; providing penalties; providing grounds for disciplinary action; providing for denial of licensure or imposition of other disciplinary actions authorized by law; amending s. 20.43, F.S.; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance in the Department of Health; amending s. 456.001, F.S.; redefining the term "health care practitioner" to include persons licensed under part XV of chapter 468, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Cowin—

CS for CS for SB 506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic counselors; creating part XV of ch. 468, F.S., the "Genetic Counseling Practice Act"; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose and intent; providing definitions; requiring licensure to practice genetic counseling; providing exemptions; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors and providing for appointment and staggering of terms of its members; requiring the board to adopt rules; providing licensure requirements; providing for biennial renewal of licensure; providing for continuing education; providing fees; prohibiting certain acts; providing penalties; providing grounds for disciplinary action; providing for denial of licensure or imposition of other disciplinary actions authorized by law; amending s. 20.43, F.S.; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance in the Department of Health; amending s. 456.001, F.S.; redefining the term "health care practitioner" to include persons licensed under part XV of chapter 468, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Cowin—

CS for CS for CS for SB 506—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic counselors; creating part XV of ch. 468, F.S., the "Genetic Counseling Practice Act"; providing a short title; providing legislative purpose and intent; providing definitions; requiring licensure to practice genetic counseling; providing exemptions; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors and providing for appointment and staggering of terms of its members; requiring the board to adopt rules; providing licensure requirements; providing for biennial renewal of licensure; providing for continuing education; providing fees; prohibiting certain acts; providing penalties; providing grounds for disciplinary action; providing for denial of licensure or imposition of other disciplinary actions authorized by law; amending s. 20.43, F.S.; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance in the Department of Health; amending s. 456.001, F.S.; redefining the term "health care practitioner" to include persons licensed under part XV of chapter 468, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 510—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facilities; amending s. 402.3055, F.S.; requiring an applicant, owner, or operator of a child care facility to sign an affidavit attesting to the accuracy of certain information; authorizing the Department of Children and Family Services to apply certain requirements for personnel in child care facilities to personnel in family day care homes and large family child care homes; amending s. 402.308, F.S.; requiring family day care homes that are required to be licensed and large family child care homes to have a license that is renewed annually; authorizing the Department of Children and Family Services to apply the specified procedures for administering a license to family day care homes and large family child care homes; amending s. 402.309, F.S.; authorizing the local licensing agency or the Department of Children and Family Services to issue a provisional license or registration to a child care facility, family day care home, or large family child care home; providing that a provisional license or registration may not be issued unless child care personnel are screened according to law; requiring the department to adopt rules for issuing, suspending, and revoking provisional licenses and registrations; amending s. 402.310, F.S.; providing that an increased administrative fine may be imposed in addition to or in lieu of other disciplinary actions; authorizing the department or local licensing agencies to convert a license or registration to probation status for violation of certain laws and rules; authorizing the department or local licensing agencies to apply disciplinary actions to registered family day care homes; directing the department to adopt rules establishing grounds for imposing disciplinary actions for violations of certain laws and rules; directing the department to adopt rules to create a uniform system of procedures to use for disciplinary actions; creating s. 402.3105, F.S.; requiring the department to establish a database of information concerning violations, citations, and penalties imposed against child care facilities, family day care homes, and large family child care homes licensed by or registered with the department and local licensing agencies; requiring the department to consult with the State Technology Office; specifying database capabilities and the uses of information contained therein; providing that implementation is not contingent upon an appropriation; repealing ss. 402.313(1)(b) and 402.3131(1)(a), F.S.; abolishing the authority of the department or local licensing agency to impose an administrative fine for a family care home or a large family child care home; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 512—A bill to be entitled An act relating to independent living transition services; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; authorizing community-based providers to administer the independent living transition services; deleting references to children in foster care; adding references to children in the legal custody of the Department of Children and Family Services; defining children in the legal custody of the department to include children in the legal custody of a lead community-based provider; revising provisions governing a young adult's preparation for independent living; providing for the department to conduct an

independent-living assessment and inform the child of the Road-to-Independence Scholarship Program; revising the scholarship award amount; creating a high school scholarship award and a postsecondary education award; providing the amounts for each award; establishing eligibility criteria for each award; providing requirements for the needs assessment for a postsecondary education scholarship; providing strategies if sufficient program funds are not available; providing for enrollment periods; expanding the eligibility requirements for renewal awards; limiting the transitional support services that young adults receiving a scholarship may receive; requiring each district or lead community-based provider to submit an annual plan for meeting the agency's specified obligations; abolishing the Independent Living Services Workgroup; creating the Independent Living Services Advisory Group to review and evaluate the operation of the department's independent living transition services; providing for the activities of the Independent Living Services Advisory Group; requiring the Independent Living Services Advisory Group to report to the Senate and the House of Representatives; providing for membership on the advisory group; eliminating the department's rulemaking authority to proportionally reduce the scholarship awards; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; requiring that information from the independent-living assessment be provided to the courts; requiring the court to attempt to determine the child's preparation for independence; amending s. 1009.25, F.S.; revising requirements specifying the students who are exempt from paying tuition and fees; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Crist—

CS for SB 532—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Good Samaritan Act; amending s. 768.13, F.S.; including certain persons who participate in emergency response activities under the direction of or in connection with the Division of Emergency Management of the Department of Community Affairs or the Federal Emergency Management Agency within the act for purposes of immunity from civil liability under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 546—A bill to be entitled An act relating to district school taxation; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; authorizing certain expenditures from district school tax revenues to pay insurance premiums; providing limitations; providing for legislative review; amending s. 200.065, F.S., relating to the method of fixing millage, to conform; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 562—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electrical and alarm system contracting; amending s. 489.517, F.S.; requiring certificateholders and registrants to have continuing education in preventing false alarms; amending s. 489.518, F.S.; revising qualifications for burglar alarm system agents; requiring an additional criminal background check; removing an exemption from training requirements for persons who only perform sales; authorizing employment as an alarm system agent or burglar alarm system agent under supervision for a specified period, pending completion of training and the criminal background check; providing the format, the validity period, and renewal requirements for burglar alarm system agent identification cards; requiring an updated criminal background check of each burglar alarm system agent who renews certification; providing continuing education requirements for burglar alarm system agents; amending s. 489.5185, F.S.; revising qualifications for fire alarm system agents; requiring an additional criminal background check; requiring an updated criminal background check of each fire alarm system agent who renews certification; requiring fire alarm system agents to have continuing education in preventing false alarms; amending s. 489.529, F.S.; requiring a second alarm-verification call if the first call is unanswered; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senators Fasano, Lynn and Argenziano—

CS for SB 576—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal offenses; providing a short title; creating s. 775.0847, F.S.; providing for the reclassification of felonies committed against the elderly or disabled; amending s. 784.08, F.S.; providing for the reclassification of misdemeanors committed against persons 65 years of age or older; amending s. 812.0145, F.S.; providing for a mandatory term of imprisonment for certain thefts against persons 65 years of age or older; amending s. 825.103, F.S.; providing for a mandatory term of imprisonment for certain acts of exploitation against an elderly person or disabled adult; amending ss. 775.0877 and 921.0022, F.S., relating to orders for HIV testing for certain offenses and the sentencing guidelines; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Fasano—

CS for SB 580—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substances; creating s. 831.311, F.S.; prohibiting the sale, manufacture, alteration, delivery, uttering, or possession of counterfeit-resistant prescription blanks for controlled substances; providing penalties; amending s. 893.04, F.S.; providing additional requirements for the dispensing of a controlled substance listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV; providing rulemaking authority to the Board of Pharmacy; creating s. 893.055, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to establish an electronic system to monitor the prescribing of controlled substances listed in Schedules II, III, and IV; requiring the dispensing of such controlled substances to be reported through the system; providing exceptions; providing reporting requirements; providing penalties; requiring the department and regulatory boards to adopt rules; requiring the department to cover all costs for the system; providing for an appropriation, subject to availability of funds; providing that a certain trust fund may not be used to fund the program; creating s. 893.065, F.S.; requiring the department to develop and adopt by rule the form and content for a counterfeit-proof prescription blank for voluntary use by physicians to prescribe a controlled substance listed in Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV; providing an appropriation and authorizing positions; providing contingent applicability of penalties; providing contingent effective dates.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Bullard—

CS for SB 590—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Good Samaritan Act; amending s. 768.13, F.S.; providing immunity from civil liability for a person who participates in the emergency response activities of a community emergency response team if that person acts prudently and within the scope of his or her training; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Finance and Taxation; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on gross receipts for utility and communications services; providing an amnesty for unpaid gross receipts tax, penalties, and interest on unpaid gross receipts tax otherwise due for the sale or transportation of natural gas in this state; providing conditions for the amnesty; providing limitations for the amnesty; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules to implement the amnesty; amending s. 203.01, F.S.; revising the tax on electricity used for light, heat, or power; providing for a tax on the gross receipts of an electric distribution company providing delivery of electricity to a retail consumer, based on an index price; providing for an annual calculation of the index price; proving a credit for similar taxes paid to another jurisdiction; providing for a tax on the cost price of electricity to be paid by any person who causes these products to be imported into the state for that person's own use; revising obsolete provisions; providing that the tax does not apply to the sale or transportation of natural gas or manufactured gas to a public or private utility for resale or for use as a fuel in the generation of electricity; amending s. 203.012, F.S.; defining the term "distribution

company"; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules to implement the act; providing effective dates.

By the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; and Senator Campbell—

CS for CS for SB 594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on gross receipts for utility and communications services; providing an amnesty for unpaid gross receipts tax, penalties, and interest on unpaid gross receipts tax otherwise due for the sale or transportation of natural gas in this state; providing conditions for the amnesty; providing limitations for the amnesty; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules to implement the amnesty; amending s. 203.01, F.S.; revising the tax on electricity used for light, heat, or power; providing for a tax on the gross receipts of an electric distribution company providing delivery of electricity to a retail consumer, based on an index price; providing for an annual calculation of the index price; proving a credit for similar taxes paid to another jurisdiction; providing for a tax on the cost price of electricity to be paid by any person who causes these products to be imported into the state for that person's own use; revising obsolete provisions; providing that the tax does not apply to the sale or transportation of natural gas or manufactured gas to a public or private utility for resale or for use as a fuel in the generation of electricity; amending s. 203.012, F.S.; defining the term "distribution company"; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules to implement the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Senators Fasano, Webster and Cowin—

CS for SB 612—A bill to be entitled An act relating to display of flags in the public school system; amending s. 1000.06, F.S.; requiring that the flag of the United States be displayed in each classroom; providing for the purchase or donation of such flags; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senator Constantine—

CS for SB 616—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the State Retirement Commission; amending s. 121.22, F.S.; increasing the size of the commission from three to five members; amending s. 121.24, F.S.; revising the quorum requirements of the commission; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Ethics and Elections; and Senator Cowin—

CS for SB 618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to early voting; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; requiring supervisors of elections to allow electors to vote early; providing requirements for the location and number of early voting facilities; specifying the period and hours of operation; requiring supervisors of elections to provide notice of early voting; requiring the Department of State to adopt rules; providing a penalty for failure to provide for early voting; amending s. 101.5612, F.S.; modifying the timeframe for testing voting equipment; amending s. 101.5613, F.S.; providing for periodic examination of equipment during early voting; creating s. 101.659, F.S.; providing for a voter to cast an in-person absentee ballot as formerly provided under s. 101.657, F.S., to conform; amending s. 101.62, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; authorizing the Department of State to adopt emergency rules for the 2004 election cycle; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Ethics and Elections; and Senator Cowin—

CS for CS for SB 618—A bill to be entitled An act relating to early voting; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; requiring supervisors of elections to allow electors to vote early; providing requirements for the location and number of early voting facilities; specifying the period and hours of operation; requiring supervisors of elections to provide notice of early voting; requiring the Department of State to adopt rules; providing a penalty for failure to provide for early voting; amending s. 101.5612, F.S.; modifying the timeframe for testing voting equipment; amending s. 101.5613, F.S.; providing for periodic examination of equipment during early voting; creating s. 101.659, F.S.; providing for a voter to cast an in-person absentee ballot as formerly provided under s. 101.657, F.S., to conform; amending s. 101.62, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; authorizing the Department of State to adopt emergency rules for the 2004 election cycle; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Miller and Bullard—

CS for SB 624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to building designations at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University; designating the School of Business and Industry building at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the "Sybil Collins Mobley Building"; designating the School of Journalism and Graphic Communication building at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the "Thelma Thurston Gorham Building"; authorizing the university to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Fasano, Peaden, Klein and Jones—

CS for SB 626—A bill to be entitled An act relating to anesthesiologist assistants; amending s. 456.048, F.S.; requiring the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine to require medical malpractice insurance or proof of financial responsibility as a condition of licensure or licensure renewal for licensed anesthesiologist assistants; amending ss. 458.331, 459.015, F.S.; revising grounds for which a physician may be disciplined for failing to provide adequate supervision; creating ss. 458.3475, 459.023, F.S.; providing definitions; providing performance standards for anesthesiologist assistants and supervising anesthesiologists; providing for the approval of training programs and for services authorized to be performed by trainees; providing licensing procedures; providing for fees; providing for additional membership, powers, and duties of the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine; providing penalties; providing for disciplinary actions; providing for the adoption of rules; prescribing liability; providing for the allocation of fees; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Miller—

CS for SB 636—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire hydrants; requiring owners of private fire hydrants to test hydrants in accordance with national standards, and to contract with licensed professionals or local fire-control authorities to inspect and service such hydrants; authorizing local fire officials to contract with owners of private fire hydrants to maintain such hydrants; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Miller—

CS for SB 640—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult entertainment establishments; amending s. 847.0134, F.S.; revising the prohibition against locating an adult entertainment establishment within a specified distance from a school; requiring that such establishment be approved by the county or municipality and the district school board; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senators Fasano, Pruitt, Webster, Smith and Haridopolos—

CS for SB 654—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firefighter and municipal police pensions; creating s. 175.1015, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to create and maintain a database for use by insurers that report and remit an excise tax on property insurance premiums; providing insurers with incentives for using the database;

providing penalties for failure to use the database; requiring local governments to provide information to the department; appropriating funds to the department for the administration of the database; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 185.085, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Revenue to create and maintain a database for use by insurers that report and remit an excise tax on casualty insurers premiums; providing incentives to insurers for using the database and penalties for failure to use the database; requiring local governments to provide information to the department; appropriating funds to the department for the administration of the database; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing for distribution of tax revenues through 2007; amending s. 175.351, F.S.; defining the term "extra benefits" with respect to pension plans for firefighters; amending s. 185.35, F.S.; providing for the meaning of the term "extra benefits" with respect to pension plans for municipal police officers; amending s. 175.061, F.S.; authorizing the plan administrator to withhold certain funds; amending s. 185.05, F.S.; authorizing the plan administrator to withhold certain funds; providing an appropriation to the Department of Revenue; providing that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senators Constantine and Smith—

CS for SB's 672 and 680—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency elevator access; providing requirements relating to regional emergency elevator access; requiring elevators in newly constructed or certain substantially renovated buildings to be keyed alike within each of the state emergency response regions; providing for these requirements to be phased in for certain existing buildings; restricting the duplication and issuance of master elevator keys; requiring the labeling of master elevator keys; allowing local fire marshals to allow substitute emergency measures for elevator access in certain circumstances; providing for appeal of the local fire marshal's decision; providing for the State Fire Marshal to enforce the act; encouraging builders to use applicable new technology to provide regional emergency elevator access; providing an exemption for certain buildings; creating s. 399.1061, F.S.; reestablishing the Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee within the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, notwithstanding abolishment of the committee pursuant to law; providing for the membership of the committee; requiring the committee to provide technical assistance to the division; providing for terms of office and for payment of per diem and travel expenses; providing for members of the committee whose terms expired on December 31, 2003, but who have not completed a 4-year term, to continue to hold office until completion of a 4-year term; repealing s. 399.106, F.S., relating to the former Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; providing effective dates.

By the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; and Senators Constantine and Smith—

CS for CS for SB's 672 and 680—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency elevator access; providing requirements relating to regional emergency elevator access; requiring elevators in certain newly constructed or certain substantially improved buildings to be keyed alike within each of the state emergency response regions; providing for these requirements to be phased in for certain existing buildings; restricting the duplication and issuance of master elevator keys; requiring the labeling of master elevator keys; allowing local fire marshals to allow substitute emergency measures for elevator access in certain circumstances; providing for appeal of the local fire marshal's decision; providing for the State Fire Marshal to enforce the act; encouraging builders to use applicable new technology to provide regional emergency elevator access; providing penalties for violations; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules; amending s. 399.03, F.S.; providing for waiver of a permit fee under certain circumstances; creating s. 399.1061, F.S.; reestablishing the Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee within the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, notwithstanding abolishment of the committee pursuant to law; providing for the membership of the committee; requiring the committee to provide technical assistance to the division; providing for terms of office and for payment of per diem and travel expenses; providing for members of the committee whose terms expired on December 31, 2003, but who have not completed a 4-year term, to continue to hold office until completion of a 4-year term; repealing s. 399.106, F.S., relating to the former Elevator Safety Technical Advisory Committee; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Crist and Bennett—

CS for SB 684—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wrecker services; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; exempting hearings of the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol concerning the wrecker allocation system from requirements of ch. 120, F.S.; creating s. 205.1975, F.S.; prohibiting a county or municipality from issuing or renewing a license for a wrecker company that is not in compliance with the requirements of the act; amending s. 316.530, F.S., relating to traffic control; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 316.550(4), F.S., relating to special wrecker permits, to incorporate the amendment to s. 320.01, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 316.605, F.S.; providing requirements for licensing wreckers and other vehicles; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; redefining the term "wrecker" for purposes of the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 320.03 and 320.0706, F.S., relating to motor vehicle registration and license plates; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 320.08(5)(d) and (e), F.S., relating to license taxes, to incorporate the amendment to s. 320.01, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 320.0821, F.S.; revising requirements for the issuance of wrecker license plates; amending s. 320.13, F.S., relating to dealer license plates; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 321.051, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to establish a wrecker allocation system; providing requirements for the system; authorizing the division to set maximum rates for towing and storage of vehicles; prohibiting an unauthorized wrecker company from monitoring a police radio or engaging in other activities; providing penalties; providing requirements for dispatching wreckers; amending s. 323.001, F.S., relating to wrecker company storage facilities; providing definitions; providing procedures for a law enforcement agency to place a hold on a stored vehicle; providing for payment of towing and storage charges; amending s. 323.002, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for a county or municipality that operates a wrecker allocation system; providing requirements for the system; prohibiting an unauthorized wrecker company from monitoring a police radio or engaging in other activities; providing penalties; providing requirements for dispatching wreckers; creating chapter 508, F.S.; providing definitions; creating the Wrecker Operator Advisory Council within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for membership and terms; providing for reimbursement for travel and per diem expenses; requiring the council to advise the department on matters relating to standards and practices in the wrecker industry; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring wrecker companies to register with the department; providing requirements for registration renewal; providing requirements for advertisements; requiring insurance coverage; requiring the department to notify the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles when a registration has been suspended or revoked; authorizing the department to deny registration under certain circumstances; specifying acceptable forms of payment; establishing a certification program for wrecker operators; requiring the department to approve courses and organizations; providing requirements for examinations; providing for certification in specialized wrecker services; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing for certification cards to be issued to wrecker operators who complete the certification course and pass the examination; prohibiting the performance of wrecker services after a specified date unless the company is registered and obtains certification as required; authorizing the department to inspect employment records; providing requirements for continuing education; specifying prohibited acts; providing administrative, civil, and criminal penalties; providing for registration fees; providing for deposit of fees, penalties, and other funds; providing that the chapter does not apply to recovery agents; authorizing counties and municipalities to enact ordinances governing wrecker operators; requiring that a wrecker company maintain records of its services for a specified time; requiring a wrecker company to keep records of its operators continuing education courses for a specified time; directing organizations that conduct continuing education courses to keep records for a specified time; amending s. 713.78, F.S., relating to liens for recovering, towing, or storing vehicles and vessels; providing definitions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for attorney's fees to be

awarded to the prevailing party for a frivolous claim of wrongful taking or claim of lien; providing immunity from liability for a wrecker company, its operators, and other employees or agents if services are performed with reasonable care or for complying with the directions of a law enforcement officer; providing for the owner of a vehicle or vessel to dispute a claim of lien by a wrecker company based on a record of sale; clarifying that the amendments made by the act do not affect the validity of prior liens; creating s. 713.785, F.S.; authorizing the imposition of lien by a mobile home transport company for recovering, towing, or storing a mobile home; providing definitions; requiring a mobile home transport company to provide notice of recovery, towing, or storage services; providing for the filing of a complaint; providing procedures for the sale of an unclaimed mobile home; specifying circumstances under which a mobile home transport company must obtain a certificate of destruction; providing for fees; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing for fees; providing for issuing certificates of destruction and revalidation stickers; providing procedures for disputing a lien and for discharge of a lien; providing for the posting and repayment of surety; amending s. 319.30, F.S.; redefining the term "certificate of destruction," to conform; amending s. 713.69, F.S., relating to circumstances in which it is unlawful to remove property upon which a lien has accrued, to conform; amending s. 715.07, F.S., relating to the towing of vehicles and vessels parked on real property without permission; providing definitions; providing for the towing and removal of vehicles and vessels under certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing requirements for towing and storage; prohibiting a property owner from soliciting a wrecker company for a rebate for the privilege of removing vehicles from the owner's property; providing immunity from liability for a wrecker company, its operators, and other employees or agents if services are performed with reasonable care; providing that failure to comply with notice requirements precludes a wrecker company from imposing certain towing or storage charges; providing penalties; repealing s. 1.01(15), F.S., relating to the definition of the term "wrecker operator"; providing an appropriation and authorizing additional positions; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Miller—

CS for SB 688—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory reports of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; providing that certain persons who are employed by a religious institution or by an entity affiliated with such an institution must report to the Department of Children and Family Services their knowledge or reasonable suspicion of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senators Peaden, Fasano, Campbell, Smith and Lynn—

CS for SB 700—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mental health; amending s. 394.455, F.S.; defining and redefining terms used in part I of ch. 394, F.S., "the Baker Act"; amending s. 394.4598, F.S., relating to guardian advocates; amending provisions to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 394.4615, F.S., relating to confidentiality of clinical records; providing additional circumstances in which information from a clinical record may be released; amending s. 394.463, F.S.; revising criteria for an involuntary examination; revising requirements for filing a petition for involuntary placement; creating s. 394.4655, F.S.; providing for involuntary outpatient placement; providing criteria; providing procedures; providing for a voluntary examination for outpatient placement; providing for a petition for involuntary outpatient placement; requiring the appointment of counsel; providing for a continuance of hearing; providing procedures for the hearing on involuntary outpatient placement; providing a procedure for continued involuntary outpatient placement; amending s. 394.467, F.S., relating to involuntary placement; conforming terminology to changes made by the act; providing for rulemaking authority; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Atwater—

CS for SB 708—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government accountability; amending s. 11.40, F.S.; revising duties of the Legislative Auditing Committee; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; specifying requirements for a petition for a municipal audit; revising reporting requirements of the Auditor General; providing for technical advice by the Auditor General; amending s. 61.181, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 75.05, F.S.; deleting a requirement for an independent special district to submit a copy of a complaint to the Division of Bond Finance of the State Board of Administration; amending s. 112.08, F.S.; clarifying that local governments are authorized to provide health insurance; amending s. 112.625, F.S.; revising the definition of "governmental entity" to include counties and district school boards; amending s. 112.63, F.S.; providing for additional material information to be provided to the Department of Management Services in actuarial reports with regard to retirement systems and plans and providing procedures therefor; providing for notification of the Department of Revenue and the Department of Financial Services in cases of noncompliance and authorizing the withholding of certain funds; requiring the Department of Management Services to notify the Department of Community Affairs in the case of affected special districts; amending s. 130.04, F.S.; revising provisions governing notice of bids and disposition of bonds; amending s. 132.02, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the authorization to issue refund bonds; amending s. 132.09, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the notice of sale, bids, and awards and private sale of bonds; amending s. 163.05, F.S.; revising provisions governing the Small County Technical Assistance Program; amending s. 166.121, F.S.; revising provisions governing the issuance of bonds by a municipality; amending s. 166.241, F.S.; providing a municipal budget amendment process and requirements; amending s. 189.4044, F.S.; revising special procedures for determination of inactive special districts; amending s. 189.412, F.S.; revising duties of the Special District Information Program of the Department of Community Affairs; amending s. 189.418, F.S.; revising reporting requirements of newly created special districts; authorizing the governing body of a special district to amend its budget; amending s. 189.419, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the failure of special districts to file required reports; amending s. 189.421, F.S.; revising provisions governing the failure of special districts to disclose financial reports; providing for extension of time for the filing of the reports; providing remedies for noncompliance; providing for attorney's fees and costs; amending s. 189.428, F.S.; revising provisions governing the special district oversight review process; amending s. 189.439, F.S.; revising provisions governing the issuance of bonds by special districts; amending s. 191.005, F.S.; exempting a candidate from campaign requirements under specified conditions; providing for the removal of a board member upon becoming unqualified; amending s. 218.075, F.S.; revising provisions governing the reduction or waiver of permit processing fees for certain counties; amending s. 218.32, F.S., relating to annual financial reports; requiring the Department of Financial Services to notify the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate of any municipality that has not had financial activity for a specified period of time; providing that such notice is sufficient to initiate dissolution procedures; repealing s. 218.321, F.S., relating to annual financial statements of local governmental entities; amending s. 218.39, F.S.; providing reporting requirements for certain special districts; amending s. 218.36, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for boards of county commissioners relating to the failure of a county officer to comply with the provisions of the section; amending s. 218.369, F.S.; revising the definition of "unit of local government" to include district school boards; renaming pt. V of ch. 218, F.S., as "Local Governmental Entity and District School Board Financial Emergencies"; amending s. 218.50, F.S.; renaming ss. 218.50-218.504, F.S., as the "Local Governmental Entity and District School Board Act"; amending s. 218.501, F.S.; revising the stated purposes of pt. V of ch. 218, F.S.; amending s. 218.502, F.S.; revising the definition of "local governmental entity"; amending s. 218.503, F.S.; revising provisions governing the determination of a financial emergency for local governments and district school boards; amending s. 218.504, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the authority of the Governor and authorizing the Commissioner of Education to terminate all state actions pursuant to ss. 218.50-218.504, F.S.; repealing ch. 131, F.S., consisting of ss. 131.01, 131.02, 131.03, 131.04, 131.05, and 131.06, F.S., relating to refunding bonds of counties, municipalities, and special districts; repealing s. 132.10, F.S., relating to minimum sale price of bonds; repealing s. 165.052, F.S., relating to special dissolution procedures for municipalities; repealing s. 189.409, F.S., relating to determination of financial emergencies of special districts; repealing s. 189.422, F.S., relating to actions of the Department of Community Affairs and special districts; repealing s. 200.0684, F.S., relating to an annual compliance report of the Department of Community Affairs regarding special districts; repealing s. 218.37(1)(h), F.S., relating to the requirement that the Division of Bond Finance use a served copy of the complaint for bond valida-

tion to verify compliance by special districts with the requirements in s. 218.38, F.S.; amending s. 215.195, F.S., relating to the Statewide Cost Allocation Plan; providing that the Department of Financial Services is responsible for the plan's preparation and the monitoring of agency compliance; amending s. 215.97, F.S., relating to the Florida Single Audit Act; revising and providing definitions; revising the uniform state audit requirements for state financial assistance that is provided by state agencies to nonstate entities; requiring the Department of Financial Services to adopt rules and perform additional duties with respect to the provision of financial assistance to carry out state projects; specifying duties of coordinating agencies; amending s. 1010.47, F.S.; providing that school districts must sell bonds; deleting obsolete provisions relating to the sale of bonds by a school district; transferring a position from the Executive Office of the Governor to the Department of Financial Services; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services—

CS for SB 712—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 73.0155, F.S.; revising a public-records exemption for business records submitted in eminent domain negotiations on business damages; providing for confidentiality; prescribing the information that is confidential and exempt from disclosure; prescribing certain conditions for the confidentiality and exemption; providing for limitations on the confidentiality and exemption; providing for access by employees of an agency; providing a penalty for disclosure; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services—

CS for CS for SB 712—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a review under the Open Government Sunset Review Act; amending s. 73.0155, F.S.; revising a public-records exemption for business records submitted in eminent domain negotiations on business damages; providing for confidentiality; prescribing the information that is confidential and exempt from disclosure; prescribing certain conditions for the confidentiality and exemption; providing for limitations on the confidentiality and exemption; providing for access by employees of an agency; providing a penalty for disclosure; specifying that the information may be offered in evidence; providing for future legislative review and repeal; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senators Lawson and Fasano—

CS for SB 714—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the designation of university buildings; designating the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering Building as the "Herbert F. Morgan Building"; designating the student life center at Florida State University as the "Reubin O'D. Askew Student Life Center"; designating the university residence hall at Florida State University as "Sherrill Williams Ragans Hall"; providing for the erection of markers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 1058—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance for foster children; creating a pilot program for the purpose of reimbursing foster parents for a portion of the increased costs of motor vehicle insurance for a foster child who has a driver's license; directing the Department of Children and Family Services to establish the pilot program in Sarasota, DeSoto, and Manatee Counties; requiring that the remaining portion of the increase in costs be borne by the foster child; prohibiting a child who accumulates a specified number of points due to moving traffic violations from participating in the pilot program; directing the department to develop procedures for operating the pilot program; requiring the department to submit a report with recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 1060—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child support; amending s. 61.30, F.S.; revising certain child care cost guidelines; deleting a requirement that in calculating support obligations, certain child care costs must be reduced; requiring that the impact of any Federal Child Care Tax Credit be considered in such calculations; amending ss. 61.14 and 742.031, F.S.; providing for the modification of temporary support orders; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Saunders, Aronberg and Fasano—

CS for SB 1064—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Medicaid; amending s. 16.56, F.S.; adding criminal violations of s. 409.920 or s. 409.9201, F.S., to the list of specified crimes within the jurisdiction of the Office of Statewide Prosecution; amending s. 400.408, F.S.; including the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Legal Affairs in the Agency for Health Care Administration's local coordinating workgroups for identifying unlicensed assisted living facilities; amending s. 400.434, F.S.; giving the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Legal Affairs the authority to enter and inspect facilities licensed under part III of ch. 400, F.S.; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; giving the Agency for Health Care Administration the authority to require a confirmation or second physician's opinion of the correct diagnosis before authorizing payment for medical treatment; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to impose mandatory enrollment in drug-therapy-management or disease-management programs for certain categories of recipients; requiring that the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Drug Utilization Review Board consult with the Department of Health; allowing termination of certain practitioners from the Medicaid program; providing that Medicaid recipients may be mandated to participate in a provider lock-in program; amending s. 409.913, F.S.; providing specified conditions for providers to meet in order to submit claims to the Medicaid program; providing that claims may be denied if not properly submitted; providing that the agency may seek any remedy under law if a provider submits specified false or erroneous claims; providing that suspension or termination precludes participation in the Medicaid program; providing that the agency is required to report administrative sanctions to licensing authorities for certain violations; providing that the agency may withhold payment to a provider under certain circumstances; providing that the agency may deny payments to terminated or suspended providers; authorizing the agency to implement amnesty programs for providers to voluntarily repay overpayments; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; providing for limiting, restricting, or suspending Medicaid eligibility of Medicaid recipients convicted of certain crimes or offenses; authorizing the agency and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Legal Affairs to review non-Medicaid-related records in order to determine reconciliation of a provider's records; authorizing the agency head or designee to limit, restrict, or suspend Medicaid eligibility for a period not to exceed 1 year if a recipient is convicted of a federal health care crime; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to limit the number of certain types of prescription claims submitted by pharmacy providers; requiring the agency to limit the allowable amount of certain types of prescriptions under specified circumstances; amending s. 409.9131, F.S.; redefining the term "peer review"; providing for peer review for purposes of determining a potential overpayment if the medical necessity or quality of care is evaluated; requiring an additional statement on Medicaid cost reports certifying that Medicaid providers are familiar with the laws and regulations regarding the provision of health care services under the Medicaid program; amending s. 409.920, F.S.; redefining the term "knowingly" to include "willfully" or "willful"; making it unlawful to knowingly use or endeavor to use a Medicaid provider's or a Medicaid recipient's identification number or cause to be made, or aid and abet in the making of, a claim for items or services that are not authorized to be reimbursed under the Medicaid program; defining the term "paid for"; expanding the authority of the Attorney General to examine patient records; creating s. 409.9201, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that a person who knowingly sells or attempts to sell legend drugs obtained through the Medicaid program commits a felony; providing that a person who knowingly purchases or attempts to purchase legend drugs obtained through the Medicaid program and intended for the use of another commits a felony; providing that a person who knowingly makes or conspires to make false representations for the purpose of obtaining goods or services from the Medicaid program commits a felony; providing specified criminal penalties depending on the value of the legend drugs or goods or

services obtained from the Medicaid program; amending s. 456.072, F.S.; providing an additional ground under which a health care practitioner who prescribes medicinal drugs or controlled substances may be subject to discipline by the Department of Health or the appropriate board having jurisdiction over the health care practitioner; authorizing the Department of Health to initiate a disciplinary investigation of prescribing practitioners under specified circumstances; amending s. 465.188, F.S.; deleting the requirement that the Agency for Health Care Administration give pharmacists at least 1 week's notice prior to an audit; specifying an effective date for certain audit criteria; creating s. 812.0191, F.S.; providing definitions; providing that a person who traffics in property paid for in whole or in part by the Medicaid program, or who knowingly finances, directs, or traffics in such property, commits a felony; providing specified criminal penalties depending on the value of the property; amending s. 895.02, F.S.; adding Medicaid recipient fraud to the definition of the term "racketeering activity"; amending s. 905.34, F.S.; adding any criminal violation of s. 409.920 or s. 409.9201, F.S., to the list of crimes within the jurisdiction of the statewide grand jury; amending s. 932.701, F.S.; expanding the definition of "contraband article"; amending s. 932.7055, F.S.; requiring that proceeds collected under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act be deposited in the Agency for Health Care Administration's Grants and Donations Trust Fund; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 1066—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health maintenance organizations; amending s. 408.7056, F.S.; changing the name of the Statewide Provider and Subscriber Assistance Program to the Subscriber Assistance Program; revising a definition; requiring certain records and reports to be provided to the Subscriber Assistance Panel; providing for penalties; requiring that a quorum be present before a grievance can be heard or voted upon; establishing a maximum number of panel members; amending s. 641.3154, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 641.511, F.S.; conforming provisions; adopting the federal claims procedures for certain commercial health maintenance organizations; amending s. 641.58, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Saunders—

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By the Committee on Communication and Public Utilities; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 1070—A bill to be entitled An act relating to natural gas companies; amending s. 361.05, F.S.; providing that chapters 73 and 74, F.S., which govern actions in eminent domain, apply to natural gas transmission pipeline companies that are subject to regulation under the federal Natural Gas Act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Geller—

CS for SB 1086—A bill to be entitled An act relating to cardrooms; amending s. 849.086, F.S.; providing a definition; authorizing cardroom operators to host high-stakes poker tournaments at certain pari-mutuel facilities; providing limitations; providing an effective date.

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

CS for SB 1088—A bill to be entitled An act relating to provider contracts for health care services; amending s. 641.315, F.S.; requiring that a health maintenance organization disclose to the provider the schedule of fees for which the health maintenance organization and the provider of health care services have contracted, including any additional deviations; providing for application; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 1092—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care practice parameters; amending ss. 627.6418 and 627.6613, F.S., relating to health insurance policy coverage for mammograms; deleting provisions expressing the legislative intent that requirements for such coverage conform to specified practice parameters; repealing s. 408.02, F.S., which requires that the Agency for Health Care Administration develop, endorse, and implement such parameters; providing an effective date.

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

CS for SB 1094—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance costs; amending s. 627.732, F.S.; defining the terms "biometrics" and "biometric time date technology"; amending s. 627.736, F.S.; providing a presumption and revising a procedure with respect to the use of biometric time date technology under personal injury protection benefits; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Senators Fasano and Lynn—

CS for SB 1096—A bill to be entitled An act relating to requirements for high school graduation; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; amending certain prerequisites to allow the award of a standard high school diploma to honorably discharged veterans of the Korean War who did not complete the necessary graduation requirements; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Geller—

CS for SB 1100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated external defibrillators; amending s. 401.2915, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to the use of an automated external defibrillator; classifying an automated external defibrillator as a lifesaving device; defining a related term; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Cowin—

CS for SB 1118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the protection of victims of sexual battery and lewd or lascivious offenses; creating s. 921.244, F.S.; requiring the court to prohibit certain offenders from having direct or indirect contact with the victim of the offense; authorizing the court to reconsider orders prohibiting the contact in certain circumstances; providing that it is a felony of the third degree to violate the order; amending s. 784.048, F.S.; providing that it is a felony of the third degree to willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly follow, harass, or cyberstalk the victim in violation of an order prohibiting contact; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Sebesta, Lee, Miller and Crist—

CS for SB 1122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to highway designations; designating the Old Gandy access road in Hillsborough County from Gandy Boulevard to the Friendship Trail Bridge as "An-

drew J. Aviles Trail"; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Peaden and Fasano—

CS for SB 1124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dermatological services; creating s. 458.3245, F.S.; requiring a dermatologist to directly supervise a person who is not licensed to practice medicine or certified to practice advanced level nursing while that person performs specified services; defining terms; creating s. 459.0126, F.S.; requiring a dermatologist to directly supervise a person who is not licensed to practice osteopathic medicine or certified to practice advanced level nursing while that person performs specified services; defining terms; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senator Cowin—

CS for SB 1140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to administering medication to a child; amending s. 39.401, F.S.; providing that the refusal of a parent, legal guardian, or other person responsible for a child's welfare to administer or consent to the administration of any psychotropic medication to the child does not, in and of itself, constitute grounds for the department to take the child into custody; providing an exception; creating s. 402.3127, F.S.; prohibiting specified persons working in child care facilities, large family child care homes, and family day care homes from administering medications to a child without written authorization of the child's parent or legal guardian; providing for the contents of the written authorization; directing procedures for administering medication to a child during an emergency medical condition; providing definitions; providing criminal penalties; amending s. 1006.062, F.S.; directing school boards to adopt rules prohibiting school board personnel from recommending psychotropic medication for a student; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Peaden—

CS for SB 1152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to firearm records; creating s. 790.335, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; prohibiting the knowing and willful creation or maintenance of any list, record, or registry of privately owned firearms or any list, record, or registry of the owners of those firearms; providing exceptions; providing criminal penalties for a violation of the act; providing for the imposition of civil fines on certain governmental entities; authorizing the Attorney General to enforce the civil penalties against governmental agencies; requiring the state attorney to vigorously prosecute criminal violators of this act; prohibiting the expenditure of public funds for defense counsel for persons charged with a violation of this act; providing exceptions; requiring liberal construction of the act; providing for application to records already in existence; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Senator Peaden—

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By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Peaden—

CS for SB 1156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sport shooting and training range environmental liability protection; creating s. 790.333, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; specifying immunity from liability for certain persons or entities from certain claims relating to projectiles at sport shooting and training ranges; providing a limitation; requiring withdrawal of certain claims from courts or administrative agencies after a certain date; providing a cause of action for treble damages, costs, and fees under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties; specifying preemption by the Legislature; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Senators Peaden and Posey—

CS for CS for SB 1156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sport shooting and training range environmental liability protection; creating s. 790.333, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; providing definitions; specifying immunity from liability for certain persons or entities from certain claims relating to projectiles at sport shooting and training ranges; providing a limitation; requiring withdrawal of certain claims from courts or administrative agencies after a certain date; providing that certain legal actions found in favor of the state may not benefit the state; requiring the state to pay all costs of litigation, attorney's fees, damages, and economic loss for certain legal actions found in its favor; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to develop a plan to conduct review and cleanup; requiring the department to conduct an environmental cleanup under certain circumstances; providing duties and restrictions on the department and ranges; creating an identification process; authorizing the department to develop guidelines; authorizing the department to use funds from the Water Quality Assurance Trust Fund for expenses associated with the act; providing criminal penalties; specifying preemption by the state; providing for construction; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Geller and Bullard—

CS for SB 1158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school personnel; creating s. 1012.47, F.S.; requiring certain personnel in an alternative school that operates under contract with a district school system to file a set of fingerprints; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity—

CS for SB 1160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to advisory bodies, commissions, and boards of trustees; amending s. 20.052, F.S.; providing legislative findings that it is in the public interest to periodically review advisory bodies, commissions, boards, and other collegial bodies in the executive branch; providing definitions; revising requirements for the establishment and maintenance of executive collegial bodies; requiring each executive agency to periodically report certain information and make recommendations to the Executive Office of the Governor concerning executive collegial bodies; providing exemptions to the recommendation requirement; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to report to the Legislature; providing for substantive committees within the Legislature to review the reports and recommendations of the executive branch; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Miller and Lawson—

CS for SB 1178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to minority health care; creating s. 381.736, F.S.; providing for the Department of Health to develop a Florida Healthy People 2010 Program; providing program goals and guidelines; requiring a report to the Legislature; amending s. 409.901, F.S.; defining the term "minority physician network"; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to provide a Medicaid minority physician network; providing guidelines for the operation of the network; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 1184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community associations; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; providing immunity from liability for certain information provided by associations to prospective purchasers or lienholders under certain circumstances; amending s. 720.303, F.S.; requiring specific notice to be given to association members before certain assessments or rule changes may be considered at a meeting; amending s. 768.1325, F.S.; providing immunity from civil liability for community associations that provide automated defibrillator devices under certain circumstances; prohibiting insurers from requiring associations to purchase medical malpractice coverage as a condition of issuing other coverage; providing an effective date.

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

CS for SB 1190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to fire prevention and control; amending s. 633.171, F.S.; establishing penalties for the unauthorized use of fireworks or pyrotechnic devices in an indoor facility; providing that the act does not apply to the manufacture, distribution, or sale of fireworks; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Wise—

CS for SB 1192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drivers' licenses; amending s. 322.2615, F.S.; providing that the disposition of a related criminal proceeding may not affect a suspension of a driver's license for refusal to submit to blood, breath, or urine testing; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to invalidate a suspension for driving with an unlawful blood-alcohol level or breath-alcohol level if the suspended person is found not guilty at trial of the underlying violation of law; amending s. 322.025, F.S; authorizing the department to offer a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to attend a basic driver improvement course for drivers who meet certain criteria; requiring the department to deduct points from a driver's record upon proof of completion of the basic driver improvement course; requiring the department to record on the driver's record that the offer of the improvement course has been accepted and used; providing that this opportunity is not available to any driver who has attended a basic driver improvement course within the previous 12 months; amending s. 318.1451, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senators Diaz de la Portilla and Haridopolos—

CS for SJR's 1204 and 1168—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article VII of the State Constitution to authorize legislation that would permit counties to enact ordinances prohibiting an increase in the assessed value of homestead property owned by certain persons who are 65 years of age or older.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Webster—

CS for SB 1208—A bill to be entitled An act relating to timeshare plans; amending s. 721.02, F.S.; revising language with respect to legislative purpose under the Florida Vacation Plan and Timesharing Act; amending s. 721.03, F.S.; revising language with respect to the scope of the act to include reference to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.05, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 721.06, F.S.; revising language with respect to contracts for purchase of timeshare interests to include provisions with respect to personal property timeshare interests; amending s. 721.065, F.S.; revising language with respect to resale purchase agreements to include reference to certain real property and personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.07, F.S.; revising language with respect to public offering statements; amending s. 721.075, F.S.; revising language with respect to incidental benefits; requiring purchasers to execute a statement indicating the source of the benefit; amending s. 721.08, F.S.; revising language with respect to escrow accounts; amending s. 721.09, F.S.; revising language with respect to reservation agreements; amending s. 721.11, F.S.; revising language with respect to advertising materials; correcting cross-references; amending s. 721.12, F.S.; providing for required recordkeeping by the seller of a personal property timeshare plan; amending s. 721.13, F.S.; revising language with respect to management; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 721.14, F.S.; providing that a section of law governing the discharge of the managing entity shall not apply with respect to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.15, F.S.; revising language with respect to assessments for common expenses; amending s. 721.16, F.S.; providing that a section of law governing certain liens does not apply to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.17, F.S.; revising language with respect to transfer of interest; amending s. 721.18, F.S.; revising language with respect to exchange programs; amending s. 721.19, F.S.; including reference to personal property timeshare interests; amending s. 721.20, F.S., relating to licensing requirements; providing for the application of certain provisions to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.24, F.S.; exempting accommodations and facilities of personal property timeshare plans from a provision of law governing firesafety; amending s. 721.26, F.S.; revising language with respect to regulation by the division; amending s. 721.52, F.S.; redefining the term "multisite timeshare plan" and defining the terms "nonspecific multisite timeshare plan" and "specific multisite timeshare plan"; amending s. 721.53, F.S.; revising language with respect to subordination instruments; amending s. 721.54, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 721.55, F.S.; providing reference to filed rather than registered public offering statements; providing reference to multisite timeshare plans; amending s. 721.551, F.S.; providing for reference to filed rather than registered public offering statements; amending s. 721.552, F.S.; providing reference to multistate timeshare plans; amending s. 721.56, F.S.; providing reference to personal property timeshare plans; amending s. 721.57, F.S.; revising language with respect to timeshare estates in multisite timeshare plans; amending s. 721.84, F.S.; revising language with respect to appointment of a registered agent; amending ss. 721.96 and 721.97, F.S.; including reference to personal property timeshare interests; amending ss. 475.011 and 718.103, F.S.; correcting cross-references; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Wise and Bullard—

CS for SB 1212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the district school tax; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; continuing indefinitely a provision, previously applicable only in the 2003-2004 fiscal year, which allows a specified tax levy to be used to offset the cost of school buses purchased through contracts with private providers; amending s. 200.065, F.S., relating to the method of fixing millage, to conform; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

CS for SB 1226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the long-term-care service delivery system; amending s. 20.41, F.S.; requiring the area agency on aging board under the Department of Elderly Affairs to annually appoint an executive director; requiring the secretary of the department to annually evaluate the performance of the executive director; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs to assess certain nursing home residents to facilitate their transition to a community-based setting; amending s. 430.04, F.S.; providing that the department may take intermediate measures against an area agency on aging if it exceeds its authority or fails to adhere to the terms of its contract with the department, adhere to the statutory provisions or departmental rules, properly determine client eligibility, or manage program budgets; amending s. 430.041, F.S.; locating the Office of Long-Term-Care Policy within the Department of Elderly Affairs for administrative purposes only; providing that the office and its director shall not be subject to control, supervision, or direction by the department; revising the purpose of the office; replacing the advisory council with an interagency coordinating team; specifying the composition of the interagency coordinating team; revising reporting requirements; amending s. 430.203, F.S.; redefining the terms "community care service system" and "lead agency"; amending s. 430.205, F.S.; requiring the Department of

Elderly Affairs and the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop an integrated long-term-care service-delivery system; requiring the Department of Elderly Affairs and the agency to phase in implementation of the integrated long-term-care system; specifying timeframes and activities for each implementation phase; authorizing the agency to seek federal waivers to implement the changes; requiring the department to integrate certain database systems; requiring development of pilot projects; requiring the agency and the department to develop capitation rates for certain services; providing rulemaking authority to the agency and the department; requiring reports to the Governor and the Legislature; amending s. 430.7031, F.S.; requiring the department and the agency to review the case files of a specified percentage of Medicaid nursing home residents annually for the purpose of determining whether the residents are able to move to community placements; amending s. 430.705, F.S.; providing additional eligibility requirements for entities that provide services under the long-term-care community diversion pilot projects; requiring the annual evaluation and certification of capitation rates; providing additional requirements to be used in developing capitation rates for the pilot projects; amending s. 430.709, F.S.; providing additional requirements for evaluating the long-term-care diversion pilot projects; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Children and Families; and Senators Atwater, Fasano and Wilson—

CS for SB 1232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to abused, neglected, and abandoned children; creating s. 39.0016, F.S., relating to the education of abused, neglected, and abandoned children; creating definitions; providing for interpretation of the act; requiring an agreement between the Department of Children and Family Services and the Department of Education; requiring agreements between the Department of Children and Family Services and district school boards or other local educational entities; specifying provisions of such agreements; requiring access to certain information; requiring education training components; amending s. 1002.22, F.S., relating to access to student records; authorizing the release of records to the Department of Children and Family Services or a community-based care lead agency; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Fasano—

CS for SB 1294—A bill to be entitled An act relating to automated pharmacy systems; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; defining the term "automated pharmacy system" for purposes of the Florida Pharmacy Act; creating s. 465.0235, F.S.; authorizing a pharmacy to provide services to a long-term care facility or hospice licensed under ch. 400, F.S., or a state correctional institution operated under ch. 944, F.S., through an automated pharmacy system; providing that drugs dispensed from an automated pharmacy system are considered to have been dispensed by the pharmacy that services a long-term care facility, hospice, or correctional institution; requiring that the operation of an automated pharmacy system be under the supervision of a pharmacist; requiring the Board of Pharmacy to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senator Jones—

CS for SB 1310—A bill to be entitled An act relating to developments of regional impact; amending s. 380.06, F.S.; requiring that the individual use and multiuse guidelines and standards be increased in specified areas if one land use of a multiuse development is residential and amounts to not less than a specified percentage of a jurisdiction's residential threshold; revising provisions governing substantial deviation standards for the date of buildout of a development; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Communication and Public Utilities; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 1316—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alternative energy; creating the Florida Alternative Energy Technology Center, Inc.; providing for the organization, purpose, and duties of the center; providing an appropriation; providing for the transfer of the state energy program from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of Environmental Protection; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 1330—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instruction for exceptional students; amending s. 1003.57, F.S.; providing guidelines for determining the residency for a student who receives instruction as an exceptional student; requiring the student's state of residence to pay the cost of such instruction, facilities, and services; providing responsibilities of the Department of Education; providing responsibilities of residential facilities that educate exceptional students; providing applicability; amending s. 1003.58, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senator Fasano—

CS for SB 1364—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military awards and decorations; authorizing the Governor to present the Governor's Medal of Merit to a resident of this state who has rendered exceptional meritorious service or who is serving, or who has been honorably discharged from service, in the United States Armed Forces, the Florida National Guard, or the United States Reserve Forces and, while on active duty, rendered exceptional meritorious service; providing a definition; providing for the medal to be presented to a designated representative in the event of the death of a chosen recipient; limiting presentation to one medal per individual; authorizing the Executive Office of the Governor to adopt rules; amending s. 250.10, F.S.; authorizing the Adjutant General to issue military decorations and awards; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 1368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to engineering; amending s. 471.007, F.S.; increasing the size of the Board of Professional Engineers from nine to eleven members; specifying the professions of the engineers added to the board; amending s. 471.013, F.S.; directing the board to deem that an applicant for the professional engineering examination has passed the fundamentals examination under specified conditions; amending s. 471.031, F.S.; providing an exemption from a prohibition against unlicensed persons using the title "engineer"; providing limitations on such exemption; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 1372—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pharmacy; amending s. 465.003, F.S.; defining the term "Internet pharmacy"; amending s. 465.0156, F.S.; exempting Internet pharmacies from registration requirements applicable to nonresident pharmacies; requiring the registered nonresident pharmacy and the pharmacist designated by that pharmacy to serve as the prescription department manager or its equivalent to be licensed in the state of location; amending s. 465.016, F.S.; providing for disciplinary action for dispensing a medicinal drug when the pharmacist knows or has reason to believe the prescription is not based on a valid practitioner-patient relationship; creating s. 465.0161, F.S.; prohibiting the distribution of medicinal drugs by an Internet pharmacy without a permit; providing penalties; amending s. 465.0196, F.S., relating to special pharmacy permits, to conform; creating s. 465.0197, F.S.; requiring Internet pharmacies to be permitted and providing requirements therefor; requiring the Internet pharmacy and the pharmacist designated by that pharmacy to serve as the prescription department manager or its equivalent to be licensed in the state of

location; amending s. 465.023, F.S.; providing an additional ground for which the Board of Pharmacy may take action against a permitted pharmacy; amending s. 465.0255, F.S.; revising requirements for pharmacists to deliver specified disclosures to purchasers when dispensing a medicinal drug; amending s. 465.026, F.S.; creating an exception to the requirements for filling or refilling a transferred prescription; amending s. 895.02, F.S.; including violation of s. 465.0161, F.S., in the definition of the term "racketeering activity" for prosecution under ch. 895, F.S.; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Saunders—

CS for SB 1374—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care providers; amending s. 766.1115, F.S.; revising a definition for purposes of the Access to Health Care Act to provide that a contract with a health care provider to serve low-income patients requires the provider to deliver the services without compensation and prohibits the health care provider from billing any third-party payor for any services rendered to low-income patients; redefining the term "health care provider" to include certain free-clinics; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules to establish procedures for patient referral and eligibility for use by governmental contractors; defining the term "health care practitioner"; providing for waiver of biennial license renewal fees and fulfillment of a portion of continuing education hours for specified health care practitioners who provide services, without compensation, to low-income recipients as an agent of governmental contractors; amending s. 381.00593, F.S.; providing that for purposes of the public school volunteer health care practitioner program, a licensed dietitian/nutritionist is a health care practitioner; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senator Haridopolos—

CS for SB 1376—A bill to be entitled An act relating to habitual misdemeanor offenders; creating s. 775.0837, F.S.; defining terms; providing for sentencing a habitual misdemeanor offender, as specified; providing penalties; providing a sentencing exception; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Smith—

CS for SB 1394—A bill to be entitled An act relating to immunity from civil liability; creating s. 768.37, F.S.; providing to certain entities immunity from civil liability for personal injury or wrongful death based upon long-term consumption of certain foods or nonalcoholic beverages under certain circumstances; providing applicability; providing a limitation on immunity; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Wilson—

CS for SB 1422—A bill to be entitled An act relating to human immunodeficiency virus; amending s. 381.0046, F.S.; increasing the number of HIV and AIDS minority coordinators within the Department of Health; requiring the department to expand its HIV/AIDS prevention efforts in Florida's minority communities and establish linkage programs for HIV-positive inmates prior to their release from jail; deleting obsolete provisions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care—

CS for SB 1462—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the licensure of health care practitioners; amending s. 456.039, F.S.; revising the requirements for information submitted by designated health care professionals for licensure, licensure renewal, and updates thereof; requiring issuance of a notice of noncompliance for failure to comply with reporting requirements; authorizing the Department of Health to receive automated criminal arrest information concerning health care professionals who are subject to the profiling requirements; requiring certain health professionals to submit fingerprints to the Department of Health and to pay fees for a criminal history records check; amending s. 456.0391, F.S.; revising the requirements for information submitted by advanced registered nurse practitioners for certification; authorizing the Department of Health to receive automated criminal arrest information concerning health care professionals who are subject to the profiling requirements; requiring certain health professionals to submit fingerprints to the Department of Health and to pay fees for a criminal history records check; amending s. 456.041, F.S.; revising the duties of the Department of Health with respect to its compilation of information into a practitioner profile for designated health care professionals; requiring the department to verify specified information submitted for compilation into practitioner profiles; requiring the department to include in each practitioner's profile specified information regarding the status of the practitioner's license and, upon notification, information regarding the date of death of the practitioner; requiring applications for a physician license and license renewal to be submitted electronically by a specified date; amending s. 456.042, F.S.; requiring designated health care practitioners to electronically submit updates of required information for compilation into practitioner profiles; amending s. 456.051, F.S.; revising requirements for the Department of Health to publish reports of claims or actions for damages for certain health care practitioners on the practitioner profiles; amending ss. 458.319, 459.008, 460.407, and 461.007, F.S.; revising requirements for physician licensure renewal; authorizing the Department of Health to gain access to renewal applicants' records in an automated system maintained by the Department of Law Enforcement; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Transportation—

CS for SB 1496—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver responsibility; creating s. 322.75, F.S.; providing a short title; creating s. 322.751, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to assess specified annual surcharges against a motor vehicle licensee who accumulates seven or more points against his or her license within the previous 36 months; requiring the department to notify a licensee by first-class mail upon receipt of four points against his or her license; creating s. 322.7515, F.S.; directing the department to assess specified annual surcharges against motor vehicle licensees who have a final conviction within the previous 36 months for a DUI offense; creating s. 322.7525, F.S.; requiring the department to notify licensees of the surcharges and the time period in which to pay the surcharges; creating s. 322.753, F.S.; requiring the department to accept installment payments for the surcharges; providing sanctions for a licensee's failure to pay an installment; allowing the department to permit licensees to pay assessed surcharges with credit cards; requiring the department to suspend a driver's license if the licensee does not pay the surcharge or arrange for installment payments within a specified time after the notice of surcharge is sent; creating s. 322.7535, F.S.; authorizing the department to enter into a contract with a public or private vendor for the collection of specified annual surcharges; creating s. 322.754, F.S.; providing for distribution of moneys derived from surcharges collected by the department; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Natural Resources; and Senator Pruitt—

CS for SM 1504—A memorial to the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the United States Congress, urging prompt action to complete the Indian River Lagoon Restoration Plan on schedule.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senator Wise—

CS for SB 1552—A bill to be entitled An act relating to Internet screening in public libraries; defining terms; requiring public libraries to provide technology that protects against Internet access to specified proscribed visual depictions; allowing adults to request disablement of the technology for specified purposes; providing for the assessment of a fine and attorney's fees and costs in connection with a violation by a public library; directing the Division of Library and Information Services within the Department of State to adopt rules requiring a written attestation of compliance as a condition of state funding; providing that

no cause of action arises for a violation by a public library except as provided; providing a finding of important state interest; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning—

CS for SB 1608—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public nuisances; amending s. 893.138, F.S.; clarifying the uses of property that constitute a public nuisance; specifying the period that property may be closed; providing exceptions; providing notice requirements; prescribing certain procedures before a complaint may be filed with a nuisance abatement board; providing that certain parties may be named as respondents in the complaint; providing notice and hearing requirements; requiring a nuisance abatement board to specify procedures to abate a public nuisance; providing for the closure of property under certain circumstances; clarifying the availability of civil penalties; providing exceptions; providing for closure of property only if the use of the property materially contributes to the nuisance; providing that closure of property constituting an unabated nuisance is not a taking; providing that a property may be reopened under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

CS for SB 1624—A bill to be entitled An act relating to banking regulation; amending s. 494.0011, F.S.; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; providing application; amending s. 494.0016, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; amending s. 494.0029, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; specifying certain permits as not transferable or assignable; amending s. 494.00295, F.S.; revising provisions to specify continuing education for certain professions; amending s. 494.003, F.S.; clarifying application of an exemption from application of certain mortgage broker licensure requirements to certain entities; amending s. 494.0031, F.S.; requiring licensure of mortgage brokerage businesses; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; authorizing the commission or the Office of Financial Regulation to require certain information from certain applicants; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; specifying certain licenses as nontransferable or nonassignable; amending s. 494.0033, F.S.; clarifying mortgage broker licensure requirements; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; deleting certain provisions relating to cancellation and reinstatement of licenses; amending s. 494.0034, F.S.; clarifying the commission's authorization to prescribe license renewal forms; amending s. 494.0036, F.S.; clarifying provisions relating to issuance of mortgage brokerage business branch office licenses; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; amending s. 494.0041, F.S.; specifying an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 494.006, F.S.; clarifying application of an exemption from application of certain mortgage lender licensure requirements to certain entities; amending s. 494.0061, F.S.; requiring licensure of mortgage lenders; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; deleting certain provisions relating to cancellation and reinstatement of licenses; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; amending s. 494.0062, F.S.; requiring licensure of correspondent mortgage lenders; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; authorizing the office to require applicants to provide certain information; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; deleting certain provisions relating to cancellation and reinstatement of licenses; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; amending s. 494.0064, F.S.; clarifying a reference to professional continuing education for certain licensees; amending s. 494.0065, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; specifying certain education and testing requirements for certain principal representatives and for certain applications or transfer applications; authorizing the commission to waive certain examination requirements under certain circumstances; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain additional testing fees; increasing a license transfer fee; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; requiring mortgage lenders to designate a principal representative; providing criteria and requirements; amending s. 494.0066, F.S.; clarifying branch office licensure requirements; amending s. 494.0067, F.S.; clarifying reference to professional continuing education requirements; amending s. 494.0072, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 494.00721, F.S.; correcting cross-references; amending s. 516.03, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; authorizing the commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; amending s. 516.07, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 516.12, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain minimum information in a licensee's books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; amending s. 517.061, F.S.; revising provisions related to exempt transactions; amending ss. 517.051, 517.081, F.S.; revising standards for accounting principles to be used in preparing certain financial statements; amending s. 517.12, F.S.; revising provisions for taking and submitting fingerprints of dealers, associated persons, and similarly situated persons; revising provisions relating to expiration and renewal of registration of such persons; providing an exemption from registration requirements for a Canadian dealer and an associated person who represents a Canadian dealer under certain conditions; providing for notice filing by a Canadian dealer under certain conditions; authorizing the Office of Financial Regulation of the Financial Services Commission to issue a permit to evidence the effectiveness of a notice filing for a Canadian dealer; providing for the renewal of a notice filing by a Canadian dealer; providing for reinstatement of a notice filing; providing obligations for a Canadian dealer who has given notice of filing; providing obligations for an associated person representing a Canadian dealer who has given notice of filing; providing for the termination of a notice of filing; providing for the collection of fees; amending s. 517.131, F.S.; revising conditions under which recovery can be made from the Securities Guaranty Fund; amending s. 517.141, F.S.; prescribing circumstances under which a claimant must reimburse the fund; amending s. 517.161, F.S.; providing an additional ground for revocation, restriction, or suspension of a registration; amending ss. 520.03, 520.32, 520.52, and 520.63, F.S.; specifying criteria for receipt of certain applications; amending s. 520.994, F.S.; authorizing the commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; amending s. 520.995, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending ss. 520.997 and 537.009, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain minimum information in a licensee's books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; amending ss. 560.105 and 560.118, F.S.; authorizing the commission to require electronic submission of forms, documents, or fees; providing for a technological or financial hardship accommodation; amending s. 560.114, F.S.; providing an additional ground for disciplinary action; amending s. 560.121, F.S.; authorizing the commission to prescribe certain minimum information in a licensee's books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to prescribe requirements for destroying books, accounts, records, and documents; authorizing the commission to recognize alternative statutes of limitation for such destruction; providing for procedures; decreasing the required time period for the office to retain certain reports, records, applications, and related information; amending s. 560.205, F.S.; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing

the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; authorizing the commission to establish procedures for depositing fees and filing documents electronically; deleting a requirement that an applicant provide a list of certain vendors; requiring the reporting of certain changes of registration by written amendment; amending s. 560.207, F.S.; authorizing the commission to establish procedures for depositing fees and filing documents electronically; amending s. 560.210, F.S.; revising permissible investment requirements for certain registrants; amending ss. 560.211 and 560.310, F.S.; requiring notice to the office of the location of certain amended records; amending ss. 560.305 and 560.308, F.S.; authorizing the commission to establish procedures for depositing fees and filing documents electronically; amending s. 560.306, F.S.; revising certain fingerprinting requirements; authorizing the commission to prescribe fees and procedures for processing fingerprints; authorizing the office to contract for certain fingerprinting services; requiring the reporting of certain changes of registration by written amendment; specifying in general that accounting principles are those generally accepted in the United States; specifying commission authority by rules; creating s. 626.565, F.S.; requiring an agent of the Department of Insurance to dispose of records containing personal financial or health information of certain persons after the retention requirement has been met; requiring such disposition to protect the confidentiality of personal financial or health information; authorizing the department to adopt rules for the disposition of personal financial or health information; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senator Hill—

CS for SB 1632—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prevention and control of communicable diseases; amending s. 381.003, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to adopt certain standards applicable to all public sector employers; providing an exception for certain public sector employers to certain blood-borne-pathogen standards adopted by the Department of Health; requiring the compilation and maintenance of certain information by the department for use by employers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity—

CS for SB 1678—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 39.2021, F.S.; authorizing a petition for an order to make public records pertaining to certain investigations by the Department of Children and Family Services; amending s. 119.01, F.S.; establishing state policy with respect to public records; requiring governmental agencies to consider certain factors in designing or acquiring electronic recordkeeping systems; providing certain restrictions with respect to electronic recordkeeping systems and proprietary software; requiring governmental agencies to provide copies of public records stored in electronic recordkeeping systems; authorizing agencies to charge a fee for such copies; specifying circumstances under which the financial, business, and membership records of an organization are public records; amending s. 119.011, F.S.; providing definitions; correcting cross-references; repealing ss. 119.0115, 119.012, and 119.02, F.S., relating to specified exemption for certain videotapes and video signals, records made public by the use of public funds, and penalties for violation of public records requirements by a public officer; amending s. 119.021, F.S.; providing requirements for governmental agencies in maintaining and preserving public records; requiring the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State to adopt rules for retaining and disposing of public records; authorizing the division to provide for archiving certain noncurrent records; providing for the destruction of certain records and the continued maintenance of certain records; providing for the disposition of records at the end of an official's term of office; requiring that a custodian of public records demand delivery of records held unlawfully; repealing ss. 119.031, 119.041, 119.05, and 119.06, F.S., relating to the retention, disposal, and disposition of public records and the delivery of records held unlawfully; amending s. 119.07, F.S.; revising provisions governing the inspection and copying of public records; establishing fees for copying; providing requirements for making photographs; authorizing additional means of inspecting or copying public records; providing requirements for making photographs of public records; relocating an exemption from public records requirements for any videotape or video signal that, under an agreement with an agency is produced, made, or received by or in the custody of a federally licensed radio or television station or its agents; repealing s. 119.08, F.S., relating to requirements for making photographs of public records; amending s. 119.084, F.S.; deleting certain provisions governing the maintenance of public records in an electronic recordkeeping system; repealing ss. 119.085 and 119.09, F.S., relating to remote electronic access to public records and the program for records and information management of the Department of State; amending s. 119.10, F.S.; clarifying provisions with respect to penalties for violations of ch. 119, F.S.; amending s. 119.105, F.S.; clarifying provisions under which certain police reports may be exempt from the public records law; amending s. 119.12, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 120.55, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to publication of the Florida Administrative Code to provide that the Department of State is required to compile and publish the code through a continuous revision system; amending s. 257.36, F.S.; providing procedures with respect to the official custody of records upon the transfer of duties or responsibilities between state agencies or the dissolution of a state agency; amending s. 328.15, F.S.; revising the classification of records of notices and satisfaction of liens on vessels maintained by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 372.5717, F.S.; revising the classification of records of hunter safety certification cards maintained by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; creating s. 415.1071, F.S.; authorizing a petition for an order making public certain investigatory records of the Department of Children and Family Services; amending s. 560.121, F.S.; decreasing and qualifying the period of retention for examination reports, investigatory records, applications, application records, and related information compiled by the Office of Financial Regulation of the Financial Services Commission under the Money Transmitters' Code; amending s. 560.123, F.S.; decreasing the period of retention for specified reports filed by money transmitters with the Department of Banking and Finance under the Money Transmitters' Code; amending s. 560.129, F.S.; decreasing and qualifying the period of retention for examination reports, investigatory records, applications, application records, and related information compiled by the Office of Financial Regulation of the Financial Services Commission under the Money Transmitters' Code; amending s. 624.311, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Financial Services, the Financial Services Commission, and the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission to maintain an electronic recordkeeping system for specified records, statements, reports, and documents; eliminating a standard for the reproduction of such records, statements, reports, and documents; amending s. 624.312, F.S.; providing that reproductions from an electronic recordkeeping system of specified documents and records of the Department of Financial Services, the Financial Services Commission, and the Office of Insurance Regulation of the Financial Services Commission shall be treated as originals for the purpose of their admissibility in evidence; amending s. 633.527, F.S.; decreasing the period of retention for specified examination test questions, answer sheets, and grades in the possession of the Division of State Fire Marshal of the Department of Financial Services; amending s. 655.50, F.S.; revising requirements of the Office of Financial Regulation with respect to retention of copies of specified reports and records of exemption submitted or filed by financial institutions under the Florida Control of Money Laundering in Financial Institutions Act; amending s. 945.25, F.S.; requiring the Department of Corrections to obtain and place in its records specified information on every person who may be sentenced to supervision or incarceration under the jurisdiction of the department; eliminating a requirement of the department, in its discretion, to obtain and place in its permanent records specified information on persons placed on probation and on persons who may become subject to pardon and commutation of sentence; amending s. 985.31, F.S.; revising the classification of specified medical files of serious or habitual juvenile offenders; repealing s. 212.095(6)(d), F.S., which requires the Department of Revenue to keep a permanent record of the amounts of certain refunds claimed and paid under ch. 212, F.S., and which requires that such records shall be open to public inspection; repealing s. 238.03(9), F.S., relating to the authority of the Department of Management Services to photograph and reduce to microfilm as a permanent record its ledger sheets showing the salaries and contributions of members of the Teachers' Retirement System of Florida, the records of deceased members of the system, and the authority to destroy the documents from which such films derive; amending ss. 23.22, 27.02, 101.5607, 112.533, 1012.31, 257.34, 257.35, 282.21, 287.0943, 320.05, 322.20, 338.223, 401.27, 409.2577, 455.219, 456.025, 627.311, 627.351, 633.527, 668.50, 794.024, and 921.0022, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reenacting s. 947.13(2)(a), F.S., relating to the duty of the Parole Commission to examine specified records, to incorporate the amendment to s. 945.25, F.S., in

a reference thereto; repealing s. 430.015, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for identifying information contained in records of elderly persons collected and held by the Department of Elderly Affairs; amending s. 440.132, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for investigatory records of the Agency for Health Care Administration made or received pursuant to a workers' compensation managed care arrangement and examination records necessary to complete an investigation; repealing s. 723.0065, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for specified financial records of mobile home park owners acquired by the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, and the Bureau of Mobile Homes of the division; repealing s. 768.301, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records exemption for certain claims files records and minutes of meetings and proceedings relating to risk management programs entered into by the state and its agencies and subdivisions, and a public meetings exemption for proceedings and meetings regarding claims filed; amending s. 943.031, F.S.; removing a public necessity statement for a public records and public meetings exemption for specified portions of meetings of the Florida Violent Crime and Drug Control Council, specified portions of public records generated at closed council meetings, and documents related to active criminal investigations or matters constituting active criminal intelligence; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Dockery, Peaden, Atwater, Fasano, Argenziano, Jones, Pruitt, Bennett, Lynn and Cowin—

CS for SB 2000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children's health care; amending s. 409.811, F.S.; clarifying definitions for purposes of the Florida Kidcare program; amending s. 409.8132, F.S.; revising provisions governing the Medikids program component; deleting obsolete and duplicative provisions; deleting requirements for a special enrollment period; amending s. 409.8134, F.S.; requiring that the Florida Kidcare program provide for open enrollment periods; providing enrollment criteria; providing for the enrollment of certain children on an emergency basis; requiring the program to initiate certain disenrollment procedures under specified circumstances; exempting certain children from disenrollment; revising requirements for state agencies in analyzing data regarding the Kidcare program; amending s. 409.814, F.S.; revising requirements for enrollment in the Florida Kidcare program; providing requirements if a child is transferred to another program component; providing that an assets test is not required; requiring certain information to accompany applications; requiring the withholding of benefits upon determination of ineligibility; providing penalties for unlawfully obtaining benefits or assisting in unlawfully obtaining benefits; amending s. 409.815, F.S.; revising coverage requirements for dental services; amending s. 409.818, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to contract for the provision of comprehensive insurance coverage for enrollees; requiring a competitive selection process; repealing s. 409.818(2)(b) and 409.819, F.S., relating to an outreach program operated by the Department of Health; amending s. 624.91, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to expanding health care coverage for children; conforming provisions of the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation Act to changes made in the Florida Kidcare program; deleting obsolete provisions; requiring the Auditor General to conduct an analysis for the purpose of making recommendations for managing ineligible enrollment in the Kidcare program; providing appropriations; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Peaden and Fasano—

CS for SB 2002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care initiatives; creating s. 460.4062, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Health to issue a chiropractic medicine faculty certificate for certain faculty who have accepted appointment at a publicly funded state university or college; authorizing an application fee; providing requirements; providing for renewal and expiration of the certificate; creating s. 1004.383, F.S.; authorizing a chiropractic medicine degree program at Florida State University; amending s. 561.121, F.S.; providing for annual appropriations from the proceeds of the excise tax on alcoholic beverages; providing for distribution of the funds to the Department of Elderly Affairs, the Department of Health, and Florida State University for specified research and programs; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; authorizing the establishment of for-profit subsidiaries of the governing corporation of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; prohibiting certain activities by such for-profit subsidiaries; requiring that the contract with the State Board of Education permit the use of lands, facilities, and personnel for research, education, treatment, prevention, and early detection of cancer; authorizing the governing corporation and its subsidiaries to obtain their own property insurance coverage; requiring that certain appropriations be paid directly to the board of directors of the governing corporation; changing the appointing authority for certain members of the council of scientific advisers; amending s. 1004.445, F.S.; renaming the Florida Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute as the Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr., Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute; deleting obsolete provisions; authorizing the establishment of for-profit subsidiaries of the governing corporation; requiring that the contract with the State Board of Education permit the use of lands, facilities, and personnel for research, education, treatment, prevention, and early detection of Alzheimer's disease; authorizing the governing corporation and its subsidiaries to obtain their own property insurance coverage; requiring that certain appropriations be paid directly to the board of directors of the governing corporation; changing the appointing authority for certain members of the council of scientific advisers; creating the Florida Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease within the Department of Health; providing legislative findings and intent; specifying the purpose and duties of the center; requiring an annual report to the Governor and Legislature; authorizing the department to outsource the duties of the center; creating an advisory council; amending s. 215.5602, F.S.; expanding the long-term goals of the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program to include the cure of specified diseases; providing funding priority; amending s. 215.5601, F.S., relating to the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund, to conform an intent provision; designating the Life Sciences Building at Florida State University as the "James E. 'Jim' King, Jr., Building"; authorizing Florida State University to erect markers; creating the Florida Cancer Research Council; providing for the affairs of the council; requiring an annual report; specifying the council's mission and duties; creating the Florida Public Health Foundation, Inc.; providing for the foundation's duties and mission; providing for its board of directors; requiring annual reports; requiring the foundation to coordinate monthly health awareness campaigns to disseminate information about specified diseases and conditions; establishing the Prostate Cancer Awareness Program within the Department of Health for the purpose of providing statewide outreach and education concerning the early detection of prostate cancer; authorizing the department and the Florida Public Health Foundation, Inc., to enter into contracts and seek grant moneys; creating an advisory committee to assist the program; providing for membership of the committee; authorizing reimbursement for certain per diem and travel expenses; creating the Cervical Cancer Elimination Task Force; providing duties and membership of the task force; requiring the task force to make periodic reports to the Governor and the Legislature; providing for the task force to be dissolved on a specified date; providing an effective date.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 1306, SB 1308

The bills were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: CS for SB 316

The bill was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 120, SB 130 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: CS for CS for SB 44

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

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 122, SB 1716

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 1180

The Committee on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports recommends the following pass: SB 556

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 124

The Committee on Finance and Taxation recommends the following pass: CS for SB 176, SB 236 with 1 amendment, CS for SB 272, CS for SJR 488

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 1650

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 338 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 1340

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government under the original reference.

The Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services recommends the following pass: CS for SB 158

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: CS for SB 510, SB 634 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: CS for SB 580, CS for SB 626

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 132, SB 194, SB 490, SB 492, SB 1666

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 324

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 686

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development under the original reference.

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 1088

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 622

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends the following pass: SB 1606

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 420

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

The Committee on Communication and Public Utilities recommends the following pass: CS for SB 594

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 1072

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 1090

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 182

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 282

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends the following pass: SB 572, SB 574 with 1 amendment

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Finance and Taxation recommends the following pass: SB 1072

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 286

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 634

The Committee on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports recommends the following pass: SB 124 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: CS for SB 1070

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends the following pass: SB 1604

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 12 with 1 amendment.

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 1208, SB 1328

The Special Master on Claims recommends the following pass: SB 24 with 4 amendments, SB 28 with 3 amendments, SB 32, SB 36

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 278, CS for SB 626

The Committee on Children and Families recommends the following pass: SB 1672

The Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services recommends the following pass: SB 280

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 32, CS for SB 1156 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: CS for SB 448 with 2 amendments

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 578 with 1 amendment, SB 1430

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 130 with 1 amendment, SB 296, SB 398 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 324

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

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 456

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 708 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends the following pass: SB 1622

The Special Master on Claims recommends the following pass: SB 6, SB 16 with 1 amendment, SB 18, SB 20 with 1 amendment, SB 22, SB 38 with 1 amendment

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

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 1440

The bill was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections under the original reference.

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: CS for SJR 488, SB 1220

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: CS for SB 272

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 6 with 1 amendment, SB 16 with 1 amendment, SB 18 with 1 amendment, SB 20 with 1 amendment, SB 22

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 1298

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 690 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends the following pass: CS for SB 202 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 632

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 1442

The Committee on Communication and Public Utilities recommends the following pass: SB 110, SB 1162

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 424, SB 708, SB 1626

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 578, SB 604

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 206, SB 714, SB 1090

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 462, SB 468, SB 674

The Committee on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports recommends the following pass: SB 410

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 118, CS for SB 712, SB 1406

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends the following pass: SB 220, CS for SB 506, SB 1364

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends the following pass: SB 1180, SB 1298

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 1342

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

The Committee on Children and Families recommends the following pass: SB 194

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 1344

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 690

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care under the original reference.

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 556

The bill was referred to the Committee on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 282

The Committee on Children and Families recommends the following pass: SB 418

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 252

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 94, SB 118, SB 226, SB 326, SB 576 with 1 amendment

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

The Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services recommends the following pass: SB 262 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: CS for SB 612, SB 1096

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports under the original reference.

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 686 with 1 amendment

The Special Master on Claims recommends the following pass: SB 12 with 1 amendment

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: SB 346

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 1586

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 1414

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

The Committee on Finance and Taxation recommends the following pass: SM 336

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 462, CS for SB 466, SB 468, SB 674

The Committee on Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports recommends the following pass: SM 1888

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 230 with 1 amendment, SM 1348

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends the following pass: SM 1602

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

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: SB 36, SB 1194

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 1206

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 260

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends the following pass: CS for SB 1092

The Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services recommends the following pass: SB 282

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends the following pass: CS for SB 1070

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 296 with 1 amendment, SB 698

The Committee on Education recommends the following pass: CS for SB 640

The Committee on Finance and Taxation recommends the following pass: SB 6, SB 22, CS for SB 344

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends the following pass: SB 110 with 1 amendment, SB 220 with 1 amendment

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends the following pass: SB 1116

The Committee on Judiciary recommends the following pass: CS for SB 222 with 2 amendments, SB 326

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends the following pass: SB 258

The Committee on Rules and Calendar recommends the following pass: SB 1532, SB 1534, SB 1536, SB 1538

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following pass: SB 656, SB 1206

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

The Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 594

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 616, SB 1160

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

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for SB 192, CS for SB 250

The bills with committee substitutes attached were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 138, SB 218, SB 1118, SB 1376

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 576

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 154

The Committee on Education recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 184, SB 364, SB 546, SB 1212, SB 1330

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 206

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 286

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 654

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 1066

The Committee on Children and Families recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 428

The Committee on Finance and Taxation recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for SB 368, CS for CS for SB 506

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 144, CS for SB 210, SB 476, SB 1064, SB 1178, SB 1226, SB 1374

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Children and Families recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1058

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 636, SB 1208

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 312, SB 626, SB 1066, SB 1092

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: Senate Bills 672 and 680

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

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1678

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 366

The Committee on Children and Families recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 158

The Committee on Communication and Public Utilities recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 284

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 330

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1368

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Finance and Taxation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 594

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Communication and Public Utilities under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for Senate Bills 672 and 680, SB 1190

The Committee on Children and Families recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 496, SB 510

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1552

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 532, SB 590

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1156

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends a committee substitute for the following: SJR 488

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 478, SB 494

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 684

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 420, SB 1624

The Committee on Children and Families recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 688

The Committee on Education recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 154, SB 1158

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 580, SB 1294, SB 1372, SB 1422, SB 1462

The Committee on Judiciary recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 44, SB 322

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 272, SB 562

The Committee on Transportation recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 1192, SB 1496

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

The Committee on Children and Families recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 498, SB 1232

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 268, SB 640

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

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: Senate Joint Resolutions 1204 and 1168

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 708

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 506

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 344, SB 368

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 176

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

The Committee on Children and Families recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 448, SB 512

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 44

The Committee on Education recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 114, SB 116, SB 354, SB 362, SB 624

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 618

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 446, SB 464, SB 466, SB 1100, SB 1632

The Committee on Judiciary recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 192, SB 250, SB 348, SB 432

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 402

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 210

The Committee on Children and Families recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1140

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1184

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care under the original reference.

The Committee on Children and Families recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 160, SB 316, SB 700, SB 1060

The Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 156, SB 712

The Committee on Communication and Public Utilities recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1070

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1608

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 222, SB 1152

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 114

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1394

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

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 202

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 506

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports under the original reference.

The Committee on Communication and Public Utilities recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1316

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 1156

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

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 204

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

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1310

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for SB 348, SB 410, CS for SB 446, CS for SB 464, CS for SB 712

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 1152

The Committee on Natural Resources recommends a committee substitute for the following: SM 1504

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

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 24

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 500

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

The Committee on Appropriations recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 2000, SB 2002

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 1088, SB 1094

The Committee on Finance and Taxation recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 16, SB 18, SB 20

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for SB 618, SB 714, SB 1364

The Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1124

The Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 262, SB 612, SB 1096

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1086

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1122

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were placed on the calendar.

The Special Master on Claims recommends the following not pass: SB 30

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

REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary recommends the following pass: SB 1048, SB 1052, SB 1054

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice recommends the following pass: SB 1038, SB 1042, SB 1044, SB 1046

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Education recommends the following pass: SB 122, CS for SB 184, CS for SB 364 with 1 amendment, SB 556, SB 1056

The Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government recommends the following pass: CS for SB 176, CS for SB 654, SB 716, SB 718, SB 720, SB 722, SB 724, SB 726, SB 728, SB 730, SB 732, SB 736, SB 738, SB 740, SB 742, SB 744, SB 746, SB 748, SB 750, SB 752, SB 754, SB 756, SB 758, SB 760, SB 764, SB 766, SB 768, SB 770, SB 772, SB 774, SB 776, SB 778, SB 780, SB 782, SB 784, SB 786, SB 788, SB 790, SB 796, SB 802, SB 804, SB 806, SB 808, SB 816, SB 822, SB 824, SB 826, SB 828, SB 830, SB 832, SB 834, SB 836, SB 838, SB 840, SB 842, SB 1236, SB 1238, SB 1240, SB 1692, SB 1694

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services recommends the following pass: SB 132, CS for SB 476, SB 862, SB 864, SB 866, SB 868, SB 870, SB 874, SB 876, SB 878, SB 880, SB 882, SB 884, SB 886, SB 888, SB 890, SB 892, SB 894, SB 896, SB 898, SB 900, SB 902, SB 904, SB 906, SB 908, SB 910, SB 912, SB 914, SB 916, SB 918, SB 920, SB 922, SB 924, SB 926, SB 928, SB 930, SB 932, SB 934, SB 936, SB 938, SB 940, SB 942, SB 944, SB 946, SB 948, SB 950, SB 952, SB 954, SB 956, SB 958, SB 960, SB 962, SB 1242, SB 1244, SB 1246, SB 1434, SB 1690

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development recommends the following pass: SB 964, SB 966, SB 968, SB 974, SB 976, SB 978, SB 980, SB 984, SB 986, SB 990, SB 992, SB 994, SB 996, SB 998, SB 1000, SB 1002, SB 1004, SB 1006, SB 1008, SB 1010, SB 1012, SB 1014, SB 1016, SB 1020, SB 1022, SB 1024, SB 1026, SB 1028, SB 1030, SB 1032, SB 1034, SB 1036

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

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1050

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 206

The Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 124, SB 236, SB 792, SB 794, SB 818, SB 844, SB 846, SB 848, SB 852, SB 854, SB 856

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 492

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

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

VETOED BILLS 2003 REGULAR SESSION

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 26, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 90, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature of Florida and convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2003 and entitled:

An act relating to parent-child privilege...

The bill creates a statutory parent-child privilege which would allow a parent and a child to refuse to disclose certain communications between them that were intended to be confidential.

I understand that the relationship between a parent and a child is unique and that free and open communication between a parent and child should be encouraged. However, I have concerns that the privilege created by this bill is overly broad. While a privilege limited to communications between a parent and a minor child may be entirely appropriate, this legislation does not limit the privilege to communications between parents and minor children. Instead, the privilege would apply to communications between a parent and a child of any age, including an adult child. I agree with the view of the state prosecutors that this broad language would adversely affect criminal investigations and would ultimately result in the delay of prosecutions in legal proceedings.

For this reason, I am withholding my approval of Senate Bill 90, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood July 15, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

Senate Bill 140 addresses the acquisition of a water and wastewater utility by two or more local governments incorporated as a separate legal entity serving populations outside of the jurisdiction of the founding member governments.

The sponsor of this legislation has made a good faith attempt to address the issue of regulating and providing local control of interlocal governmental purchases of water and wastewater facilities. Clearly, the legislation is well intended. However, the bill goes beyond what is necessary to achieve this goal. As well, it creates significant regulatory uncertainty in the future.

First, it is reasonable for host governments to be concerned by the lack of accountability of intergovernmental activities in providing utility services. In this regard though, the bill allows the host government to have incredible control over water and wastewater facilities in their area. Under this legislation, the host government would have rate setting ability, approval of sale and price, and regulatory jurisdiction over this entity. Unfortunately, this authority allows the host government with the ability, whether intentional or not, to lower the value of the facility prior to purchase.

The Public Service Commission (PSC) currently has the jurisdiction and authority to determine if these transactions are in the public interest. Just as they regulate the purchase of a Florida facility by an out-of-state purchaser, so the PSC has the ability to regulate the purchase by an in-state interlocal entity. This ability was affirmed in a recent court hearing.

Second, there are property rights concerns in the bill. The bill may jeopardize private property rights by imposing a less than adequate acquisition price and by conferring the right to acquire utilities from intergovernmental entities on host governments. Regulation is necessary in these matters to provide necessary safeguards and protections for consumers, but this bill has far reaching implications beyond the negation of one intergovernmental transaction.

I share the concerns of the sponsor of the legislation. In general, I am troubled by the tax-exempt status of an interlocal governmental entity being used to compete with the private sector, since they do not enjoy the same tax advantage. Government's role should be limited; extra jurisdictional purchases are contrary to this principle.

Florida must have a comprehensive approach in order to provide for future water needs. Over the coming months, I plan to work with the sponsor of this bill, members of the PSC, the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection, the Secretary of the Department of Community Affairs, local governments, and other stakeholders to advance a comprehensive strategy for the regulation of an invaluable, limited resource.

For these reasons, I do hereby veto Senate Bill 140.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 26, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 204, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature of Florida and convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2003 and entitled:

An act relating to credit reports and credit scores...

This bill is intended to regulate and limit the use of credit reports and credit scores by insurers for underwriting and rating personal lines motor vehicle insurance and personal lines residential insurance.

Senate Bill 204 was passed during the 2003 regular session but was contingent upon the passage of a public records exemption for proprietary rate making methodologies. The public records exemption bill failed to pass, making Senate Bill 204 ineffective. Provisions identical to those in Senate Bill 204 passed during the special session as Senate Bill 40A and the public records exemption passed as Senate Bill 42A. The bill sponsor agrees that a veto is in order to Senate Bill 204 to prevent unnecessary clutter of the Florida Statutes.

For this reason, I withhold my approval of Senate Bill 204, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 25, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bills 870, 890, 892, 902, 908, 922 and 926 enacted during the 105th Session of the Legislature, since statehood in 1845, during the Regular Session of 2003, and entitled:

An act relating to trust funds...

Article III, section 19(f)(1) of the Florida Constitution prohibits trust funds being created without three-fifths (3/5) vote of the membership of each house of the Legislature. Except for those trust funds exempt from automatic termination, each trust fund sunsets after four years requiring a continual review process. The bills shown above recreate trust funds which are scheduled for termination in 2004.

Trust funds account for approximately 60 percent of the appropriations within the State of Florida. Florida has approximately 450 trust funds earmarked for specific purposes and continues to deal with a very complex budget process which takes away policy makers' ability to scrutinize and prioritize a large percentage of the state's budget. In periods of revenue shortfalls, this results in only one solution—initiate general revenue cuts in critical areas while a large portion of the state's budget continues to be "off limits". Consequently, the discretionary budget grows smaller each year.

The volume of trust funds also creates an onerous accounting task for the agencies, the Chief Financial Officer and the Office of Policy and Budget in the Governor's Office.

I support the necessity for certain trust funds such as those established by constitution, funds that are required for bonding purposes, trust funds mandated by the federal government, the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund, and certain other major types of trust funds. However, continuous efforts will be ongoing to reduce the number of trust funds in the state.

For this reason, I am withholding my approval of the above listed Senate Bills, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 26, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of Senate Bill 1632, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2003, and entitled:

An act relating to county governments...

Fundamentally, Senate Bill 1632 seeks to remedy private contract disputes among property owners by allowing government's taxing authority to be used to fund a homeowners' association's effort when they seek to enforce violations of their neighborhood covenants and agreements. While many mandatory homeowners' associations have assessment powers, they have contractual agreements among the property owners through their covenants to do so. The non-mandatory associations, in this bill, do not have similar powers because of shortcomings in their covenants.

The motivation for the bill is certainly understandable. Homeowners have made substantial investments in their property and are rightfully concerned that valuable investments could be eroded by the failure of some to abide by neighborhood agreements. Proponents of the bill suggest that county government should take sides in these private contract disputes, but these types of disputes are private matters concerning private contracts.

I recognize that homeowners' associations in Florida are facing a variety of difficult issues; however, I believe it is inappropriate and fundamentally unfair to use the government's taxation power to compensate for shortcomings in private contractual arrangements to the benefit of one party and to the detriment of another. Instead, I have asked Secretary Carr of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to form a task force to examine the challenges that associations face. It is my hope that practical solutions to these issues, like those in this bill, can be found.

For these reasons, I therefore withhold my approval of Senate Bill 1632.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 11, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1838, enacted during the 105th Session of the Legislature, since statehood in 1845, during the Regular Session of 2003 and entitled:

An act relating to instructional materials for K-12 public education...

In general, this bill modifies the instructional materials adoption cycle by moving up deadlines relating to the appointment of members to the State Instructional Materials Committee; the advertisement of bid solicitations for instructional materials; the receipt of bids for instructional materials; the notification to the Department of Education of which materials will be requisitioned; the commencement of the six-year term of adoption for instructional materials; and the schedule authorizing school districts to issue purchase orders for instructional materials in an amount not exceeding 90 percent of the current year's allocation for instructional materials. Additionally, this bill requires publishers to provide and price adopted instructional materials on an individual basis.

I am reluctant to reduce the period of time that school districts have to thoroughly review and select instructional materials for the subsequent school year. School districts should be afforded the opportunity to carefully evaluate and select instructional materials in order to best meet the educational and curricular needs of their students. Although proponents of the bill argue that the bill should provide school districts with local control and flexibility, I believe, the opposite will occur. In fact,

this bill reduces the current flexibility that school districts have to select instructional materials prior to the statutory deadline by restricting the amount of time they will have to select those materials.

For the reasons provided above, I am withholding my approval of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1838, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood July 14, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of Senate Bill 2042, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968.

While I appreciate and support efforts by the Legislature to honor the late Senator George Kirkpatrick, establishing a state reserve around Rodman Reservoir undermines efforts to restore a more natural flow of water to the Ocklawaha River—once considered one of America's most beautiful and pristine waterways.

In 2000, I endorsed a plan to partially restore the Ocklawaha River. I remain steadfast in that commitment.

Background

The proposed state reserve encompasses 28,000 acres of state and federal land, including Kirkpatrick Dam and Rodman Reservoir. Under a lease from the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, the Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Greenways and Trails manages the area as part of the Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway State Recreation and Conservation Area.

The federal government, specifically the United States Forest Service, owns approximately one-third of the land beneath the Kirkpatrick Dam and about 550 acres of land under the 9,600-acre Rodman Reservoir.

The Kirkpatrick Dam, formerly known as the Rodman Dam, was built by the Army Corps of Engineers as part of a comprehensive plan to construct the Cross Florida Barge Canal, a man-made waterway designed to cut across the state's peninsula and link the Atlantic Ocean with the Gulf of Mexico. Completed in 1968, the dam blocked a 16-mile stretch of the Ocklawaha River—flooding 7,500 acres of forest and land and creating the Rodman Reservoir in the process. Three years later, President Richard Nixon halted the project, and in 1990, President George Bush de-authorized construction of the canal.

The following year Florida designated a 110-mile corridor within the defunct barge project for conservation and recreation. The Legislature required a management plan for the newly created Cross Florida Greenway that included final disposition for the canal works at Rodman Reservoir.

In 1992, the Governor and Cabinet approved a management plan to partially restore the Ocklawaha. The Legislature adopted the management plan, but required additional study of three other proposed options—total retention of the reservoir, total restoration of the Ocklawaha and partial retention of the reservoir. In 1995, the complete study echoed the earlier recommendation of partial restoration.

In 2000, I directed the Department to proceed with partial restoration. Applications for necessary state and federal permits were filed and remain pending.

Last year, Florida did not renew a special use permit with the United States Forest Service for use of the national forest lands that include portions of Kirkpatrick Dam, Rodman Reservoir and Eureka Lock and Dam. Under the terms of the permit, Florida was required to complete partial restoration of the Ocklawaha River by 2006.

Benefits of Restoration

Breaching the dam and releasing the water will reestablish the meandering route of the river, which gives rise to as many as 20 freshwater springs in the region. Restoration may bring back as many as 13 species of fish that once called the river home. Manatees will once again have unrestricted access to warm water springs. The banks of the Ocklawaha River will provide miles of habitat for the wildlife, such as the endangered Florida Black Bear.

A free flowing river will continue to provide recreational opportunities, including fishing and paddling, that are critical to tourism and the local economy.

Honoring a Great Public Servant

To honor Senator Kirkpatrick, the Department of Environmental Protection obtained approval from the Florida Historical Commission to name the Rodman Reservoir recreational area in Putnam County as the George Kirkpatrick State Reserve. The dam at the reservoir was named in honor of Senator Kirkpatrick in 2001. He served the people of Central Florida in the Legislature for two decades and establishing the George Kirkpatrick State Reserve would be a tribute to his life, his achievements and his memory.

I understand that Senator Kirkpatrick's family would prefer that renaming the Rodman Reservoir recreational area as the George Kirkpatrick State Reserve be accomplished through the Florida Senate. I want to assure the Kirkpatrick family that, at their request, renaming the reserve through the Florida Historical Commission remains a viable option.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 20, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 2178, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature, since statehood in 1845, during the Regular Session of 2003, and entitled:

An act relating to trust funds...

This bill creates a new trust fund, the Digital Divide Trust Fund, in the Department of Management Services for the State Technology Office on behalf of the Digital Divide Council.

While I fully support the efforts of the Digital Divide Council, there is no need to create a new trust fund. The Grants and Donations Trust Fund already exists in the Department of Management Services and should be used for this purpose.

For this reason, I am withholding my approval of Senate Bill 2178, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 26, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 2334, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature of Florida and convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2003 and entitled:

An act relating to municipal police and firefighters pensions...

In general, this bill authorizes certain municipalities to provide extra benefits to police officers pension plans and firefighters pension plans prior to the receipt of additional premium tax revenues under certain circumstances.

First, the criteria provided in this general bill limits its application only to the police officers' and firefighters' pensions in one city, New Smyrna Beach. Therefore, the bill should have been introduced as a local bill. While I support extending extra benefits to our police officers and firefighters, this bill bypasses the specific policy criteria and process to evaluate local bills established in my Local Bill Policy which was distributed to all members of the Florida Legislature prior to the session. Two

of my highest priority criteria for local bills are such bills must comply with the policies and procedures identified in the State of Florida, House of Representatives Local Bill Policies and Procedures Manual and must provide for a referendum of the citizens in the affected area if a change in authorized use of revenues is proposed. Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 2334 has not complied with these criteria.

Second, the bill authorizes the City of New Smyrna Beach to "pre-fund" extra benefits and be reimbursed from future premium tax receipts plus interest prior to the receipt of the premium tax receipts. I am reluctant to authorize a local government to redirect funds for extra benefits and encumber future premium tax revenues to pay interest on a local government's contributions for extra benefits.

For these reasons, I am withholding my approval of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 2334, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 26, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of and transmit to you with my objections, Senate Bill 2348, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature of Florida and convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Regular Session of 2003 and entitled:

An act relating to the Advisory Council for a Fit Florida...

This bill would create an Advisory Council for a Fit Florida to promote physical fitness.

First, it should be noted that a similar advisory council was abolished in 1999. Second, the bill does not specify where this newly created council would be housed or who would pay for and administer the new council's activities. Third, the bill is duplicative of the state's current activities; the Florida Sports Foundation, a not-for-profit corporation operating under the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development, is authorized to promote and develop professional, amateur, recreation sports, and physical fitness programs and opportunities in the state. The Department of Health is also engaged in this effort.

While I certainly support physical fitness in Florida's youth and understand the need for greater resolve, I am opposed to creating a statutory council that would only duplicate the activities of an existing council.

For these reasons, I am withholding my approval of Senate Bill 2348, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

VETOED BILL 2003 SPECIAL SESSION A

The Honorable Glenda E. Hood June 23, 2003
Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hood:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby withhold my approval of portions of Senate Bill 2-A, enacted during the 35th Session of the Legislature of Florida convened under the Constitution of 1968, during the Special Session A of 2003, and entitled:

An act making appropriations; providing moneys for the annual period beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2004, to pay salaries, and other expenses, capital outlay - buildings, and other improvements, and for other specified purposes of the various agencies of State government; providing an effective date.

The Legislature deserves great credit for crafting a budget that funds the state's top priorities in a very difficult year. Around the nation, states have been forced into one or more of the following unfortunate alternatives: steep budget cuts in education and key services; higher state taxes despite an uncertain economic climate; or for those states that have them, depleting state reserves.

Florida, on the other hand, can be very proud of this Fiscal Year 2003-04 state budget, for three primary reasons. First, this budget does not raise taxes on our people and in fact, represents an historic commitment to fiscal discipline on the part of the Legislature. Second, revenue growth, though more modest than in years past, is allowing our state budget to grow. Third, this budget distributes those funds in a way that reflects Florida's enduring funding priorities, such as education and services for our most vulnerable.

Legislative Fiscal Discipline

This year I will veto fewer items in this budget than in any of the previous four budgets sent to me by the Legislature. The Legislature has admirably put the needs of the state and our people above the concerns - many of them worthy - of individual members. With very few exceptions, each new project in this budget appears to have a statewide impact, has been subject to a competitive process and will be implemented by an agency within appropriate statute.

Those relatively few items for which I withhold approval, in fact, represent honest differences of opinion over policy. The Legislature's commitment to fiscal discipline allowed them to craft a budget without raising taxes on our people.

Cumulative tax reductions are estimated to be in excess of $8.0 billion over five years, which has allowed Florida to continue to lead the nation in total job growth, and lead the ten most populous states in rate of job growth. For Fiscal Year 2003-04, the Legislature has agreed to continue the accelerated corporate investment depreciation that was part of the President's economic stimulus package, and continue to phase out the Estate Tax. An increase in the tax credit for corporations that offer scholarships to students leaving public schools to attend private ones is an education program. This program already benefits over 16,000 students, and it creates incentives for greater private sector involvement in education funding, and reduces the number of enrolled students in public schools, saving money and reducing class sizes. The bottom line is that Florida will retain its status as a taxpayer-friendly state, even as other states are moving to raise taxes by record amounts.

Limiting member projects and protecting tax relief are not the only ways the Legislature demonstrated fiscal discipline in this budget. Reserves will grow to $3 billion, including the new federal aid projected to impact the state Fiscal Year 2003-04 budget. Total reserves will then represent over 14 percent of the General Revenue budget, and 5.6 percent of the total budget. By contrast, other states year-end General Revenue fund balances are expected to average around 2.9 percent of General Revenue.

In addition, the surplus in the retirement fund has grown from $3.8 billion in July 1998 to an estimated $12.9 billion in July 2002, or 15 percent of system liabilities. This surplus has followed decades of unfunded liabilities in the state's pension fund, and has allowed an $895 million reduction in Fiscal Year 2003-04 of contributions that state and local governments would have paid into the retirement system. These resources have now been freed up for other state and local priorities.

In terms of debt management, the Fiscal Year 2003-04 budget remains within the established debt affordability benchmark of seven percent, despite the implementation of the first year of the class-size amendment. Specifically, this budget avoids creating $300 million in additional debt by using $100 million in cash reserves to pay for one-third of the annual installment of the Florida Forever program, plus $200 million in cash to pay for two years of Save Our Everglades funding.

Lastly, the Legislature also committed, for the first time in years, to a thorough review of the entire budget, including the roughly three-fifths of it funded through trust funds.

Florida's Growing Budget

Fiscal discipline has allowed our economy, our state revenues, and therefore our budget to grow. This is sadly not the experience of many other states, which have given in to the temptation to grow government faster than the people's ability to pay for it, and which are now faced with tremendous deficits as a result.

The General Revenue budget will increase by approximately $575 million (2.8 percent) to $21.2 billion in Fiscal Year 2003-04, compared to 5.2 percent projected growth in personal income. Over the past five years (since Fiscal Year 1998-99), the General Revenue budget will have increased by over $3.2 billion, averaging an estimated 3.3 percent annual

growth compared to the 5.1 percent average annual growth in total personal income in Florida over the same five-year period. The total state budget will grow by over $3.2 billion (6.3 percent) to $53.5 billion during Fiscal Year 2003-04.

The growing revenues generated by a growing economy have allowed us to fund Florida's priorities. I am particularly proud of the commitments made in the following policy areas:

Education:
Education clearly remains Florida's top priority, and this budget properly reflects that vision. Education represents 32.1 percent of the total Fiscal Year 2003-04 budget, compared to 31.5 percent of the total budget in the current year. Education funding comprises 52.7 percent of the Fiscal Year 2003-04 General Revenue budget, compared to 52.6 percent of General Revenue budget in Fiscal Year 2002-03.

Significantly, over half the funding increase for public education next year will be consumed by the demands of the class size amendment. Teacher salaries and all other K-12 initiatives have been reduced in priority because of its passage.

- **Reading:** Reading programs receive $119.6 million in total funding in this budget. For Just Read, Florida!, this includes $50 million in state funds, including $25 million for summer reading camps, a $39 million (355 percent) increase over the current year, and $50 million in federal funds, a $5 million increase. The budget also includes $18 million in earmarked teacher professional development funds to train teachers in teaching reading and $1.6 million for the Florida Center for Reading Research at Florida State University.
- **Teachers:** Programs supporting teachers receive $276.8 million in total funding in Fiscal Year 2003-04. This includes $69.5 million for the Excellent Teaching Program, a $20.8 million (42.7 percent) increase along with $129 million in federal funds. Florida is currently ranked second in the nation in the number of nationally certified teachers; this budget will fund an additional 2,500 teachers. Other teaching programs supported include $16 million for the Teacher Lead Program; $36 million for Teacher Professional Development (half of that earmarked for reading); $1.2 million for teacher liability insurance; $165,000 to fund the Barry Grunow Act; and $25 million for the BEST teacher program.
- **Mentoring:** This budget allocates $12.25 million to support mentoring through such programs as: Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boys and Girls Clubs, the Governor's Mentoring Initiative, Take Stock in Children and Best Buddies.
- **K-12 Public Schools Funding:** Florida's public schools will see an $837.4 million (6.35 percent) increase in total funds next year, which exceeds statewide student enrollment growth of 1.7 percent. This represents a $241 average per student increase (4.56 percent) next year, including the projected enrollment increase of 42,730 additional students. $14.9 billion in total funds will be available for districts in the 2003-04 school year, which includes state and local funds and retirement contribution savings. Over five years, public school operational funding has risen by $3.7 billion, a 34 percent increase.
- **A+ Plan/ School Recognition Funds:** This performance incentive program is fully funded in Fiscal Year 2003-04. An estimated $140 million in lottery dollars will be awarded to schools that have improved by a letter grade or more this year, or that maintained an A grade. Recently released FCAT scores demonstrated the largest improvement in student achievement our state has yet seen. Today, Florida is home to six times as many A schools as 1999.
- **Assistance to Low Performing Schools (College Board Partnership):** This budget allocates $5.5 million for these programs. Florida currently leads the nation in the number of African American students taking and passing AP courses. Activities funded include tutoring, administration of the PSAT exam, preparation programs for the SAT exam, early identification of potential Advanced Placement students, and family information on colleges and other education opportunities for all students.
- **Amendment 9 - Class Size Reduction:** This budget faithfully implements year one of the class-size amendment by allocating $468.2 million to a new Class Size Reduction operating category, and funding $600 million in Class Size Reduction facilities funds (lottery bonds).
- **Community Colleges:** Florida's nationally recognized Community College system will receive $1.43 billion in total funding in Fiscal Year 2003-04, a 4.4 percent increase from the current year. This includes tuition, fees, FRS savings and $24 million in challenge grants. Over the past five years, Community College funding has risen by over 31 percent.
- **State Universities:** Florida's 11 state universities will receive $2.6 billion in total funding, an increase of 3.7 percent from the current year. This includes tuition, fees and $40 million in challenge grants. The budget also includes a $1.3 million increase for the FAMU law school, a $687,500 increase for the FIU law school, and a $4.3 million increase for FSU medical school.
- **Private Colleges and Universities:** These institutions will receive support in the next fiscal year through $79.8 million for the Florida Resident Access Grant and $8.9 million for Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Over the past five years, total funding for private colleges and universities has risen by over 131 percent.
- **Student Financial Aid:** The Fiscal Year 2003-04 budget includes $235.7 million for Bright Futures, which fully funds all students and all tuition increases, as well as $93.4 million in need-based aid. Over the past five years, total funding for Student Financial Aid has risen by over 42 percent.
- **Facilities:** Educational infrastructure improvements are supported through $931.7 million for K-12 facility construction, maintenance, repairs, renovations and remodeling. This fully funds traditional public schools as well as $27.7 million for charter school capital outlay, and the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, Special Facilities, and class size reduction. In addition, the budget allocates $202 million for community colleges and $207.9 million for universities

Health and Human Services:
- **Child Welfare:** Child welfare funding will grow by 8.4 percent this year to a total of $941.4 million. This funding covers the Governor's Blue Ribbon Panel Recommendations, including an additional $12 million for prevention initiatives, including $6 million for the Healthy Families Florida Program. Total funding for Healthy Families will reach $28.2 million next year, an increase of 26.2 percent over the current fiscal year and a 182 percent increase since Fiscal Year 1998-99. Also included in the child welfare funding is $10 million for wrap-around services for residential group care; $28.4 million and 376 positions to address the workload in child protective investigations, supervision, foster care and adoption services; $32 million for better pay for frontline workers, $2.7 million for background screening, $2.7 million to provide a vehicle allowance for caseworkers; $2 million for frontline worker retention strategies; and $4.3 million for child welfare legal services staffing. Over the past five years, total funding has risen by $520.6 million or 123.7 percent.
- **KidCare:** This critical program will receive $3.1 billion in this budget, an increase of $231.4 million (8.0 percent). Over the five year period since Fiscal Year 1998-99, KidCare has received a $1.7 billion, 88 percent increase.
- **Community-Based Long Term Care for Elders:** This program will receive $412.3 million in total funding for Fiscal Year 2003-04, an increase of 2.5 percent. This funding will maintain the current level of services to existing clients, increase funds for the new Alzheimer's Home and Community Based Waiver as well as more funding for local service projects. Over the past five years, total funding has risen by $159.7 million, or 66.2 percent. This level of funding will serve 267,096 clients next year, an increase of 44,848 since Fiscal Year 1998-99. In addition, 1,800 new community placements will be funded through our nursing home diversion program.
- **Silver Lifesaver Rx Program:** This program will receive $137.6 million in total funding for Fiscal Year 2003-04, an increase of 35.3 percent over the current year. The Silver Lifesaver Rx program provides up to $160 per month of prescription drug coverage for seniors with incomes at or below 120 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), and next year adds a benefit for seniors between 120 to 200 percent of the FPL. Persons in this income range will have an unlimited discount on drugs which is correlated to their income. Silver Lifesaver Rx currently serves over 49,000 seniors. This budget will provide sufficient funding to reach 100,000 low-income seniors next year.
- **Medically Needy:** This program will receive $508.6 million in funding for Fiscal Year 2003-04, an increase of 28.5 percent over the current year. Over the past five years, total funding has risen by $345.7 million or 212.2 percent.

- **Developmental Services:** Next year, Developmental Services will receive $1.1 billion in total projected funding. This level of funding will continue services to those already receiving services, while also permitting an additional 30 clients per month who are determined to be in crisis. Over the past five years, total funding has risen by $591.1 million or 117.5 percent, and the total number of clients served has risen by 252 percent.

- **Veterans:** The Department of Veterans' Affairs will be allocated $44.5 million in this budget, an increase of 34 percent. This budget includes start-up funding for two new nursing homes in Bay and Charlotte counties which will bring the total number of beds for veterans receiving services to 750 total beds. This is an increase of 240 beds over current year and 360 beds over the past five years. This budget also adds state funding for the construction of the World War II Memorial. Over the past five years, total funding for veterans has risen by $21 million or 89 percent.

- **Mental Health:** These programs will be allocated $1 billion next year, an increase of 6 percent. This is a $254.9 million or 34.2 percent increase over five years. Along with the continuation of existing services, this budget provides a $3.9 million increase for Community Forensic Services to serve low risk individuals who are in jail but are ruled incompetent to proceed.

- **Substance Abuse:** The Governor's three-pronged strategy of prevention, treatment and law enforcement will receive total projected funding of $277.1 million, an increase of 0.6 percent over current year. This represents a $109.3 million or 65 percent increase over the last five years.

- **Domestic Violence:** Total projected funding to combat domestic violence next year is $32.4 million, which continues the current funding less the one-time only capital improvement expenditures of the current year. Over the last five years, funding to help end domestic violence has risen by $15.3 million or 89.3 percent.

Public Safety

- **Domestic Security:** Next year's budget includes $180.6 million in funding to continue implementing the domestic security strategy for the state of Florida that has become a national model. This funding will be used to meet the critical needs of initiatives that will carry Florida to an enhanced level of prevention and response capability. This totals $310 million for domestic security since 9/11, including $129.4 million over the last two years.

- **Prison Staffing and Operations:** Florida remains committed to ensuring that prisoners serve at least 85 percent of their sentences. Therefore, the Department of Corrections will receive a $28.6 million increase in this budget to provide security staffing (383 new FTEs), food, health care, utilities, and other operational prison costs. The Criminal Justice Estimating Conference estimated that the Department of Corrections will receive an additional 2,678 inmates by the end of the next fiscal year. This funding increase will be minimally sufficient to meet this estimated increase. Any increase in prison population beyond this number will require supplemental funding. The increase in prison population is a direct result of tougher sentencing policies which have helped drive down Florida's Index-Crime Rate to its lowest level in 30 years.

  Although these issues go a long way towards meeting the demands of Florida's growing prison population, the Governor is concerned that this budget does not keep pace with the current trends in prison admissions. Today we have 700 inmates more than were contemplated by the Criminal Justice Estimating Conference. If current trends continue, the Department of Corrections will have to feed, house, medically treat and secure 2,800 more inmates that are not provided for in this budget. All while keeping our correctional institutions safe for our dedicated correctional officers.

  Additionally, this budget reduces inmate education and programs. Cuts in education and programs translate to give incarcerated felons far too much idle time and increase the risk in our institutions. Also, historically under funded expenses such as inmate health care have forced the department to subsidize these costs with scarce security dollars. This budget fails to fully fund inmate health care, ostensibly expecting the Department to again absorb these costs within an already tight budget.

  The Governor is very concerned with this portion of the budget. It is imperative that over the next few months the legislature consider options for filling the gaps in the Corrections budget. We cannot close our eyes to these concerns because the effect of inaction in this area can lead to dire consequences for our citizens.

- **Prison Construction:** In Fiscal Year 2003-04 $14.1 million in General Revenue and $53 million from trust funds will be allocated to construct 4,128 new prison beds. About 6,300 more inmates are projected by the Criminal Justice Estimating Conference to be in the Florida prison system from July 2003 to June 2008. This additional funding will allow 3,042 publicly-constructed beds to be completed by June 2005 and will include the completion of a 1,280 prison annex at Columbia Correctional Institution, the completion of Wakulla work camp and a new 1,500 bed prison in Franklin County. The remaining 1,086 prison beds will be added to existing private prison facilities.

Natural Resources and Agriculture

- **Everglades:** Florida's record of funding Everglades restoration and keeping its promises to our partners speaks for itself. The $100 million allocated in the Fiscal Year 2003-04 budget, combined with the $125 million allocated by the South Florida Water Management District exceeds Florida's annual $200 million commitment for Everglades restoration. In five years we have partnered to provide $715.9 million for Everglades restoration. This funding will be used to purchase the lands necessary for restoration.

- **Florida Forever and P2000:** These programs will once again be allocated $300 million to support these programs. This funding will be used to acquire conservation lands to protect our natural resources. An estimated 100,000 acres could be purchased next year, assuming smooth negotiations, willing sellers, and timely closings.

- **Water Restoration Projects:** Water projects, including those within the Everglades, will receive $243.5 million in Fiscal Year 2003-04. This means that $1.6 billion has been appropriated over the last 5 years, with his year's funding representing a 13 percent increase over Fiscal Year 1999-00. Funding will be used for Everglades restoration, grants and loans to local governments for drinking water programs, waste water treatment and storm water protection.

- **Manatee Protection:** This effort will receive $8.9 million in this budget, making the total funding over the last five years equal $41.5 million, a 72 percent increase over Fiscal Year 1999-2000. Funding will be used next year to fund law enforcement, research and avoidance technology. These dollars will help protect over 3,000 manatees in Florida's waters.

Economic Development, Transportation and General Government

- **Economic Development:** Florida's economy will receive $84.7 million to continue economic stimulus programs next year. Funded initiatives include: $3 million for Front Porch Communities; $28.4 million for economic development incentive programs, including Qualified Target Industries, Qualified Defense Contractors, and High Impact Performance Incentive; $18.3 million for Visit Florida; $10 million for economic development road fund projects; $4.4 million for military base protection; $11.2 million for Enterprise Florida; $500,000 for rural community infrastructure; $2.5 million for the Florida Sports Foundation; and $2.3 million to support Florida's space industry.

- **Workforce Development:** Workforce programs will receive $466.1 million next year, which includes an additional $42 million for six federal grants -- Personal Reemployment Account, Nurses Now, and other training programs for Floridians in need of job training and those unemployed.

- **Transportation:** Infrastructure improvements will receive $6.26 billion in this budget, an overall increase of 20 percent. This includes growth in the state's Five-Year Work Plan to $5.56 billion.

- **Early Childhood Education:** Approximately 162,744 children next year will take part in local school readiness coalitions. Although school readiness programs will receive $687.2 million in this budget, I am disappointed that readiness funding was not increased in anticipation of the implementation of universal pre-kindergarten for four-year-olds in 2005.

- **Community Planning and Land Acquisition:** The budget allocated $66 million for the Florida Communities Trust program to assist local governments in implementing their comprehensive plans for open space, parks and recreation. This brings the Florida Forever total funding for this program over the past five years to $302.5 million. Additionally, this budget continues $400,000 as recommended by the Governor for the Department of Community Affairs to provide

technical assistance to local governments for growth management and planning issues. In total, $6.6 million is provided to the Division of Community Planning in Fiscal Year 2003-04, for a five year total of $39.3 million.

- **State Employee Issues:** The budget provides a two percent annual pay increase for most state employees, with each employee receiving a minimum of $500 and a maximum of $1,400 in additional salary. Funding is also provided to cover the rising cost of health insurance. The state and employee health insurance contribution rates will increase with the state contribution buffering the amount that will be charged to the employee. The Legislature should also be commended for cutting its own pay raise.

Causes for Concern

While this budget incorporates many items that reflect the Legislature's commitment to fund Florida's priorities in a fiscally responsible way, it also embodies several elements that should be cause for concern among all Floridians concerned not only about this year's priorities, but also those in years to come.

First among these is language in the budget that may represent undue interference by the Legislature in the operation of Executive Branch agencies, particularly the Department of Children and Families. This language may hobble the Department's ability to function and may also violate several provisions in the Constitution of Florida, such as the separation of powers, the prohibition against unlawful delegation of authority and the single subject requirement.

Second, this budget fails to recognize that, beginning as soon as the next fiscal year, the high cost of several constitutional amendments threatens the good principles of fiscal discipline that this budget embodies. While the Fiscal Year 2003-04 faithfully implements Year One of the class-size amendment, for example, Year Two costs are currently projected to be even higher. In addition, high-speed rail, the Article V amendment and universal pre-kindergarten are also due to consume vast amounts of state revenue in Fiscal Year 2004-05 and beyond. This budget I sign today in many ways fails to recognize or plan for these tremendous obligations the state must address in the future.

Third, this budget exacerbates the challenge we will face in Fiscal Year 2004-05 regarding educational facility funds (PECO). Available funds that year will experience a one-time drop due to economic conditions and the acceleration of projects associated with the economic stimulus package passed by the Legislature following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. In addition, the class size amendment places extraordinary demand on our infrastructure resources. Yet this budget begins several new university construction projects, particularly at FSU and FAMU that may well experience a delay in completion due to the hiatus in funding during subsequent years. Fourth, while this budget in general represents an extraordinary commitment to fiscal discipline on the part of the Legislature, several items do not meet my approval for the reasons articulated below, and are vetoed.

In 2001, the Legislature established the State Technology Office giving it, among other things, primary responsibility and accountability for the planning, budgeting, acquisition, development, implementation, use and management of information technology within the state. Unfortunately, we continue to fall short in our implementation of this initiative. We cannot hold the State Technology Office accountable unless we are also willing to give it the authority necessary to realize this vision. Designating large projects for special monitoring purposes by the Legislature is often warranted, and can and should continue under the auspices of the Auditor General's Office. However, setting aside funds for special monitoring contracts with outside consultants while not fully funding and utilizing the State Technology Office is unnecessary. Therefore, the following items are vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 234

Pages 63 and 64 - A portion of proviso language

"Of the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 234 for the Home-Safenet project, which is designated for special monitoring as a critical information resource management project under s. 282.322, Florida Statutes, $118,125 from the General Revenue Fund and $118,125 from the Federal Grants Trust Fund are provided for the special monitoring contract. These funds shall be transferred to the Legislative Technology Review Workgroup by the Executive Office of the Governor pursuant to the provisions in Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 467

Page 96 - A portion of proviso language

"The Children's Medical Service project and the Information Technology Infrastructure Project are designated for special monitoring as a critical information resource management project as authorized under s. 282.322, Florida Statutes. Of the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 467 for the Information Technology Infrastructure Project, $135,000 are provided for the special monitoring contract necessary to monitor the projects. These funds shall be transferred to the legislative Technology Review Workgroup by the Executive Office of the Governor pursuant to the provisions in Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 1176

Pages 164 and 165 - A portion of proviso language

"Of the funds provided in Specific Appropriation, 1176 for the Integrated Criminal History System Project, which is designated for special monitoring as a critical information resource management project under s. 282.322, Florida Statutes, $126,000 from the Operating Trust Fund is provided for the special monitoring contract. These funds shall be transferred to the legislative Technology Review Workgroup by the Executive Office of the Governor pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 2107

Page 258 - A portion of proviso language

"Of the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2107 for the On-Line Licensing System and Call Center Services project, which is designated for special monitoring as a critical information resource management project under s. 282.322, Florida Statutes, $135,000 from the Administrative Trust Fund is provided for the special monitoring contract. These funds shall be transferred to the legislative Technology Review Workgroup by the Executive Office of the Governor pursuant to the provisions in Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 2286AT

Pages 276 and 277 - A portion of proviso language

"Of the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2286AT for the FLAIR and CMS Replacement project, which is designated for special monitoring as a critical information resource management project under s. 282.322, Florida Statutes, $350,000 from the Insurance Commissioners Regulatory Trust Fund is provided for the special monitoring contract. These funds shall be transferred to the legislative Technology Review Workgroup by the Executive Office of the Governor pursuant to the provisions in Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 2369

Page 296 - A portion of proviso language

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 2369, $200,000 from the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund is provided for the special monitoring contract for the Secure Driver License System Project, which is designated for special monitoring as a critical information resource management project under section 282.322, Florida Statutes. These funds shall be transferred to the legislative Technology Review Workgroup by the Executive Office of the Governor pursuant to the provisions in Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 2810

Page 325 - A portion of proviso

"Of the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2810 for the Child Enforcement Automated Management System Project, which is designated for special monitoring as a critical information resource management project under s. 282.322, Florida Statutes, $283,500 is provided for special monitoring and independent validation and verification services required in 45 CFR 307.15(b)(10), the special monitoring contract. The funds shall be transferred to the legislative Technology Review Workgroup by the Executive Office of the

Governor pursuant to the provisions in Chapter 216, Florida Statutes."

SECTION 3 - HUMAN SERVICES

The Fiscal Year 2003-04 state budget for health and human services demonstrates the Legislature's commitment to implementing cost-saving measures and exercising restraint in expanding services in order to maintain currently provided health care services to our most vulnerable citizens and support our child welfare initiatives. The following creates an unfunded mandate that expands Medicaid services beyond those we currently have and are struggling to make affordable. Therefore, I hereby veto the following items:

Specific Appropriation 194

Page 57 - A portion of proviso language

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 194, $3,651,412 is provided to implement Medicaid coverage for enhanced assistive care services for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness enrolled in or eligible for the Medicaid program. The Agency is authorized to seek federal approval of an amendment to assistive care services under the Title XIX State Plan to allow coverage of enhanced services for individuals residing in assisted living facilities with the limited mental health license who meet additional qualifications. The Medicaid coverage may be designed to permit limits on services, establish provider qualifications, and limit the groups eligible for coverage. Funds appropriated are contingent on the availability of state match being provided in Specific Appropriation 384A and approval of the plan by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 384A

Page 86 - A portion of proviso language

"From the funds in Specific Appropriation 384A, the Department of Children and Family Services is authorized to transfer funds to the Agency for Health Care Administration as necessary to implement Medicaid coverage for assistive care services. The department shall transfer $1,500,000 to the Agency for Health Care Administration from the Administrative Trust Fund to implement Medicaid coverage for enhanced assistive care services upon approval and implementation of the state plan described in Specific Appropriation 194."

Twenty-three line items and accompanying proviso language for the Department of Children and Family Services will make vulnerable citizens wait for months to receive critical services. This language requires that any future federal funding opportunities must await the approval of the Legislative Budget Commission which meets seldom and intermittently, severely hampers the department in its ability to respond and act in an effective manner. I have therefore decided to veto those line items which, but for this language, would have been subject, at worst, to a two week consultation period. The Legislature, via the consultation period, will still have an opportunity to review the department's budget decisions while permitting the agency to respond and carry out its mission in a timely manner. Therefore, I hereby veto the following items:

Specific Appropriation 220A

Pages 61 and 62

"220A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 116,323

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 220A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 234A

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"234A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 824,501

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 234A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 245A

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"245A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 391,351
FROM OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND 1,372,705

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 245A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 262A

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"262A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 34,407

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 262A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 281A

Page 72

"281A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 206,985
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 34,379

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 281A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 294A

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"294A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND 508,889

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 294A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 304A

Pages 76 and 77

"304A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND 40,407

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 304A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 342A

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"342A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 1,827
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 825,827

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 342A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 368A

Page 85

"368A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 967,579
FROM REFUGEE ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND 3,984

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 368A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 372A

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"372A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM GRANTS AND DONATIONS TRUST FUND 3,000,000

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 372A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 390A

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"390A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 300,000

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 390A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 397A

Page 87

"397A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 60,706

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 397A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 406A

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"406A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND 67,745

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 406A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

SECTION 5 - NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRONMENT/ GROWTH MANAGEMENT/TRANSPORTATION

In the Fiscal Year 2003-04 state budget, the Legislature demonstrated Florida's commitment to protecting its natural environment, maintaining healthy habitats for fish and wildlife, and facilitating the continued growth and vitality of agriculture. All of Florida's top priorities in these areas were funded. These include: protection and restoration of the Everglades; acquisition and management of environmentally sensitive land and water areas under the Florida Forever program; protection of the manatee; and water resource protection. In addition, I just signed into law the diversion of marina-generated fuel taxes to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for law enforcement officers, boats, motors and law enforcement operations. The level of funding provided in this budget will allow our resource management agencies to achieve their priorities. This year's budget included very few items that were not considered priorities for the next fiscal year; however there were items approved in the legislative budget that are either not essential to accomplish agency missions, represent an inappropriate expansion of agency programs, duplicate the services or programs of other entities; or, which would be more appropriately carried out either in the private sector or by regional and local governments. Some of these issues enjoy public support. One is a recycling program that should, more appropriately, compete for the innovative recycling funds currently in the budget. However, in these challenging fiscal times, these issues are those that represent the tough choices that must be made if we are to maintain fiscal discipline. For these reasons, I do hereby veto the following items:

Specific Appropriation 1287B
Page 175
"1287B FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
HEATING, VENTILATION AND AIR CONDITIONING
REPLACEMENT FOR CONNER COMPLEX LAB BUILDINGS
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1,000,000"

Specific Appropriation 1303A
Page 178
"1303A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
ACQUISITION OF MOTOR VEHICLES
FROM RELOCATION AND CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUND 650,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 1303A shall be used to purchase heavy equipment for fire prevention or suppression."

Specific Appropriation 1307B
Page 178
"1307B FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
RELOCATE WACCASASSA FORESTRY CENTER HEADQUARTERS - GAINESVILLE
FROM RELOCATION AND CONSTRUCTION TRUST FUND 1,635,000"

Specific Appropriation 1677B
Page 218
"1677B GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
RECYCLE LEAD ACID PRODUCTS
FROM SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND 400,000"

Specific Appropriation 1771A
Page 226
"1771A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
TRANSFER FLORIDA FISH & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL
FROM COASTAL PROTECTION TRUST FUND 866,311"

Specific Appropriation 1824
Page 231
"1824 SPECIAL CATEGORIES
ACQUISITION AND REPLACEMENT OF BOATS, MOTORS, AND TRAILERS
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 500,000
FROM MARINE RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND 141,500
FROM STATE GAME TRUST FUND 141,500"

Specific Appropriation 1831A
Page 232
"1831A GRANTS AND AIDS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NONSTATE ENTITIES - FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL PROGRAM
FROM MARINE RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND 866,311"

Specific Appropriation 1841
Page 233
"1841 SPECIAL CATEGORIES
MANAGEMENT AREA LEASE PAYMENTS
FROM STATE GAME TRUST FUND 315,577"

Specific Appropriation 1843
Page 233
"1843 SPECIAL CATEGORIES
TRANSFER DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - ALLIGATOR MARKETING AND EDUCATION
FROM STATE GAME TRUST FUND 100,000"

Specific Appropriation 1852A
Page 234
"1852A FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA STORAGE FACILITY CONSTRUCTION - DMS MGD
FROM STATE GAME TRUST FUND 649,000"

Specific Appropriation 1901J relates to high-speed rail, an objective that the people have articulated is a priority for our state by amending the Constitution of Florida to that effect. Although I called in my 2003 State of the State Address for another opportunity for the voters to consider how high a priority this should be in our state given high-speed rail's tremendous projected costs, we elected officials nevertheless have a responsibility to implement the amendment. This we must faithfully do.

We also have a responsibility to address our state's transportation needs comprehensively and to ensure that taxpayer dollars are spent efficiently. For this reason, I have insisted that high-speed rail must be a public-private partnership, with investors from the private sector investing funds based on the projected revenues expected from the riders of the system. Bids have been submitted from several private firms, and they confirm the concern that high-speed rail will have an even greater impact on our budget than was previously projected.

We can and should continue meeting our regional transportation needs, so that we can provide an affordable, efficient and reliable mode of transportation for our employees, especially in our service industry and for our seniors. For this reason I have approved Specific Appropriation 1901H, which includes $4.9 million for the "planning, design and engineering phases of intermodal centers necessary to implement Florida's High Speed Rail System." Intermodal centers are facilities built to accommodate various modes of transportation such as automobiles, buses, taxis and rail systems. In addition, we can continue to pursue all required federal approvals including securing a record of decision (the federal approval of a project so that federal monies can be used on it in the future) by the U.S. Department of Transportation, an effort that will be aided by the imminent choice of a preferred route for high speed rail.

However, I am vetoing Specific Appropriation 1901J regarding high-speed rail, primarily because I have promised to do so. On April 11, 2002, I transmitted to the Secretary of State, with my signature, Council Substitute for House Bill 261 along with a letter stating the reasons for signing that bill. The letter identified concerns with certain provisions of that bill expanding the powers of the High Speed Rail Authority and providing a broad tax exemption (allowing private businesses to be tax exempt) to development associated with the high speed rail system. I expressly called for this tax exemption to be removed from law, and pledged to veto every dollar of High Speed Rail Authority money in this year's budget if that tax exemption was not removed. Although the High Speed Rail Authority did recommend removal of the tax exemption, and the Department of Transportation and my office raised the issue several times during the 2003 Regular Session, the Legislature failed to act. Therefore, the following item is vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 1901J
Page 241
"1901J FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY

HIGH SPEED RAIL DEVELOPMENT
FROM STATE TRANSPORTATION (PRIMARY) TRUST FUND 7,200,000

Funds in Specific Appropriation 1901J are provided for the operation of the Florida High Speed Rail Authority and the Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) studies associated with implementation of the Tampa to Orlando phase of Florida's High Speed Rail system. Of these funds, $2,150,000 is contingent upon the receipt of federal funds for Next Generation High Speed Rail.

The Florida High Speed Rail Authority shall review proposed alignments as identified in the Request for Proposal for Phase I, Part I, and shall ensure that National Environmental Policy Act requirements have been met and all required public hearings have been held. The Florida High Speed Rail Authority shall not enter a contract to Design, Build, Operate, Maintain and Finance a high speed rail system until funds are appropriated by the Legislature for the contract for Phase 1, Part 1 of the system."

SECTION 6 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill 113A provides an appropriation of $200,000 from the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund for expenses related to the review of Article V financial data submitted by counties pursuant to the Uniform Chart of Accounts. The following item is duplicative of the appropriation in House Bill 113A and, therefore, unnecessary and is vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 2286AP

Page 276 - A portion of proviso language

"From the funds provided in Specific Appropriation 2286AP, $100,000 from the General Revenue Fund shall be used for expenses related to the review of Article V financial data submitted by counties pursuant to the Uniform Chart of Accounts."

SECTION 7 - JUDICIAL BRANCH

The following item was added to the appropriations bill during conference, thus circumventing the scrutiny of the entire appropriations process and was not justified in a difficult budget year, and therefore is hereby vetoed:

Specific Appropriation 2942A

Page 341
"2942A SPECIAL CATEGORIES
ACQUISITION OF MOTOR VEHICLES
FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND 12,300"

OTHER SECTIONS

The following paragraph in Section 8 grants a pay raise to a select group of employees in addition to the 2.0 percent increase granted to them and to all other state employees, and therefore is hereby vetoed:

Section 8

Page 348 - A portion of proviso language

"4) From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1945L, $1,217,241 from the General Revenue Fund is provided to the Judicial Branch to grant each judicial assistant in the circuit and county courts a $1,330 increase to the employee's base rate of pay, effective July 1, 2003."

The reversion called for in Section 29 will bring to a halt the Citrus Canker Tree Compensation Program, and is hereby vetoed:

Section 29

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"SECTION 29. The unexpended balance of $12,000,000 from funds provided to the Department of Agriculture in Specific Appropriation 1480A of Chapter 2002-394, Laws of Florida, for the Citrus Canker Tree Compensation Program is hereby reverted."

Last year I vetoed state funding for agriculture facilities that did not meet established criteria. One of those projects was the Florida City Farmers' Market. The following section is hereby vetoed:

Section 34

Page 358

"SECTION 34. The $500,000 provided to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services in Specific Appropriation 1068F in Chapter 99-226, Laws of Florida for the Florida City Farmers' Market Land Purchase, is hereby reappropriated as the Florida City Farmers' Market."

The reappropriation called for in Section 41 is unnecessary as the Department of Transportation and local government will enter a contract within the statutorily allowed timeframe. For this reason, the following item is vetoed:

Section 41

Page 359

"SECTION 41. The unexpended balance of the funds appropriated in the Fiscal Year 2002-2003 General Appropriations Act in Specific Appropriation 2091A in the amount of $1.5 million for U.S. 319 is hereby reappropriated for improvements to U.S. 319."

I hereby veto the following:

Section 43

Page 359 - A portion of proviso language
"Projects, Contracts and Grants TF 13,300,000"

UNCONSTITUTIONAL PROVISO LANGUAGE

Enacting a budget reflects the partnership enshrined in the Constitution between the Legislative and Executive Branches. Separation of powers as well as checks and balances are essential for this partnership to function effectively and in concert with the will of the people as articulated in the Constitution, Article II, section 3. However, the third branch, the Judicial Branch of our state government, may need to take action in the near future to reaffirm how these principles apply in the context of our state budget.

I refer specifically to proviso language in this budget which represents an attempt by the Legislature to exert undue influence in the operation of Executive Branch agencies. Proviso language, properly used, articulates how the Legislature directs specific appropriations to be spent. However, this year's budget continues a recent legislative trend of using proviso language to change substantive law not directly related to specific appropriations. The Legislature, of course, retains the power to modify substantive law, but only as outlined in the Constitution. The single subject requirement of Article III, section 12, for example, may well be violated each time the Legislature seeks to use proviso language in the budget to change substantive law not directly related to specific appropriations.

The proviso language below relating to the Department of Children and Families illustrates the problem. It represents legislative direction beyond the allocation of funds and thus undue control over an executive agency's implementation and management of its programs. This proviso is not rationally related to the purpose of the appropriation, but is merely a device to further a legislative objective unrelated to the funds appropriated. The effect of this language will be to unduly interfere in the functioning of the Department of Children and Families, impeding the Department's ability to expend appropriated funds to help the most vulnerable in our society.

While I have chosen not to veto these provisions, I am considering taking appropriate legal action to seek a judicial declaration that this proviso language constitutes an unlawful violation of the separation of powers, an unlawful delegation of authority and violation of the single subject requirement of the Constitution of Florida.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Specific Appropriation 251A

Pages 66 and 67

"251A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 93,319

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 251A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 256A

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"256A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 48,500
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 9,202,035

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 256A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 268B

Pages 69 and 70

"268B LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 1,470,913
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 11,474,370
FROM GRANTS AND DONATIONS TRUST FUND 102,337

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 268B has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific

Appropriation 286B

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"286B LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 254,592
FROM CHILD WELFARE TRAINING TRUST FUND 170,515
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 1,119,101
FROM GRANTS AND DONATIONS TRUST FUND 89,192

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 286B has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 313A

Pages 77 and 78

"313A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 39,720
FROM GRANTS AND DONATIONS TRUST FUND 279,857
FROM OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND 8,103

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 313A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 325A

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"325A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 1,085,946
FROM OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND 2,681,228

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 325A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 332A

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"332A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM GRANTS AND DONATIONS TRUST FUND 651,999

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 332A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 348A

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"348A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM FEDERAL GRANTS TRUST FUND 16,953
FROM GRANTS AND DONATIONS TRUST FUND 11,859

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 348A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 356A

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"356A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM GRANTS AND DONATIONS TRUST FUND 637,300

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 356A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 414A

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"414A LUMP SUM
RESERVE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
FROM ADMINISTRATIVE TRUST FUND 15,859
FROM OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND 6,418,885

The budget authority in Specific Appropriation 414A has been identified by the Department of Children and Family Services as unfunded budget. It is provided as a reserve for future federal funding opportunities. This budget is to be placed in Executive Office of the Governor reserve and shall not be released prior to the submission of a plan from the Department containing documentation of the funding that is available to support the budget authority and describing the proposed expenditure of funds. The plan and any proposed budget amendments shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of s. 216.181(6)(a), Florida Statutes, and subject to legislative concurrence as set forth in s. 216.177, Florida Statutes, for final approval by the Legislative Budget Commission."

Specific Appropriation 242

Page 65 - A portion of proviso language

"The funds in Specific Appropriation 242 are contingent on the Department not transferring up to ten percent of the total district budget pursuant to s. 20.19, Florida Statutes."

Specific Appropriation 294

Pages 74 and 75 - A portion of proviso language

"Funds from Specific Appropriations 294 and 297 shall not be utilized for administrative costs, including but not limited to further design, implementation, or monitoring of the rate study unless a proposal for such expenditures has been submitted to the Executive Office of the Governor and the Senate and House Appropriations Committees for review and approval. Additionally, any proposal to purchase utilization management and on-site monitoring to achieve cost effectiveness shall be approved through this same process before expenditures are incurred."

Specific Appropriation 297

Pages 75 and 76 - A portion of proviso language

"Funds from Specific Appropriations 294 and 297 shall not be utilized for administrative costs, including but not limited to further design, implementation, or monitoring of the rate study unless a proposal for such expenditures has been submitted to the Executive Office of the Governor and the Senate and House Appropriations Committees for review and approval under the provisions of Chapter 216, Florida Statutes. Additionally, any proposal to purchase utilization management and on-site monitoring to achieve cost effectiveness shall be approved through this same process."

I also am concerned that the following proviso language [Section 23] is an attempt by the legislature to draft the appropriations bill as to unduly and unreasonably preclude the exercise of my executive power to "veto any specific appropriation in a general appropriation bill," in violation of Article III, section 8 of the Florida Constitution. I am considering taking appropriate legal action to seek a judicial determination as to the constitutionality of this language.

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"SECTION 23. Funds provided in Specific Appropriations 217 through 419 in the Department of Children and Family Services utilizing unrestricted trust fund cash are limited to the continuation appropriation level and specified additional amounts and purposes contained in the General Appropriations Act. The department is not authorized to use unrestricted trust fund cash beyond these levels or for purposes not specified on the approved listing, and is hereby restricted from doing so."

The portions of Senate Bill 2A which are set forth herein with my objections are hereby vetoed, and all other portions of Senate Bill 2A are hereby approved.

Sincerely,
Jeb Bush, Governor

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The following Executive Orders were filed with the Secretary:

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 03-76

WHEREAS, Dwayne Walker is presently serving as Sheriff of Lafayette County, Florida, and

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2002, in Executive Order No. 02-236, the Governor suspended Dwayne Walker from the office of Sheriff of Lafayette County after an investigation conducted by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement ("FDLE") revealed multiple incidents of drunken public behavior by Walker, and

WHEREAS, as a basis for Dwayne Walker's suspension, the Governor concluded that Walker's inebriated condition impaired his ability to discharge his official duties, caused a failure to do and perform duties laid on him by virtue of his office, caused him to perform acts in his official capacity that are wholly illegal and wrongful, and caused him to perform legal acts in his official capacity in an improper or illegal manner, and

WHEREAS, Dwayne Walker has acknowledged to law enforcement officers of the FDLE that he gave false information to FDLE on June 28, 2002, during the course of FDLE's governor-ordered investigation, and

WHEREAS, subsequent to his suspension, in a deferred prosecution agreement with the Office of the State Attorney, Third Judicial Circuit, Dwayne Walker acknowledged that he gave false information to law enforcement officers of the FDLE on July 24, 2002, and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2003, in Executive Order No. 03-55, the Governor reinstated Dwayne Walker to the Office of Sheriff of Lafayette County, and

WHEREAS, the Governor's reinstatement of Dwayne Walker was predicated on the fact that Walker had undergone treatment and counseling and that a medical professional had examined Walker and found him fit for duty, and

WHEREAS, as a condition of his reinstatement, Walker: accepted responsibility for the behavior that led to his suspension; agreed not to

retaliate against any of the witnesses involved in the investigation of his misconduct; agreed to continue his outpatient alcohol treatment and to report to the Governor on the progress of that treatment; and agreed to submit to random alcohol screenings by the healthcare professionals monitoring his sobriety, and

WHEREAS, subsequent to his reinstatement, on April 27, 2003, Dwayne Walker was arrested by the Tampa Police Department for driving under the influence, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Lafayette County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Dwayne Walker be immediately suspended from the public office which he now holds, upon the grounds hereinafter set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JEB BUSH, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and for the purposes of Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

A. Dwayne Walker is, and at all times material hereto was, Sheriff of Lafayette County, Florida.

B. The office of Sheriff of Lafayette County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution.

C. This suspension is predicated upon (1) the attached Investigative Summary, which is hereby incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order, (2) the fact that Dwayne Walker gave false statements to FDLE during the course of its governor-ordered investigation, and (3) Walker's arrest on April 27, 2003 for driving under the influence.

D. The attached Investigative Summary, the fact that Dwayne Walker gave false statements to FDLE during the course of a governor-ordered investigation, and Walker's arrest for driving under the influence demonstrate that Walker has committed acts that constitute drunkenness, neglect of duty, malfeasance and misfeasance.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is hereby promulgated, effective immediately:

Section 1. Dwayne Walker is hereby suspended from the public office which he now holds, to wit: Sheriff of Lafayette County, Florida.

Section 2. Dwayne Walker is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 28th day of April, 2003.

Jeb Bush
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Glenda E. Hood
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections April 30, 2003; subsequently withdrawn from the Committee on Ethics and Elections on February 16, 2004.]

LETTER OF APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL MASTER ON EXECUTIVE SUSPENSIONS

D. Stephen Kahn, Esq. February 17, 2004
Senate General Counsel

Re: Executive Order 03-76
Suspension of Dwayne B. Walker
Sheriff, Lafayette County, Florida

Dear Steve:

In accordance with Senate Rule 12.8 and s. 112.41(4), F.S., you are hereby designated as the Special Master to investigate, hold pre-hearing conferences and evidentiary hearings as necessary, and at the conclusion thereof, to prepare your written report for me containing your recommendations concerning removal or reinstatement of the above-suspended sheriff.

In addition to the above authority, you are also authorized: a) to incur reasonable travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, F.S., and the fiscal policies of the Florida Legislature; b) to obligate the Senate to pay necessary witness and court reporter fees; and c) to determine procedural motions or requests filed by either party.

Sincerely,
James E. "Jim" King, Jr.
President, The Florida Senate

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 03-191

WHEREAS, William E. Clement is presently serving as Sheriff for Charlotte County, Florida, and

WHEREAS, the State Attorney's Office filed an information charging William E. Clement with official misconduct, Section 839.25, Florida Statutes, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Collier County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that William E. Clement be immediately suspended from the public office, which he now holds, upon the grounds hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JEB BUSH, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and for the purposes of Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

A. William E. Clement is, and at all times material hereto was, Sheriff for Charlotte County, Florida.

B. The office of Sheriff for Charlotte County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution. The attached information alleges that William E. Clement committed acts in violation of the Laws of Florida and this information is hereby incorporated as if fully set forth in this executive order.

C. This suspension is predicated upon the attached information, which alleges commission of a felony.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is hereby promulgated, effective immediately:

Section 1. William E. Clement is hereby suspended from the public office, which he now holds, to wit: Sheriff for Charlotte County, Florida.

Section 2. William E. Clement is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 1st day of October, 2003.

Jeb Bush
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Glenda E. Hood
SECRETARY OF STATE

AMENDED EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 03-192

WHEREAS, Executive Order 03-191 suspended William E. Clement, Sheriff of Charlottee County, Florida from the public office he held, and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 03-191 incorrectly referred to Collier County. The correct county is Charlotte County.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is hereby promulgated, effective immediately:

Section 1. Except as amended herein, Executive Order 03-191 is ratified and reaffirmed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 2nd day of October, 2003.

Jeb Bush
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Glenda E. Hood
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.]

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 03-219

(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Miriam Oliphant is presently serving as the Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, after the 2000 election cycle, Broward County received more money from the state than any other county in Florida for new voting technology and the second highest amount of money from the state for voter education; and

WHEREAS, after an unacceptable performance by Miriam Oliphant as the Broward County Supervisor of Elections ("Supervisor Oliphant") in the 2002 Primary Election, the Department of State, Division of Elections, was requested to assess what caused the unacceptable performance of the Broward County Elections Office; and

WHEREAS, it was discovered that in reference to the 2002 Primary Election, Supervisor Oliphant was advised on numerous occasions by the manager of poll worker recruitment that they needed more staff, yet the manager was never allowed to hire the necessary personnel; and

WHEREAS, it was discovered that in reference to the 2002 Primary Election, a total of twenty-four precincts opened late, thirteen due to lack of election supplies and the remainder due to a lack of personnel; and

WHEREAS, in reference to the 2002 Primary Election, as a result of twenty-four precincts opening late, I issued Executive Order 02-248 mandating that the polls stay open past 7:00 p.m. statewide for an additional two hours; and

WHEREAS, it was discovered that in reference to the 2002 Primary Election, at approximately 3:45 p.m. the Broward County Elections Office received Executive Order 02-248, yet Supervisor Oliphant specifically did not authorize her staff to notify the precincts until approximately 6:00 p.m. making it impossible for staff to contact 800 precincts, therefore, resulting in many precincts closing at 7:00 p.m. in direct violation of Executive Order 02-248; and

WHEREAS, it was discovered that in reference to the 2002 Primary Election, there were insufficient technical support personnel at the call center delaying vital information from being relayed to the precinct clerks and regional sites; and

WHEREAS, it was discovered that in reference to the 2002 Primary Election, two hundred and sixty-eight absentee ballots postmarked between September 4th and September 9th were never clocked in, canvassed or counted and in fact were discovered approximately a year later in a file cabinet in the Broward County Elections Office; and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2002, then Secretary of State Jim Smith sent me a written report detailing their findings and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, in this report, then Secretary Smith stated that Supervisor Oliphant's office exhibited and overwhelming "*absence of administrative coordination in getting all of the necessary components to the correct precincts on time as well as the lack of proper training for the operators of the machines*;" and

WHEREAS, even though it was his belief that misfeasance had occurred, then Secretary Smith recommended against suspension and removal in order to allow local officials and community leaders in Broward County to step forward and assist the Broward County Supervisor of Elections in preparation for the November 2002 General Election and beyond; and

WHEREAS, in reference to the November 2002 General Election, Supervisor Oliphant's office would have failed but for the following assistance: (i) the Broward County Commission providing 800 employees to assist the Broward County Elections Office for the 2002 General Election; (ii) the Broward County Commission offering the use of the county emergency operation center for the 2002 General Election; (iii) the Broward County School Board conducting the entire poll worker training for the 2002 General Election; (iv) the Broward County Sheriff's Office providing extensive Election Day support including, but not limited to, delivering voting equipment and election supplies to the precincts; (v) the Department of State, Division of Elections, providing technical assistance for the 2002 General Election; (vi) and employment contract was entered into between Supervisor Oliphant and Mr. Joseph Cotter for him to act as the Deputy Supervisor of Administration and Operations, turning over virtually all of the daily operations of the Broward County Elections Office; (vii) Mr. Cotter submitting weekly reports to the Governor detailing the steps taken to prepare for the 2002 General Election; and (viii) then Secretary of State Jim Smith requesting assistance from the United States Justice Department to ensure that the 2002 General Election was conducted fairly; and

WHEREAS, Jim Cotter, the Deputy Supervisor of Administration and Operations, left his position with the Broward County Elections Office in December 2002; and

WHEREAS, problems and deficiencies continue to exist in the operations of the Broward County Election Office, most recently with the firing of experienced senior election staff by Supervisor Oliphant including but not limited to Deputy Supervisor Ken Leb, Chief Financial Officer Dick Wallsmith, Absentee Ballot Supervisor Mary Hall and Poll Worker Division Supervisor Pat Nesbit; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the special election for House District 91 that has been set for January 2004 and the Presidential Preference Primary in March 2004, on October 14th-15th, Secretary of State Glenda Hood assembled and dispatched an experienced team of election professionals to provide an assessment of the Broward County Elections Office; and

WHEREAS, this assessment team was charged with reviewing processes and procedures in the areas of voter registration, poll worker recruitment and training, voter machine set-up and security and overall operations; and

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2003, after reviewing the findings and recommendations of the assessment team, Secretary of State Hood reported to me in writing that, "*Supervisor Oliphant has and continues to exhibit an alarming pattern of irresponsibility in the performance of her duties. In fact, Supervisor Oliphant's conduct comes dangerously close to meeting the constitutional threshold for removal from office*"; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the assessment team findings, Secretary Hood set forth a comprehensive list of recommendations for Supervisor Oliphant and set a specific deadline of on or before November 10, 2003, for a written report from Supervisor Oliphant to the Department of State outlining the successful completion of all recommendations, with immediate verification by the assessment team; and

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2003, a second assessment team was sent to Broward County by the Department of State to assess Supervisor Oliphant's compliance; and

WHEREAS, based upon the second assessment team visit on November 10, 2003, on November 19, 2003, Secretary of State Hood reported to me in writing that, in contravention of the recommendations previously made and the specific deadline for compliance given to Supervisor Oliphant, the following continued deficiencies exist: (i) there is no continuum of duties and responsibilities in the Broward County Elections Office; (ii) management personnel do not demonstrate the level of competence needed to perform the duties imposed on the office; (iii) the deputy supervisor of elections position is still not filled and there are no immediate prospects of the position being filled; (iv) lines of responsibility remain blurred and staff still do not have a clear understanding of who is in charge; (v) management personnel are overextended and being asked to fill dual positions, resulting in situations where neither job is being accomplished in an acceptable manner; (vi) manuals, poll worker agreements/confirmations and precinct contracts have still not been provided to confirm claims of compliance in this area; (vii) none of the requisite infrastructure needed is in place to assure a trained poll worker workforce of the magnitude necessary to support a countywide election; (viii) security procedures to prevent sensitive voter information from being extracted by the general public in violation of 98.095, Florida Statutes, are still not in place; (ix) the security standards for voting systems on file with the Division of Elections have still not been revised and continue to be Pasco County's plan with only the name changed to Broward County—a plan never implemented by the Broward County Supervisor of Elections; (x) since 1999, maintenance of voter registration rolls have still not been accomplished in accordance with 98.065, Florida Statutes; (xi) Supervisor Oliphant has had three years (two voter registration list maintenance cycles) to timely bring her office into compliance and has still failed to do so; and (xii) an alarming and unacceptable number of key management personnel in the Broward County Elections Office exhibit a fundamental lack of knowledge of state and federal election law, including Supervisor Oliphant, who still depends on staff to answer basic questions about operations, procedures and election law.

WHEREAS, in the most recent municipal election in Broward County, approximately 17,000 mail-in ballots out of approximately 100,000 were returned as undeliverable and it is uncertain how many mail-in ballots were deliverable but thrown away because the addressee had moved; and

WHEREAS, despite the great efforts that have been made by Broward County officials, local community leaders and state election officials to assist Supervisor Oliphant in 2002 and 2003, she has continuously been unwilling to take personal responsibility for her office's repeated failures; and

WHEREAS, Secretary of State Hood on November 19, 2003, recommended to me in writing, "*It is, in my opinion, unconscionable to continue to expend state resources to bail this Supervisor out of one failed election after another. Consequently, it is my duty to recommend to you this public official be suspended and a replacement be appointed to fulfill the duties of her office.*"; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Bill Cowles, Supervisor of Elections for Orange County, Florida and a member of the assessment team, concurs with Secretary of State Hood's recommendation to suspend Supervisor Oliphant; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Kathy Dent, Supervisor of Elections for Sarasota County, Florida and a member of the assessment team, concurs with Secretary of State Hood's recommendation to suspend Supervisor Oliphant; and

WHEREAS, there is no greater franchise afforded to the citizens of Florida than the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, tantamount to this franchise is the public's confidence in the election process and the people in charge of that process; and

WHEREAS, I must protect the integrity of Florida's election process; and

WHEREAS, Miriam Oliphant has contravened her oath of office as set forth in Article II, Section 5, Florida Constitution, to ". . .faithfully perform the duties" of Supervisor of Elections of Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Broward County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Supervisor Oliphant be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds, upon the grounds hereinafter set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JEB BUSH, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and, for the purposes of Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

A. Miriam Oliphant is, and at all times material hereto was, the Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida.

B. The office of Supervisor of Elections is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution.

C. The attached reports and correspondence from the Secretary of State clearly illustrates that Supervisor Oliphant's conduct has repeatedly demonstrated neglect that is grave and the frequency of which is such as to endanger or threaten the public trust in the election process, which rises to a level of "neglect of duty" in the operation of the Broward County Elections Office. A copy of these reports and correspondence are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth in this executive order; and

D. The attached reports and correspondence from the Secretary of State clearly illustrates that Supervisor Oliphant's conduct has repeatedly demonstrated a gross ignorance of official duties and gross carelessness in the discharge of them, which rises to a level of "incompetence" in the operation of the Broward County Elections Office. A copy of these reports and correspondence are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth in this executive order.

E. The attached reports and correspondence from the Secretary of State clearly illustrates that Supervisor Oliphant has discharged the duties of her office in an improper manner, which rises to a level of "misfeasance" in the operation of the Broward County Elections Office. A copy of these reports and correspondence are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth in this executive order.

F. This suspension is predicated upon the attached reports and correspondence, which sets forth facts showing that through a pattern of conduct exhibiting "neglect of duty", "incompetence" and "misfeasance" Supervisor Oliphant has jeopardized the integreity of the election process in Broward County.

G. If after execution of this suspension, additional documents are discovered within the Broward County Elections Office that illustrate further "neglect of duty", "incompetence" or "misfeasance" or other additional grounds for suspension of Supervisor Oliphant, these documents will be incorporated by reference as if fully set forth in this executive order.

H. The acts alleged herein constitute the offenses of neglect of duty, incompetence and misfeasance as used in Article IV, Section 7, Florida Constitution.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is hereby promulgated, effective immediately:

Section 1. Miriam Oliphant is hereby suspended from the public office that she now holds, to wit: Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida.

Section 2. Miriam Oliphant is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further executive order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

Section 3. As of the signing of this executive order, the Broward County Sheriff's Office is directed to: (i) escort Miriam Oliphant immediately from the Broward Elections Office with access only to retrieve her personal belongings; (ii) ensure that no files, papers, documents, notes, records, computers or computer disks are removed from the Broward County Elections Office by Miriam Oliphant or any of her staff; and (iii) allow Department of State employees immediate access to all files within the Broward County Elections Office for review, analysis, and copying for any and all purposes.

Section 4. I am herby appointing herein Brenda Calhoun Snipes as the Supervisor of Elections for Broward County, Florida effective immediately.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 20th day of November, 2003.

Jeb Bush
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Glenda E. Hood
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections; subsequently withdrawn from the Committee on Ethics and Elections on February 3, 2004.]

LETTER OF APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL MASTER ON EXECUTIVE SUSPENSIONS

D. Stephen Kahn, Esq. February 4, 2004
Senate General Counsel

Re: Executive Order 03-219
Suspension of Miriam Oliphant
Supervisor of Elections, Broward County, Florida

Dear Steve:

In accordance with Senate Rule 12.8 and s. 112.41(4), F.S., you are hereby designated as the Special Master to investigate, to hold prehearing conferences and evidentiary hearings as necessary, and at the conclusion thereof, to prepare your written report for me containing your recommendations concerning removal or reinstatement of the above-suspended supervisor.

In addition to the above authority, you are also authorized: a) to incur reasonable travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, F.S., and the fiscal policies of the Florida Legislature; b) to obligate the Senate to pay necessary witness and court reporter fees; and c) to determine procedural motions or requests filed by either party.

Sincerely,
James E. "Jim" King, Jr.
President, The Florida Senate

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 04-38

(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, George Knupp, Jr. is presently serving as Sheriff for Lake County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the State Attorney's Office for the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida filed an indictment charging George Knupp, Jr. with two (2) counts of Perjury in an Official Proceeding, in violation of Sections 837.02 and 837.011, Florida Statutes, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, a violation of Sections 837.02 and837.011, Florida Statutes, constitutes a felony of the third degree; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Lake County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that George Knupp, Jr. be immediately suspended from the public office, which he now holds, upon the grounds hereinafter set forth,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeb Bush, Governor of Florida, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby find, determine, and, for the purposes of Article IV, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution, allege as follows:

A. George Knupp, Jr. is, and at all times material hereto was, Sheriff for Lake County, Florida.

B. The office of Sheriff for Lake County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, section 7, of the Florida Constitution. The attached indictment alleges that George Knupp, Jr. committed acts in violation of the Laws of Florida and this indictment is hereby incorporated as if fully set forth in this executive order.

C. This suspension is predicated upon the attached indictment, which alleges commission of a felony.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is hereby promulgated, effective immediately:

Section 1. George Knupp, Jr. is hereby suspended from the public office, which he now holds, to wit: Sheriff for Lake County, Florida.

Section 2. George Knupp, Jr. is hereby prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from the effective date hereof, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

Section 3. I hereby appoint J.M. "Buddy" Phillips as the acting Sheriff of Lake County, for the term beginning today, February 25, 2004, and ending upon the completion of the search and interview process for the appointment of a replacement who will serve as Sheriff of Lake County for the duration of the suspension of George Knupp, Jr. I intend to make this replacement appointment within the next thirty (30) days.

Section 4. I hereby further order that J.M. "Buddy" Phillips, in conformance with Section 112.061, Florida Statutes, be entitled to reimbursement of travel costs and expenses related to his interim appointment as acting Sheriff of Lake County to be paid by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 25th day of February, 2004.

Jeb Bush
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Glenda E. Hood
SECRETARY OF STATE

[Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.]

EXECUTIVE 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 have been prepared for the following:

Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
Board of Acupuncture		
Appointees:	Ervolino, Frank S., Palm City	10/31/2006
	Gunter, Gregory W., LaBelle	10/31/2006
	Karr, Paulette M., Coral Gables	10/31/2007
Jacksonville Airport Authority		
Appointees:	Demetree, Jack C., Jacksonville	09/30/2007
	Sherrer, Linda H., Jacksonville Beach	09/30/2007
Board of Architecture and Interior Design		
Appointees:	Del Bianco, Sharon M., Ft. Myers	10/31/2007
	Gonzalez, Rick E., Jr., Juno Beach	10/31/2007
	Membiela, Roymi V., Miami Beach	10/31/2004
	Schreiber, Stephen, Tampa	10/31/2006
	Shore, Joyce, Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2006
Florida Board of Auctioneers		

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Appointee:	Accardo, Craig G., Winter Springs	10/31/2007
Barbers' Board		
Appointee:	Collins, Robert W., Jacksonville	10/31/2007
Florida State Boxing Commission		
Appointee:	Auger, Barbara D., Tallahassee	09/30/2007
Florida Building Commission		
Appointees:	Browdy, Richard S., Jacksonville	01/21/2007
	D'Andrea, Nicholas "Nick", Jr., Tampa	01/15/2007
	Gross, Jeffery, Hollywood	11/21/2003
	Lipka, Leonard, Miami Lakes	02/03/2007
	Parrino, Craig, Tampa	07/26/2007
	Sanidas, Christ T., Orlando	01/12/2007
	Schulte, Christopher P., Coconut Creek	05/01/2007
	Tagliarini, Peter A., Tampa	08/11/2007
	Vann, Randall J., Cape Coral	01/31/2007
	Wiggins, George J., Mt. Dora	07/26/2007
Capital Collateral Regional Counsel - Middle Region		
Appointee:	Jennings, John "Bill" W., Tampa	09/30/2006
Capital Collateral Regional Counsel - Southern Region		
Appointee:	Dupree, Neal A., Davie	09/30/2006
Board of Chiropractic Medicine		
Appointees:	Barr, Norris H., Tallahassee	10/31/2005
	Kirby, Vicki Gates, Lake Mary	10/31/2007
Florida Citrus Commission		
Appointees:	Carlton, Patrick "Pat", Wauchula	05/31/2005
	Estes, W. Cody, Sr., Vero Beach	05/31/2006
	Falk, Harry Heller, Winter Park	05/31/2006
	McSweeney, Anina C., Sarasota	05/31/2006
	Taylor, Andrew R., Jupiter	05/31/2006
Escambia County Civil Service Board		
Appointees:	Fillmore, Mayra I., Cantonment	02/15/2007
	Pittman, Hosea D., Pensacola	02/15/2007
Hillsborough County Civil Service Board		
Appointees:	Diaz, Andrew G., Tampa	07/02/2007
	Michael, Guanine S., Tampa	07/02/2007
	Stokes, Willie J., Tampa	07/02/2007
Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel		
Appointees:	Barr, Alice R., Lakeland	10/31/2007
	Daniels, Carol W., Ft. Pierce	10/31/2007
Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling		
Appointees:	Bebber, Robert James "Jake", Casselberry	10/31/2006
	Colavecchio, Francis R., Atlantis	10/31/2004
	Macomber, Mary F., Coral Springs	10/31/2007
	Mallery, Sally, Tarpon Springs	10/31/2005
	Otis, Sharon, Bradenton	10/31/2005
	Roberts, Franklin A., Ft. Walton Beach	10/31/2006
	Smith, Nancy M., Juno Beach	10/31/2006
	Zachary, Jamie L., Jacksonville	10/31/2006
Florida Communities Trust		
Appointees:	Myrick, Virginia D., Jacksonville	01/31/2007
	Schmitt, Sue, Melbourne	01/31/2007
Florida Commission on Community Service		
Appointees:	Richburg, James R., Niceville	09/14/2005
	Woodfaulk, Flora W., Perry	09/14/2003
	Woodfaulk, Flora W., Perry	09/14/2006
Board of Trustees of Brevard Community College		
Appointees:	Handley, James W., Cocoa Beach	05/31/2007
	Wilson, Alberta K., Rockledge	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Broward Community College		
Appointees:	Krause, Cheryl W., Pembroke Pines	05/31/2007
	Tanner, Paul C., Ft. Lauderdale	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Central Florida Community College		
Appointees:	Little, Bernard L., Jr., Ocala	05/31/2007
	Strifler, Betty, Crystal River	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Chipola Junior College		
Appointees:	Clark, Gary F., Chipley	05/31/2007
	Crawford, Jeff, Jr., Marianna	05/31/2007
	Goodman, Jennie B., Bonifay	05/31/2007
	Hinson, Abigail, Chipley	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Daytona Beach Community College		
Appointees:	Davison, William H., Ormond Beach	05/31/2007
	Desai, Pramila S., Ormond Beach	05/31/2007
	Petrock, Joseph C., Daytona Beach	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Edison Community College		
Appointee:	Mann, Mary Lee, Alva	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Florida Community College at Jacksonville		
Appointees:	Mass, M. F., Jacksonville	05/31/2007
	McGehee, Thomas R., Jr., Jacksonville	05/31/2007
	Miller, David F., Fernandina Beach	05/31/2007
	Weinstein, Michael B., Jacksonville	05/31/2006
Board of Trustees of Gulf Coast Community College		
Appointees:	Grantham, Linda S., Panama City	05/31/2007
	Shoaf, Renee, Port St. Joe	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Hillsborough Community College		
Appointee:	Coton, Daniel Mark, Plant City	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Indian River Community College		
Appointees:	Bols, Werner, Stuart	05/31/2007
	Bradshaw, Edith O., Vero Beach	05/31/2007
	Patterson, Samuel L., Port St. Lucie	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Lake City Community College		
Appointees:	Brannan, Robert C. III, Macclenny	05/31/2007
	Johnson, Richard J., Lake City	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Lake-Sumter Community College		
Appointees:	Simpson, Jon A., Oxford	05/31/2007
	Talley, Jacqueline V., Leesburg	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Manatee Community College		
Appointees:	Allen, Ronald J., Bradenton	05/31/2007
	Hudson, George Trammell "Tramm", Sarasota	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Miami-Dade Community College		
Appointees:	Klein, Henry "Hank", Miami	05/31/2007
	Roulhac, Peter W., Miami	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of North Florida Community College		
Appointees:	Maultsby, John, Jr., Madison	05/31/2007
	Padgett, Lester D., Perry	05/31/2007
	Thomas, Albert, Jr., Monticello	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Okaloosa-Walton Community College		
Appointees:	Rainer, Lamar S. III, Shalimar	05/31/2007
	Smith, J. E., Niceville	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Palm Beach Community College		
Appointees:	Baumel, Susan K., Boca Raton	05/31/2007
	Pelton, Larry L., Palm Beach Gardens	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando Community College		
Appointees:	Homer, Irvin, Spring Hill	05/31/2007
	Vergara, Pamela S., Brooksville	05/31/2005
	Weightman, Thomas E., Dade City	05/31/2007
	Wells, Karen, Dade City	05/31/2007

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Board of Trustees of Pensacola Junior College		
Appointees:	McKenzie, Gerald, Pensacola	05/31/2007
	McKinnon, Denis, Pensacola	05/31/2007
	Pullum, William A., Navarre	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Polk Community College		
Appointees:	Platt, Carol A., Winter Haven	05/31/2007
	Roberts, Neriah E., Lakeland	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of St. Johns River Community College		
Appointee:	Roberts, William W., Palatka	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College		
Appointees:	Bilirakis, Evelyn M., Tarpon Springs	05/31/2007
	Burke, Kenneth P., Seminole	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Santa Fe Community College		
Appointees:	Mallini, George "G.T." T., Gainesville	05/31/2007
	Perry, Charles R., Gainesville	05/31/2007
	Womack, Evelyn T., Starke	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Seminole Community College		
Appointees:	Lee, Richard H., Chuluota	05/31/2007
	Pugh, Verdell R., Sanford	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of South Florida Community College		
Appointees:	Maenpaa, Richard, Wauchula	05/31/2007
	McKay, Kimble D., Sebring	05/31/2007
	Reynolds, Anne D., Lake Placid	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Tallahassee Community College		
Appointees:	Doster, Russell S., Havana	05/31/2006
	Hebrock, Bill J., Tallahassee	05/31/2007
Board of Trustees of Valencia Community College		
Appointee:	Marchena, Marcos R., Orlando	05/31/2007
Construction Industry Licensing Board		
Appointees:	Blankenship, Michael L., Havana	10/31/2007
	Brown, Joan M., Sarasota	10/31/2007
	Cox, John J. III, Sarasota	10/31/2006
	Dostie, Richard R., Jacksonville	10/31/2006
	Kalmanson, Barry, Winter Park	10/31/2007
	Pietanza, Mark, Boca Raton	10/31/2007
	Weller, Edward M., Miami	10/31/2006
State of Florida Correctional Medical Authority		
Appointees:	Tedder, Deborah A., Davie	09/30/2006
	Wynn, Mary Jane, Chattahoochee	07/01/2006
Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind		
Appointees:	Demetree, Jack C., Jacksonville	02/07/2007
	Grau, Celida, Hialeah	11/14/2006
Board of Dentistry		
Appointees:	Ackley, Eva F., New Port Richey	10/31/2007
	Dallas, Michele A., Plantation	10/31/2007
Florida Development Finance Corporation		
Appointees:	de la Rosa, Jose Luis, Orlando	05/02/2007
	Harris, Jerry L., Orlando	05/02/2006
	Pelton, Larry L., Palm Beach Gardens	05/02/2006
Education Practices Commission		
Appointees:	Buckley, Christine "Chris" R., Jacksonville	09/30/2006
	Donovan, Brian T., Crystal River	09/30/2007
Board of Employee Leasing Companies		
Appointees:	Crum, Frank W., Jr., Clearwater	10/31/2006
	Dockery, Celeste D., Sarasota	10/31/2007
	Moore, Ryan S., Bradenton	10/31/2007
	Rodriguez, Carlos, Coral Gables	10/31/2006
Board of Professional Engineers		
Appointees:	Burke, John C., Jacksonville	10/31/2006
	Matthews, Robert L., Ft. Myers	10/31/2006
	Rebane, Henn, Tampa	10/31/2007
	Rose, Albert E., Wellington	10/31/2007
	Velazquez, Gloria M., Miami	10/31/2006
Commission on Ethics		
Appointees:	Antonacci, Peter, Tallahassee	06/30/2005
	Grant, John A., Jr., Tampa	06/30/2005
	Linstroth, John P., West Palm Beach	06/30/2005
Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority		
Appointee:	Lopez-Isa, Alba R., Tampa	07/01/2007
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission		
Appointee:	Yablonski, Brian S., Tallahassee	01/05/2009
Board of Professional Geologists		
Appointees:	Francisco, Valerie R., Tampa	10/31/2007
	McNeill, Donald F., Coral Gables	10/31/2005
	Pease, James W., Tampa	10/31/2005
	Smith, Stuart, Lutz	10/31/2006
Board of Hearing Aid Specialists		
Appointees:	Knight, Clarence G., Lynn Haven	10/31/2006
	Palombi, Patricia Y., Jacksonville	10/31/2005
	Someillan, Joseph, Miami	10/31/2006
Citrus County Hospital Board		
Appointee:	Chadwick, Sandra Lee, Inverness	07/03/2007
Board of Trustees of South Lake County Hospital District		
Appointees:	Bailey, Donald B., Clermont	07/05/2007
	Berens, Robert E., Jr., Clermont	07/05/2007
	McLean, Susan R., Clermont	07/05/2007
	Rosario, Jay, Clermont	07/05/2005
	Ryan, Ronald G., Clermont	07/05/2007
	Wade, Robert J., Clermont	07/05/2007
Florida Housing Finance Corporation		
Appointee:	Stultz, Lynn M., Monticello	11/13/2004
Florida Commission on Human Relations		
Appointees:	Craig, Rita Barreto, Palm Beach Gardens	09/30/2007
	Roberts, Keith A., Dania Beach	09/30/2007
Commission for Independent Education		
Appointees:	Bradley, Nancy M., Orlando	06/30/2005
	Knobel, David, Ft. Lauderdale	06/30/2006
	Royse, Marvin Wayne, Cape Coral	06/30/2006
Florida Inland Navigation District		
Appointees:	Booth, John D., West Palm Beach	01/09/2007
	Faulkner, Charles R., Flagler Beach	01/09/2007
	Kavanagh, George L., Port St. Lucie	01/09/2007
	Mesiano, Michael D., Atlantic Beach	01/09/2007
	Sansom, Jerry H., Rockledge	01/09/2007
	Vogel, Cathleen C., Miami	01/09/2007
Governor's Mansion Commission		
Appointee:	Uhlfelder, Mifflin H., Santa Rosa Beach	09/30/2007
Board of Massage Therapy		
Appointees:	Hanselman, Elizabeth, Gainesville	10/31/2005
	Kelly, Jacqueline, North Miami Beach	10/31/2007
	Owen, Brenda J., Ellenton	10/31/2006
	Vala, Andrea, Lake Worth	10/31/2007
Board of Medicine		
Appointees:	Avila, Mark S., Miami Beach	10/31/2006
	Coto, Manuel J., Orlando	10/31/2006
	Dyches, Ronald W., Riverview	10/31/2004

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	Ondra, Gordon W., Lakeland	10/31/2007
	Zachariah, Mammen P., Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2007
Board of Nursing		
Appointees:	Habgood, Mary Kay, St. Petersburg	10/31/2006
	Parks, Mindy Beth, Miami	10/31/2005
	Powers, Patsey J., Tallahassee	10/31/2006
Board of Nursing Home Administrators		
Appointees:	Chase, Bertha H., St. Cloud	10/31/2005
	English, Charles W., Longwood	10/31/2007
	Gallagher, S. Duane, Freeport	10/31/2006
	McDonnell, John J., Coral Springs	10/31/2005
Board of Occupational Therapy Practice		
Appointees:	Diezel, Zoraida, Miami	10/31/2004
	Garcia, Laura A., Tampa	10/31/2004
	Hickman, Shelley I., Lynn Haven	10/31/2005
	McIntosh, Lisa Carlisle, Winter Haven	10/31/2007
	Scott, Rodney P., Pensacola	10/31/2006
	Shaub, Linda, Coral Springs	10/31/2006
Board of Opticianry		
Appointees:	Calvo, David, Miami	10/31/2004
	Holt, Pamela P., Longwood	10/31/2007
	Perez, Maria E., Miami	10/31/2007
Board of Optometry		
Appointees:	Easton, Robert M., Jr., Oakland Park	10/31/2007
	Pierie, Raymond W., Pembroke Pines	10/31/2007
Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists		
Appointees:	Gillis, Arlene, Tampa	10/31/2006
	Gingras, Ronald, Seffner	10/31/2007
	Goris, David S., Spring Hill	10/31/2006
	Moya, Roberto A., Miami Lakes	10/31/2005
	Ramos, Jorge G., Sr., Miami	10/31/2007
Board of Osteopathic Medicine		
Appointees:	Rodriguez, Richard, Largo	10/31/2007
	Swan, Nadine C., Atlantic Beach	10/31/2007
Board of Pharmacy		
Appointees:	Alvarez, Eric M., Miami	10/31/2006
	Goersch, Brigitte R., Orlando	10/31/2006
	Krestan, Patricia A., Edgewater	10/31/2005
	Merrell, Gail Annette, Tierra Verde	10/31/2007
	Salem, Ronald B., Jacksonville	10/31/2007
Board of Physical Therapy Practice		
Appointees:	Middleton, Marilyn J., Windermere	10/31/2007
	Trittschuh, John C., DeLand	10/31/2005
Board of Pilot Commissioners		
Appointees:	Buford, Rivers H., Jr., Tallahassee	10/31/2004
	Hiers, John M., Ocala	10/31/2007
	Leech, David A., Vero Beach	10/31/2006
	McMillin, Earl R., Cape Canaveral	10/31/2005
	Molitor, Donald "Don" N., Cocoa	10/31/2004
	Phipps, Cheryl A., Ft. Lauderdale	10/31/2007
Pilotage Rate Review Board		
Appointees:	Hugins, Michael R., Coral Springs	10/31/2004
	Johnson, Clarence T., Jr., Merritt Island	10/31/2005
	Reynolds, Stephen H., Tampa	10/31/2006
	Robinson, Tanya Y., Tallahassee	10/31/2006
	Stow, Weston L., Crystal River	10/31/2007
Board of Podiatric Medicine		
Appointee:	Fishman, Tamara D., Hollywood	10/31/2007
Tampa Port Authority		
Appointee:	Ringhaver, Lance C., Apollo Beach	11/15/2007

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Board of Psychology		
Appointees:	Goldstein, Herbert, St. Petersburg Beach	10/31/2007
	Jenkins-Hall, Katurah, Tampa	10/31/2006
	Martin-Lavielle, Ana, Miami	10/31/2006
Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board		
Appointees:	Brown, Douglas E., St. Cloud	10/31/2005
	Roth, Edward A., Coral Springs	10/31/2004
	Small, Jay W., Winter Springs	10/31/2004
Florida Real Estate Commission		
Appointees:	Beals, Robert L., Melbourne	10/31/2006
	Hogan, Nancy B., Miami	10/31/2006
	Veissi, Madeline H., Miami	10/31/2007
West Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 1		
Appointees:	Barnes, Antonius G., Lynn Haven	Pleasure of Governor
	Frakes, Lucinda J., Shalimar	Pleasure of Governor
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Region 10		
Appointees:	Hershey, Susan J., Stuart	10/01/2005
	Trias, Ramon, Ft. Pierce	10/01/2005
South Florida Regional Planning Council, Region 11		
Appointee:	Perez, Marta, Coral Gables	10/01/2004
Board of Respiratory Care		
Appointees:	Friday, Shawnta, Tallahassee	10/31/2005
	Grassi, Michele A., Boca Raton	10/31/2007
	Nunez, Morfia Joy, Ocala	10/31/2007
	Rappa, David J., Cantonment	10/31/2006
	Waggoner, Deborah M., Miami	10/31/2007
	Weiss, Ellen H., Winter Park	10/31/2006
State Retirement Commission		
Appointee:	Myers, Alice C., Zellwood	12/31/2007
Jacksonville Port Authority		
Appointees:	Fiorentino, T. Martin "Marty", Jr., Ponte Vedra Beach	09/30/2007
	McAfee, Marilyn, Ponte Vedra Beach	09/30/2007
Florida Space Authority		
Appointees:	Baker, Silas K., Jr., Rockledge	06/30/2004
	Barnhart, Deborah E., Clearwater	06/30/2005
Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology		
Appointees:	Mincow, Robert, Sunny Isles Beach	10/31/2004
	Pizarro-Zeigler, Elena, Mt. Dora	10/31/2006
	Ramirez, Dania Lopez, Coral Gables	10/31/2006
	Steck, Stephen M., Oviedo	10/31/2007
Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers		
Appointee:	Greer, Sidney H., Vero Beach	10/31/2006
Jacksonville Transportation Authority		
Appointees:	Harper, Donna L., Jacksonville	05/31/2007
	Johns, A. J., Jacksonville	05/31/2006
	Sawyer, J. Charles, Jacksonville	05/31/2007
Florida Transportation Commission		
Appointees:	Eddins, Heidi J., St. Augustine	09/30/2007
	Holton, James W., St. Petersburg	09/30/2007
	Namoff, R. M., Miami	09/30/2007
	Straz, David A., Jr., Tampa	09/30/2007
	Watermeier, Janet, Ft. Myers	09/30/2007
Florida Commission on Veterans' Affairs		
Appointee:	Coleman, William C., Orlando	11/16/2004
Big Cypress Basin Board of the South Florida Water Management District		
Appointees:	Abbott, Alicia, Marco Island	03/01/2006
	Boldt, John H., Naples	03/01/2006

Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Coastal Rivers Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Perry, Elaine, Brooksville	03/01/2006
Manasota Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointees:	McClure, Julie, Bradenton	03/01/2004
	Wright, Linda Ann, Bradenton	03/01/2004
Northwest Hillsborough County Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointees:	Jordon-Robinson, Joseph W., Jr., Tampa	03/01/2006
	Paloumpis, Andreas, Tampa	03/01/2004
Withlacoochee River Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Huss, Robert B., Jr., Wesley Chapel	03/01/2006

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Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Board of Directors, Enterprise Florida, Inc.		
Appointee:	Michaels, J. Patrick, Jr., Tampa	07/01/2007

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Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Executive Director of Department of Law Enforcement		
Appointee:	Tunnell, Guy M., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Governor and Cabinet
Parole Commission		
Appointee:	Pate, Tena M., Tallahassee	06/30/2004

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Office and Appointment		For Term Ending
Board of Governors		
Appointees:	Bryant, Castell Vaughn, Miami	01/06/2006
	McDevitt, Shelia M., Tampa	01/06/2010
	Pappas, M. Lynn, St. Augustine	01/06/2005
	Parker, Ava L., Jacksonville	01/06/2010
	Rummell, Peter S., Jacksonville	01/06/2006
Board of Trustees, Florida A & M University		
Appointees:	Benjamin, Regina, Spanish Fort	01/06/2005
	Branker, Laura, Chevy Chase	01/06/2005
	Cardenas, Alberto R., Key Biscayne	01/06/2008
	Hanna, Randall W., Tallahassee	01/06/2005
	Holmes, R. B., Jr., Tallahassee	01/06/2006
	Jenkins, Leerie T., Jr., Orange Park	01/06/2006
	Jennings, C. W., Orlando	01/06/2008
	Lowe, Challis M., Pinecrest	01/06/2006
Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University		
Appointees:	Bryant, William J., Palm City	01/06/2006
	McPherson, Geraldine "Gerri" P., Vero Beach	01/06/2006
	Tripp, Norman D., Ft. Lauderdale	01/06/2005
	Warshal, Bruce S., Hillsboro Beach	01/06/2005
	Zoley, George C., Sea Ranch Lakes	01/06/2008
Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida		
Appointees:	Christiansen, Patrick T., Orlando	01/06/2005
	Lee, Richard H., Chuluota	01/06/2005
	Rosen, Harris, Orlando	01/06/2008
	Walsh, Richard J., Orlando	01/06/2006
	Yochum, Thomas H., Winter Park	01/06/2006
Board of Trustees, Florida State University		
Appointees:	Brooks, Derrick, Tampa	01/06/2005
	Ford, David B., Birchrunville	01/06/2006
	Furlow, Jessie, Quincy	01/06/2005
	Garcia, Manuel A. III, Winter Springs	01/06/2006
	Knowles, Harold M., Tallahassee	01/06/2005
	Marshall, J. Stanley, Tallahassee	01/06/2005
	McGee, Elizabeth Ann, Winter Springs	01/06/2008
Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University		
Appointees:	Cobb, Brian E., Naples	01/06/2006
	Lester, W. Bernard, La Belle	01/06/2005
	Lucas, David, Ft. Myers	01/06/2005
	Moon, Harry K., Ft. Lauderdale	01/06/2006
	Morton, Edward A., Naples	01/06/2008
	Starkey, Jerry, Naples	01/06/2006
	Villalobos, Plutarco M., Cape Coral	01/06/2005
Board of Trustees, Florida International University		
Appointees:	Atkins, Betsy, Coral Gables	01/06/2005
	Lopez, Miriam, Miami	01/06/2006
	Parker, David A., Perry	01/06/2005
	Sugranes, Rosa, Key Biscayne	01/06/2006
	Wertheim, Herbert A., Coral Gables	01/06/2008
Board of Trustees, New College of Florida		
Appointees:	Allen, Robert N., Jr., Key Biscayne	01/06/2005
	Cranor, John M. III, Sarasota	01/06/2008
	Dupree, Jerome, Sarasota	01/06/2006
	Hudson, Warren P., Orlando	01/06/2005
	Mason, Raymond E., Jr., Osprey	01/06/2005
	Misemer, Kenneth R., Port Richey	01/06/2006
Board of Trustees, University of Florida		
Appointees:	Alfonso, Carlos J., Tampa	01/06/2006
	McGriff, W. A. III, Jacksonville	01/06/2006
	Merkel, Joelen K., Ocean Ridge	01/06/2005
	Morgan, Dianna, Windermere	01/06/2006
	O'Connell, Cynthia F., Tallahassee	01/06/2006
	Powell, Earl W., Coral Gables	01/06/2005
	Thweatt, Albert W., Disputanta, VA	01/06/2005
	Warrington, Alfred C. IV, Houston	01/06/2008
Board of Trustees, University of North Florida		
Appointees:	Abdullah, Edythe M., Jacksonville	01/06/2005
	Coggin, Luther W., Ponte Vedra Beach	01/06/2005
	Crawford, Toni, Ponte Vedra Beach	01/06/2006
	Douglas, T. O'Neal, Jacksonville	01/06/2006
	Halverson, Steven T., Jacksonville	01/06/2005
	Hicks, Ann Curry, Jacksonville	01/06/2006
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Appointee:	Cohen, Robert S., Tallahassee	Pleasure of Administration Commission

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Office and Appointment		*For Term Ending*
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Appointee:	Green, Kirby B. III, Palatka	Pleasure of the Board
Executive Director of South Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Dean, Henry, Wellington	Pleasure of the Board
Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Whitehead, Judith C., Brooksville	03/01/2007
Executive Director of Southwest Florida Water Management District		
Appointee:	Moore, David L., Odessa	Pleasure of the Board
Executive Director of Suwannee River Water Management District		
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[Referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Ethics and Elections.]

SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

The following certificate was received:

No. SC03-2001

In Re: CERTIFICATION OF NEED FOR ADDITIONAL JUDGES

[December 18, 2003]

PER CURIAM.

Each year Florida's Constitution requires this Court to certify the need for new judges throughout the state using uniform standards.[1] This is the sole constitutional mechanism for ensuring that every Legislature has an accurate systemwide assessment of the judges needed to serve Florida's communities. The goal is to provide an effective and efficient justice system for Florida's growing population that will insure and protect the Rule of Law, the cornerstone of democracy in our state and our nation. The Rule of Law is the truest indicator of a healthy democracy. It is the idea that no person is greater than the law and that, under the law, no one is less important than any other. Key to the operation of the Rule of Law is a core belief: Justice must be timely dispensed to truly be justice. This in turn implies a judicial system with sufficient resources to make timeliness possible.

ASSESSMENT PROCESS

We continue to use established objective measures to determine judicial caseload and the corresponding need for additional judges. Our analysis in past years—and again today—has not only been conservative but has strongly emphasized the need to use less expensive alternatives and to maximize efficiency before seeking more judges. We have steadily moved toward court models that rely heavily on alternatives and skilled support staff.

At the trial level, these efficiencies have included hiring case managers who screen and organize cases to ensure that all legal matters in a case are fully in order before they go before a judge for a decision, guaranteeing the most efficient use of judge time.[2] Other efficiencies include the use of hearing officers and masters to hear matters such as disputes over child support and traffic tickets, and the use of mediation and other cost-saving measures, some discussed below, that have also reduced the need for certifying even more judges. All of these measures ensure that preliminary organizational and ministerial work is done by administrative staff, freeing trial judges to do their essential and unique task—adjudication.

In the district courts of appeal, these models have included adding staff attorneys to conduct important research and to do preliminary screening and analysis of cases,[3] thus freeing the judges to devote their important and more costly time to their most crucial duty—deciding appeals. And, as will be discussed more fully below, these efforts are highlighted by a voluntary decision by the district court judges to increase their own recommended caseload by forty percent, in lieu of adding more judges. This decision reflects not only the dedication of these judges, but also the efficiencies they have achieved through the use of enhanced judicial staff.

At the trial level, this Court has cooperated with the Legislature by adopting a trial-court certification system that the Legislature originally suggested, the "Weighted Caseload System" discussed more fully below.[4] We also stress that our certification is not a statement of what Florida State Courts subjectively want. Rather, it is a statement of what the State Courts objectively need to meet their workload, using accepted standards of measurement. In order to ensure that the certification is as objective as possible, the constitutional framers reposed this duty in the Supreme Court, which itself neither benefits nor loses by the Legislature's final decision on the issue.

We also must acknowledge the very positive efforts of the Legislature in responding to the needs of the judicial branch. We understand the competing priorities lawmakers face in every session. Despite these pressures, the Legislature still has funded a number of new judgeships at the trial and appellate levels in recent years. It has also responded favorably to requests for additional resources that have greatly improved the efficiency of our courts. Florida legislators and their leadership deserve great credit for helping ensure that the Third Branch has been capable of providing a high standard of service to the communities of Florida. Our task today is to determine what is needed to maintain this standard of service to the people.

In summary, to fulfill our constitutional mandate we have considered judgeship requests submitted by Florida's five appellate districts and twenty judicial circuits. We have examined the requests for new trial judges using the Weighted Caseload System and have analyzed various other judicial workload indicators including the appellate judges' willingness to accept a higher workload. Based on our review of these factors, we conclude that there is a need for four new judges in the district courts of appeal, fifty-one circuit judges, and thirty-three county judges.[5]

The State of Florida's Third Branch of Government

Florida's State Courts are nearing a historic crossroad in the months ahead—one that will determine the health and stability of our courts for decades to come. This is a result of actions taken by our citizens. In 1998, the same year that the Legislature first asked us to use the Weighted Caseload System for trial-court certification, the voters of this state approved Revision 7 to the judicial article of the state Constitution. This revision shifts a greater portion of the costs of trial courts from county commission budgets to the state budget by next July 1.

There is much at stake for the residents of Florida as we make this shift to unified state funding of the courts. The most significant challenge is to ensure that the Rule of Law is not compromised in Florida's communities, and, critically, that the level of services provided in Florida's twenty judicial circuits not be reduced on July 1, 2004.

Observant and respected groups like the Florida Council of 100 have expressed concern that Florida's court system has been under-resourced.[6] As the Legislature assumes greater responsibility for the state's courts, legislative support in providing adequate judicial resources and operating costs is vital to maintain the existing high quality of justice we have provided, and indeed that our citizens expect and deserve. We are fortunate that the Legislature has a history over the last decade of providing many of the resources courts need.

Under the federal system of government in the United States, our state courts are the primary vehicle for providing the Rule of Law to our people. As has often been noted, state courts account for well more than ninety-five percent of all judicial activity in the United States. State

courts such as those in Florida protect democracy by upholding the law, ensuring individual rights and liberties, enforcing public order, and peacefully resolving disputes. Courts maintain public safety, settle costly business disputes, and protect our most vulnerable citizens. Of course, judges are crucial to the operation of this system. Their work helps our citizens and businesses resolve issues fairly and peaceably, in a way that promotes the well-being of all.

This Court fully understands the competing funding priorities that confront the Legislature. However, we also recognize the significant need for adequate funding of Florida's Third Branch of government in the face of unprecedented growth in this, the nation's fourth largest state. Just as growth places increasing demands on other public services, it has a direct relationship to the need for additional judicial resources in Florida's communities. Back logs of cases would become inevitable without enough judges to preside over and dispose of cases, and without sufficient operating costs and resources to support them. In sum, justice itself would be delayed. Preventing this from happening deserves some priority. Without adequate funding for judges and other essential elements, the effective and efficient operation of the Florida State Courts System will be jeopardized. If adequate resources are not provided, the courts would be required to shift resources from civil proceedings to criminal matters, thereby unavoidably delaying cases involving mortgage foreclosures, landlord-tenant matters, contract disputes, and other civil concerns that are essential to flourishing business operations and a prosperous economy in this state and to the well-being of its families.

Courts in other states have suffered devastating cuts in recent years, and their experiences demonstrate that inadequate funding can gravely impair court operations. In New Hampshire, jury trials were suspended for two months in 2002 and for three months in 2003. In Colorado, courthouses were recently forced to close one week per month, and court proceedings in Oregon were suspended one day per week last year. It is critical that Florida avoid similar harm to its justice system, and the fact that we have avoided problems as serious as these is largely due to the Legislature's efforts.

Florida's judiciary has long been regarded as one of the finest in the nation. In the years leading up to implementation of Revision 7, we have achieved this high level of service and national reputation only with the combined financial support of both the Legislature and Florida's counties. Yet, Florida's budget for the Third Branch has consistently been well less than one percent of the state's budget. In short, while bearing an enormous caseload, Florida's courts have provided a genuine bargain to the people of Florida. Our judiciary's continuing tradition of excellence will now depend on whether its current standards continue to be funded. We are confident the Legislature will continue to provide these resources.

TRIAL COURTS

We begin our analysis with the trial courts. In recent years, we have used the Weighted Caseload System in evaluating the requests for new judges made by the chief judges of the trial courts. Judicial need remains high for two primary reasons: first, the lack of funding for previously certified judgeships and, second, overall caseload increases. Since our first judicial certification using the Weighted Caseload System,[7] the Legislature has authorized about one-fourth of the trial court judges certified as needed.

Each day the circuit and county judges of this state dispense justice in an endless variety of ways. In many instances, their workload is well beyond capacity. This workload demand, if left unaddressed, will jeopardize the Rule of Law. It will result in delayed justice because it will slow down and affect the quality of the judges' work. Much of the increase in workload is attributable to changing demographics. As Florida's resident population grows, so does its judicial need. Chief Judge Hayes of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit noted in his request to this Court:

> [I]f this need goes unmet, it would undoubtedly have a deleterious effect upon the administration of justice in our circuit and our ability to guarantee to the citizens of our circuit their right of access to the court as guaranteed by Article I, section 21 of the Florida Constitution.

We agree with this observation and its application to the current situation throughout Florida.

Florida is unique in several ways. First is the fact that we have experienced so much growth that we rapidly have become the nation's fourth most populous state. Florida has rapidly replaced New York as the gateway to immigration. Second is the fact that our population swells during the winter months and produces increased activity of all kinds. Unfortunately, increased judicial activity goes hand in hand with this growth. Third, the ever-changing demographics of Florida affect our judiciary and strain its capacity in many other ways, some subtle, some obvious to all. For example, the significant growth of non-English-speaking residents increases the need for court interpreters. Likewise, the aging of Florida's population has resulted in an increase in guardianship and related probate cases. Further, population growth and geographic considerations in multi-county circuits all have placed additional workload demands on the circuits.

The chief judges of the various circuit courts also have advised us of other factors that influence the circuit court workload. These include such things as the presence of universities inside a court's jurisdiction, one-time or annual events that can significantly increase criminal or civil caseloads, and the proximity of theme parks and beaches. Other factors that influence workload include the distance between courthouses inside a county or circuit, the presence of adult and juvenile correctional facilities, state attorney filing practices, and the practices of others involved in the legal process. Still other factors may not be readily apparent to the lay observer. For example, the presence of criminal and juvenile gangs inside a circuit also can increase judicial workload.

The Weighted Caseload method of certification was urged upon the Court in 1998 through chapter 98-422, section 7, Laws of Florida, which the Court accepted, implemented, and began using in 2000.[8] For that reason, it is the product of a partnership between the Legislature and the courts in fulfilling their mutual constitutional obligation to provide justice to the people. The Legislature and its advisory bodies settled upon this method because of its objectivity and its widespread acceptance.

The Weighted Caseload System grew out of similar well-established methods of forecasting. They originated with Defense Department work by the Rand Corporation and have since been widely adopted by the private sector. As used in certification, the Weighted Caseload System analyzes Florida's trial-court caseload statistics according to their complexity and the resources likely to be needed. Simpler kinds of cases receive less weight than more complicated ones. The history underlying this system of analysis is detailed on the Court's website. See National Center for State Courts, Florida Delphi-based Weighted Caseload Project: Executive Summary (2000), available at http://www.flcourts.org/pubinfo/highprofile/certification.html.

Going hand-in-glove with the Weighted Caseload System is a growing reliance on less expensive ways of resolving legal cases in Florida. Courts here and throughout the nation have steadily moved toward the use of specialized staff and alternative forms of resolving legal issues that are more efficient. The importance of these resources in the present context stems from the fact that the Weighted Caseload System takes them into account in certifying the need for judges. In other words, the number of judges that otherwise would be necessary is reduced by these cost-saving measures.

Analysis of caseloads, however, reveals yet another factor driving the caseload burden higher: There are significant increases in several of the specific circuit court case types that are more labor intensive and thus more heavily weighted. Most notable are cases involving contracts and real property, professional malpractice and product liability, child support, and other domestic relations matters. Domestic relations cases include adoption, questions of paternity, changes of custody, and so forth. From fiscal year 1999-2000 to 2001-2002, contracts and real property filings increased approximately eighteen percent. For this same time period, professional malpractice and product liability, child support, and other domestic relations filings increased by approximately thirty percent. Moreover, workload related to domestic violence, repeat violence, and substance abuse cases, and the volume and complexity of serious felonies and postconviction proceedings are all impacting circuit court caseloads.

Overall, county court filings, excluding civil traffic infractions, have increased seven percent from fiscal year 1999-2000 to fiscal year 2001-2002, and are projected to grow at a similar rate for the next few years.

Total county civil filings, excluding civil traffic infractions, increased by more than twenty-three percent from fiscal year 1999-2000 to fiscal year 2001-2002. They are projected to increase further approximately twenty-two percent from fiscal year 2001-2002 to fiscal year 2002-2003.[9]

For those courts requesting county judgeships, one of the most significant increases at the county court level from fiscal year 1999-2000 to fiscal year 2001-2002 occurred in civil case filings. Under the Weighted Caseload System, this case type is the second highest case weight at the county court level. It thus represents a significant proportion of the workload. Small claims filings for those courts requesting county judgeships have increased approximately forty-seven percent from fiscal year 1999-2000 to fiscal year 2001-2002. Small claims are generally filed by unrepresented litigants who are often unfamiliar with court rules and procedures, and thus can require a considerable amount of judge time. Other factors impacting the workload of county courts include large increases in population, the necessity of judges and personnel traveling between branch courthouses in urban counties, the creation of branch courthouses in urban counties,[10] and a lack of traffic infraction hearing officers.[11] The latter can complete a far higher volume of work, and they can do so at far less cost than if these infraction cases must be handled solely by a judge. In their absence, judges are required to fill the void.

We recognize and are appreciative of the fact that the Legislature already has begun its work on Revision 7. Earlier this year it passed chapter 2003-402, Laws of Florida, which recognized those resources most critical to daily court operations. As noted above, these resources are in place to safeguard Floridians' constitutional rights of due process, equal protection, and access to courts; to assist judges with their caseloads; and to ensure the efficient and effective operation of the trial courts. It is essential that there be no diminution in these critical resources and that they be appropriately funded. Failure to maintain funding for these existing resources in the trial courts, many heretofore paid by county government, would greatly disrupt the operations of the trial courts. The public's access to their courts would be impaired, and delay would become inevitable. Resources such as masters, hearing officers, staff attorneys, mediation, court administration, and case managers all play a pivotal role in ensuring access and the timely disposition of cases.

It is important to stress again that the Weighted Caseload System, as established by the joint efforts of the Legislature and this Court, factors these existing supplemental resources into its analysis. Assuredly, the case weights and the corresponding need for judges would be much higher had those resources not been considered in the methodology. Many chief judges have reported to us the positive effects of these resources in their circuits.

Yet, their impact also can be estimated by comparing the efficiency of Florida's judiciary with the national norm. Florida's circuit judges handle thirty-one percent more filings than the national average.[12] That is one measure of how efficient our courts are. The resources currently in place enable Florida judges to dispose of this significant caseload with minimal delay. Moreover, a key aggregate measure of a court's efficiency and timeliness is its "clearance rate," which measures a court's ability to resolve its pending caseload in a timely manner. Florida's clearance rates remain consistently high across all judicial circuits. This is due in large part to the availability of supplemental resources.

Several circuit court chief judges have expressed concern to this Court that judicial workload has been increased by the elimination of court staff in the budget reductions made during the 2003 legislative session. Among the more serious cuts were the elimination of the juvenile alternative sanctions coordinators[13] and five model dependency courts throughout the state. The juvenile alternative sanctions coordinators were largely responsible for providing judges with effective and efficient alternative sanctions and other disposition techniques in delinquency proceedings. A prime example was the Juvenile Arbitration Program in the Sixth Judicial Circuit.[14] Circuits with model dependency court projects utilized general masters and case managers to assist judges who hear child abuse and neglect proceedings. They policed cases to make sure that the time frames and judicial review requirements of chapter 39, Florida Statutes, were met. The elimination of all of these case managers and general masters effectively required circuit judges in those circuits to absorb this additional workload themselves.

Experience demonstrates that disposition times are typically faster because of supplemental resources. For example, the use of case managers in St. Johns County has reduced the disposition time of family law cases from 147 to 99 days.[15] Cost is also an important consideration when discussing judicial and other court resources. In the efficient system now in place, the State Courts System recognizes that judges' time is valuable and should be reserved for use where most essential. Indeed, in a modern court system, it is both cost effective and prudent to provide judges with sufficient supplemental resources such as those discussed above to perform ministerial, administrative, or research duties that assist in deciding cases. Simply put, it is far more cost effective to maintain our existing structure with its efficient utilization of supplemental resources than to either pay for a significantly higher number of judges or, conversely, to suffer the adverse consequences of delay and backlog if new judgeships are not sufficiently funded.

Given the known impact of the loss of staff during the current fiscal year, the Court is concerned about further loss of such cost-efficient and effective resources. As we noted earlier, these supplemental resources have substantially improved judicial efficiency. Their loss would undermine the assumptions upon which the current Weighted Caseload System is based. This in turn likely would result in the return to a system of certification that requires even more trial court judgeships.

In the past, chief judges have many times declined to request the number of judges for their circuits for which they were eligible under the Weighted Caseload System. However, from the fiscal year 2003-2004 certification process to the 2004-2005 certification process, the number of judges requested by the trial court chief judges significantly increased from thirty-three circuit judges and twenty-three county judges last year to fifty-four circuit judges and thirty-eight county judges this year. These increased requests represent a thirteen percent higher request relative to the net judicial need. It is the Court's understanding that the chief judges in the trial courts have abandoned their previous conservative stance and requested a higher proportion of the calculated judicial need for their circuits due to their concerns arising out of the sharp budget cuts in 2003 and their concern that there will not be proper funding for the trial courts in the future under Revision 7.

In addition, the increase in additional judges requested by the chief judges of the trial courts is directly related to the increase in judicial net need from sixty full-time equivalent positions (FTE) to seventy-eight FTE in the circuit courts and thirty-five FTE to forty-six FTE in the county courts. In addition to normal growth in workload as a result of the continuing growth in Florida's population, such a growth in net judicial need is due to increases in higher weighted case types, as discussed in this opinion.

After reviewing the requests of the trial courts, and in light of the foregoing considerations, we certify the need for fifty-one new circuit court judges for fiscal 2004-2005 as follows:

- Six additional circuit judges each for the Fifth, Eleventh, and Seventeenth circuits;
- Five additional circuit judges for the Ninth Circuit;
- Four additional circuit judges for the Thirteenth Circuit;
- Three additional circuit judges each for the First, Sixth, Fifteenth, Nineteenth, and Twentieth circuits;
- Two additional circuit judges each for the Fourth, Seventh, and Tenth circuits; and
- One additional circuit judge each for the Third, Eighth, and Fourteenth circuits.

Further, after reviewing the requests of the trial courts and in light of the foregoing considerations, we certify the need for thirty-three new county court judges for fiscal year 2004-2005 as follows:

- Six additional county judges for Broward County;
- Four additional county judges each for Orange and Hillsborough counties;
- Three additional county judges for Palm Beach County;
- Two additional judges for Pinellas and Brevard counties; and
- One additional county judge each for Columbia, Duval, Lake, Marion, Pasco, Volusia, Dade, Bay, Seminole, Martin, St. Lucie, and Collier counties.

We decline to certify the remaining eight requests. The requests and certifications of circuit and county judges are illustrated in the following table.[16]

Circuit Court	Judgeships Requested	Judgeships Certified	County Court	Judgeships Requested	Judgeships Certified
First	3	3			
Second	1	0			
Third	1	1	Columbia	1	1
Fourth	2	2	Duval	1	1
Fifth	6	6	Hernando	1	0
			Lake	1	1
			Marion	2	1
Sixth	4	3	Pasco	2	1
			Pinellas	2	2
Seventh	2	2	Volusia	1	1
Eighth	1	1			
Ninth	5	5	Orange	4	4
Tenth	2	2			
Eleventh	6	6	Dade	3	1
Twelfth	0	0			
Thirteenth	4	4	Hillsborough	4	4
Fourteenth	1	1	Bay	1	1
Fifteenth	3	3	Palm Beach	3	3
Sixteenth	0	0			
Seventeenth	6	6	Broward	6	6
Eighteenth	1	0	Brevard	2	2
			Seminole	1	1
Nineteenth	3	3	Martin	1	1
			St. Lucie	1	1
Twentieth	3	3	Collier	1	1
Total	54	51	Total	38	33

DISTRICT COURTS OF APPEAL

The district court of appeal workload has increased steadily over the last ten years.[17] Yet, the districts have been measured and modest in their requests for new judgeships. They have chosen to employ a variety of less expensive means of addressing increased workload. These have included the development of case management systems, the increased use of senior judge time,[18] the increased use of information technology to assist with legal research, and the expanded use of staff attorneys. In spite of these efforts, judicial workload in the districts is becoming too great.

In the face of this workload, the district court of appeal judges have voluntarily agreed to carry even higher caseloads before they seek additional judges on their courts. In 2002, this Court directed the Commission on District Court of Appeal Performance and Accountability to conduct an in-depth study of workload and related policy issues for the district courts of appeal. That Commission, with the support of district court of appeal judges, has recommended the adoption of a new and substantially increased appellate court workload standard—350 primary assignment case filings per judge. This recommended standard is 100 more than the current standard of 250 case filings per judge as identified in rule 2.035(b)(2), Florida Rules of Judicial Administration. It thus requires appellate judges to shoulder a caseload burden forty percent greater than before in determining the need for additional judges.

This new standard further underscores the benefits of cost-saving measures now being used in the courts. The infusion of support staff and other resources over the last decade has enabled the district courts to keep pace with rising workload increases by achieving greater efficiency. While we have not yet formally amended our rules to incorporate this higher standard, we have concluded that this higher standard should be applied to this year's certification.

Even under this increased standard, however, it is apparent that the Second, Fourth, and Fifth districts now require additional judges. In the district courts of appeal statewide, there was an average of approximately 389 case filings per judge in fiscal year 2002-2003. However, the Fourth and Fifth districts experienced approximately 423 and 420 case filings per judge, respectively, for the same time period. In fiscal year 2002-2003, approximately 430 cases per judge were filed in the Second District. Despite this significant increase in burden, the number of judges in the district courts has remained constant since the 1999[19] legislative session, although the number of annual filings has risen steadily. The 24,114 cases filed in the district courts in fiscal year 2002-2003 is an increase of approximately eleven percent over the 21,679 filings for fiscal year 1999-2000.

Fifth District

The Fifth District is projected to have the highest number of filings per judge, approximately 446, of any of the district courts for fiscal year 2004-2005. Traditionally, the Fifth District has resisted adding new judgeships to avoid the costs and other burdens associated with creating larger courts. However, current workload necessitates the request for an additional judgeship. The chief judge of the Fifth District notes that even if that court is fortunate enough to receive a new judgeship, it will still exceed the new filings threshold standard of 350 by more than fifty filings per judge.

Second District

Since the 1993 Legislative Session, when the Second District was last authorized two additional judgeships, filings have increased by approximately thirty-two percent. During that time, the Legislature authorized thirty-one additional circuit judges for the Second District but no new district judges. The Second District remains the largest district in geographic size and now serves over 4.6 million residents—a more than twenty-two percent increase since fiscal year 1992-1993.[20] The current ratio of circuit judges to district judges in the Second District is ten to one and there are 142 circuit judges in the district, more than any other district.

These factors have begun to take their toll on the Second District's ability to keep pace with workload and maintain quality. As stated by Chief Judge Altenbernd in his letter of judicial needs, addressed to this Court:

> We have reviewed all of our procedures and implemented steps to prioritize the timely review of cases. I am personally very proud of the extraordinary effort of our dedicated staff. They have served above and beyond all realistic expectations to assure that all litigants receive a timely appeal. But this court simply cannot continue to operate at its current level of productivity without suffering a demoralized staff. Even more important, we cannot continue to dispose of cases at this rate without risking the quality of the review received by the litigants.

Under these circumstances, this Court is concerned that timely, high-quality appellate review is at risk of being compromised due to a lack of judges to handle the high workload.

Fourth District

Similarly, the Fourth District continues to experience significant growth in population, circuit judgeships, the number of practicing attorneys, and overall workload. The Fourth District was last authorized an additional judgeship during the 1988 Legislative Session, nearly sixteen years ago. The district's population currently exceeds three million people, which is more than a twenty-seven percent increase since fiscal year 1992-1993. Indeed, the three judicial circuits that constitute the Fourth District have some of the largest and fastest growing jurisdictions in Florida including Broward, Palm Beach, Martin, and St. Lucie counties. Since the 1993 Legislative Session, the Legislature has authorized sixteen additional circuit judges for the Fourth District. This represents an increase of approximately eighteen percent. The current ratio of circuit judges to district judges for the Fourth District is eight and one-half to one.

The chief judge of the Fourth District also notes that increases in the number of practicing attorneys, general litigiousness, and numerous filings within each case impact the district's judicial workload. Further, as with Chief Judge Altenbernd in his letter of judicial needs, Chief Judge Farmer cautioned that "we have significant concerns about our ability to continue the level of quality judicial performance the judges of this court have demonstrated since the last increase in judges." Like the Second, the Fourth District is concerned that excessive workload moves the courts perilously close to being unable to devote the necessary time to each case, potentially compromising effective appellate review.

District Court Certification

Given the high caseload, increases in population, and growth in the circuit courts within the Second, Fourth, and Fifth Districts, it is evident that efficiency measures implemented by them are no longer adequate to offset the need for additional judgeships.

Accordingly, utilizing the new and higher standard recommended by the District Court of Appeal judges, we certify the need for two additional district court judges for the Second District and one each for the Fourth and Fifth districts. This certification renews the requests for additional judgeships for the Second and Fourth Districts that were certified in last year's opinion,[21] but not authorized by the Legislature. The following table illustrates the requests and certifications of additional judges for the district courts of appeal.

District Court Certification Table

District Court of Appeal	Judgeships Requested	Judgeships Certified
First	0	0
Second	2	2
Third	0	0
Fourth	1	1
Fifth	1	1
Totals	4	4

Conclusion

Florida's State Courts System is at a critical juncture. Much is at stake. This is a time of great risk and great opportunity. We must take every step to minimize the risk and invoke every measure to ensure that we do not miss the opportunity to maintain a fair and effective justice system worthy of public trust throughout Florida. This opinion fulfills our constitutional mandate to certify those additional judgeships needed to maintain the fair and timely administration of justice in Florida's Court System.

We are confident that the Governor and the Legislature will respond to our concerns both as to judicial resources and the transition to more state funding of the trial courts mandated by Revision 7. This will ensure that the courts continue to provide the citizens of Florida a justice system able to administer the Rule of Law—one that our nation and our state can continue to view as a model. We pledge our cooperation in every way to provide information and assistance to our coordinate branches of government to assure the continuation of effective and efficient judicial services to the people of Florida.

It is so ordered.

ANSTEAD, C.J., and WELLS, PARIENTE, LEWIS, QUINCE, CANTERO, and BELL, JJ., concur.

Original Proceeding - Certification Of Need For Additional Judges

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1. Article V, section 9, Florida Constitution, provides:

Determination of number of judges.—The supreme court shall establish by rule uniform criteria for the determination of the need for additional judges except supreme court justices, the necessity for decreasing the number of judges and for increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits. If the supreme court finds that a need exists for increasing or decreasing the number of judges or increasing, decreasing or redefining appellate districts and judicial circuits, it shall, prior to the next regular session of the legislature, certify to the legislature its findings and recommendations concerning such need. Upon receipt of such certificate, the legislature, at the next regular session, shall consider the findings and recommendations and may reject the recommendations or by law implement the recommendations in whole or in part; provided the legislature may create more judicial offices than are recommended by the supreme court or may decrease the number of judicial offices by a greater number than recommended by the court only upon a finding of two-thirds of the membership of both houses of the legislature that such a need exists. A decrease in the number of judges shall be effective only after the expiration of a term. If the supreme court fails to make findings as provided above when need exists, the legislature may by concurrent resolution request the court to certify its findings and recommendations and upon the failure of the court to certify its findings for nine consecutive months, the legislature may, upon a finding of two-thirds of the membership of both houses of the legislature that a need exists, increase or decrease the number of judges or increase, decrease or redefine appellate districts and judicial circuits.

2. Case managers conserve judicial time by ensuring timely and efficient case processing. They perform initial reviews and evaluations, including screening cases to make sure they are in the proper procedural posture for judicial action. Case managers also monitor the progress of cases assigned them, schedule significant events in the cycle of the case, and take other necessary actions to expedite the final decision. Their exercise of control over case flow lets judges focus more fully on complex legal issues. They thus enable judges to devote their special expertise to presiding over hearings, trials, and post-trial matters. Case managers police the technical process of bringing cases to resolution before the judge. Though this technical process can be complex and time-consuming, it largely involves work that a skilled case manager can perform with minimum judicial supervision. This bifurcation of work results in greater efficiency: Judges are free to do what only they can do, and case managers largely handle the rest.

3. An analogous function is served by the Supreme Court's Central Staff Attorneys. They have developed special skills that greatly increase the Justices' ability to manage an ever-rising caseload effectively and with greater efficiency.

4. The Weighted Caseload System is relevant only to trial court certification, so it will be described more fully in the section below dealing with that specific subject.

5. We decline to certify three of the requested circuit judgeships and five of the requested county judgeships.

6. See The Florida Council of 100, Committee on the Justice System, Progress 4 Partnership (1995).

7. See In re Certification of the Need for Additional Judges, 755 So. 2d 79 (Fla. 2000).

8. See In re Certification of Need, 755 So. 2d at 80.

9. Data for fiscal year 2002-2003 are not yet finalized.

10. The issue of court access continues to be a primary concern for chief judges and this Court. The building of branch courthouses in urban settings or large counties helps to alleviate the burden of long commutes to courthouses in county seat locations and provide ready court access to citizens. A recent example of this is the new West-Hialeah branch courthouse in Miami-Dade County.

11. The availability of traffic infraction hearing officers as a supplemental resource in county court has proven to be very successful in addressing judicial workload in those counties fortunate enough to receive them. Unfortunately, some counties continue to experience heavy workload (e.g., Columbia County) with no traffic infraction hearing officer to alleviate this burden. This Court remains sensitive to those individual local circumstances and has given them due consideration in this opinion.

12. See National Center for State Courts, 2002 State Court Caseload Statistics (2003).

13. Twenty full time equivalent positions were eliminated, one for each judicial circuit.

14. This program was designed to divert first-time juvenile offenders from the traditional disposition process.

15. See Judicial Need Application for the Seventh Judicial Circuit (on file with the Office of the State Courts Administrator, Supreme Court Building, Tallahassee, Fla.).

16. If the full complement of judges requested in certifications since 2000 had been funded, the present need for additional trial judges would be much less. Once the current "deficit gap" is addressed, the judgeships certified should reflect a more moderate increase in judicial need in the future.

[17.] The 24,114 cases filed in the district courts in fiscal year 2002-2003 represent a thirty percent increase over the 18,549 filings in fiscal year 1992-1993.

[18.] Senior judges are retired judges who, under the state Constitution, are eligible to serve as temporary judges. They are far less expensive to fund than traditional judgeships. Senior judges are paid at a fixed rate only for the days they actually serve.

[19.] The Fifth District Court of Appeal received an additional judgeship in 1999.

[20.] The source for population data used in this opinion is the Florida Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research. The most recent population data available was produced for a Demographic Estimating Conference in September 2003.

[21.] See In re Certification of Need for Additional Judges, 842 So. 2d 100 (Fla. 2003).

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The Journal of October 24, Speical Session E, was corrected and approved.

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