



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE #4 – March 27, 2013

RPC FUNDING

Both the House and Senate Subcommittees on Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations proposed \$2.5 million in non-recurring general revenue for Regional Planning Councils. Links to each committee's proposals are provided below:

House Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee:

<http://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Documents/loadaddoc.aspx?PublicationType=Committees&CommitteeId=2705&Session=2013&DocumentType=Meeting%20Packets&FileName=TEDA%203-27-13%20Chairs%20Proposal%20ONLINE.pdf>

Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development:

<http://www.flsenate.gov/Committees/Show/ATD/Meeting%20Packet/2143>

The recommendations have passed out of the Senate subcommittee and will soon be considered by the Senate Appropriations Committee. The proposed recommendations in the House must be passed by its subcommittee before going to the House Appropriations Committee. Once the House and Senate Appropriations Committees approve their respective appropriations bills, the bills will be sent to the Floor for consideration by the Legislature.

BILL TRACKING REPORT AS OF MARCH 27, 2013

All of the bills provided in the bill tracking report below can be viewed on the Florida House of Representative's Website at www.myfloridahouse.gov or the Florida Senate's Website at www.flsenate.gov. Remember, House bills are odd-numbered and Senate bills are even-numbered.

Sorted by Bill Number

SB 0002	Relating to Ethics	Ethics and Elections
	Ethics; Prohibiting public officers from accepting additional employment with the state or any of its political subdivisions under specified conditions; requiring the Commission on Ethics to determine if an attorney or a certified public accountant failed to disclose information provided by the filing individual on the filed statement; authorizing the commission to collect an unpaid fine within a specified period of issuance of the final order; deleting references to political committees and committees of continuous existence, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law.	
3/5/2013	SENATE Read Second Time; Amendments Adopted (355398, 675632, 350372, 933218, 665866, 928480); Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 40 Yeas / 0 Nays); Immediately Certified	
3/5/2013	SENATE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed	
3/5/2013	HOUSE In Messages	

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0007	Relating to Water Management Districts	Porter
	Water Management Districts: Requires districts to include certain reservations & water bodies in priority lists & schedules; provides for adoption of certain reservations & minimum flows & levels by DEP; requires districts to provide certain information & support to DEP; requires districts to apply, without adopting by rule, certain reservations, minimum flows & levels, & recovery & prevention strategies; authorizes water management districts to enter into interagency agreements for resource management activities under specified conditions; exempts cooperative funding programs from rulemaking requirements; requires regional water supply authority & applicable district to jointly develop component of regional water supply plan. Effective Date: July 1, 2013	

2/20/2013 HOUSE Favorable by Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays
2/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Rulemaking Oversight & Repeal Subcommittee
3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - **Rulemaking Oversight & Repeal Subcommittee, 03/27/13,**
10:30 am, 306 H

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0023 Relating to Public Meetings

Rodriguez (R)

Public Meetings: Requires that member of public be given reasonable opportunity to be heard by board or commission before it takes official action on proposition; provides exceptions; establishes requirements for rules or policies adopted by board or commission which govern the opportunity to be heard; provides that compliance with requirements is deemed to have occurred under certain circumstances; provides that circuit court has jurisdiction to issue injunction for enforcement under certain circumstances; authorizes court to assess reasonable attorney fees in actions filed against board or commission. Effective Date: October 1, 2013

3/13/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/15/2013 HOUSE Now in Rulemaking Oversight & Repeal Subcommittee

3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - **Rulemaking Oversight & Repeal Subcommittee, 03/27/13,**
10:30 am, 306 H

Bill Comments

The bill as amended (C1) creates s. 286.0114, F.S., and defines "board or commission" as that of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of a county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision. **It states that members of the public must be given reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a board or commission, although this does not have to happen at the meeting in which the board or commission takes action on the proposition, as long as the opportunity is provided within reasonable proximity (in time) of the decision. The bill also states that this provision does not prohibit a board or commission from maintaining orderly conduct and that the opportunity to be heard may be subject to the rules or policies of the board or commission. Exceptions are provided including emergency situations that affect the public health, welfare, or safety. Requirements and limitations for rules addressing the opportunity to be heard are included in the bill, and it also authorizes a circuit court to issue injunctions for the purpose of enforcing this law.**

HB 0033 Relating to State Lands

Smith (J)

State Lands: Authorizes individuals & corporations to submit requests to Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund to exchange state-owned land for conservation easements over privately held land; provides criteria for consideration of such requests; encourages certain operations on such lands. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

1/11/2013 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

1/11/2013 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee

3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - **Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee, 03/27/13,**
4:30 pm, 102 H

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0050 Relating to Public Meetings

Negron

Public Meetings; Requiring that a member of the public be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard by a board or commission before it takes official action on a proposition; providing that compliance with the requirements of this section is deemed to have occurred under certain circumstances; providing that a circuit court has jurisdiction to issue an injunction under certain circumstances; providing that an action taken by a board or commission which is found in violation of this section is not void, etc. Effective Date: October 1, 2013

Effective Date: October 1, 2013

3/7/2013 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/12/13

3/12/2013 SENATE Read Second Time

3/19/2013 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 40 Yeas / 0 Nays)

Bill Comments

The bill as amended (C2) creates s. 286.0114, F.S., and defines "board or commission" as that of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of a county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision. **It states that members of the public must be given reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a board or commission, although this does not have to happen at the meeting in which the board or commission takes action on the proposition, as long as the opportunity is provided within reasonable proximity (in time) of the decision. The bill also states that this provision does not prohibit a board or commission from maintaining orderly conduct and that the opportunity to be heard may be subject to the rules or policies of the board or commission. Exceptions are provided including emergency situations that affect the public health, welfare, or safety. Requirements and limitations for rules addressing the opportunity to be heard are included in the bill, and it also authorizes a circuit court to issue injunctions for the purpose of enforcing this law.**

SB 0084 Relating to Public-private Partnerships

Diaz de la Portilla

Public-private Partnerships; Providing legislative findings and intent relating to the construction or improvement by private entities of facilities used predominantly for a public purpose; creating the Partnership for Public Facilities and Infrastructure Act Guidelines Task Force to establish specified guidelines; providing for interim and comprehensive agreements between a public and a private entity; authorizing counties to enter into public-private partnership agreements for construction, operation, ownership, and financing of transportation facilities, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/19/2013 SENATE Reference to Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government removed;

Reference to Transportation Added; Remaining references Transportation, Appropriations

3/19/2013 SENATE Now in Transportation

3/19/2013 SENATE Not Received by Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, 03/19/13, 4:00 pm, 110 S

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0085 Relating to Public-Private Partnerships

Steube

Public-Private Partnerships: Provides legislative findings & intent relating to construction or improvement by private entities of facilities used predominantly for public purposes; provides for procurement procedures, requirements for project approval, project qualifications & process, notice to affected local jurisdictions, comprehensive agreements between public & private entities, use fees, **financing sources for certain projects by private entities, & applicability of sovereign immunity for public entities with respect to qualified projects**; authorizes counties to enter into public-private partnership agreements for construction, operation, ownership, & financing of transportation facilities; provides requirements & limitations for such agreements; provides procurement procedures; requires fee for certain proposals. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/6/2013 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Government Operations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 1 Nay

3/12/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/13/2013 HOUSE Now in Appropriations Committee

Bill Comments

UPDATE: The amendment (CS) creates a Partnership for Public Facilities and Infrastructure Act Guidelines Task Force to provide guidance on how to implement public-private partnerships to foster **uniformity across the state and provides more flexibility in the notice provisions for unsolicited proposals** to allow for up to 120 days notice for complex proposals, rather than 21 days. CS1 also authorizes public-private partnerships for county transportation facilities and infrastructure. **INITIAL COMMENTS:** This bill creates an alternative procurement process and requirements for **public-private partnerships** to facilitate the construction of public-purpose projects. The bill specifies the requirements for such partnerships, which include provisions that require responsible public entities to provide notice of unsolicited proposals, conduct independent analyses of proposed partnerships, notify other affected local jurisdictions, and enter into comprehensive agreements for qualifying projects. The bill provides that responsible public entities may approve a qualifying project if there is a need for or benefit derived **from the project, the estimated cost of the project is reasonable, and the private entity's plans will result** in the timely acquisition, design, construction, improvement renovation, expansion, equipping, maintenance, or operation of the qualifying project. NOTE: The definition of "responsible public entity" in the bill includes "a regional entity that serves a public purpose and is authorized to develop or operate a qualifying project," which is also defined in the bill and **includes a ferry or mass transit facility**. It also requires private facilities and **public-private transportation facilities to comply with state, regional, and local comprehensive plans**.

HB 0089 Relating to Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program

Pafford

Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program: Establishes Urban Infill & Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program; provides program for grants to counties & municipalities with urban infill & redevelopment areas; authorizes transfer of unused funds between grant categories under program; requires DEO to administer program; requires DEO to adopt rules establishing grant review criteria.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013

1/3/2013 HOUSE Filed

1/11/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

1/11/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

This bill would re-establish the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program for local governments, which was abolished last year because it hadn't been funded for over 10 years. It states that a local government may allocate grant money to special districts and nonprofit community development organizations to implement projects consistent with an adopted urban infill and redevelopment plan. It further states that 30 percent of the general revenue appropriated for the program shall be available for planning grants to be used by local governments for the development of an urban infill and redevelopment plan; 60 percent shall be available for 50/50 matching plan implementation grants; and the remaining 10 percent for outright grants for implementing projects

requiring an expenditure of less than \$50,000. However, no funding source, appropriation, etc., has of yet, been identified. Finally, projects located in certain areas are given priority and DEO is targeted with administering the program.

HB 0121 Relating to Department of Economic Opportunity

Combee

Department of Economic Opportunity: Requires DEO to create a web page accessible through its Internet website that provides comprehensive data & information relevant to the creation of new businesses or expansion of existing businesses within state; provides purposes of web page; requires DEO to collect all local business information available to DEO; requires DEO to request relevant local government to provide other information; requires local governments to provide notice of changes in information collected by DEO; provides legislative findings; creates the Community of Economic Profitability Certification Program within DEO; provides purpose of program; provides for certification of program applicants by DEO; requires DEO to develop & adopt rules; provides application requirement; creates Community of Economic Profitability Advisory Council; provides requirements for applicants for certification as a Community of Economic Profitability. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/14/2013 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Local & Federal Affairs Committee; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/18/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

3/19/2013 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0153 Relating to Economic Development

Cruz

Economic Development: Provides tax credits for use by corporation against state corporate income tax in amount equal to specified percentage of corporation's payments to small business providing goods or services to corporation pursuant to contract; provides qualification criteria; requires business to submit application to DEO for approval to earn credits; provides application requirements; provides procedures & requirements for DEO approval; specifies amount of tax credit; prohibits tax credits from being carried forward or backward or being transferred or sold; provides criminal & administrative penalties for fraudulently claiming tax credits; authorizes DEO & DOR to adopt rules; revises order in which credits against corporate income tax or franchise tax may be taken to include certain credits relating to corporation's execution of business contract with small business; redefines term "adjusted federal income" to include amount of such tax credits. Effective Date: January 1, 2014

1/14/2013 HOUSE Filed

1/23/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

1/23/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0183 Relating to Stormwater Management Permits

Raulerson

Stormwater Management Permits: Requires statewide environmental resource permitting rules to provide conceptual permits for certain stormwater management master plans & associated general permits for construction & operation of certain urban redevelopment projects; provides permit requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/25/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/26/2013 HOUSE Reference to Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee removed; Remaining reference State Affairs Committee

3/26/2013 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0203 Relating to Agricultural Lands

Beshears

Agricultural Lands: Prohibits governmental entity from adopting or enforcing any prohibition, restriction, regulation, or other limitation or from charging fee on specific activity of bona fide farm operation on land classified as agricultural land under certain circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/25/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

3/26/2013 HOUSE Now in Finance and Tax Subcommittee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Finance & Tax Subcommittee, 03/28/13, 4:00 pm, 17 H

Bill Comments

This bill prohibits any governmental entity from regulating or charging a fee, on an agricultural activity of a bonafide farm operation on land classified as agricultural land if such activity is regulated through implemented best management practices, interim measures, or regulations adopted as rules under chapter 120 by the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, or a water management district as part of a statewide or regional program; or if such activity is expressly regulated by the United States Department of Agriculture, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, or the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

- SB 0214 Relating to Florida Forever Program Trust Fund/Department of Environmental Protection** Hays
 Florida Forever Program Trust Fund/Department of Environmental Protection; Terminating the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the disposition of balances in and revenues of the trust fund; prescribing procedures for the termination of the trust fund; repealing provisions relating to the Florida Forever Program Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental Protection; revising the designation of revenues from the disposal of lands in the Preservation 2000 program, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
 3/19/2013 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar for 03/21/13
 3/21/2013 HOUSE Substituted for HB 7049; Read Second Time
 3/22/2013 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 116 Yeas / 0 Nays)
Bill Comments
 This trust fund was used by the Florida Communities Trust to provide grants to local governments or non-profit environmental organizations. When the Florida Communities Trust was transferred from DCA to DEP, all future grant revenue for the program was directed to the Florida Forever Trust Fund. The Florida Forever PROGRAM Trust Fund is scheduled for termination on July 1, 2014. After all outstanding debts and obligations of the trust fund are paid, any remaining cash balance, outstanding appropriations, and revenues will be transferred to the Florida Forever Trust Fund.
- SB 0222 Relating to Reemployment Assistance** Detert
 Reemployment Assistance; Transferring the functions of the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission to the Department of Economic Opportunity; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to create a regional appeal office at each regional workforce board; requiring the tax collection service provider to calculate a certain additional rate; requiring assessments to be available to pay interest on federal advances; requiring certain excess funds to be transferred to the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund after a certain time period, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
 1/23/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development
 3/22/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 03/27/13, 9:30 am, 110 S
 3/27/2013 SENATE Temporarily Postponed by Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development
Bill Comments
 No comments.
- SB 0224 Relating to Florida Small Business Development Center Network** Detert
 Florida Small Business Development Center Network; Requiring the statewide director and the network to operate the program in compliance with federal laws and regulations and a Board of Governors regulation; requiring businesses that receive support services to participate in certain assessments; requiring the network to provide a match equal to certain state funding; requiring the statewide director to coordinate with the host institution to establish a pay-per-performance incentive; prohibiting certain regional small business development centers from receiving funds, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
 3/11/2013 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading
 3/14/2013 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/19/13
 3/19/2013 SENATE Read Second Time
Bill Comments
 The original bill was not analyzed, but essentially, it links state economic development efforts with those of higher education by requiring the Florida Small Business Development Center Network's policies and goals be jointly developed by the Network's advisory board, DEO and the Board of Governors. Furthermore, the goals must align with the State Strategic Plan for Economic Development and the goals of the State University System. CS1 expands s. 288.01, to include a purpose for the Florida Small Business Development Center Network; compliance with federal laws and regulations; a requirement that the statewide director consult with the Board of Governors, DEO, and the network's statewide advisory board (which the bill also creates) to establish policies and goals; a match requirement for the network equal to certain state funding; a pay-per-performance incentives, funding, and distribution; an application process for those seeking funding; and, an annual report to the Governor and legislature. For more information on the Florida Small Business Development Center Network, which is housed at the University of West Florida, and its 40 outreach locations, see www.floridasbdc.org.
- HB 0233 Relating to Governmental Ethics** Fasano
 Governmental Ethics: Requires that disclosures be made in writing on forms prescribed by Commission on Ethics; provides that public officer may not act in way that suggests that officer can be improperly influenced while performing official duties; provides penalties if public official makes prohibited appointment, employment, promotion, or advancement decision; establishes criteria for qualified blind trusts for public officials; provides responsibilities of public officer when abstaining from vote; revises candidate's disclosure responsibilities for financial interests; defines "vendor"; prohibits reporting individual or procurement employee from soliciting or accepting gift in excess of certain value from

vendor; requires reporting of certain gifts; increases civil penalties for violation of ch. 112, F.S.; establishes criminal penalties & attorney fees for certain violations; provides noncriminal infraction & fine for certain violations for persons required to register as lobbyist; provides procedures for investigation of complaints filed with commission. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
1/17/2013 HOUSE Filed

1/30/2013 HOUSE Referred to Ethics & Elections Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; State Affairs Committee

1/30/2013 HOUSE Now in Ethics & Elections Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0238 Relating to Public-private Partnerships

Flores

Public-private Partnerships; Providing legislative findings and intent relating to the construction or upgrade of facilities by private entities which are used predominately for a public purpose; requiring public entities to develop and adopt guidelines governing procedures and criteria for the selection of projects and public-private agreements; providing for financing from private sources and public entities; providing for the applicability of sovereign immunity for public entities with respect to qualified projects, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

1/9/2013 SENATE Filed

1/17/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0244 Relating to Water Management Districts

Dean

Water Management Districts; Providing for the adoption of certain reservations and minimum flows and levels by the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring water management districts to apply, without adopting by rule, the reservations, minimum flows and levels, and recovery and prevention strategies adopted by the department; requiring a regional water supply authority and the applicable water management district to jointly develop the water supply component of the regional water supply plan, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/7/2013 SENATE Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/7/2013 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

3/21/2013 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/27/13

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0247 Relating to Paper Reduction

Nelson

Paper Reduction: Requires that uniform statewide voter registration application be designed to elicit e-mail address of applicant & whether applicant desires to receive sample ballots by e-mail; authorizes supervisor of elections to send sample ballot to registered elector by e-mail under certain circumstances; authorizes property appraiser to prepare & make available on office's website notice of proposed property taxes if approved by ordinance; provides format details; provides additional notice requirements. Effective Date: October 1, 2013

3/18/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

3/19/2013 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - State Affairs Committee, 03/28/13, 10:30 am, 17 H

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0273 Relating to Eminent Domain

Gibbons

Eminent Domain: Provides exception to restrictions on eminent domain; permits conveyance of property by condemning authority under certain circumstances when property is condemned pursuant to noise mitigation or noise compatibility program at airport governed by Federal Aviation Administration requirements. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

1/17/2013 HOUSE Filed

1/30/2013 HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Judiciary Committee

1/30/2013 HOUSE Now in Civil Justice Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0299 Relating to Targeted Economic Development

Grant

Targeted Economic Development: Requires DEO to create economic development zones for science, technology, engineering, & mathematics (STEM); authorizes STEM zone in counties with state university classified as having very high research activity located in its jurisdiction; provides that incentives & benefits provided for enterprise zones are available to STEM zones; requires DEO to

develop grant program that applies to STEM zone; requires DEO to work with STEM zone development agency, DOE, & Workforce Florida, Inc., to develop accountability requirements & measurable objectives; assigns duties for administration of STEM zones to local governing bodies that have jurisdiction over such zones; provides eligibility criteria for incentives, & benefits provided in zones; requires that applicable requirements for employee residency for higher refund or credit thresholds be based on employee residency in STEM zone or enterprise zone; limits annual amount of such incentives; authorizes carryforward of any unused amount of incentives for specified period; requires local governing body to certify to DOR or DEO which businesses or properties are eligible for incentives; requires DOR to send written instructions to eligible businesses on claiming credit on sales & use tax return initiated through electronic data interchange. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

1/18/2013 HOUSE Filed

1/30/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

1/30/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0309 Relating to Renewable Energy Producers

Rehwinkel Vasilinda

Renewable Energy Producers: Revises definition of term "public utility" to exclude certain producers of renewable energy; requires public utilities to purchase electricity from renewable energy producers at certain rate. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

1/18/2013 HOUSE Filed

1/30/2013 HOUSE Referred to Energy & Utilities Subcommittee; Business & Professional Regulation Subcommittee; Regulatory Affairs Committee

1/30/2013 HOUSE Now in Energy & Utilities Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0319 Relating to Community Transportation Projects

Ray

Community Transportation Projects: Revises provisions for local governments implementing transportation concurrency plans and provides requirements for certain alternatives. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

3/22/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

3/25/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Economic Affairs Committee, 03/28/13, 10:30 am, 102 H

Bill Comments

More specifically, the bill defines "mobility plan" to mean an integrated land use and transportation plan adopted into a comprehensive plan that promotes compact, mixed-use, and interconnected development served by a multimodal transportation system that includes identified measurable standards for roads, pedestrian, and bicycle facilities, and where feasible and appropriate, frequent rail service to provide individuals with viable transportation options other than a motor vehicle. Further, a mobility fee adopted as part of a mobility plan must include standards for transportation impacts for bicycle, pedestrian, and transit mobility and may not include transportation deficiency costs as identified in s. 163.3180(5), F.S. The bill extends the restrictions placed on concurrency to mobility plans and level of service standards; prevents projects from being prohibited or delayed due to failure of an adopted level of service standard or failure of a local government's adopted schedule and plan for adequate public facility construction; and, states that proportionate share contributions must be calculated based only on the capital improvements necessary to mitigate the applicant's impacts and may not include any other costs, including costs associated with mass transit operation or maintenance. It appears that Alachua and Pasco Counties' mobility programs would be prohibited if this bill passes. The Florida Association of Counties opposes the bill.

HB 0321 Relating to Growth Management

La Rosa

Growth Management: Prohibits local government from applying transportation or school concurrency or requiring proportionate-share contribution or construction for new development for specified period; provides an exception; provides for an extension of prohibition under certain conditions; prohibits certain counties, municipalities, & special districts from imposing certain new or existing impact fees for specified period; provides an exception; provides for an extension of prohibition under certain conditions; provides for future expiration. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/19/2013 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; 9 Yeas, 2 Nays

3/20/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/21/2013 HOUSE Now in Finance & Tax Subcommittee

Bill Comments

UPDATE: CS1 reduces the scope of the proposed ban on local government application of transportation concurrency, proportionate share contributions, and impact fees until July 1, 2016 from all development to only new business development. It also removes school concurrency from being

included in this ban. INITIAL COMMENTS: Prohibits a local government from applying trans. concurrency/prop. share for new business development (6,000 s.f. or less) until July 1, 2016, unless approved by the local governing authority; prohibits imposition of any new or existing impact fees (or any other fee associated with the mitigation of trans. impacts) on new business development until July 1, 2016; local governments imposing an impact fee in existence on July 1, 2012, are required to reauthorize the impact fee.

- HB 0345 Relating to Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission** Cummings
Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission: Creates Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission; provides for organization, powers, and duties of the commission. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee, 03/27/13, 8:00 am, 102 H
3/27/2013 HOUSE Favorable by Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays
3/27/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

UPDATE: The amendment dealt with financial disclosure provisions. INITIAL COMMENTS: This bill creates the Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission; provides for commission membership, powers and duties, and funding; provides criteria for transportation projects of regional significance; authorizes the acquisition of lands and property, but does not authorize condemnation or eminent domain; exempts the commission from taxation; provides for repeal of the commission unless certain conditions are met; and provides that the commission is exempt from the Administrative Procedures Act. The bill specifically states that the commission may employ permanent or temporary staff or consultants and may use the staff of several entities, including the Northeast Florida Regional Council, for planning and coordination matters. The commission must also take into account the NEFRC's SRPP in development of the commission's regional plan. NOTE: According to the staff analysis, the commission will initially be funded through appropriations from each constituent county of up to 30 cents per capita per year.

- SB 0348 Relating to Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program** Soto
Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program; Establishing the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program; providing a program for grants to counties and municipalities with urban infill and redevelopment areas; authorizing transfer of unused funds between grant categories under the program; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to administer the program, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
1/16/2013 SENATE Filed
1/18/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

Bill Comments

This bill would re-establish the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program for local governments, which was abolished last year because it hadn't been funded for over 10 years. It states that a local government may allocate grant money to special districts and nonprofit community development organizations to implement projects consistent with an adopted urban infill and redevelopment plan. It further states that 30 percent of the general revenue appropriated for the program shall be available for planning grants to be used by local governments for the development of an urban infill and redevelopment plan; 60 percent shall be available for 50/50 matching plan implementation grants; and the remaining 10 percent for outright grants for implementing projects requiring an expenditure of less than \$50,000. However, no funding source, appropriation, etc., has of yet, been identified. Finally, projects located in certain areas are given priority and DEO is targeted with administering the program.

- HB 0357 Relating to Manufacturing Development** Boyd
Manufacturing Development: Authorizes local governments to establish local manufacturing development program that provides for master development approval for certain sites; requires DEO to develop model ordinance containing specified information & provisions; requires local manufacturing development program ordinance to include certain information; requires department, in cooperation with participating agencies, to establish manufacturing development coordinated approval process for certain manufacturers; requires department to convene meeting when requested by certain manufacturer; requires participating agencies to attend meetings convened by department; specifies that department is not required, but is authorized, to mediate between participating agencies & manufacturer; requires that coordinated approval process have no effect on department's approval of economic development incentives; provides for applicability with respect to permit applications governed by federally delegated or approved permitting programs; requires department to develop materials that identify local manufacturing development programs; requires Enterprise Florida, Inc., & authorizes other state agencies, to distribute such material. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/21/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
3/22/2013 HOUSE Reference to Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations
Subcommittee removed; Remaining reference: Economic Affairs Committee
3/22/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

This allows local governments to create a "master development approval" process and "program" for expediting and coordinating state permit approvals to incentivize local manufacturing projects. DEO is directed to prepare a model ordinance. It reduces the review process from 90 to 60 days, and failure to comply means permits are issued. Agencies have to request additional information within 20 days of applications being filed, and must request further information within 10 days. Although a similar expedited permitting process already exists in state law, its been argued that the existing process focuses on state agencies, while the process laid out in the bill focuses on local governments. Environmental organizations have concerns with the bill and the Sierra Club of Florida has come out in opposition to it.

SB 0406 Relating to Economic Development

Gardiner

Economic Development; Establishing the Economic Development Programs Evaluation; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to present the evaluation; requiring the offices to provide an analysis of certain economic development programs and specifying a schedule; limiting the office's evaluation for the purposes of tax credits, tax refunds, sales tax exemptions, cash grants, and similar programs; revising the date on which the Department of Economic Opportunity and Enterprise Florida, Inc., are required to report on the business climate and economic development in the state, etc. Upon becoming a law.

3/21/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Appropriations; 15 Yeas, 1 Nay

3/22/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/27/2013 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

Bill Comments

This bill streamlines the evaluation and reporting requirements by which all incentive program applicants are evaluated by requiring DEO to evaluate all incentive applications for "economic benefits" using a model that will be developed by the Office of Economic and Demographic Research. The bill also creates a rotating, 3-year review schedule for all incentives and programs to be evaluated by the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability and it consolidates reports and reporting dates for various required economic development program reports by the Department of Economic Opportunity, Enterprise Florida, Inc., the Office of Film and Entertainment, and Space Florida.

HB 0415 Relating to Brownfields

Hutson

Brownfields: Revises procedures for designation of brownfield areas by local governments; provides relief of liability for property damages for entities that execute & implement certain brownfield site rehabilitation agreements. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/22/2013 HOUSE Favorable by Local & Federal Affairs Committee; 8 Yeas, 5 Nays

3/22/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Economic Affairs Committee, 03/28/13, 10:30 am, 102 H

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0437 Relating to Community Development

Davis

Community Development: Extends expiration date applicable to granting of community contribution tax credits against sales & use tax, corporate income tax, & insurance premium tax for contributions to eligible sponsors of community projects approved by DEO; revises powers of Florida Housing Finance Corporation; revises provisions relating to state apartment incentive loans to provide for competitive evaluation & selection process with respect to loan applications; requires corporation to develop strategic business plan that is not inconsistent with long-range program plan relating to affordable housing; requires corporation to develop such long-range plan in coordination with department; revises provisions relating to required contents & information to be included in corporation's annual report; requires corporation to submit separate audited financial statements that include specified information & incorporate certain reports. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/19/2013 HOUSE Favorable by Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

2/19/2013 HOUSE Now in Finance & Tax Subcommittee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Finance & Tax Subcommittee, 03/28/13, 4:00 pm, 17 H

Bill Comments

This is the Florida Housing Finance Corporation's affordable housing package. It does not include the loophole fix found in SB 928.

SB 0446 Relating to Economic Development Incentive Application Process

Hukill

Economic Development Incentive Application Process; Requiring an applicant to provide a surety bond

to the Department of Economic Opportunity before the applicant receives incentive awards through the Quick Action Closing Fund or the Innovation Incentive Program; requiring the contract or agreement to provide that the bond remain in effect until all conditions have been satisfied; providing that the department may require the bond to cover the entire contracted amount or allow for bonds to be renewed upon completion of certain performance measures; providing for a waiver of the surety bond or other security if certain information is provided and the department determines it to be in the best interest of the state, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/15/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 03/20/13, 9:00 am, 110 S

3/20/2013 SENATE Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/20/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0494 Relating to Community Development Block Grants

Simpson

Community Development Block Grants; Requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to adopt a rule pertaining to the distribution of funds under the block grant program; requiring approved Section 108 loan applicants to enter into an agreement with the department; requiring that a local government's future community development block grant be reduced in the event of default; providing restrictions on the expenditure of block grant funds by local governments, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

1/25/2013 SENATE Filed

2/4/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0512 Relating to Legislative Sessions

Clemens

Legislative Sessions; Proposing amendments to the State Constitution, relating to sessions of the Legislature, to change the date of convening and the length of regular sessions of the Legislature and to remove the requirement that the Legislature meet in organization sessions, etc.

1/29/2013 SENATE Filed

2/6/2013 SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0528 Relating to Growth Management

Simpson

Growth Management; Clarifying the prohibition on an initiative or referendum process in regard to development orders, comprehensive plan amendments, and map amendments; clarifying that the exception to the prohibition on an initiative or referendum process in regard to any local comprehensive plan amendment or map amendment is limited to a local government charter provision in effect on June 1, 2011, that specifically authorized an initiative or referendum process for local comprehensive plan or map amendments that affect more than five parcels of land, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law.

3/7/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/11/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/11/2013 SENATE Now in Judiciary

Bill Comments

UPDATE: The CS prohibits referenda for ANY development order with no exceptions. The exception regarding comprehensive plan amendments and map amendments still applies. The CS also includes legislative intent stating that the prohibitions in the bill apply retroactively to any initiative or referendum process commenced after June 1, 2012. INITIAL COMMENTS: This bill comes from a citizen-initiated referendum challenge to a development order in Boca Raton. It would expressly prohibit any referendum process relating to a development order or local plan amendment or map amendment affecting less than six (6) parcels of land, unless such a procedure existed as of June 1, 2011. This is similar to the legislation that passed in 2012, but many local government charters allow citizen referenda on ordinances without limitations. This bill would make such provisions null and void except for those with specific land development and/or comprehensive plan referendum provisions in place as of the above date.

HB 0537 Relating to Growth Management

Moraitis

Growth Management; Provides that initiative or referendum process for any development order is prohibited; provides that initiative or referendum process for any local comprehensive plan amendments & map amendments is prohibited; provides exception for initiative or referendum process specifically authorized by local government charter provision in effect as of June 1, 2011, for certain local comprehensive plan amendments & map amendments; provides that certain charter provisions for initiative or referendum process are not sufficient; provides legislative intent; provides that certain prohibitions apply retroactively. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

3/15/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

3/18/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Economic Affairs Committee, 03/28/13, 10:30 am, 102 H

Bill Comments

This bill comes from a citizen-initiated referendum challenge to a development order in Boca Raton. It would expressly prohibit any referendum process affecting five (5) or fewer parcels of land, unless such a procedure existed as of June 1, 2011. This is similar to the legislation that passed in 2012, but many local government charters allow citizen referenda on ordinances without limitations. This bill would make such provisions null and void except for those with specific land development and/or comprehensive plan referendum provisions in place as of the above date.

SB 0538 Relating to Special Districts

Ring

Special Districts; Requiring certain single-county independent special districts to administratively consolidate with the municipality or county in which they are located if such consolidation will result in increased efficiencies; limiting the insurance benefits of district officers and employees to the benefits provided by the local governing authority to its officers and employees; revising the information that must be presented by a community development district to the local governing authority and requiring the information to be provided at a publicly noticed meeting, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/11/2013 SENATE Now in Ethics and Elections

3/13/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Ethics and Elections, 03/18/13, 1:00 pm, 412 K

3/18/2013 SENATE Temporarily Postponed by Ethics and Elections

Bill Comments

UPDATE: The initial bill language has been replaced with the creation of 189.4052, F.S., requiring certain single-county independent special districts to administratively consolidate with the municipality or county in which they are located if consolidation will result in increased efficiencies. Penalties, criteria, and administrative requirements are included. The bill also requires the Special District Information Program at DEO to provide a link on its website to each special district and requires the special districts to provide contact information for its board members to the local governing authority or DEO. INITIAL COMMENTS: This bill states that any proposals by an independent special district with ad valorem taxing authority that require the expenditure of public funds must be approved by the appropriate local general-purpose government. It also requires that a member of the appropriate local general-purpose government serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of each affected independent special district governing board. Certain special districts for children's services are excluded from these requirements.

SB 0554 Relating to Brownfields

Altman

Brownfields; Revising legislative intent with regard to community revitalization in certain areas; revising procedures for designation of brownfield areas by local governments; providing relief of liability for property damages for entities that execute and implement certain brownfield site rehabilitation agreements, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/14/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/18/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/19/2013 SENATE Now in Community Affairs

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0563 Relating to Reporting Requirements for Economic Development Programs

Rodríguez (J)

Reporting Requirements for Economic Development Programs: Provides definitions; requires DEO to publish specified information concerning state investment in economic development programs; requires DEO to use methodology & formulas established by EDR for specified calculations; requires EDR to provide description of specified methodology & formulas to DEO & DEO to publish description within specified period; provides procedures & requirements for reviewing, updating, & supplementing specified published information; requires DEO to annually publish information relating to progress of Quick Action Closing Fund projects; requires DEO to publish certain confidential information pertaining to participant businesses upon expiration of specified confidentiality period; requires DEO to publish certain reports related to businesses that fail to complete tax refund agreements under tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses; provides construction & legislative intent; authorizes DEO to adopt rules. Effective Date: October 1, 2013

3/8/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee, 03/12/13, 9:00 am, 102 H

3/12/2013 HOUSE Favorable by Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/12/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

This bill puts into Florida Statutes the web-based incentive portal the Department of Economic Opportunity launched in 2012. The legislation clarifies information which needs to be published on state economic development projects that receive incentives. Enterprise Florida reported that it worked

closely with the sponsor of the bill to ensure transparency was achieved without hurting Florida's business recruitment and retention efforts.

SB 0564 Relating to Neighborhood Improvement Districts

Simmons

Neighborhood Improvement Districts; Renaming the "Safe Neighborhoods Act" as the "Neighborhoods Improvement Act"; authorizing the governing body of any municipality or county to form a neighborhood improvement district through the adoption of an ordinance rather than by a planning ordinance; revising provisions authorizing a local governing body to create a local government neighborhood improvement district by the enactment of an ordinance; requiring a local government and a special neighborhood improvement district levying an ad valorem tax on real or personal property to prepare a budget in a specified manner, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/8/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/11/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax

3/22/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax, 03/27/13, 1:00 pm, 37 S

Bill Comments

UPDATE: The amendment, which is now part of CS1, limits the application of provisions governing Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement Districts and Neighborhood Councils to those active on or before June 30, 2013. Following this date, no new districts or councils may be created. INITIAL COMMENTS: The bill renames the Safe Neighborhoods Act as the "Neighborhoods Improvement Act" and revises its focus from safety and crime reduction to neighborhood improvements such as street and sidewalk enhancement, landscaping, mass transit, and stormwater and public utility development. The bill also authorizes local government neighborhood improvement districts to borrow money, contract for loans and issue bonds by resolution of the governing body, and if required by the Florida Constitution, obtain the affirmative vote of the district electors. The authority of neighborhood improvement districts to levy ad valorem taxes, borrow money, and collect certain special assessments is subject to approval by a referendum. The Safe Neighborhoods Program and related grant opportunities (unfunded since 1992), are eliminated by the bill. The bill also allows neighborhood improvement districts to contract with county or municipal government for legal advice, and to plan for certain public improvements.

SB 0572 Relating to Reporting Requirements for Economic Development Programs

Sobel

Reporting Requirements for Economic Development Programs; Requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to publish on a website specified information concerning state investment in economic development programs; requiring the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to provide a description of specified methodology and formulas to the department and the department to publish the description on its website within a specified period; requiring the department to annually publish information relating to the progress of Quick Action Closing Fund projects, etc. Effective Date: October 1, 2013

3/4/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Commerce and Tourism; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/6/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/7/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0582 Relating to Manufacturing Development

Galvano

Manufacturing Development; Establishing the Manufacturing Competitiveness Act; authorizing local governments to establish a local manufacturing development program that provides for master development approval for certain sites; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to develop a model ordinance containing specified information and provisions; requiring the department, in cooperation with participating agencies, to establish a manufacturing development coordinated approval process for certain manufacturers, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/4/2013 SENATE Filed

2/7/2013 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

Bill Comments

This allows local governments to create a "master development approval" process and "program" for expediting and coordinating state permit approvals to incentivize local manufacturing projects. DEO is directed to prepare a model ordinance. It reduces the review process from 90 to 60 days, and failure to comply means permits are issued. Agencies have to request additional information within 20 days of applications being filed, and must request further information within 10 days. Although a similar expedited permitting process already exists in state law, its been argued that the existing process focuses on state agencies, while the process laid out in the bill focuses on local governments. Environmental organizations have concerns with the bill and the Sierra Club of Florida has come out in opposition to it.

SB 0584 Relating to Purchase of Land by a Governmental Entity

Hays

Purchase of Land by a Governmental Entity; Limiting the state, a county, or a municipality's ability to purchase land for conservation purposes, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/4/2013 SENATE Filed

2/7/2013 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Judiciary; Appropriations

Bill Comments

This legislation would prohibit state and local agencies from purchasing additional conservation lands unless an equal amount of acreage held by those agencies was sold. According to 1000 Friends of Florida, this would not only severely restrict new land acquisition, but would also restrict efforts to protect and restore springs, create new state and local parks, enhance military base buffers, and provide economic benefits to local and state governments from conservation and recreation programs.

SB 0606 Relating to Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission Gibson

Northeast Florida Regional Transportation Commission; Creating the commission; providing for transportation projects of regional significance; exempting the commission from taxes or assessments; specifying that the commission is not an authority for purposes of specified provisions relating to a discretionary tax, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/21/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Transportation; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/25/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/27/2013 SENATE Now in Community Affairs

Bill Comments

Creates a nine-member Commission covering the six county region including Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, Putnam, and St. Johns counties; directs the Commission to develop a multimodal and prioritized regional plan consisting of transportation projects of regional significance; authorizes the acquisition of lands and property, but does not authorize condemnation or eminent domain.

HB 0641 Relating to Economic Development Rodrigues (R)

Economic Development: Establishes Economic Development Programs Evaluation; requires EDR & OPPAGA to present evaluation; requires offices to develop & submit work plan for completing evaluation by certain date; requires offices to provide analysis of certain economic development programs & specifies schedule; limits office's evaluation for purposes of tax credits, tax refunds, sales tax exemptions, cash grants, & similar programs; revises date on which DEO & EFI are required to report on business climate & economic development in state; specifies reports & information that must be included; requires DEO to analyze each economic development incentive application; modifies certain reporting requirements & requires DEO to include specified information pertaining to specified programs in its annual incentives report. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

2/6/2013 HOUSE Filed

2/12/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/12/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0663 Relating to Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Program Hudson

Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Program: Expands Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Pilot Program into statewide program; requires DEO to contract with Florida Economic Gardening Institute at University of Central Florida to administer program; revises & provides eligibility requirements for program; provides definitions; conforms references to Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Pilot Program to changes made by act. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/18/2013 HOUSE Reference to Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee removed; Remaining reference Economic Affairs Committee

3/18/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Economic Affairs Committee, 03/28/13, 10:30 am, 102 H

Bill Comments

UPDATE: The adopted amendment removed the \$2M appropriation. INITIAL COMMENTS: The bill amends the Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Pilot Program to remove the word "Pilot," thereby making it permanent. It also directs DEO to contract with the University of Central Florida's Institute of Economic Gardening (under the pilot, DEO could contract with any entity) to implement the Program, and it revises the business eligibility requirements. The bill appropriates \$2M from recurring GR to the University to fund the program and implement the Act during FY 2013-14.

SB 0670 Relating to Department of Economic Opportunity Brandes

Department of Economic Opportunity; Requiring the department to create a web page accessible through its Internet website that provides comprehensive data and information that are relevant to the creation of new businesses, or the expansion of existing businesses, within the state; requiring the department to contact local governmental entities and collect specified data and information; requiring

cities and counties to provide notice of changes in data collected by the department, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
2/7/2013 SENATE Filed
2/13/2013 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0673 Relating to Development Exactions

Perry

Development Exactions: Prohibits local governments from imposing or requiring certain exactions on or against private property; provides exceptions. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/8/2013 HOUSE Filed

2/20/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Finance & Tax Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism

Bill Comments

The bill modifies development exactions by local governments "rational nexus test" to "essential nexus" and prevents exactions where any required by a state or federal agency for the same impact have been covered. Does contain language saying nothing prevents local governments from levying assessments that are "reasonably necessary" and are "roughly proportionate" to development impacts on public infrastructure. [Source: 1000 Friends of Florida]

HB 0679 Relating to Neighborhood Improvement Districts

Nelson

Neighborhood Improvement Districts: Provides & revises provisions relating to neighborhood improvement districts, including creation & funding of safe districts, powers & duties of municipalities & counties, requirements, bonds & assessments, governing bodies, board of directors, property owners' associations, state grants, special neighborhood improvement districts, community redevelopment neighborhood improvement districts, powers of local governing bodies, & ad valorem tax on real or personal property; repeals provisions relating to crime prevention through community policing innovations, Safe Neighborhoods Program, duties of Department of Legal Affairs, neighborhood improvement district inside enterprise zone, effect & construction of existing laws, state redevelopment programs, safe neighborhood improvement districts, Neighborhood Preservation & Enhancement Program, & Neighborhood Councils & local government designated agency. Effective Date: July 1, 2013 Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/11/2013 HOUSE Filed

2/20/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Finance & Tax Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

This appears to remove the prior emphasis on crime prevention in neighborhood improvement districts and replace it with a focus on urban infill and redevelopment. It also allows neighborhood improvement districts to do millage assessment of up to 2 mills and to bond.

HB 0733 Relating to Government-Owned Utilities

Mayfield

Government-Owned Utilities: Revises conditions for county to furnish certain utility facilities to property being furnished like facilities by municipality; provides that certain corporate powers of municipality relating to utility facilities do not extend or apply within unincorporated areas of county without consent of board of county commissioners of such county; revises provisions relating to jurisdiction of PSC public utilities providing electricity or gas; revises definition of term "public utility" to include municipalities that supply electricity or gas outside of their incorporated limits; revises provisions relating to regulation by commission of water & wastewater utilities; requires that municipal utility that sells water or wastewater utility service outside of its incorporated limits be regulated. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/12/2013 HOUSE Filed

2/20/2013 HOUSE Referred to Energy & Utilities Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee; Regulatory Affairs Committee

2/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Energy & Utilities Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0740 Relating to Tax Exemptions for Property Used for Affordable Housing

Simpson

Tax Exemptions for Property Used for Affordable Housing; Deleting an ad valorem tax exemption for property owned by certain Florida-based limited partnerships and used for affordable housing for certain income-qualified persons, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law and shall first apply to the 2013 ad valorem tax rolls.

2/8/2013 SENATE Filed

2/13/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations
2/20/2013 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/22/13, 1:45 pm, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0741 Relating to Neighborhood Improvement Districts

Jones (S)

Neighborhood Improvement Districts: Provides that an ordinance that creates neighborhood improvement district may authorize district to exercise certain powers in addition to those already granted to such districts; provides that neighborhood improvement district shall be treated as community development district regarding certain exemption & bond provisions; prohibits neighborhood improvement district from being dissolved until arrangements are made for payment of its debt.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/12/2013 HOUSE Filed

2/20/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Finance & Tax Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0750 Relating to Transportation

Brandes

Transportation; Establishing the Department of Transportation as the agency responsible for administering the section, instead of the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council; providing for the future repeal of the section, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/4/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Transportation, 03/07/13, 10:30 am, 37 S

3/7/2013 SENATE Favorable by Transportation; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/8/2013 SENATE Now in Commerce and Tourism

Bill Comments

No additional comments needed.

HB 0755 Relating to Affordable Housing

Rouson

Affordable Housing: Revises provisions for terminating certain rental agreements; provides that access to essential commercial goods & services for persons of low income served by housing authorities is public use; prohibits use of eminent domain for certain purposes; expands certain powers of housing authorities to include certain commercial projects providing essential goods & services; provides for use of revenues received from projects; reenacts provision relating to tax exemptions applicable to housing authorities created pursuant to certain federal programs; provides that there exists shortage of access to essential commercial goods & services necessary for daily living for persons of low income; expands certain powers of state public bodies to include certain commercial projects providing essential goods & services; revises & provides findings & declarations of property of tax exemption for housing authorities relating to access to essential commercial goods & services necessary for daily living for persons of low income; clarifies that activities & property of certain persons are not exempt from taxes & special assessments; provides that certain real property of housing authority is exempt from ad valorem taxes & special assessments; revises requirements for public housing authorities to form self-insurance funds. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/13/2013 HOUSE Filed

2/20/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0770 Relating to Neighborhood Improvement Districts

Ring

Neighborhood Improvement Districts; Providing that an ordinance that creates a neighborhood improvement district may authorize the district to exercise certain powers, in addition to those already granted to such districts; conditioning the exercise of those powers by the local government neighborhood improvement district upon referendum approval by the electors of the district, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/8/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/11/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax

3/22/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax, 03/27/13, 1:00 pm, 37 S

Bill Comments

UPDATE: Adds language stating that bonds may not be issued for an amount greater than the amount assessed by the district. In addition, all powers provided by the bill are conditioned upon referendum approval by the electors of the district. CS1 INITIAL COMMENTS: Local government neighborhood improvement districts, established pursuant to the Safe Neighborhoods Act, lack the expressed power

to borrow funds. This bill authorizes local government neighborhood improvement districts to borrow money and incur debt and to pledge revenues and ad valorem taxes to meet such obligations. Leases or lease-purchases and user fees and charges are also permitted.

SB 0772 Relating to Development Exactions

Brandes

Development Exactions; **Prohibiting local governments from imposing or requiring certain exactions on or against private property, etc.** Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/11/2013 SENATE Filed

2/14/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary

Bill Comments

The bill **modifies development exactions by local governments "rational nexus test" to "essential nexus" and prevents exactions where any required by a state or federal agency for the same impact have been covered.** Does contain language saying nothing prevents local governments from levying assessments that are "reasonably necessary" and are "roughly proportionate" to development impacts on public infrastructure. [Source: 1000 Friends of Florida]

SB 0786 Relating to Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Simpson

Comprehensive Plan Amendments; **Establishing a pilot program in specified areas of the state to test and review an alternative plan amendment; providing a process for the adoption of comprehensive plan amendments; providing an exception for certain local governments and other specified areas; providing that agencies may not adopt rules to implement the program, etc.** Effective Date: October 1, 2013

2/11/2013 SENATE Filed

2/14/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary

Bill Comments

This bill creates the "Developed Local Governments Comprehensive Planning Pilot Program." The affected local governments are Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, Hialeah, Pinellas County and Broward County. These local governments are directed to follow an alternative plan amendment review process **as laid out in the bill. The bill also allows the municipalities in Pinellas and Broward Counties to elect, by supermajority vote of the governing body, not to participate in the pilot program.** Citizen challenges to amendments adopted under this process must meet the "fairly debatable" legal test rather than the "preponderance of evidence" test.

HB 0789 Relating to Springs Revival Act

Stewart

Springs Revival Act: **Requires water management districts to identify certain springs, develop certain plans, & submit certain reports; authorizes districts to adopt rules & issue orders.** Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/14/2013 HOUSE Filed

2/28/2013 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; Rulemaking Oversight & Repeal Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

2/28/2013 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee

Bill Comments

This bill would require each water management district, by October 1, 2013, with technical support from the Florida Geological Survey or other appropriate state or federal agency, to identify first and second magnitude springs that have declining water quality or reduced flows that are not identified in DEP's rule for impaired water bodies. In addition, by July 1, 2014, each water management district must develop a 5-year plan to restore the identified springs and, beginning July 1, 2014, the water management districts must provide quarterly reports on their spring restoration efforts to the Governor, Senate President, and Speaker of the House.

HB 0807 Relating to Emergency Communication System

Steube

Emergency Communication Service: **Revises provisions relating to Emergency Communications Number E911 System; revises provisions for administration, distribution, & use of E911 fee; provides for prepaid wireless E911 fee; revises provisions for accounting, distribution, use, & auditing of Emergency Communications Number E911 System Fund.** Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/20/2013 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Finance & Tax Subcommittee; 18 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/25/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/26/2013 HOUSE Now in Regulatory Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

The bill provides for the collection of a prepaid wireless E911 fee by retailers at the point of sale, beginning November 1, 2013, and establishes a new category in the E911 Trust Fund for revenues derived from this fee; sets the existing E911 fee at \$0.46 per month per service identifier and sets the prepaid wireless E911 fee at \$0.46 per month for each retail transaction; retains the existing E911 fee cap of \$0.50 and allow the E911 Board, after January 1, 2015, to adjust the rate under this cap by a two-thirds vote of the total number of all Board members; expands the list of authorized county expenditures for which E911 system funds may be used; modifies the percentage of funds to be **distributed to counties, such that counties will receive 97 percent of the moneys in the wireline category (up from 96 percent), 76 percent of the moneys in the wireless category (up from 67 percent), and 61 percent of the moneys in the new prepaid wireless category; reduces the percentage of funds available**

for distribution to wireless providers from 30 percent to 20 percent; and provides that 35 percent of the moneys in the new prepaid wireless category will be retained by the Board to provide E911 grants to counties for the purpose of upgrading and replacing E911 systems, developing and maintaining statewide 911 routing and mapping systems, and developing and maintaining next-generation 911 services and equipment.

SB 0856 Relating to Community Redevelopment

Bullard

Community Redevelopment; Revising the definition of the term "blighted area," as applicable to the Community Redevelopment Act of 1969, to include land previously used as a military facility and adjacent to a county-owned zoological park, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/4/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 03/07/13, 8:00 am, 301 S

3/7/2013 SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; 8 Yeas, 1 Nay

3/7/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0879 Relating to Freight Logistic Zones

Ray

Freight Logistic Zones: Provides application requirements for local government to apply for designation of certain areas as freight logistic zones; directs DOT to create Logistic Zone Advisory Council; authorizes secretary to designate up to four pilot logistic zones; directs DOT to adopt rules. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/28/2013 HOUSE Referred to Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/28/2013 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee

3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee, 03/27/13, 4:30 pm, 404 H

Bill Comments

Authorizes local governments to submit an application for designation to DOT, and creates the Logistic Zone Advisory Council to review applications and make recommendations to the Secretary for approval/denial; the Secretary may designate up to four pilot freight logistic zones that may be eligible for priority in state funding and incentive programs.

HB 0921 Relating to Tax Exemptions for Property Used for Affordable Housing

Renuart

Tax Exemptions for Property Used for Affordable Housing: Deletes ad valorem tax exemption for property owned by certain Florida-based limited partnerships & used for affordable housing for certain income-qualified persons; provides for retroactive application. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

3/20/2013 HOUSE Favorable by Finance & Tax Subcommittee; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Economic Affairs Committee, 03/28/13, 10:30 am, 102 H

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 0927 Relating to Agritourism

Raschein

Agritourism: Restricts local government's ability to regulate agritourism activity on agricultural land; limits liability of certain agritourism professionals & land owners under certain conditions; requires that signs & contracts notify participants of certain inherent risks & assumption of that risk. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/13/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/15/2013 HOUSE Now in Civil Justice Subcommittee

3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Civil Justice Subcommittee, 03/27/13, 10:30 am, 404 H

Bill Comments

The legislative intent of the bill is to eliminate duplication of regulatory authority over agritourism. The bill as amended (C1) prohibits a local government from adopting an ordinance, regulation, rule, or policy that prohibits, restricts, regulates, or otherwise limits an agritourism on land classified as agricultural under s. 193.461, F.S. It expressly does not limit the powers and duties of a local government to address an emergency. The bill also amends the definition of an agritourism activity to make it consistent with a bona fide agricultural operation. It adds a definition of "inherent risks of agritourism activity," meaning those dangers or conditions that are an integral part of an agritourism activity as well as the potential for a participant to act in a negligent manner. It provides that an "agritourism professional" is not liable for the injury, death, damage, or loss to a participant resulting from the inherent risk of agritourism activities if a notice as prescribed by law (and also provided for in the bill) is posted in a clearly visible location at the entrance to the agritourism location.

SB 0928 Relating to Community Development

Simpson

Community Development; Revising the power of a housing finance authority to make loans directly to eligible persons; deleting an ad valorem tax exemption for property owned by certain Florida-based limited partnerships and used for affordable housing for certain income-qualified persons; extending the

expiration date applicable to the granting of community contribution tax credits against the sales and use tax, corporate income tax, and insurance premium tax for contributions to eligible sponsors of community projects approved by the Department of Economic Opportunity; revising the powers of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law and shall first apply to the 2013 ad valorem tax rolls.

3/15/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/18/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax

3/22/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax, 03/27/13, 1:00 pm, 37 S

Bill Comments

This is the Florida Housing Finance Corporation's affordable housing package. It also closes a loophole created in 2011 that allows for-profit affordable housing developers to transfer ownership to a non-profit entity for the purpose of receiving an exemption from ad valorem taxes.

HB 0945 Relating to Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority Nelson

Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority: Revises provisions for authority; renames Orlando-Orange County Expressway System as "Central Florida Expressway System"; creates Central Florida Expressway Authority; provides that area served by authority is within geopolitical boundaries of Orange, Seminole, Lake, & Osceola Counties; provides for transfer of Osceola County Expressway System to Central Florida Expressway Authority. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/20/2013 HOUSE Filed

3/4/2013 HOUSE Referred to Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

3/4/2013 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee

Bill Comments

Renames the current system as the "Central Florida Expressway System"; creates the Central Florida Expressway Authority and transfers governance, powers, responsibilities, etc.; creates a nine-member board representing Orange, Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties; prohibits spending funds for SunRail; earmarks Orange Co. toll receipts for projects in same; and makes numerous conforming changes.

SB 0948 Relating to Water Supply Grimsley

Water Supply; Providing a legislative declaration that efforts to adequately and dependably meet water needs require the cooperation of utility companies, private landowners, water consumers, and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing that the governing board of a water management district shall assist self-suppliers, among others, in meeting water supply demands in a manner that will give priority to encouraging conservation and reducing adverse environmental effects, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/7/2013 SENATE Now in Agriculture

3/13/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Agriculture, 03/18/13, 1:00 pm, 301 S

3/18/2013 SENATE Temporarily Postponed by Agriculture

Bill Comments

This bill gives the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services an expanded role in water supply planning by adding the Department to the list of agencies with which water management districts must coordinate in the regional water supply planning process. It also adds to the required regional water supply plan components, agricultural demand projections used for determining the needs of agricultural self-suppliers based on best available data. Criteria for determining the best available data is also provided. In addition, the bill amends s. 570.085, F.S., requiring the Department to establish an agricultural water supply planning program that includes the development of data indicative of future agricultural water supply demands based on a list of criteria. This bill is a priority for Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam.

SB 0952 Relating to Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority Simmons

Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority; Renaming the Orlando-Orange County Expressway System as the "Central Florida Expressway System"; creating the Central Florida Expressway Authority; providing for the transfer of governance, and control, legal rights and powers, responsibilities, terms, and obligations to the authority; revising the composition of the governing body of the authority; providing that the area served by the authority is within the geopolitical boundaries of Orange, Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties; prohibiting the authority from spending funds for SunRail, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/18/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Transportation, 03/21/13, 10:00 am, 37 S

3/21/2013 SENATE Favorable by Transportation; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/21/2013 SENATE Now in Community Affairs

Bill Comments

Renames the current system as the "Central Florida Expressway System"; creates the Central Florida Expressway Authority and transfers governance, powers, responsibilities, etc.; creates a nine-member board representing Orange, Seminole, Lake, and Osceola Counties; prohibits spending funds for

SunRail; earmarks Orange Co. toll receipts for projects in same; and makes numerous conforming changes.

HB 0965 Relating to Enterprise Zones

Reed

Enterprise Zones: Revises exception to definition of term "recovery property"; renames enterprise zone jobs credit as enterprise zone job stimulus credit; conforms definitions to changes made by act; provides legislative intent; authorizes enterprise zone job stimulus credit against sales tax to be applied to new employees hired; revises criteria for claiming credit; deletes minimum threshold requirement for full-time jobs required to claim credit; specifies additional criterion for nonapplication of credit to eligible businesses; conforms terminology to changes made by act; conforms definitions to changes made by act; renames enterprise zone jobs credit as enterprise zone job stimulus credit; authorizes enterprise zone job stimulus credit against corporate income tax to be applied to new employees hired; revises criteria for claiming credit; deletes minimum threshold requirement for full-time jobs required to claim credit; conforms provisions. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/21/2013 HOUSE Filed

3/4/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

3/4/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 0972 Relating to Transportation Development

Hukill

Transportation Development; Providing that local governments that implement transportation concurrency must allow an applicant for a development agreement to satisfy transportation concurrency requirements if certain criteria are met; providing that a local government that repeals transportation concurrency may not deny a development based on the adoption of an alternative transportation system if the developer agrees to enter into an agreement to pay for identified impacts of the proposed development, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/20/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/21/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/27/2013 SENATE Now in Transportation

Bill Comments

The bill also allows local governments to accept contributions from multiple applicants for a planned improvement if the local government maintains contributions in a separate account designated for that purpose; allows a transportation development authority to include projects both inside and outside identified deficiency areas, especially in regard to mass transit improvements; and, transportation development authorities are allowed to include/recognize transit oriented development of 25 acres or more. 1000 Friends of Florida has stated that the bill will effectively require "pay and go" for the mobility planning process.

SB 0978 Relating to Springs Revival Act

Soto

Springs Revival Act; Requiring water management districts to identify certain springs, develop certain plans, and submit certain reports to the Governor and the Legislature; authorizing the districts to adopt rules and issue orders, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/18/2013 SENATE Filed

2/22/2013 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Rules

Bill Comments

This bill would require each water management district, by October 1, 2013, with technical support from the Florida Geological Survey or other appropriate state or federal agency, to identify first and second magnitude springs that have declining water quality or reduced flows that are not identified in DEP's rule for impaired water bodies. In addition, by July 1, 2014, each water management district must develop a 5-year plan to restore the identified springs and, beginning July 1, 2014, the water management districts must provide quarterly reports on their spring restoration efforts to the Governor, Senate President, and Speaker of the House.

HB 0999 Relating to Environmental Regulation

Patronis

Environmental Regulation: Creates, amends, & revises numerous provisions relating to: development permit applications; marinas, boatyards, & marine retailers; general permits for special events; well permits; exemptions from permits, fees & related environmental requirements & regulation; regional water supply planning; agricultural water supply demand projections; major sources of air pollution; water quality testing, sampling, collection, & analysis; & restoration of seawalls. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/4/2013 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

3/4/2013 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee

3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee, 03/27/13, 4:30 pm, 102 H

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1012 Relating to Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Program Hays

Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Program; Expanding the Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Pilot Program into a statewide program; requiring the Department of Economic Opportunity to contract with the Florida Economic Gardening Institute at the University of Central Florida to administer the program, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$2,000,000 Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/20/2013 SENATE Filed

2/25/2013 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1024 Relating to Department of Economic Opportunity Commerce and Tourism

Department of Economic Opportunity; Revising requirements for various annual reports submitted to the Governor and Legislature, including the annual report of the Department of Economic Opportunity, the annual report of Enterprise Florida, Inc., and the annual incentives report; revising application requirements for community development block grants and procedures for the ranking of applications and the determination of project funding; requiring the department to impose a penalty against a claimant who is overpaid reemployment assistance benefits due to fraud by the claimant and providing for deposit of moneys collected for such penalties in the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/11/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

3/22/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 03/27/13, 9:30 am, 110 S

3/27/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

Bill Comments

This bill as amended and filed as CS1 proposes changes to many programs, including economic development related annual reporting requirements, the CDBG program, the Reemployment Assistance Claims and Benefits Information System, and the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund. More specifically, it changes the due date of DEO's annual report to the Governor and legislature from January 1 to November 1 of each year and requires the inclusion of information from reports of other programs. Enterprise Florida's annual reporting requirements are also clarified and must include tax refunds paid or other payments made that are funded out of the Economic Development Incentives Account and the impact of these tax refunds on certain areas. REDI's annual report, rather than being submitted to the Governor and Legislature, must now be provided to DEO and included as a supplement to DEO's annual report. CS1 revises membership of the board of directors of the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation to include the Governor as an ex-officio, non-voting member. Numerous changes to the CDBG program as proposed include: requiring DEO to adopt rules for the distribution of CDBG funds; requiring applicants for the Section 108 loans to pledge half of the amount necessary to guarantee the loan in the event of default; reduces the maximum loan guarantee commitment from \$7M to \$5M (not applicable to loans guaranteed prior to July 1, 2013 that may be refinanced); provides for a reduction of a local government's future loan guarantee if the local government defaults on the federal loan; significantly revises procedures and requirements pertaining to grant applications, grant ceilings, and maximum administrative cost percentages; and, deletes the requirement for a citizens advisory committee.

SB 1058 Relating to Freight Logistic Zones Ring

Freight Logistic Zones; Providing application requirements for a local government to apply for the designation of a freight logistic zone; directing the Department of Transportation to create a Logistic Zone Advisory Council; authorizing the Secretary of Transportation to designate pilot logistic zones, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/20/2013 SENATE Filed

2/25/2013 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs

Bill Comments

Authorizes local governments to submit an application for designation of an area to DOT, and creates the Logistic Zone Advisory Council to review applications and make recommendations to the Secretary for approval/denial; the Secretary may designate up to four pilot freight logistic zones that may be eligible for priority in state funding and incentive programs (ch. 288, F.S., and s. 311.101, F.S).

HB 1063 Relating to Water Supply Hutson

Water Supply: Revises legislative intent with regard to water supply policy, planning, production, & funding; requires water management districts to assist private landowners & self-suppliers in meeting certain water supply needs & to coordinate with private landowners & DACS for regional water supply planning; authorizes water management districts to contract with such entities for specified purposes;

clarifies funding assistance eligibility criteria for certain water supply development projects; provides criteria & requirements for determining agricultural water supply demand projections; requires DACS to establish agricultural water supply planning program. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/20/2013 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; 13 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/22/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/25/2013 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee

Bill Comments

This bill gives the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services an expanded role in water supply planning by adding the Department to the list of agencies with which water management districts must coordinate in the regional water supply planning process. It also adds to the required regional water supply plan components, agricultural demand projections used for determining the needs of agricultural self-suppliers based on best available data. Criteria for determining the best available data is also provided. In addition, the bill amends s. 570.085, F.S., requiring the Department to establish an agricultural water supply planning program that includes the development of data indicative of future agricultural water supply demands based on a list of criteria. This bill is a priority for Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam.

SB 1070 Relating to Emergency Communication Systems

Hays

Emergency Communication Systems; Amending provisions relating to the Emergency Communications Number E911 System; revising provisions for administration, distribution, and use of the E911 fee; revising provisions for accounting, distribution, use, and auditing of the Emergency Communications Number E911 System Fund, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/28/2013 SENATE Referred to Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations

3/6/2013 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 03/08/13, 1:00 pm, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

3/14/2013 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 03/16/13, 10:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1106 Relating to Agritourism

Hays

Agritourism; Restricting a local government's ability to regulate agritourism activity on agricultural land; limiting the liability of an agritourism professional, his or her employer or employee, or the owner of the underlying land on which the agritourism activity occurs if certain conditions are met; requiring that signs and contracts notify participants of certain inherent risks and the assumption of that risk, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/15/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 03/20/13, 3:00 pm, 301 S

3/20/2013 SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/21/2013 SENATE Now in Rules

Bill Comments

The legislative intent of the bill is to eliminate duplication of regulatory authority over agritourism. The bill as amended (C1) prohibits a local government from adopting an ordinance, regulation, rule, or policy that prohibits, restricts, regulates, or otherwise limits an agritourism on land classified as agricultural under s. 193.461, F.S. It expressly does not limit the powers and duties of a local government to address an emergency. The bill also amends the definition of an agritourism activity to make it consistent with a bona fide agricultural operation. It adds a definition of "inherent risks of agritourism activity," meaning those dangers or conditions that are an integral part of an agritourism activity as well as the potential for a participant to act in a negligent manner. It provides that an "agritourism professional" is not liable for the injury, death, damage, or loss to a participant resulting from the inherent risk of agritourism activities if a notice as prescribed by law (and also provided for in the bill) is posted in a clearly visible location at the entrance to the agritourism location.

SB 1132 Relating to Department of Transportation

Brandes

Department of Transportation; Requiring the Transportation Commission to also monitor ch. 345, F.S., relating to the Florida Regional Tollway Authority; deleting provisions relating to the Florida Statewide Passenger Rail Commission; providing that persons who install a transit shelter or bus bench on certain right-of-ways are responsible for ensuring that the bench or transit shelter complies with applicable laws and rules; creating specified provisions relating to the Florida Regional Tollway Authority, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

3/20/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/22/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/27/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

Bill Comments

Amends various provisions related to DOT, including: repeals the Statewide Passenger Rail Commission and clarifies FTC oversight of passenger rail systems; revises requirements governing the

Spaceport System Plan and authorizes \$15 million in State Transportation Trust Fund annual funding for space; revises the voting membership of redesignated MPOs; directs DOT to **consult with Enterprise Florida in development of road fund projects and specifies that funding may not be transferred until after** facility construction is begun; adds spaceports as State Infrastructure Bank eligible projects; provides that Intermodal Development Program must be used for projects contained in FTP, SIS, FMTP, or modal plan; authorizes DOT engage in ancillary development along state rail corridors; authorizes counties to form regional tollway authorities; requires local governments to adopt **noise compatible land use planning regulations and to share equally with FDOT in all costs; establishes a fuel tax structure for** natural gas used as a motor fuel similar to that for diesel fuel beginning in 2019; provides certain requirements for bus benches and transit shelters within State Highway System right-of-way. NOTE: This is DOT's Legislative Package.

SB 1150 Relating to State Contracting

Benacquisto

State Contracting; Requiring agreements funded with state or federal financial assistance to include additional provisions; revising provisions relating to the Chief Financial Officer's intergovernmental contract tracking system under the Transparency Florida Act; repealing provisions relating to a requirement that state agencies report certain contract information to the Department of Financial Services and transferring that requirement to s. 215.985, F.S., etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013
3/18/2013 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
3/19/2013 SENATE Reference to Banking and Insurance removed; Reference to Appropriations added; Remaining reference Appropriations
3/19/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 1187 Relating to United Nations' Agenda 21

Eagle

United Nations' Agenda 21: Endorses rejection of UN's Agenda 21 & its underlying harmful policies & urges Congress to reject effort to implement Agenda 21 or such policies in U.S. Effective Date: Not Specified
3/1/2013 HOUSE Filed
3/6/2013 HOUSE Referred to Local & Federal Affairs Committee; State Affairs Committee
3/6/2013 HOUSE Now in Local & Federal Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1190 Relating to Agricultural Lands

Brandes

Agricultural Lands; Prohibiting a governmental entity from adopting or enforcing any prohibition, restriction, regulation, or other limitation or from charging a fee on a specific agricultural activity of a bona fide farm operation on land classified as agricultural land under certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/6/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Agriculture, 03/11/13, 3:30 pm, 301 S
3/11/2013 SENATE Favorable by Agriculture; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays
3/12/2013 SENATE Now in Environmental Preservation and Conservation

Bill Comments

The bill amends the Agricultural Lands and Practices Act, which prohibits counties from adopting any **duplicative ordinance, resolution, regulation, rule, or policy that limits activity of a bona fide farm or farm** operation on agricultural land if such activity is already regulated by a state or federal agency. The bill expands the prohibition to include not just counties, but any "governmental entity," as defined by law **and excluding water management districts. The bill also prohibits a governmental entity from charging a** fee on bona fide farm operations on agricultural land.

HB 1247 Relating to Hurricane Mitigation

Nuñez

Hurricane Mitigation: Transfers responsibility for public model for hurricane loss projection from OIR to Division of Emergency Management; revises provisions relating to Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program; deletes provisions specifying how program funds are to be spent, including Manufactured Housing & Mobile Home Mitigation & Enhancement Program, & Florida International University International Hurricane Research Center; deletes reports prepared by Tallahassee Community College & report prepared by division; specifies program components, including responsibility for public model for hurricane loss projections, which includes charging of access fee, development of mitigation database, **mitigation credits & inspections, mitigation grants, mitigation outreach, & mitigation research; authorizes** division to leverage program funding; repeals provisions relating to public hurricane loss projection model & transfers provisions of that section; **revises factors that must be considered or included in rate** filings for residential property insurance; revises provisions relating to public model for hurricane loss projections. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/8/2013 HOUSE Referred to Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee; Regulatory Affairs Committee
3/8/2013 HOUSE Now in Insurance & Banking Subcommittee
3/26/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Insurance & Banking Subcommittee, 03/28/13, 8:00 am,

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1248 Relating to Hurricane Mitigation

Hays

Hurricane Mitigation; Transferring responsibility for the public model for hurricane loss projection from the Office of Insurance Regulation to the Division of Emergency Management; deleting provisions specifying how program funds are to be spent, including the Manufactured Housing and Mobile Home Mitigation and Enhancement Program, and the Florida International University International Hurricane Research Center; repealing provisions relating to the public hurricane loss projection model; revising factors that must be considered or included in the rate filings for residential property insurance, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/27/2013 SENATE Filed

3/1/2013 SENATE Referred to Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 1289 Relating to Interlocal Agreements

Peters

Interlocal Agreements: Modifies definition of "public agency" to include public transit provider. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/8/2013 HOUSE Referred to Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Economic Affairs Committee

3/8/2013 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee

3/25/2013 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee, 03/27/13, 4:30 pm, 404 H

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1480 Relating to Interlocal Agreements

Latvala

Interlocal Agreements; Modifying the definition of "public agency" to include a public transit provider, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/1/2013 SENATE Filed

3/7/2013 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs

Bill Comments

This bill amends s. 163.01, F.S. to add "a public transit provider" to the definition of a public agency.

SB 1684 Relating to Environmental Regulation

Altman

Environmental Regulation; Providing that issuance of well permits is the sole responsibility of water management districts; requiring water management districts to coordinate and cooperate with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for regional water supply planning; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to establish general permits for special events; providing permit requirements; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to establish an agricultural water supply planning program, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/3/2013 SENATE Filed

3/7/2013 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1698 Relating to Developments of Regional Impact

Latvala

Developments of Regional Impact; Repealing provisions relating to the certification of local governments to conduct development-of-regional-impact reviews, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/3/2013 SENATE Filed

3/7/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation; Rules

Bill Comments

This bill repeals s. 380.065, F.S., which authorizes local governments to petition the Administration Commission for certification to conduct development-of-regional-impact reviews.

SB 1716 Relating to Growth Management

Garcia

Growth Management; Prohibiting a local government from applying transportation or school concurrency or requiring proportionate-share contribution or construction for new development for a specified period; providing for an extension of the prohibition under certain conditions; providing for future expiration; prohibiting certain counties, municipalities, and special districts from imposing certain new or existing impact fees for a specified period; providing for an extension of the prohibition under certain conditions, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/3/2013 SENATE Filed

3/7/2013 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation; Education

Bill Comments

Prohibits a local government from applying transportation concurrency contributions for new development until July 1, 2016, unless authorized by a 2/3 vote of the local governing authority; prohibits imposition of any new or existing impact fees (or any other fee associated with the mitigation

of Trans. impacts) until July 1, 2016; local governments imposing an impact fee in existence on July 1, 2012, are required to reauthorize the impact fee.

SB 1762 Relating to State Technology

Governmental Oversight and
Accountability

State Technology; Creating the Department of State Technology; establishing the Fletcher Shared Resource Center within the Department of Financial Services to provide enterprise information technology services to the department, co-location services to the Department of Legal Services and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and host the Legislative Appropriations System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem; transferring the personnel, functions, and funds of the Agency for Enterprise Information Technology to the Department of State Technology, etc.

APPROPRIATION: \$5,000,000 Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon become law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

3/19/2013 SENATE Favorable with CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; 11 Yeas, 1 Nay

3/21/2013 SENATE Now in Appropriations

3/25/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations, 03/28/13, 9:00 am, 412 K - PCS

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 1784 Relating to Military Installations

Military and Veterans Affairs,
Space, and Domestic Security

Military Installations; Authorizing the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund to **acquire certain nonconservation lands to buffer a military installation against encroachment; authorizing the Department of Economic Opportunity to annually recommend nonconservation lands for acquisition through fee simple purchase or less-than-fee interest purchase to the board of trustees for the purpose of preventing the encroachment of military installations; requiring the board of trustees to also consider land acquisition recommendations of the Florida Defense Support Task Force, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013**

3/18/2013 SENATE Filed (Formerly PCB 7028)

3/19/2013 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 4035 Relating to Developments of Regional Impact

Spano

Developments of Regional Impact: Deletes provisions authorizing the state land planning agency, regional planning agencies, or local governments to **petition the Administration Commission to increase or decrease numerical thresholds of statewide guidelines & standards used in determining whether developments are subject to development-of-regional-impact review. Effective Date: July 1, 2013**

2/25/2013 HOUSE Filed

3/4/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Economic Affairs Committee

3/4/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

Deletes provisions authorizing DEO, regional planning agencies, or local governments to petition the Administration Commission to increase or decrease numerical thresholds of statewide guidelines & standards used in determining whether developments are subject to development-of-regional-impact review. The bill is lengthy because it has to renumber numerous provisions as a result of the deletion.

HB 4041 Relating to Developments of Regional Impact

Raulerson

Developments of Regional Impact: Repeals provisions relating to certification of local governments to conduct development-of-regional-impact reviews. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/1/2013 HOUSE Filed

3/6/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee; Economic Affairs Committee

3/6/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Bill Comments

This bill repeals s. 380.065, F.S., which authorizes local governments to petition the Administration Commission for certification to conduct development-of-regional-impact reviews.

HB 7007 Relating to Department of Economic Opportunity

Economic Development &

Tourism Subcommittee

Department of Economic Opportunity: Revises requirements for various annual reports submitted to Governor & Legislature; consolidates reporting requirements for various economic development programs into annual reports by DEO, EFI, & annual incentives report; provides for expansion of boundaries of enterprise zones that meet certain requirements; revises board of directors of Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation; provides that Governor serves as nonvoting member; revises requirements for annual reports by Office of Film & Entertainment; provides procedures & requirements for Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program Act & distribution of funds under act; revises provisions relating to Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Loan Guarantee Program; revises requirements for annual reports by Space Florida; revises provisions relating to Reemployment Assistance Claims & Benefits Information System; revises requirements for estimate of interest due on advances received from Federal Government to Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund & calculation of additional assessments to contributing employers to repay interest; imposes penalty against claimant who is overpaid reemployment assistance benefits due to fraud & provides for deposit of such penalties in UCTF; prohibits unlawful disclosure of certain confidential information under Reemployment Assistance Program Law. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/5/2013 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

3/6/2013 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

3/8/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 7008 Relating to Public Records and Meetings of the Commission on Ethics Ethics and Elections

Public Records and Meetings of the Commission on Ethics; Creating an exemption from public records requirements for written referrals and related records held by the Commission on Ethics, the Governor, the Department of Law Enforcement, or state attorneys; creating an exemption from public meetings requirements for proceedings of the Commission on Ethics in which the referrals are discussed or acted upon; extending the period in which the disclosure of the intent to file or the filing of a complaint against a candidate is prohibited; providing an exception; providing for future repeal and legislative review of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law.

1/15/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Ethics and Elections, 01/22/13, 3:30 pm, 412 K

1/22/2013 SENATE Submitted as Committee Bill by Ethics and Elections

1/23/2013 SENATE Committee Bill Filed as S 0004

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 7016 Relating to Department of Economic Opportunity Commerce and Tourism

Department of Economic Opportunity; Revising requirements for various annual reports submitted to the Governor and Legislature, including the annual report of the Department of Economic Opportunity, the annual report of Enterprise Florida, Inc., and the annual incentives report; revising the department's duties to administer the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Loan Guarantee Program; requiring the department to impose a penalty against a claimant who is overpaid reemployment assistance benefits due to fraud by the claimant and providing for deposit of moneys collected for such penalties in the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/11/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 02/19/13, 9:00 am, 110 S

2/19/2013 SENATE Submitted as Committee Bill by Commerce and Tourism

2/20/2013 SENATE Committee Bill Filed as S 1024

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 7019 Relating to Development Permits Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

Development Permits: Requires counties & municipalities to attach certain disclaimers & include certain permit conditions when issuing development permits; requires counties & municipalities to demonstrate that applicable permits have been obtained before development in mapped flood hazard areas.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013

2/20/2013 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB EDTS2)

2/28/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Affairs Committee

2/28/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 7024 Relating to State Technology Governmental Oversight and

Accountability

State Technology; Creating the Department of State Technology; creating a Technology Advisory Council and providing for membership; establishing the Fletcher Shared Resource Center within the Department of Financial Services to provide enterprise information technology services to the department, co-location services to the Department of Legal Services and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and host the Legislative Appropriations System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon become law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

3/4/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Oversight and Accountability, 03/07/13, 10:30 am, 412 K

3/7/2013 SENATE Submitted as Committee Bill by Governmental Oversight and Accountability

3/8/2013 SENATE Committee Bill Filed as S 1762

Bill Comments

No comments.

SB 7028 Relating to Military Installations

Military and Veterans Affairs,
Space, and Domestic Security

Military Installations; Providing functions of the Military Base Protection Program; authorizing the Department of Economic Opportunity to annually recommend nonconservation lands to acquire through fee simple purchase or less-than-fee interest purchase to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund for the purpose of preventing the encroachment of military installations; authorizing funds appropriated to the Military Base Protection Program to be used for land acquisition to prevent or reduce encroachment of military installations, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/11/2013 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/14/13, 8:00 am, 37 S

3/14/2013 SENATE Submitted as Committee Bill by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

3/18/2013 SENATE Committee Bill filed as S 1784

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 7101 Relating to Inhibiting Encroachment Of Military Bases

Veteran and Military Affairs
Subcommittee

Inhibiting Encroachment Of Military Bases: Specifies functions of Military Base Protection Program; authorizes DEO to annually submit to Board of Trustees of Internal Improvement Trust Fund list of nonconservation lands to be acquired for purpose of buffering military base against encroachment; requires board of trustees to consider recommendations of Florida Defense Support Task Force; provides for applicability; authorizes additional uses of funds provided for program; authorizes board of trustees to acquire specified lands. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/15/2013 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB VMAS2)

3/20/2013 HOUSE Referred to Economic Affairs Committee

3/20/2013 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 7127 Relating to Department of Transportation

Transportation & Highway Safety
Subcommittee

Department of Transportation: Removes provision for certain audits; revises provisions relating to the Transportation Commission, Statewide Passenger Rail Commission, personnel, noise mitigation, commercial motor vehicles, Space Florida, aerospace facilities, airports, public-private facilities, maintenance, construction contracts, disposition of property, parking time limit devices, tolls, bonds, M.P.O.'s, corporations, infrastructure bank, intercity bus service, intermodal development, rail corridors, & environmental impact. Effective Date: July 1, 2013

3/25/2013 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB THSS2)

Bill Comments

Amends various provisions relating to DOT, including: transfers responsibilities of the Statewide Passenger Rail Commission to the FTC; revises requirements governing the Spaceport System Plan and provides \$15 million in annual funding for space; creates the Strategic Airport Investment Initiative; adds spaceports as SIB eligible projects; extends DOT authority improve roads that provide access to state parks; allows DOT to share in the revenue generated from parking meters and other time limit devices on state roads under the jurisdiction of DOT; provides that DOT is not required to fund noise mitigation projects adjacent to existing transportation facilities where DOT is not constructing capacity improvements; revises membership requirements for MPO's; revises certain provisions relating to the Intermodal Development Program, including administration and eligible projects; authorizes DOT engage in ancillary development along state rail corridors; revises provisions of environmental mitigation for transportation projects

HB 7131 Relating to Ethics

Ethics & Elections Subcommittee

Ethics: Prohibits public officers from accepting additional employment with state or political subdivisions under specified conditions; prohibits President of Senate & Speaker of House from personally representing another person or entity for compensation before any state agency for period of 2 years following vacation of office; provides exceptions; requires constitutional officers to complete annual ethics training; establishes requirements for creation of blind trusts; requires qualifying officer to electronically transmit full & public disclosure of financial interests of qualified candidate to Commission on Ethics; requires all disclosures of financial interests filed with commission to be scanned & made publicly available on searchable Internet database beginning with 2012 filing year; authorizes withholding of portions of salary for unpaid fines; authorizes specified parties to submit written referrals of possible violation of the Code of Ethics. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
3/26/2013 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB EES2)

Bill Comments

No comments.

HB 7133 Relating to Public Records and Meetings

Ethics & Elections Subcommittee

Public Records and Meetings: Creates exemption from public records requirements for written referrals & related records held by Commission on Ethics, Governor, Department of Law Enforcement, or state attorney; creates exemption for records relating to preliminary investigation held by Commission on Ethics; creates exemption from public meetings requirements for portions of proceedings of Commission on Ethics in which referrals are discussed or acted upon; provides for future repeal & legislative review of exemption under Open Government Sunset Review Act; provides statement of public necessity. Effective Date: on the same date that HB 7131 or similar legislation takes effect
3/26/2013 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB EES3)

Bill Comments

No comments.