

Emergent Design and Development

Legislative Update

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The regular session of the Florida Legislature has only three weeks to go. Bills of major interest, the budget and the retirement bill, have passed in both Houses. Large differences remain between the Senate and House position on both bills, and as a result the Conference Committee will resolve the issues.

RETIREMENT

SB 2100

This bill requires tiered contribution rates by employees (2% on first \$25,000, 4% on salary between \$25,000 and \$50,000, and 6% on salary over \$50,000). The Senate also passed an increased contribution rate for **elected officials** which would reflect 3%, 5%, and 7% for the same salary increments. The Senate allowed DROP to continue until July 1, 2016 but lowered the interest rate to new enrollees to 2% instead of the 6.5% that is paid current members.

HB 1405

This bill requires all state employees to contribute 3% of pre-tax salary to the retirement system. The House ends DROP as of July 1, 2011. The retirement age for new employees is raised to 65 (from 62) and 33 years of service (from 30).

BUDGET

While it appears that the total funding for education is fairly close when comparing the Senate (\$16.9 billion) and the House (\$16.8 billion) major differences exist in the way that the individual allocations are made. Of the 59 major allocation areas, only 24 are in agreement. The total fund per FTE is \$6,388.44 in the Senate and \$6,348.58 in the House. Last year this allocation was \$6,811.71 per FTE. The reduction translates into a loss of 6.21% in the Senate and a loss of 6.80% in the House.

The differences in the budget will also be decided in Conference Committee. Conference Committee members will be named early next week and the first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 12th.

A side by side comparison of the budgets is attached (prepared by Joy Frank of FADSS).

CLASS SIZE

Both Houses have passed a version of a class size bill (HB 5101, SB 2120). There are a few differences, however the bills are basically the same. The date for the official count for class size will be the October FTE count. After that date students could be added to a teacher's class without penalty. Limits to the

additional number of students will be set at 3 in grades K-3, 5 in grades 4-8, and 5 in core subjects in grades 9-12.

The major change will appear in the designation of core courses - those courses which fall under the class size mandate. The DOE is expected to identify 288 courses which meet this mandate. This is a reduction from 849 courses which would normally fall under the class size cap. This could impact all curriculum areas and grade levels.

VIRTUAL EDUCATION

Both the House and Senate have versions of a virtual education bill (HB 7179, SB 1620). Both of these bills will expand the opportunities for students to enroll in virtual education. All students would be required to take at least one virtual class. Both bills would also require online assessment for all statewide exams.

The Senate bill allows for more expansion, limits the district control of virtual programs, allows full time virtual schools to get funding directly from the state, and would allow virtual schools based out of state to offer classes in Florida.

The Florida Chamber of Commerce, Associated Industries, and The Foundation for Florida's Future have indicated strong support for these bills and the expansion of virtual education.

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

Both the House and the Senate have very similar versions of this bill (HB 1021, SB 830). The bill would prohibit a state agency from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity.

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Both Houses have major charter school bills (HB 7195, SB 1546). The House bill would allow high performing charter schools to increase their enrollments by 25%, receive a 15 year charter, and allows these charters to replicate their programs in other districts. It limits the district's ability to deny such requests. The bill would also change the sponsor's ability to terminate a charter.

The Senate bill would allow Universities and Community Colleges to sponsor charter schools and these schools would be exempt from statutory contract provisions. This bill also defines "high performing" charter schools and makes provisions for work place charter schools.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

SB 1732 is a bill concerning the Florida College System. This bill would require students taking AP exams to score a 4 or 5 to receive college credit. Currently students receiving a 3 are entitled to the credit.

THE “TRAINS”

Two bills, SB 1696 and HB 1255 are bills with multiple issues. Both address McKay Scholarships, VPK funding and readiness, exempt middle school and high school students that score 1 or 2 on the FCAT from the intensive reading course if they scored 3 or above on a previous FCAT, allow middle school career and professional academies, add school district transparency requirements (new), limit gifts to school board members, require EOC exams to be online, and waive the requirement that middle school students taking Algebra 1 must take the EOC in high school.

Attached is the side by side analysis of the budgets to date, and the bills that are still receiving consideration by the House or Senate.

Senate & House Budget Comparison

Joy Frank
April 8, 2011

Major Components	2010-11 3 rd Calculation	SB 2000* 2011-12	HB 5001* 2011-12
FEFP			
UWFTE	2,638,795.13	2,655,237.15	2,655,237.15
WFTE	2,843,258.65	2,864,243.06	2,866,454.09
School Taxable Value (Tax Roll)	1,445,620,545,163	1,407,824,467,012	1,407,824,467,012
RLE	5.380	5.380	5.380
.748 Discretionary Millage	0.748	0.748	0.748
.250 Discretionary Millage	Not Reflected	Not Reflected	Not Reflected
Total Millage	6.128	6.128	6.128
BSA	3,623.76	3,571.96 (51.80) -1.43%	3,577.42 (46.34) -1.28%
FEFP Detail			
WFTExBSAxDCD	10,310,064,798	10,239,684,730	10,263,246,615
Declining Enrollment	7,775,762	5,234,919	5,234,919
Sparsity	35,754,378	35,243,269	35,754,378
Lab School Discr. Con.	11,317,581	12,758,885	12,758,885
.25 Mill Disc. Comp.	33,912,589	8,271,652	8,271,652
.748 Mill Compression	140,926,426	137,707,730	137,707,730
Safe Schools	67,133,784	66,174,107	66,275,277
SAI	639,315,534	633,050,862	634,018,705
Reading Allocation	101,731,186	100,276,939	100,430,248
ESE Guaranteed Alloc.	980,571,070	968,798,092	970,279,244
MAP	20,000,000	19,714,100	10,000,000
DJJ Supplemental Alloc	8,337,158	8,243,718	8,073,249
Transportation	430,639,345	427,181,821	427,834,920
Instructional Materials	216,918,478	215,149,900	215,478,833
Teachers Lead	33,220,437	32,745,551	32,795,614
Stabilization Allocation	872,664,689	0	0
Minimum Guarantee	1,785,571	0	0
TOTAL FEFP	13,912,122,786	12,910,236,275	12,928,160,269
Less: RLE	7,197,944,104	6,954,236,092	6,955,249,367
Less: Stabilization Alloc.	872,644,689	0	0
Net State FEFP	5,841,513,933	5,956,000,183	5,972,910,902

Major Components	2010-11 3 rd Calculation	SB 2000* 2011-12	HB 5001* 2011-12
State Categorical Prog.			
Lottery/School Recog.	129,914,030	128,056,909	64,957,015
Class Size	2,913,825,383	2,932,193,901	2,871,538,749
TOTAL Categorical	3,043,739,413	3,060,250,810	2,936,495,764
Total State Funding	8,885,253,406	9,016,250,993	8,909,406,666
Local Funding			
Total RLE	7,197,944,104	6,954,236,092	6,955,249,367
.748 Mill Disc. Local Effort	1,018,844,954	992,332,415	992,332,415
Total Local Funding	8,216,789,058	7,946,568,507	7,947,581,782
TOTAL Funding	17,974,707,1538	16,962,819,500	16,856,988,448
TOTAL Funds per UWFTE	6,811.71	6,388.44 (423.27) -6.21%	6,348.58 (463.13) -6.80%

*We do not yet know the exact amount of the FRS employee contribution and the other changes in the retirement bill that will impact the overall employer contribution that school districts must pay.



Education Bills - Moving Legislation List

Sorted by Bill Number

HB 0061	Relating to Code of Student Conduct Code of Student Conduct: Requires each district school board code of student conduct to include explanation of student responsibilities with regard to appropriate student dress; requires each district school board to adopt dress code policy that prohibits student from wearing clothing that exposes underwear or body parts in specified manner; provides disciplinary actions for violation of dress code; requires adherence to code of student conduct for participation in extracurricular activities. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/5/2011 HOUSE Favorable by Education Committee; 13 Yeas, 4 Nays	Rogers
SB 0088	Relating to Public Employee Compensation Public Employee Compensation; Revises provisions relating to the prohibition against the payment of extra compensation. Prohibits provisions in contracts that provide for severance pay. Allows for severance pay under specified circumstances. Deletes a provision that allows a municipality to pay extra compensation. Repeals provisions relating to a prohibition against severance pay for officers or employees of water management districts, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Governmental Oversight and Accountability 4/6/2011 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability	Gaetz (D)
HB 0089	Relating to Effective Public Notices by Governmental Entities Effective Public Notices by Governmental Entities: Authorizes local government to use its publicly accessible website for legally required notices & advertisements; defines "publicly accessible website"; provides conditions for utilization of publicly accessible website for such purposes; provides for optional receipt of legally required public notices & advertisements via first class mail or e-mail; provides requirements for legally required advertisements & public notices published on publicly accessible website; provides that specified notice, advertisement, or publication on publicly accessible website constitutes legal notice; provides that advertisements directed by law or order or decree of court to be made in county in which no newspaper is published may be made by publication on publicly accessible website; provides clarifying & conforming language. Effective Date: October 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Government Operations Subcommittee 4/1/2011 HOUSE Temporarily postponed by Government Operations Subcommittee	Workman
SB 0090	Relating to Financial Emergencies Financial Emergencies; Requires a plan of a county or municipality to improve the efficiency, accountability, and coordination of the delivery of local government services to include a plan for the consolidation of all administrative direction and support services if the county or municipality is subject to review and oversight by the Governor. Authorizes a financial emergency review board for a local government entity or district school board to consult with other governmental entities for the consolidation of all administrative direction and support services, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/24/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Gaetz (D)
SB 0100	Relating to Autism Autism; Requires that a physician refer a minor to an appropriate specialist for screening for autism spectrum disorder under certain circumstances. Requires that certain insurers and health maintenance organizations provide direct patient access to an appropriate specialist for screening for or evaluation or diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder. Requires certain insurance policies and health maintenance organization contracts to provide a minimum number of visits per year for screening for or evaluation or diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/1/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Ring
SB 0102	Relating to Agency for Enterprise Information Technology Agency for Enterprise Information Technology; Renames the agency the Department of Information Technology. Requires that the department director have a degree from an accredited postsecondary institution in certain fields, be appointed by the Governor, and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Establishes divisions within the department. Specifies proposals that must be included in the department's annual work plan, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/7/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Ring
HB 0107	Relating to Local Government Accountability Local Government Accountability: Revises provisions relating to procedures for declaring special districts inactive; specifies level of detail required for local governmental entity's proposed budget; revises provisions for local governmental entity's audit & annual financial reports; requires local governmental entity's budget to be posted online; revises budgetary guidelines for district school boards. Effective Date: October 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/1/2011 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on second reading	Smith (J)
SB 0150	Relating to Career and Education Planning Career and Education Planning; Revises the general requirements for middle grades promotion to require that a course in career and education planning explore the National Career Clusters. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Commerce and Tourism 4/7/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 04/12/11, 9:15 am, 401 S	Smith (C)



SB 0224	Relating to Local Government Accountability Local Government Accountability; Amends provisions relating to the Legislative Auditing Committee to clarify when the Department of Community Affairs may institute procedures for declaring that a special district is inactive. Specifies the level of detail required for each fund in the sheriff's proposed budget. Revises the schedule for submitting a local governmental entity's audit and annual financial reports to the Department of Financial Services. Revises provisions relating to the guidelines for district school boards to maintain an ending fund balance for the general fund, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Governmental Oversight and Accountability 1/25/2011 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability	Dean
SB 0228	Relating to Code Of Student Conduct Code of Student Conduct; Requires the district school board to include in the code of student conduct adopted by the board an explanation of the responsibilities of each student with regard to appropriate dress and respect for self and others and the role that appropriate dress and respect for self and others has on an orderly learning environment, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/29/2011 HOUSE In Messages	Siplin
HB 0281	Relating to Value Adjustment Boards Value Adjustment Boards: Requires petitioner challenging ad valorem taxes before value adjustment board to pay specified percentage of taxes by certain date; requires board to deny petition if required amount of taxes is not timely paid; requires payment of interest on certain unpaid taxes; deletes provision providing for discount for ad valorem taxes paid within 30 days after mailing of tax notice resulting from action of value adjustment board. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Economic Affairs Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Economic Affairs Committee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays	Logan
HB 0307	Relating to District School Board Membership District School Board Membership: Requires that district school boards consist of nine members in counties where population exceeds certain number; provides for single-member & at-large districts; requires nonpartisan elections; provides for election of chair & vice chair of school board; provides for 4-year terms of office & staggered terms of members; permits changes in boundaries of school board member residence areas & provides procedure for publication of those changes. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/5/2011 HOUSE Favorable by Education Committee; 11 Yeas, 7 Nays	Logan
HB 0331	Relating to Firesafety Firesafety: Revises rulemaking authority & responsibilities of State Fire Marshal relating to educational & ancillary plants; revises requirements & procedures for inspections of buildings & equipment; abolishes special state firesafety inspector classifications & certifications; provides criteria, procedures, & requirements for special state firesafety inspectors to be certified as firesafety inspectors; provides procedures, criteria, & requirements for inspections of certain charter schools; provides reporting requirements; requires educational institution boards to submit certain facility site plans to certain local governmental entities for review; authorizes such entities to review site plans for compliance with certain provisions of Florida Fire Prevention Code (FFPC); specifies that site plans are not subject to local ordinances or local amendments to FFPC; imposes additional requirements for certain boards relating to construction, renovation, or remodeling of educational facilities. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee 4/6/2011 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee, 04/08/11, 8:45 am, 404 H	Weinstein
HB 0365	Relating to Concealed Weapons or Firearms Licenses Concealed Weapons or Firearms Licenses: Provides exemption from certain restrictions for licensees holding specified county offices. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Judiciary Committee 3/31/2011 HOUSE Now in Judiciary Committee	Patronis
SB 0402	Relating to Regulation of Firearms and Ammunition Regulation of Firearms and Ammunition; Prohibits specified persons and entities, when acting in their official capacity, from regulating or attempting to regulate firearms or ammunition in any manner except as specifically authorized by s. 790.33, F.S., by general law, or by the State Constitution. Eliminates provisions authorizing counties to adopt an ordinance requiring a waiting period between the purchase and delivery of a handgun. Provides a penalty for knowing and willful violations of prohibitions, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Rules 4/5/2011 SENATE Now in Rules	Negron
SB 0430	Relating to Veterans' Affairs Veterans' Affairs; Expands the definition of "veteran" for purposes of construction of the Florida Statutes. Provides educational opportunity at state expense for dependent children of military personnel who die or suffer certain disability in specified military operations. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/6/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Altman
HB 0469	Relating to Individual Retirement Accounts Individual Retirement Accounts: Clarifies exemption of inherited individual retirement accounts from legal processes; provides intent; provides for retroactive application. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/17/2011 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on second reading	Stargel



HB 0481	Relating to Student Safety	Kiar
Student Safety: Requires district school board policies to list emergency response agencies that are responsible for notifying school district of emergencies; requires emergency response agencies to notify private schools in school district under certain circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Education Committee 3/30/2011 HOUSE Now in Education Committee		
SB 0516	Relating to Autism	Garcia (R)
Autism; Creates the Autism Spectrum Disorder Study Committee to study autism spectrum disorder in families in which English is the second language. Provides for membership, meetings, and duties. Prohibits committee members from receiving compensation for their services. Authorizes certain funding for publications, subject to approval of the State Surgeon General. Requires a report to the Governor and Legislature. Provides for expiration of the committee. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/1/2011 SENATE Now in Budget		
HB 0517	Relating to Firearms	Dorworth
Firearms: Provides that person in compliance with terms of concealed carry license may openly carry handgun notwithstanding specified provisions; allows Division of Licensing of DACS to take fingerprints from concealed carry license applicants; provides that person may not openly carry handgun or carry concealed weapon or firearm into specified locations; provides that concealed carry licensees shall not be prohibited from carrying or storing firearm in vehicle for lawful purposes; provides that provision limiting scope of license to carry concealed weapon or firearm does not modify certain exceptions to prohibited acts with respect to person's right to keep & bear arms in motor vehicles for certain purposes; repeals provisions relating to purchase of rifles & shotguns in contiguous states; provides that specified provisions do not apply to certain firearms transactions by resident of this state that take place in another state. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Judiciary Committee 3/28/2011 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed		
SB 0534	Relating to Firesafety	Wise
Firesafety; Revises the rulemaking authority and responsibilities of the State Fire Marshal relating to educational and ancillary plants. Revises requirements and procedures for inspections of buildings and equipment. Abolishes special state firesafety inspector classifications and certifications. Provides criteria, procedures, and requirements for special state firesafety inspectors to be certified as firesafety inspectors. Revises firesafety inspection requirements for educational institution boards to conform to certain codes, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Higher Education 4/7/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Higher Education, 04/12/11, 1:30 PM, 301 S		
HB 0635	Relating to Group Insurance for Public Employees	Stargel
Group Insurance for Public Employees: Requires that school districts procure certain types of insurance through interlocal agreements; provides exception; requires school districts to enter into specified type of interlocal agreement & establish School District Insurance Consortium; provides purposes of consortium; requires that consortium be governed by board of directors consisting of specified number of members; provides requirements for membership on board; specifies terms of office for board members; authorizes board to employ staff or contract for staffing services to be provided to consortium; requires that DMS provide technical services to consortium as requested by board; requires consortium to advertise for competitive bids for health, accident, or hospitalization insurance, as well as certain insurance plans; requires that contracts for such insurance be let upon basis of such bids; requires that consortium take certain actions & consider certain factors when defining coverage regions; authorizes awarding of bids on statewide or regional basis & selection of multiple insurance providers; requires that school districts engage in collective bargaining with certified bargaining agent for any unit of employees for which health, accident, or hospitalization insurance is provided. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Health & Human Services Committee 3/31/2011 HOUSE Now in Health & Human Services Committee		
SB 0654	Relating to Student Fees	Oelrich
Student Fees; Authorizes the Board of Trustees of Santa Fe College to establish a transportation access fee for students enrolled at Santa Fe College, including students enrolled in workforce education programs. Requires that revenue from the fee be used only to provide or improve access to transportation services. Requires that a referendum be held by the student government to approve the application of the fee. Prohibits the inclusion of the fee in calculating the amount a student receives under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program awards, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/11/2011 SENATE Now in Budget		
HB 0685	Relating to Congressional Term Limits	Caldwell
Congressional Term Limits: Urges Congress to propose to states amendment to U.S. Constitution that would limit consecutive terms of office which member of U.S. Senate or U.S. House of Representatives may serve. Effective Date: Not Specified Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/31/2011 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on second reading		
HB 0689	Relating to Driver Education and Testing	Berman
Driver Education and Testing: Requires curricula of driver improvement courses & traffic law & substance abuse education courses to include instruction on risks associated with using handheld electronic communication device while operating motor vehicle; provides for written examination for learner's driver's license to be available from third-party providers. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Economic Affairs Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee		



SB 0700	Relating to Education Education; Authorizes district school boards to adopt resolutions that allow prayers of invocation or benediction at secondary school events. Provides legislative intent. Provides for severability. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Education Pre-K - 12 4/5/2011 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Education Pre-K - 12	Siplin
SB 0728	Relating to Unemployment Compensation Unemployment Compensation; Increases the number of employer payroll service providers who qualify for access to unemployment tax information by filing a memorandum of understanding. Revises provisions relating to statutory construction. Requires that an individual claiming benefits report certain information and participate in an initial skills review. Disqualifies an individual for benefits for any week he or she is incarcerated. Requires claims to be submitted by electronic means, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law, except as otherwise provided Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/14/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Detert
SB 0736	Relating to Education Personnel Education Personnel; Cites this act as the "Student Success Act." Revises provisions relating to the evaluation of instructional personnel and school administrators. Requires the Department of Education to approve each school district's instructional personnel and school administrator evaluation systems. Requires the Commissioner of Education to approve or select and the State Board of Education to adopt formulas for school districts to use in measuring student learning growth. Requires school districts to administer assessments for each course offered in the district, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: March 24, 2011 except as otherwise provided Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/24/2011 Approved by Governor; Chapter No. 2011-1	Wise
HB 0797	Relating to Interscholastic and Intrасcholastic Sports Interscholastic and Intrасcholastic Sports: Removes provisions relating to pilot program in which middle school student or high school student in private school may participate in athletics at public school; provides for statewide implementation of program; requires maintenance of records of participating students; limits participation in program to students who are enrolled in non-FHSAA member private schools consisting of maximum number of students. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/5/2011 HOUSE Favorable by Education Committee; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays	Perry
SB 0830	Relating to Labor and Employment Labor and Employment; Prohibits a state agency from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity. Prohibits a county, municipality, or other local governmental entity from deducting from employee wages the dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of an employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/16/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Thrasher
HB 0849	Relating to Building Construction and Inspection Building Construction and Inspection: Redefines term "sustainable building rating" to include International Green Construction Code & revises requirements for selecting member of Florida Building Commission. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Rulemaking & Regulation Subcommittee 4/5/2011 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Rulemaking & Regulation Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays	Davis
SB 0888	Relating to Offense of Sexting Offense of Sexting; Provides that a minor commits the offense of sexting if he or she knowingly uses a computer, or any other device capable of electronic data transmission or distribution, to transmit or distribute to another minor any photograph or video of any person which depicts nudity and is harmful to minors. Provides noncriminal and criminal penalties. Provides that the act does not prohibit prosecution of a minor for conduct relating to material that includes the depiction of sexual conduct or sexual excitement or for stalking, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/6/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Dean
HB 0891	Relating to Regulation of Smoking Regulation of Smoking: Authorizes school districts to restrict smoking on school district property. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Health & Human Services Committee 3/29/2011 HOUSE Now in Health & Human Services Committee	Hager



SB 0958	Relating to State Revenue Limitation State Revenue Limitation; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to replace the existing state revenue limitation with a new state revenue limitation based on inflation and population changes. Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/16/2011 HOUSE In Messages	Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax
HB 0965	Relating to Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program: Authorizes DOR to disclose certain information relating to taxpayers to eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organization; provides for application to specified taxes; provides restrictions; revises provisions relating to amount of tax credit allowed for contribution made to eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organization; revises provisions relating to carryforward of unused amount of tax credit & rescindment of all or part of tax credit under Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Appropriations Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Appropriations Committee	Horner
SB 0978	Relating to Individual Retirement Accounts Individual Retirement Accounts; Clarifies the exemption of inherited individual retirement accounts from legal processes. Provides intent. Provides for retroactive application. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/29/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Flores
HB 1021	Relating to Labor and Employment Labor and Employment: Prohibits state agency from deducting from employee wages dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity; prohibits county, municipality, or other local governmental entity from deducting from employee wages dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of employee organization or contributions made for purposes of political activity; prohibits labor organizations from using dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments to make political contributions or expenditures without employee's written authorization; provides for refund to employees who have not given written authorization in certain situations; requires that labor organization provide notice of such contributions & expenditures; prohibits labor organization from requiring employee to authorize collection of funds for political contributions & expenditures as condition of membership in organization; prohibits public employer from deducting or collecting from employee wages dues, uniform assessments, fines, penalties, or special assessments of employee organization; conforms provisions to changes made by act; provides for severability; provides application. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/29/2011 SENATE In Messages	Dorworth
SB 1122	Relating to Growth Management Growth Management; Redesignates the "Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act" as the "Community Planning Act." Redesignates the "Agricultural Lands and Practices Act" as the "Agricultural Lands and Practices" section. Removes regional planning agencies from responsibility to prepare comprehensive plans. Prohibits initiative or referendum processes in regard to development orders, local comprehensive plan amendments, and map amendments, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law, except as otherwise provided Current Committee of Reference: Environmental Preservation and Conservation 3/30/2011 SENATE Now in Environmental Preservation and Conservation	Bennett
SB 1124	Relating to Public School Buses Public School Buses; Provides for district school board policies that authorize commercial advertisements on school buses. Provides policy requirements relating to reimbursement to the school district, prohibited advertisements, and signage and equipment standards. Requires a school bus to be withdrawn from use under certain circumstances. Provides school district indemnification from liability. Provides for the remittance and allocation of revenue. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Transportation 4/7/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Transportation, 04/12/11, 9:15 am, 37 S	Montford
SB 1128	Relating to Public Retirement Plans Public Retirement Plans; Provides for the calculation of local government retirement benefits after a certain date. Provides that a plan is eligible for participation in the Florida Retirement System if it has no unfunded actuarial liabilities. Revises provisions relating to benefits paid from the premium tax by a municipality or special fire control district that has its own pension plan. Creates the Task Force on Public Employee Disability Presumptions, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/22/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Ring
SB 1130	Relating to Retirement Retirement; Requires employee and employer contributions to the retirement system by a certain date. Amends provisions relating to the membership class of elected officers. Provides for renewed membership in the retirement system for retirees who are reemployed after a certain date. Changes the name of the Public Employee Optional Retirement Program to the Florida Retirement System Investment Plan. Requires certain public employees employed on or after a certain date to enroll in the investment plan, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011, except as otherwise provided Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/15/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Ring



SB 1176	Relating to High School Athletic Trainers	Ring
High School Athletic Trainers; Encourages school districts to employ at least one full-time certified athletic trainer at each high school in this state. Requires athletic trainers at high schools to be certified by the Board of Certification of the National Athletic Trainers' Association. Provides a rebuttable presumption that a school district did not negligently employ an athletic trainer for purposes of a civil action for negligence by the athletic trainer if the school district made a good faith effort to comply with the certification requirements for athletic trainers, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Judiciary 4/7/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Judiciary, 04/12/11, 1:00 pm, 110 S		
SB 1214	Relating to School-aged Dependents of Military Personnel	Altman
School-aged Dependents of Military Personnel; Requires that a school board provide an option to school-aged dependents of military personnel to choose certain schools if the student is reassigned as a result of school rezoning. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Education Pre-K - 12 3/24/2011 SENATE Now in Education Pre-K - 12		
SB 1252	Relating to Persons Designated to Receive Insurer Notification	Smith (C)
Persons Designated to Receive Insurer Notification; Changes the designated person or persons who must be notified by an insurer from the "insured" to the "first-named insured" in situations involving the nonrenewal, renewal premium, cancellation, or termination of workers' compensation, employer liability, or certain property and casualty insurance coverage. Changes the designated person or persons who must be notified by an insurer from the "insured" to the "first-named insured" in certain situations involving the cancellation or nonrenewal of motor vehicle insurance coverage, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/7/2011 SENATE Reference to Rules added; Remaining references: Budget; Rules		
SB 1254	Relating to Auditory-oral Education Programs	Wise
Auditory-oral Education Programs; Cites this act as the "Auditory Oral-Education Act." Revises provisions relating to public school choice options for parents of public school students to include auditory-oral education programs. Provides that a parent of a child who is deaf or hard of hearing may enroll the child in an auditory-oral education program at a school accredited by OPTION Schools, Inc., or at a school in which the supervisor and the majority of faculty are certified as Listening and Spoken Language Specialists by the AG Bell Academy for Listening and Spoken Language, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/7/2011 SENATE Reference to Rules added; Remaining references: Budget; Rules		
HB 1255	Relating to Education Accountability	Adkins
Education Accountability: Revises numerous provisions relating to K-12 public education system; revises provisions relating to virtual instruction courses, school board member acceptance of gifts, Opportunity Scholarship Program, McKay Scholarships, Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program, special education services, requirements for middle grades promotion & high school graduation, digital curriculum, career & professional academies, assistive technology, statewide assessments, college readiness, school improvement, designation of school grades, education budgets, funding for exceptional student education, & teacher qualifications. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Education Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed		
SB 1312	Relating to School Nutrition Programs	Siplin
School Nutrition Programs; Cites this act as the "Healthy Schools for Healthy Lives Act." Transfers and reassigns functions and responsibilities, including records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations and other resources for the administration of the school food and nutrition programs from the Department of Education to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Requires the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to conduct, supervise, and administer all school food and nutrition programs, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/30/2011 SENATE Now in Budget		
SB 1320	Relating to Physical Education Instruction in Public Schools	Wise
Physical Education Instruction in Public Schools; Provides that a student may have the physical education requirement waived for a period of one semester each year under certain circumstances. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/1/2011 SENATE Now in Budget		
HB 1329	Relating to John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program	Bileca
John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program: Makes scholarships available to students with disabilities who have 504 accommodation plan issued under federal law; allows parent to request & receive scholarship for student to enroll in & attend private school if student has 504 accommodation plan; provides that students with certain temporary 504 accommodation plans are ineligible for scholarship; provides that parent may choose to enroll student in public school in adjacent district under certain conditions; provides for scholarship amounts. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee 4/6/2011 HOUSE On Committee agenda - PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee, 04/08/11, 9:30 am, 17 H		



HB 1331	Relating to School Choice School Choice: Revises requirements for eligibility to participate in Opportunity Scholarship Program; deletes provisions that authorize opportunity scholarship for attendance at private school; revises school district obligations & deletes provisions to conform; deletes obsolete provision relating to John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Education Committee 3/31/2011 HOUSE Now in Education Committee	Bileca
SB 1388	Relating to Department of Revenue Department of Revenue; Authorizes the department to release certain taxpayers' names and addresses to certain scholarship-funding organizations. Deletes a limitation on the amount of tax credit allowable for contributions made to certain scholarship-funding organizations. Extends the carry-forward period for the use of certain tax credits resulting from contributions to the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program. Deletes a restriction on a taxpayer's ability to rescind certain tax credits resulting from contributions to the program. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/7/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Flores
HB 1405	Relating to Retirement Retirement: Revises & provides provisions relating to FRS, including definitions, election of benefits, employer & employee contributions, investment plans, pension plans, DROP, retiree health insurance subsidies, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Read Third Time; Laid on Table, refer to SB 2100	Workman
SB 1466	Relating to Class Size Requirements Class Size Requirements; Deletes a reference to the State Constitution regarding class size maximums. Requires that class size maximums be satisfied on or before the October student membership survey each year. Provides that a student who enrolls in a school after the October student membership survey may be assigned to classes that temporarily exceed class size maximums if the school board determines that not assigning the student would be impractical, educationally unsound, or disruptive to student learning, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/24/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Simmons
SB 1512	Relating to Growth Management Growth Management; Revises and provides definitions relating to the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act. Revises requirements for comprehensive plans relating to capital improvements and future land use plan elements. Revises transportation concurrency requirements relating to transportation planning and proportionate share. Revises the definition of the term "transportation concurrency backlog" to "transportation deficiency," etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Transportation 4/7/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Transportation, 04/12/11, 9:15 am, 37 S	Bennett
SB 1546	Relating to Charter Schools Charter Schools; Revises provisions relating to the sponsoring entities of charter schools. Authorizes state universities and colleges to approve charter school applications and develop charter schools under certain circumstances. Provides for the designation of charter schools as high-performing if certain requirements are met. Creates the College-Preparatory Boarding Academy Pilot Program for dependent or at-risk students. Requires that the OPPAGA conduct a study comparing the funding of charter schools to the funding of public schools, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/6/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Thrasher
SB 1584	Relating to Deaf and Hard-of-hearing Children Deaf and Hard-of-hearing Children; Creates the "Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Children's Education Bill of Rights." Provides findings and purpose. Recognizes the unique communication needs of deaf and hard-of-hearing children and encourages the development of a communication-driven and language-driven educational delivery system in the state. Requires the Department of Education to develop a communication model to become part of the individual education plan process for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/5/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Sobel
SB 1620	Relating to K-12 Educational Instruction K-12 Educational Instruction; Adds statewide virtual providers to the list of public school choices. Authorizes the creation of a virtual charter school. Requires the virtual charter school to contract with an approved statewide virtual provider. Provides for funding of the virtual charter school. Provides for a blended-learning charter school. Provides that home education students may enroll in certain virtual education courses or courses offered in the school district in which they reside, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/7/2011 SENATE Reference to Rules added; Remaining references Budget, Rules	Flores
SB 1696	Relating to Public School Accountability Public School Accountability; Deletes a provision that requires the Florida Virtual School to be administratively housed within the Office of Technology and Information Services within the DOE. Revises the powers and duties of district school boards to require that students be provided with access to Florida Virtual School courses. Prohibits district school board members from accepting gifts from vendors. Revises the general requirements for middle grades promotion. Revises provisions relating to the Florida Career and Professional Education Act, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law, except as otherwise provided Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/7/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Wise



SB 1792	Relating to Growth Policy Growth Policy; Repeals provisions relating to the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program, to terminate the program. Conforms cross-references to changes made by the act. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/28/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Diaz de la Portilla
SB 1822	Relating to School Choice School Choice; Revises legislative intent and eligibility requirements for participation in the Opportunity Scholarship Program. Deletes provisions that authorize an opportunity scholarship for attendance at a private school. Requires that an opportunity scholarship remain in force until the student graduates from high school. Revises school district obligations and deletes provisions relating to private schools to conform to changes made by the act. Deletes an obsolete provision relating to the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/24/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Benacquisto
SB 1844	Relating to Career and Professional Academies Career and Professional Academies; Revises provisions relating to the Florida Career and Professional Education Act. Replaces references to local workforce boards with regional workforce boards. Requires that economic development agencies collaborate with each district school board, regional workforce boards, and postsecondary institutions to develop a strategic 5-year plan that addresses local and regional workforce demands. Requires that the strategic plan include access to courses offered through virtual education providers and a review of career and professional academy courses, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/28/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Gaetz (D)
SB 1992	Relating to Background Screening Background Screening; Includes volunteers within the definition of the term "direct service provider" for purposes of background screening. Exempts a volunteer who meets certain criteria and a client's relative or spouse from the screening requirement. Exempts certain licensed professionals and persons screened as a licensure requirement from further screening under certain circumstances. Requires direct service providers working as of a certain date to be screened within a specified period. Provides a phase-in for screening direct service providers, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/23/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Children, Families and Elder Affairs
SB 1996	Relating to Student Assessment Program for Public Schools Student Assessment Program for Public Schools; Deletes a provision requiring that certain middle school students who earned high school credit in Algebra I take the Algebra I end-of-course assessment during the 2010-2011 school year. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Budget 3/24/2011 SENATE Now in Budget	Education Pre-K - 12
SB 2000	Relating to Appropriations Appropriations; Provides moneys for the annual period beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2012, to pay salaries, and other expenses, capital outlay - buildings, and other improvements, and for other specified purposes of the various agencies of state government. Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
SB 2002	Relating to Implementing 2011-2012 General Appropriations Act Implementing 2011-2012 General Appropriations Act; Incorporates by reference certain calculations of the Florida Education Finance Program for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. Authorizes the transfer of funds between appropriation categories to fund fixed capital outlay projects for public schools upon certain approval. Provides allocation requirements for specified funds appropriated for forensic mental health services. Provides requirements relating to implementing phase of the Department of Health's Florida Onsite Sewage Nitrogen Reduction Strategies Study, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: June 29, 2011 except as otherwise provided Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
SB 2082	Relating to Citrus High School/100th Anniversary Celebration Citrus High School/100th Anniversary Celebration; Recognizes Citrus High School on the occasion of its 100th anniversary celebration and congratulates the students, faculty, administration, and staff of Citrus High School on achieving and maintaining an "A" grade from the Florida Department of Education. Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/7/2011 SENATE Read Second Time; Adopted	Dean
SB 2090	Relating to OGSR/Submission of Competitive Solicitation OGSR/Submission of Competitive Solicitation; Amends provisions which provide an exemption from public records requirements for bids, proposals, or replies submitted to an agency in response to a competitive solicitation. Expands the public records exemption by extending the duration of the exemption. Amends provisions which provide an exemption from public meetings requirements for meetings at which a negotiation with a vendor is conducted and which provides an exemption from public records requirements for recordings of exempt meetings, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Governmental Oversight and Accountability 4/5/2011 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Governmental Oversight and Accountability	Governmental Oversight and Accountability



SB 2094	Relating to State Employees State Employees; Provides for the resolution of collective bargaining issues at impasse between the state and certified bargaining units of state employees. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
SB 2096	Relating to State Financial Information State Financial Information; Requires the Auditor General to annually provide to the Legislature a list of school districts and water management districts that have failed to comply with certain financial transparency requirements, as identified pursuant to audit. Amends provisions relating to the Transparency Florida Act. Requires the Chief Financial Officer to develop and maintain the transparency website. Requires the fiscal year of each water management district to be July 1 to June 30, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
SB 2100	Relating to Retirement Retirement; Requires employee and employer contributions to the retirement system by a certain date. Amends provisions relating to the membership class of elected officers. Provides for a refund of contributions under certain circumstances for an officer who leaves office. Requires employee and employer contributions for members in the Senior Management Service Optional Annuity Program after a certain date. Terminates participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program after a certain date, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: June 30, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
SB 2110	Relating to Auditor General Auditor General; Requires that the Auditor General conduct operational audits at least every 3 years of certain additional state entities and district school boards and report on the activities of the ad valorem tax program of the Department of Revenue. Revises the duties of the Auditor General with respect to responsibilities for auditing certain reports made to the State Supreme Court and the operations of the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation, respectively. Revises requirements to issue rules for surplus property, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
SB 2120	Relating to K-12 Education Funding K-12 Education Funding; Authorizes the Department of Revenue to provide certain information regarding the gross receipts tax to the State Board of Education, the Division of Bond Finance, and the Office of Economic and Demographic Research. Requires that, for purposes of servicing public education capital outlay bonds, the State Board of Education disregard the effects on the gross receipts tax revenues collected during a tax period of a refund resulting from a specified settlement agreement, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law, except as otherwise provided Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
SB 2156	Relating to Governmental Reorganization Governmental Reorganization; Transfers the functions and trust funds of the Agency for Workforce Innovation to other agencies. Transfers the Office of Early Learning Services to the Department of Education. Transfers the Office of Unemployment Compensation to Jobs Florida. Transfers the Office of Workforce Services to Jobs Florida. Transfers the functions and trust funds of the Department of Community Affairs to other agencies. Transfers the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to Jobs Florida, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/8/2011 SENATE In returning messages	Budget
HB 4031	Relating to Local Government Services Local Government Services: Repeals statute relating to efficiency & accountability in local government services. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Economic Affairs Committee 3/25/2011 SENATE In Messages	Dorworth
HB 4177	Relating to Public Postsecondary Education Public Postsecondary Education: Deletes provisions relating to exemption for student who earns certain credits through acceleration mechanisms from requirement of public postsecondary educational institution mandating enrollment during summer term. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/5/2011 HOUSE Favorable by Education Committee; 16 Yeas, 2 Nays	Metz
HB 5001	Relating to Appropriations Appropriations: Provides moneys for annual period beginning July 1, 2011, & ending June 30, 2012, to pay salaries, & other expenses, capital outlay - buildings, & other improvements, & for other specified purposes of various agencies of state government. Effective Date: Not Specified Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Read Third Time; Laid on Table, refer to SB 2000	Appropriations Committee



HB 5003	Relating to Implementing the 2011-2012 General Appropriations Act	Appropriations Committee
Implementing the 2011-2012 General Appropriations Act: Implements 2011-2012 GAA; requires DOE to distribute charter school capital outlay funding pursuant to certain provisions of law; provides that Public Education Capital Outlay & Debt Service Trust Fund be used as source of certain state match; authorizes DOC & DJJ to make certain expenditures to defray costs incurred in opening or operating facility; provides for additional positions; authorizes DLA to spend certain appropriated funds; delays expiration of provisions authorizing municipality to expend funds to reimburse its general fund; requires DJJ to comply with reimbursement limitations with respect to health care services; delays expiration of provisions relating to allocation requirements for forensic mental health services; requires that funds appropriated through Community-Based Medicaid Administrative Claiming Program be allocated proportionately to contributed provider earnings; provides requirements to govern completion of DOH's Florida Onsite Sewage Nitrogen Reduction Strategies Study; prohibits certain actions; extends provisions relating to reorganization activities of DCFS; requires Florida Catastrophic Storm Risk Management Center to conduct analysis; requires DMS to use certain interest earnings to fund administration of MyFlorida.com portal; authorizes deposit of funds from sale of property by Department of Citrus into Citrus Advertising Trust Fund; provides for transfer of moneys from Land Acquisition Trust Fund to support Total Maximum Daily Loads programs; provides for allocation of moneys from Water Management Lands Trust Fund; reenacts provisions relating to use of funds from Ecosystem Management & Restoration Trust Fund; delays expiration of provisions authorizing DACS to use certain funds; requires that DEP award specified amount in grants equally to certain counties; authorizes DACS to extend, revise, & renew current contracts or agreements; revises provisions relating to DOT & EOG; authorizes issuance of new debt; limits travel funds; ... Effective Date: July 1, 2011; or, if this act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Read Third Time; Laid on Table, refer to SB 2002		
HB 5013	Relating to State Employees	Appropriations Committee
State Employees: Provides for resolution of collective bargaining issues at impasse between State of Florida & certified bargaining units for state employees pursuant to specified instructions. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Read Third Time; Laid on Table, refer to SB 2094		
HB 5101	Relating to Prekindergarten through Grade 12 Education Funding	PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee
Prekindergarten through Grade 12 Education Funding: Conforms various provisions relating to prekindergarten through grade 12 education funding; revises provisions relating to charter schools, school district virtual instruction programs, Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program, maximum class size, career education programs, instructional materials, value of certain student membership, & district millage levy & expenditures. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Read Third Time; Laid on Table, refer to SB 2120		
HB 5601	Relating to Public Employees Relations Commission	Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee
Public Employees Relations Commission: Requires commission to be comprised of chair & two part-time members; requires chair of commission to devote full time to commission duties & not engage in any other business, vocation, or employment while in such office; prohibits part-time members from engaging in any business, vocation, or employment that conflicts with their duties while in such office. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Read Third Time; Laid on Table, refer to SB 2128		
HB 7001	Relating to Growth Management	Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee
Growth Management: Reenacts provisions of law relating to growth management, portions of which were amended, created, or repealed by ch. 2009-96, Laws of Florida; provides for retroactive operation with respect to such portions. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/6/2011 HOUSE Ordered enrolled		
HB 7005	Relating to Unemployment Compensation	Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee
Unemployment Compensation: Increases number of employer payroll service providers who qualify for access to unemployment tax information; revises provisions relating to statutory construction; requires that applicant for benefits participate in initial skills review; provides exceptions; clarifies "good cause" for voluntarily leaving employment; disqualifies certain person for benefits; reduces amount & revises calculation of number of weeks of claimant's benefit eligibility; revises employer's unemployment compensation contribution rate by certain factors; revises application to conform to changes made by this act; provides employer payment schedule for 2012, 2013, & 2014 contributions; revises allowable forms of evidence in benefit appeals; revises judicial venue for reviewing commission orders; specifies that evidence of mailing agency document is based on date stated on document; revives, readopts, & amends provision relating to temporary extended benefits; provides for retroactive application; establishes temporary state extended benefits for weeks of unemployment; provides for state extended benefits for certain weeks & for periods of high unemployment; provides severability; provides applicability; provides appropriations for purposes of implementation; provides that act fulfills important state interest. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/15/2011 SENATE In Messages		
HB 7021	Relating to Impact Fees	Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee
Impact Fees: Reenacts s. 163.31801(5), F.S., relating to burden of proof required by government in action challenging impact fee; provides legislative finding of important state interest; provides for retroactive operation; provides for exception under specified circumstances. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 3/17/2011 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on second reading		



HB 7087	Relating to Education Law Repeals	K-20 Innovation Subcommittee
Education Law Repeals: Repeals provisions relating to creation of Digital Divide Council in DOE, false claims of academic degree or title, pilot project for discounted computers & Internet access for low-income students, Institute on Urban Policy & Commerce, adult literacy centers, Florida Literacy Corps, Preteacher & Teacher Education Pilot Programs & Teacher Education Pilot Programs for High-Achieving Students, Critical Teacher Shortage Program, Florida Teacher Scholarship & Forgivable Loan Program, critical teacher shortage tuition reimbursement program, Critical Teacher Shortage Student Loan Forgiveness Program, Merit Award Program for Instructional Personnel & School-Based Administrators, professional service contracts for instructional staff, & middle school student requirement relating to end-of-course assessment. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee 4/6/2011 SENATE In Messages		
HB 7129	Relating to Growth Management	Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee
Growth Management: Revises & provides provisions relating to growth management, Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act, comprehensive plans, state land planning agencies, local planning agencies, concurrency, etc. Effective Date: upon becoming a law Current Committee of Reference: Economic Affairs Committee 3/31/2011 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Economic Affairs Committee; 13 Yeas, 5 Nays		
SB 7204	Relating to Effective Public Notices by Governmental Entities	Budget
Effective Public Notices by Governmental Entities; Defines the term "publicly accessible website." Authorizes a local government to use its publicly accessible website for legally required advertisements and public notices. Provides conditions for such use. Provides for optional receipt of legally required advertisements and public notices by first-class mail or e-mail. Provides requirements for advertisements and public notices published on a publicly accessible website, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: Budget 4/1/2011 SENATE Not considered by Budget		
HB 7229	Relating to Procurement	Government Operations Subcommittee
Procurement: Revises various provisions relating to state procurement to remove duplicative and obsolete language, provide clarification, reorganize provisions, & update obsolete references; specifies conditions for preference in award of a contract under an invitation to bid; requires the inclusion of certain information in an invitation to negotiate; revises requirements with respect to agency avoidance, neutralization, or mitigation of potential organizational conflicts of interest prior to award of a contract; revises provisions relating to requirements for review of new waste-to-energy facility capacity by DEP; revises criteria with respect to construction of a new waste-to-energy facility or the expansion of an existing waste-to-energy facility, to conform; repeals provisions relating to an annual report of the CFO on disallowed contractual service contracts; repeals provisions relating to procurement of products or materials with recycled content. Effective Date: July 1, 2011 Current Committee of Reference: State Affairs Committee 4/7/2011 HOUSE Favorable with CS by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 0 Nays		