

FSBA BILL TRACKING LIST

HB 7 Driver License Restrictions by Skidmore (Similar to [SB 608](#) by Lynn)

Restricts number of passengers permitted in vehicle operated by person under certain age; provides for secondary enforcement; provides citation procedures for violations.

HB 13 Relating to Public K-12 Education by McBurney (Similar to [SB 2174](#) by Wise)

Requires Sunshine State Standards for social studies to include emphasis on civics education; requires social studies standards to be included in assessments; requires FCAT to measure student content knowledge and skills in social studies; provides requirements for administration.

HB 17 Public School Attendance by McBurney (Identical to [SB 520](#) by Hill)

Creates Student Preparedness Pilot Program to include Duval County School District as one of selected school districts; allows students 16 to 18 years of age to terminate school enrollment if they meet pilot program requirements for attendance and completion; provides for nontraditional academic options; provides for study and report by OPPAGA. (Identical to SB 520 by Hill)

HB 19 Public K-12 Educational Instruction by Jenne (Identical [SB 268](#) by Ring)

Deletes provisions that require schools to teach abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage as the expected standard for all school-age students as part of instruction in human sexuality.

SB 70 School Nurses/Epinephrine Injectors by Aronberg (Identical to [HB 721](#) by Fetterman)

Provides that a district school board may authorize a school nurse to maintain supplies of prefilled epinephrine auto-injectors at schools in the school district. Provides requirements for prescriptions. Authorizes use for emergency treatment, etc.

SB 78 School Grading System by Wilson (Compare to [HB 1203](#) by Kiar)

Removes letter grades from the performance grade categories by which schools must be identified in the Commissioner of Education's annual report of the results of the statewide assessment program. Conforms provisions to changes made by the act.

SB 80 School Progression and Retention/Reading by Wilson

Revises the components of school district student progression programs. Eliminates guidelines for allocating resources for school district remedial and supplemental instruction. Eliminates mandatory retention requirements for certain students in grade three. Eliminates midyear promotion. Eliminates standards for exemption from mandatory retention. Revises guidelines for remedial reading instruction and intervention strategies, etc.

SB 82 Compulsory School Attendance/Age Requirement by Wilson

Changes the ending age for mandatory school attendance from 16 to 18 years of age.

HB 87 Speed Zones at K-12 Schools by Scionti (Identical to [SB 1544](#) by Joyner)

Requires installation of traffic and pedestrian control devices at certain K-12 schools unless traffic engineering analysis determines that devices are not necessary.

SB 88 Statewide Educational Assessment Program by Wilson

Requires that the Commissioner of Education receive input as to the statewide educational assessment program from a minimum of two persons recommended by the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind and from a minimum of two persons recommended by the Americans with Disabilities Working Group.

SB 92 Students Withdrawing from School by Wilson *(Identical to [HB 323](#) by Bullard)*

Requires that a student who is withdrawing from school be assigned a counselor or other school personnel to provide educational information until the student is 18 years old. Requires 9th graders and students who are withdrawing from school to receive instruction about the effects of withdrawing from high school and certain available options.

SB 94 Teachers/Public Schools/Cost-of-living Increase by Wilson

Requires the Legislature to fund a cost-of-living increase in the General Appropriations Act for teachers who teach prekindergarten through grade 12 in the public school system.

HB 97 Assessment Limitation/Homestead Exemption by Domino *(Identical to [SB 532](#) by Lynn)*

Proposes amendments to ss. 4 & 6, Art. VII of State Constitution to limit increases in assessments of real property used for commercial or residential rental purposes to greater of 5 percent or average annual percentage growth in revenues derived from property over preceding 3 years if ownership of property has not changed and to provide first-time homestead property owners with additional homestead exemption equal to 50 percent of property's just value in first year and reduced by 20 percent in each succeeding year.

SB 98 Public Schools/Reading Lab for Grades 1-3 by Wilson

Requires that certain students who are enrolled in a public elementary school and reading below grade level be placed into an intensive reading lab. Specifies criteria for such a reading lab. Provides for oversight of the progress of students assigned to a lab. Requires the principal of a public school where students in grades 1 through 3 are enrolled to create, by hiring or training, a team of teachers having expertise in specified areas, etc.

SB 100 Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program by Wilson

Revises the number of instructional hours that are required for a school-year prekindergarten program delivered by a private kindergarten provider and by a public school. Revises the number of instructional hours that are required in order for a student in a school-year prekindergarten program delivered by a public school or a private prekindergarten provider to be considered a full-time equivalent student in the Voluntary Pre-K Education Program.

HB 105 Homestead Assessments by Ford *(Compare to [SB 304](#) by Bennett)*

Provides for decrease or no change in assessed value of homestead property under specified circumstances; provides for retroactive operation.

SB 112 Cell Phone Use/School Zones by Bullard *(Identical to [HB 677](#) by Chestnut)*

Prohibits the use of a cellular telephone while operating a motor vehicle in a school zone. Provides an enhanced penalty.

SB 122 Exceptional Students with a Disability by Constantine

Requires the Department of Children and Family Services, the Agency for Health Care Administration, and residential facilities licensed by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to notify certain school districts following the placement of an exceptional student in a private residential care facility. Requires review of the student's individual educational plan. Provides for determining responsibility for educational instruction, etc.

HB 135 Public Records/Insured Dependents by McKeel *(Identical to [SB 270](#) by Dockery)*

Provides exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information of minor dependent of current or former officer or employee of agency when dependent is insured by agency group insurance plan; provides for retroactive application & future review & repeal of exemption; provides statement of public necessity.

[HB 139](#) Driving Restrictions by Porth *(Compare to [SB 402](#) by Sobel)*

Revises age restrictions on issuance of driver's licenses by DHSMV; prohibits issuance of driver's license to person under certain age unless driver education requirements are met; prohibits person under certain age from operating motor vehicle with more than one passenger and from operating motor vehicle during certain times; provides exceptions; revises age of eligibility for learner's driver's license; provides citation procedures for violation of such restrictions; provides applicability.

[SB 146](#) School Entry Requirements/Swimming Life Skills by Bullard

Requires children who enter public or private schools in the state to present evidence of having completed a class in swimming life skills conducted by a certified instructor. Provides for certain exemptions from the requirement, etc.

[HB 157](#) Service Learning/Public School System by Kriseman *(Similar to [SB 450](#) by Fasano)*

Requires DOE to encourage school districts to initiate, adopt, expand, and institutionalize service-learning programs, activities, and policies in K-12; provides for department assistance to school districts that elect to implement service-learning activities; requires development and adoption of service-learning courses; authorizes service-learning activities to count toward graduation and academic awards.

[HB 167](#) Tax Exemption/Energy Efficient Products by Abruzzo *(Identical to [SB 942](#) by Bennett)*

Designates act "Consumer Energy Savings Act"; specifies period during which sale of energy-efficient product is exempt from tax on sales, use, and other transactions; provides limitation; provides for DOR to adopt rules; provides appropriations.

[HB 175](#) Local Government Officers and Employees by Soto *(Identical to [SB 356](#) by Justice)*

Expands eligibility for participation in state group health insurance program and prescription drug coverage program to include all counties, municipalities, special taxing districts, and district school boards rather than only small counties and municipalities and certain school boards; specifies prerequisites and conditions for participation; provides minimum period of enrollment; requires that participating county, municipality, special taxing district, or school board reimburse DMS for its costs, including administrative costs; prohibits county, municipality, special taxing district, or school board from participating in state's plan allowing for pretax treatment of premium contributions; authorizes DMS to adopt rules.

[SB 178](#) AIDS Education Grants/Public School Districts by Wilson

Requires the DOE to award grants to public school districts to implement schools-based AIDS educational activities. Provides for the grant awards to be made from funds appropriated by the Legislature. Specifies requirements for grant proposals by school districts. Requires that the DOE consider specified factors in awarding grants. Requires each school district that receives a grant to file an annual report with the DOE.

[SB 190](#) School-based Health Centers by Wilson

Defines the term "school-based health center" for purposes of the School Health Services Act. Provides that such a center is a health care entity acting as an instrumentality of the state for purposes of certain limitations on liability.

[SB 194](#) School Entry/Vision Examinations by Wilson

Requires children who enter public or private schools in the state to present evidence of having received a comprehensive vision examination. Requires the imposition of a fee on the retail sale of nonprescription eyeglasses. Provides for the fee to be used by the DOH to assist parents in paying for school-entry comprehensive vision examinations. Requires rules for eligibility for and the distribution of funds, etc.

HB 195 Public Employees' Charitable Campaigns by Rouson *(Identical to SB 870 by Sobel)*
Creates Florida Public Employees' Charitable Campaign for public employers residing within identified geographic areas, excluding state and federal employees; requires certain public employers to conduct charitable campaign as sole fundraising drive conducted during work hours; provides for public employee payroll deductions and workplace campaign activities; requires all campaign contributions to be voluntary; provides that participation must be limited to certain not-for-profit charitable federations and member agencies; provides for selection of fiscal agent; authorizes specified percentage of gross receipts to be withheld to pay costs of public employer and fiscal agent; provides for distribution of contributions.

SB 196 Relating to School Wellness and Physical Education Policies by Wilson
Revises each school district's requirement for reviewing its wellness and physical education policies. Provides specific guidelines for a school district's wellness and physical education policies with regard to nutrition education, physical activity, school-based activities, and nutritional guidelines for food and beverages sold or served on campus, etc.

HB 197 Pancreatic Enzyme Supplements/Use by Renuart *(Identical to SB 552 by Wise)*
Authorizes certain K-12 students to use pancreatic enzyme prescription supplements under certain circumstances. Requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules. Provides for indemnification.

SB 202 Apportionment and Redistricting by Justice
Proposes amendments to the State Constitution replacing existing provisions providing for legislative apportionment with new provisions that establish standards for legislative reapportionment and congressional redistricting and that provide for the creation of a nine-member commission to prepare an apportionment plan for the state legislature and a redistricting plan for the congressional districts of the state.

SB 214 Hurricane Preparedness/Sales Tax by Baker *(Similar to HB 373 by Workman)*
Provides an exemption from the sales and use tax for sales of certain tangible personal property for a certain period. Provides an exception for sales within a public lodging establishment, theme park, entertainment complex, or airport. Authorizes the Department of Revenue to adopt rules. Appropriation: \$311,183.

SB 216 Campaign/Local Government Expenditures by Justice *(Identical to HB 591 by Long)*
Defines the terms "local government" and "public funds." Prohibits a local government from expending, and a person or group from accepting, public funds for a political advertisement or electioneering communication concerning an issue, referendum, or amendment that is subject to the vote of the electors. Provides an exception for certain electioneering communications. Clarifies restrictions with respect to local officials.

SB 220 Human Sexuality Education by Deutch *(Identical to HB 265 by Fitzgerald)*
Creates the "Florida Healthy Teens Act." Requires public schools that provide certain information or programs to students concerning human sexuality to provide information that meets specified criteria. Provides a process to review compliance with such requirement. Authorizes parents and guardians to seek review of a school's compliance, etc.

HB 227 Impact Fees by Aubuchon *(Identical to SB 580 by Haridopolos)*
Requires challengers of impact fees to prove specified elements by preponderance of evidence; prohibits courts from using deferential standards that favors either party to such actions.

SB 230 Elections/Qualifying Fee for Write-in Candidates by Wilson
Requires a write-in candidate who seeks to qualify for nomination or election to any office to pay a qualifying fee equal to a specified percentage of the annual salary for the office sought.

[SB 232](#) Public School Teachers/Minimum Salaries by Wilson (Similar to [HB 617](#) by Abruzzo)
Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to set minimum salaries for new and experienced full-time public school teachers, commencing in 2012. The minimum salary for a new school teacher must be the national average salary for new school teachers. The average salary for experienced teachers must be no less than the national average salary for public school teachers, etc.

[SB 252](#) Local Government/Code of Ethics by Constantine (Identical to [HB 1089](#) by Kiar)
Specifies standards of conduct for officers and employees of entities serving as the chief administrative officer of a political subdivision. Provides for penalties to be imposed against persons other than lobbyists or public officers and employers for violations of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees. Provides for the Commission of Ethics to report violations to Governor.

[SB 254](#) School Food Service Programs by Siplin
Creates the Florida Farm Fresh Schools Program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Requires the department to work with the Department of Education to recommend policies and rules to the State Board of Education relating to school food services which encourage schools and school districts in this state to buy fresh and local food, etc.

[SB 278](#) Charter Schools by Gaetz (Compare to [HB 1005](#) by Nelson)
Provides that a charter technical career center is subject to certain requirements in a financial emergency. Provides for the development of a financial recovery plan, which may be approved by the Commissioner of Education. Provides for duties of a charter school sponsor and governing board if a charter school or charter technical career center experiences a deteriorating financial condition or is in a financial emergency, etc.

[SB 290](#) Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test by Bullard (Similar to [HB 663](#) by Bush)
Removes the requirement that a district school board adopt policies for meeting class size maximums which allow a student to graduate from high school if the student passes the grade 10 FCAT. Removes the requirement that a student earn a passing score on the FCAT or alternative assessment to graduate from high school. Removes the requirement that a student pursuing an accelerated 3-year high school graduation earn a passing score, etc.

[SB 302](#) Slot Machine Revenue Tax/K-12 Education Funding by Sobel
Provides that funds derived from the slot machine revenue tax, which are transferred to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund, be used only to supplement funding for K-12 public education.

[SB 316](#) High School Diplomas/Vietnam War Veterans by Constantine
Authorizes the Commissioner of Education to award a high school diploma to honorably discharged Vietnam War veterans.

[HB 329](#) Streamlined Sales & Use Tax by Vasilinda (Compare to [SB 1134](#) by Lynn)
Revises various provisions of law relating to Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

[SB 330](#) School Health Services by Wilson
Cites this act as the "One School, One Nurse Act." Provides legislative intent and purpose relating to public-private partnerships for the provision of school nurse services. Provides duties of the DOH and the DOE. Provides a process for a community to submit a proposal to receive matching funds. Provides for the scope of services to be provided. Provides review and selection criteria. Provides legislative intent relating to funding the act. Appropriation: \$75,000.

[SB 346](#) High School Graduation/Health by Justice *(Identical to [HB 1503](#) by Vasilinda)*

Provides for a mandatory one-half credit in health education, independent of physical education credit requirements, for high school students who enter their first year of high school in 2008-2009. Provides a waiver for students who request to take and successfully complete a health education assessment developed by DOE. Reduces the number of credits in elective courses.

[HB 353](#) John M. McKay Scholarships by Porth *(Similar to [SB 1010](#) by Ring)*

Authorizes students who receive certain services under VPK Program to receive John M. McKay Scholarship; deletes requirement that student must have spent prior school year in attendance at Florida public school or Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind to be eligible for scholarship; provides certain rights and requires information explaining rights and responsibilities; requires DOE to recommend training for school personnel in procedures for safe restraint of students; requires private school to refund scholarship payment under certain circumstances; permits students to receive scholarship services at locations other than private school's site under specified conditions.

[HB 355](#) Teacher Retention by Kiar *(Identical to [SB 1874](#) by Deutch)*

Requires school report card delivered to parents in school district to include district's teacher turnover rate; creates Florida Teacher Induction Initiative to provide support to new teachers; requires district to develop and implement initiative; requires district to submit plan to address its new teacher attrition rate under certain circumstances; requires DOE to establish data collection and reporting system to determine annual district cost of replacing teachers; requires DOE to conduct study to determine relationship of teacher retention and attrition to student academic achievement.

[SB 360](#) Growth Management by Bennett

Cites this act as the "Community Renewal Act." Extends dates relating to requirements for adopting amendments to the capital improvements element of a local comprehensive plan. Provides legislative findings relating to transportation concurrency exception areas. Revises provisions relating to the state review of comprehensive plans. Revises provisions relating to Developments of Regional Impact. Revises provisions relating to impact fees, etc.

[HB 385](#) Limitation on Aggregate Ad Valorem Taxes by Rivera *(Identical to [SB 738](#) by Bennett)*

Limitation on Aggregate Ad Valorem Taxes on Real Property: Proposes amendment of s. 9, Art. VIII of State Constitution to limit total ad valorem tax on parcel of real property to 1.35 percent of highest taxable value of property; applies limitation to all ad valorem taxes on real property except those levied for payment of local bonds issued to finance or refinance capital projects authorized by law & approved by vote of electors or to refund outstanding bonds or levied for periods not longer than 2 years when authorized by vote of electors; requires Legislature to provide for distribution of revenues collected on parcels that exceed 1.35-percent limitation.

[SB 390](#) Public School Dress Requirements by Siplin

Prohibits a student from exposing below-waist underwear in a specified manner while on the grounds of a public school.

[SB 396](#) Sales Tax/School Supplies by Baker *(Similar to [HB 595](#) by Bullard; [HB 815](#) by Coley)*

Specifies a period during which the sale of books, clothing, and school supplies is exempt from the sales, use, and other transactions tax. Provides definitions and exceptions. Authorizes the Department of Revenue to adopt rules. APPROPRIATION: \$240,312.

[SB 398](#) School Advisory Councils/Members by Sobel *(Identical to [HB 643](#) by Jones)*

Provides that a majority of the members of a school advisory council not be employed by the school.

[HB 399](#) Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind by Proctor *(Identical to [SB 1174](#) by Wise)*
Requires that salaries for full-time instructional personnel at school be increased annually according to average of certain comparable salaries; requires annual negotiation of salary schedules; provides for implementation based on funding.

[SB 404](#) Commissioner of Education by Sobel *(Identical to [HB 613](#) by Reed)*
Authorizes the Commissioner of Education, upon the request of a district school board, to waive the final examination requirement for a student who meets certain criteria.

[SB 406](#) School Safety/Zero Tolerance by Sobel *(Similar to [HB 785](#) by Clark-Reed)*
Revises a provision relating to a policy of zero tolerance to include the victimization of teachers and other school personnel. Clarifies a provision that requires students who have committed certain felony offenses to be expelled.

[HB 409](#) Personal Information/Education Employees by Jones *(Identical to [SB 1260](#) by Hill)*
Provides exemption from public records requirements for personal identifying information of employees of public educational institutions in state, and spouses and children of such employees, and for personal health information of such employees, and spouses and children of such employees, held by public educational institution pursuant to employee's participation in group health insurance plan; provides for disclosure of personal identifying information under specified circumstances; provides for future review and repeal and provides statement of public necessity.

[HB 453](#) Tax Credits/Scholarships by Weatherford *(Identical to [SB 1310](#) by Gardiner)*
Provides for credits against sales and use tax for contributions to eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations; expands Corporate Income Tax Credit Scholarship Program to include sales and use tax credits and insurance premium tax credits; revises credits for contributions to nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations; specifies that taxpayers' use of credit doesn't reduce alternative minimum tax credits; specifies DOE tax credit scholarship notification requirements; specifies notice requirements and limitations; provides for credits against insurance premium tax for contributions to nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations.

[HB 457](#) Public School Funding by Taylor *(Identical to [SB 2236](#) by Siplin)*
Provides for school district flexibility in 2009-2010 fiscal year to expend specified funds for operating expenses; requires district school board adoption of resolution and approval of amendment to school district's operating budget; deletes restriction on expenditure of capital outlay millage for educational facilities and sites under lease-purchase agreement; deletes restriction on expenditure of operating revenues made available through payment of property and casualty insurance premiums.

[HB 461](#) School District Required Local Effort by Fetterman
Requires tax collectors to include in annual tax bills notice of any specific provisions of law requiring school districts to change required local effort resulting in change in property taxes.

[HB 473](#) School Bus Safety by Williams
Designates act "Ronshay Dugans Act"; designates Drowsy Driving Prevention Week; encourages DHSMV & DOT to educate law enforcement community and public about relationship between fatigue and driving performance; restricts use of mobile telecommunications devices by school bus drivers.

[HB 479](#) Retirement by Schenck *(Compare [SB 1182](#); [SB 1214](#) by Fasano; [SB 1852](#) by GOAC)*
Redefines term "termination"; revises provisions relating to participation in Elected Officers' Class for retired members; revises provisions relating to participation in Senior Management Service Class; revises limitations on payment of retirement benefits contributions for certain retired

persons; deletes restriction on reemployment of certain personnel by Florida School for Deaf & Blind; prohibits certain persons holding public office from electing to retire while continuing employment in that elected office; deletes provision authorizing employing agency to reemploy retired member as firefighter or paramedic after specified period; provides certain limitations for DROP participants; clarifies that DROP participation cannot be canceled; provides for suspension of DROP benefits to participant who is reemployed; authorizes Division of Retirement to issue benefits directly to certain alternate payees; repeals provisions authorizing developmental research school and the Florida School for Deaf & Blind to reemploy instructional personnel after retirement; repeals provisions relating to authorization of charter schools to reemploy instructional personnel after retirement; provides that certain persons are ineligible for renewed membership in FRS; repeals provisions relating to interstate compacts for pension portability.

HB 487 Prekindergarten Education by Long *(Identical to SB 602 by Fasano)*

Requires that Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program instructors meet certain educational goals by specified period of time.

SB 516 Unemployment Compensation by Hill *(Identical to HB 1333 by Rader)*

Redefines term "base period"; requires employer to provide wage information to support individual's eligibility for benefits; provides for alternative base period after certain date; defines term "alternative base period"; authorizes AWI to accept affidavit from claimant to support eligibility for benefits; prohibits individual from being disqualified from benefits if he or she leaves work due to certain compelling family reasons; prohibits unemployed individuals from being disqualified for unemployment benefits based solely on individual's availability for only part-time work under certain circumstances.

SB 530 FEFP/Requirements by Lynn *(Compare to SB 765 by Kelly)*

Revises provisions relating to the minimum requirements that each school district must meet to participate in the Florida Education Finance Program. Revises the term "full-time equivalent student" to conform to changes made by the act.

HB 533 Public Education by Drake *(Identical to SB 1360 by Storms)*

Authorizes district school boards to permit delivery of inspirational message at noncompulsory high school event.

SB 534 Defined Contribution Retirement Program by Fasano *(Identical to SB 2386 by Dean)*

Changes the name of the Public Employee Optional Retirement Program to the Public Employee Retirement Investment Program. Limits the option of enrolling in the defined benefit program or defined contribution program to public employees employed before January 1, 2010. Requires employees employed on or after January 1, 2010, to enroll in the defined contribution program, etc.

HB 543 Educational Assessment by Mayfield *(Similar to SB 2386 by Dean)*

Provides for discontinuation at end of 2008-2009 school year of FCAT in science administered in grade 11; requires science assessment administered at high school level to be one or more end-of-course examinations; specifies requirements for end-of-course examination.

SB 544 Class Size Requirements/Extracurricular Courses by Sobel

Redefines the term "extracurricular courses."

SB 550 Florida Retirement System by Aronberg *(Identical to HB 977 by Garcia)*

Authorizes additional persons to purchase credit for prior military wartime service. Revises the payroll contribution rates for the membership classes of the Florida Retirement System. Provides a declaration of important state interest.

[HB 567](#) [Illegal Immigration by Schenck](#) (Identical to [SB 1532](#) by Storms)

Prohibits restrictions on reporting of certain immigration status information by public employees; prohibits certain local government restrictions concerning communication or cooperation with federal officials concerning immigration law enforcement.

[HB 569](#) [Investment of Public Funds by Roberson](#) (Similar to [SB 732](#) by Smith)

Expands authorized deposits of specified public funds in financial instruments insured by FDIC

[SB 592](#) [Automated External Defibrillators/Public Schools by Constantine](#)

Requires public schools to have an automated external defibrillator on school grounds. Encourages public and private partnerships to assist with the cost of the defibrillators.

[SB 598](#) [Schools/Funds for Operation by Baker](#) (Identical to [HB 655](#) by O'Toole)

Revises provisions relating to the computation of the statewide adjusted aggregate amount for the required local effort millage rate of each school district.

[SB 610](#) [Florida Schools of Excellence by Wise](#) (Compare to [HB 991](#) by Grady)

Provides the purpose of the Florida Schools of Excellence Commission. Provides that the commission may authorize new sources of community support to participate as cosponsors in developing and supporting charter schools. Revises the application requirements to sponsor a FSE charter school. Provides requirements under which the commission may sponsor a conversion charter school and a FSE charter school, etc.

[HB 611](#) [Public Construction Projects by Hukill](#) (Identical to [SB 616](#) by Haridopolos)

Revises exceptions to the requirement that certain public projects be competitively awarded. Requires a local government to support a decision to perform a project with its own employees and to make a factual finding that the project cost will be the same or less than the lowest bid. Provides additional exceptions, etc.

[HB 627](#) [School Bus Stops by Chestnut](#) (Identical to [SB 1320](#) by Bullard)

Prohibits school bus stops from being located directly on certain state-maintained roads; provides for phased-in implementation.

[SB 630](#) [Impact Fees/Moratorium by Bennett](#) (Identical to [HB 1129](#) by Grimsley)

Provides for a 3-year moratorium on the imposition or collection of impact fees by a county or municipality. Provides for future expiration of the moratorium.

[HB 659](#) [Sexual Misconduct with Students by Stargel](#) (Identical to [SB 1892](#) by Crist)

Provides for reclassification of specified sexual offenses committed against students by an authority figure or an offender that is acting in such manner as to lead victim to reasonably believe that offender is such an authority figure.

[HB 681](#) [Sales Tax/Drinking Water by Rehwinkel Vasilinda](#) (Identical to [SB 1358](#) by Lynn)

Deletes exemption for sales of drinking water in containers.

[HB 701](#) [Notices of Proposed Property Taxes by Hudson](#) (Identical to [SB 752](#) by Richter)

Revises form of notice of proposed property taxes to include specified millage rates.

[HB 731](#) [Tax on Sales, Use, and Other Transactions by Bullard](#) (Similar to [SB 2582](#) by Deutch)

Provides for 1% increase in sales and use tax rate; revises brackets for calculating sales tax amounts; provides for distribution of revenues from additional 1% increase in tax rate; provides for 1% decrease in tax rate in 3 years; revises brackets for calculating sales tax amounts; deletes provision providing for distribution of revenues from 1% increase in tax rate.

HB 751 Statewide Articulation Agreements by Patterson *(Identical to [SB 920](#) by Baker)*

Requires that statewide articulation agreement govern transfer of credit between public institutions and nonpublic institutions licensed by Commission for Independent Education; authorizes school districts to enter into inter-institutional articulation agreements with independent postsecondary institutions; provides requirements for faculty committees that review courses and transfer of credit; requires rules establishing penalties for noncompliance with procedures for transfer of credit, mechanism for reporting suspected violations, fines to be paid by noncompliant institutions, and division of funds generated by fines.

SB 776 K-12 Public Schools/Character-Development Programs by Siplin

Requires that the character-development program for kindergarten through grade 12 include conflict-resolution management.

SB 782 District School Boards by Siplin

Repeals a specified provision relating to an alternate county-wide referendum procedure in certain counties for the election of a district school board chair. Repeals a specified provision relating to resolving tie votes among school board members in certain school districts. Deletes provisions governing the organization of district school boards, to conform.

HB 783 Children in Shelter Care or Foster Care by Kelly *(Identical to [SB 1128](#) by Rich)*

Provides conditions for court or district school board appointment of surrogate parent for educational decision making for certain children who have or are suspected of having disability; provides certain access to medical and educational records; provides access to free public education for children known to DCFS; authorizes certain temporary exemptions from requirements for school attendance and school-entry health examinations.

SB 784 Job Opportunities for Youth by Siplin

Provides legislative intent to support statewide vocational training and placement provided to at-risk youth through the Jobs for Florida's Graduates program. Requires that a proposal for funding a statewide summer program for youth employment be submitted to the Florida Endowment Foundation for Florida's Graduates. Provides a tax credit against certain taxes on alcoholic beverages for a business that employs youth during the summer, etc.

HB 803 Public School Funding by Dorworth *(Compare to [SB 2254](#) by Detert)*

Provides for school district flexibility in 2009-2010 fiscal year to expend specific funds for operating expenses; requires adoption of resolution and approval of amendment to school district's operating budget; requires district school board to report to DOE amount of transferred funds & operating expense for which funds were expended; requires reporting to Governor & Legislature; provides for school district flexibility in 2009-2010 fiscal year to expend portion of nonvoted capital improvement millage for operating expenses; requires transfer of proceeds by approved budget amendment; provides for equalization of funds; provides for repeal.

SB 804 School Food Service Programs by Wise

Revises provisions relating to school food service programs. Requires that the Department of Education calculate and distribute a school district breakfast supplement for each school year by multiplying the state breakfast rate by the number of free and reduced-price breakfast meals served. Requires that the Legislature provide sufficient funds in the General Appropriations Act to reimburse participating school districts, etc.

HB 813 Instructional Materials by Hays *(Identical to [SB 1248](#) by Wise)*

Deletes provision that restricts cost to students for replacement of certain instructional materials that are lost, destroyed, or damaged.

HB 835 Gifted and Academically Talented Students by Legg (Similar to [SB 1870](#) by Wise)

Requires district school boards to provide parental notice of requirements and procedures for requesting evaluations for gifted student classification and to report gifted student classification, services, and performance data; requires DOE to develop and district school boards to implement procedures and eligibility criteria for whole-grade and subject matter acceleration; requires reporting of student acceleration data; requires state-approved teacher preparation programs to incorporate specified gifted student instruction; requires certain school district guaranteed allocation expenditures to be reported separately; creates Gifted and Academically Talented Student Task Force to report to Governor and Legislature.

HB 851 Public Meetings/Attorney-Client Sessions by Mayfield (Similar to [SB 1386](#) by Rich)

Expands persons authorized to attend private meeting between governmental entity and entity's attorneys to discuss pending litigation to which governmental entity is party before court or administrative agency; revises and provides additional conditions precedent to such private meetings.

HB 863 Tax on Rental Fees and Admissions by O'Toole (Identical to [SB 1362](#) by Lynn)

Abrogates repeal of tax exemption on rental or license fees provided for property rented, leased, or licensed by convention or exhibition hall, auditorium, stadium, theater, arena, civic center, performing arts center, or publicly owned recreational facility; abrogates repeal of tax exemption provided for charges imposed by convention or exhibition hall, auditorium, stadium, theater, arena, civic center, performing arts center, or publicly owned recreational facility upon lessees or licensees; abrogates repeal of tax exemption for admission charges to events sponsored by governmental entities, sports authorities, and sports commissions.

SB 864 Corporal Discipline by Detert

Includes inappropriate or excessively harsh corporal discipline in the definition of "criminal conduct" for purposes of protective investigations. Prohibits parents, legal custodians, or caregivers from inflicting inappropriate or excessively harsh corporal discipline. Includes offenses involving such discipline within the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code, etc.

HB 883 Classroom Expenditures by Schenck (Similar to [SB 1978](#) by Diaz dela Protilla)

Provides minimum requirements for expenditures for classroom instruction at school district and school levels; specifies requirements for uniform calculation of district operating expenditures that support classroom instruction; requires annual reporting of expenditures; requires DOE and district school boards to analyze expenditures; provides for technical assistance in budget preparation and analysis; requires explanation of financial and performance status of school districts and schools under certain circumstances; provides SBE rulemaking and enforcement authority.

HB 895 Public Records/Testing Investigations by Roberson (Similar to [SB 1912](#) by Detert)

Provides exemption from public records requirements for investigation of education testing impropriety and information obtained pursuant to investigation; provides for limited duration of exemption; provides for future review and repeal; provides statement of public necessity.

HB 901 Lobbying by Rehwinkel Vasilinda (Similar to [SB 1506](#) by Lawson)

Permits expenditures for food and beverages for members and employees of Legislature at certain events; provides that items must be consumed at the events; provides maximum value per recipient for items.

HB 909 Homeless Persons by Taylor (Similar to [SB 2680](#) by Smith)

Reclassifies offenses evidencing prejudice based on homeless status of victim; provides definition; provides minimum sentence & other penalties for person convicted of aggravated assault or aggravated battery upon homeless person; requires inclusion of housing status in certain crime

reports; requires reporting of such data; requires FDLE to develop telecourse concerning hate crimes against homeless persons; requires FDLE to develop protocol for law enforcement personnel concerning such offenses; requires that crime prevention activities incorporate protection of homeless population; requires public school instruction in homelessness; requires OPPAGA to study nature and scope of hate crimes or violent crimes against homeless persons; requires report and recommendations.

[SB 916](#) Corporate Tax Credit Scholarship Program by Wilson

Provides an additional purpose that enables students in specified grades in public schools to receive certain assistance in attaining grade-level performance. Requires scholarship funding organizations to allocate at least 25 percent of their scholarships to public school students. Permits scholarships of a certain amount for public school students. Requires public schools to account for the use of scholarship funds, etc.

[HB 919](#) Revision of the Class Size Requirements by Weatherford *(Similar to [SB 1828](#) by Wise)*

Proposes amendment to s. 1, Art. IX and creation of s. 31, Art. XII of State Constitution to require that class size requirements for public schools shall remain at current limits but be based on average number of students at school level, rather than on maximum number of students, who are assigned to each teacher who is teaching in public school classrooms in specified grades; for public school classrooms for prekindergarten through grade 3 and for grades 4 through 8, but not for grades 9 through 12, limit maximum number of students who may be assigned to each teacher in individual classroom; delete requirements for funding annual reductions in class size to achieve maximum class size limits; clarify that class size requirements apply by beginning of 2010-2011 school year and for each school year thereafter; and schedule revisions to take effect upon approval by electors of state and to operate retroactively to beginning of 2010-2011 school year.

[HB 931](#) Local Government Accountability by Schultz *(Similar to [SB 1368](#) by Dean)*

Revises schedule for submitting local governmental entity's audit and annual financial reports to DFS; requires local governmental entity to provide link to entity's financial report on department's website; revises timeframe for completing local governmental entity's annual financial audit.

[HB 955](#) Notification of School Personnel by Soto *(Compare to [SB 2122](#) by Dean)*

Requires that specified school personnel be notified when child of any age is formally charged by state attorney with felony or delinquent act that would be felony if committed by an adult.

[SB 966](#) Minors/Protection Online by Fasano

Requires providers to make available to customers in this state a product or service that enables the subscriber to regulate a minor's use of the service to access the Internet if certain conditions exist. Requires that interactive computer services take necessary steps to preserve records and evidence upon the request of law enforcement agencies investigating specified crimes involving minor victims, etc.

[HB 971](#) Transparency in Government Spending by Hukill *(Similar to [SB 1972](#) by Storms)*

Creates "Track Your Taxes – The Florida Budget Openness Act"; requires DFS to establish specified website; requires website to include specified information relating to annual expenditures, revenues, and bonded indebtedness for governmental entities; specifies requirements for data submission and retention; requires governmental entities to provide certain information to department; provides exemptions for specified local governments and specified information; requires OPPAGA to submit report to Governor and Legislature; authorizes department to adopt rules.

[HB 993](#) Charter Technical Career Center Pilot Project by Ray *(Identical to [SB 2428](#) by Wise)*
Establishes the Charter Technical Career Center Associate in Applied Science Degree Pilot Project. Provides purpose. Authorizes each charter technical career center participating in the pilot project to offer programs that lead to specified associate in applied science degrees. Provides requirements for the centers. Requires collaboration with the DOE to make recommendations for the approval of associate degree programs. Requires reporting.

[HB 995](#) Sovereign Immunity by Wood *(Similar to [SB 1922](#) by Aronberg)*
Provides that subdivision of state may pay judgment in excess of statutory limits on waiver of sovereign immunity without act of Legislature if it so chooses; provides that such payment in excess of limits does not waive subdivision's defense of sovereign immunity or increase limits of its liability.

[HB 997](#) Student Discipline and School Safety by Carroll *(Similar to [SB 1540](#) by Wise)*
Provides legislative intent relating to district school board policy of zero tolerance for crime and victimization; revises content of policies and criteria for reporting acts to law enforcement; requires disciplinary or prosecutorial action taken against student who violates zero-tolerance policy to be based on individual student and particular circumstances; encourages school districts to use alternatives to expulsion or referral to law enforcement under certain circumstances.

[HB 999](#) Educational Choice by Horner *(Identical to [SB 2124](#) by Wise)*
Establishes Class Size Grant Program to provide option to attend public school other than the one to which student is assigned, or to provide class size grant to private school of choice, for students assigned to classrooms that exceed constitutional class size limits; provides eligibility requirements for receipt of grant; provides school district, DOE, and Commissioner of Education obligations and authority; provides eligibility requirements and obligations of private school participating in program; provides for grant funding, reporting, and payment; requires DOE to report on school district implementation of and compliance with program.

[HB 1019](#) Growth Management by McKeel *(Similar to [SB 1306](#) by Bennett)*
Redefines "financial feasibility" for purposes of school facilities not meeting concurrency requirements in given year; revises public and transportation facilities concurrency requirements; provides incentives for landowners or developers who contribute or pay proportionate fair-share mitigation; revises preapplication procedures for developments of regional impact; etc.

[SB 1020](#) Articulation Accountability Process by Lynn
Requires that the State Board of Education adopt rules establishing articulation accountability measures and a process for the formal reporting of trend data relating to the progression and transition of students from secondary education into and through postsecondary education. Revises provisions relating to such measures.

[HB 1023](#) District School Tax by Rader
Authorizes school district to levy by super majority vote of district school board additional millage for school operational purposes for 2009-2010 fiscal year; provides restrictions on such levy.

[HB 1049](#) Florida Retirement System by Bembrly *(Identical to [SB 1188](#) by Wise)*
Provides that election to participate in Senior Management Service Class by elected county officers does not affect statutory limit on number of nonelective full-time positions that may be designated for inclusion in class by school district; deletes obsolete provisions; authorizes designation of a certain number of nonelective full-time positions for certain school districts for inclusion in Senior Management Service Class; deletes obsolete provisions.

[HB 1087](#) Assessment/Declining Market Value by Llorente (Similar to [SB 1164](#) by Fasano)
Assessment of Homestead Property that has a Declining Market Value: Revises requirements for annual changes in assessments of homestead property to prohibit increase in assessed value of homestead property if market value of property decreases; provides effective date of January 1, 2011.

[HB 1125](#) Lottery Revenue/Voluntary Pre-K Ed by Clarke-Reed (Identical to [SB 2380](#) by Wilson)
Requires a portion of Powerball net revenues to be allocated to voluntary prekindergarten education programs. Provides for the use of funds.

[HB 1163](#) Review of Sales Tax Exemptions by Hukill (Identical to [SB 2576](#) by Lynn)
Provides additional responsibilities of Joint Legislative Sunset Committee to review exemptions from general state sales and use tax and exclusions of sales of services from such taxation; provides for meetings and governance by joint rules; specifies powers and duties; provides for reports; requires continuing periodic review of sales tax exemptions and exclusions; provides for legislative proposals; provides for futures abolition of specified tax exemptions except for general groceries, medical, guide dogs for blind, and household fuels; repeals exemption for equipment, machinery, and other materials for pollution control, exemption for research or development costs, partial exemption for air carriers' maintenance bases, limited exemption for education, exemption for qualified aircraft, legislative intent that political subdivisions and public libraries use sales tax exemption certificates for certain purchases, trade-ins deducted, credit for job creation in enterprise zones, Urban High Crime area job tax credit, rural job tax credit, and future repeal of certain provisions relating to various sales and use tax exemptions, exclusions, and credits.

[HB 1203](#) Public School Education by Kiar (Similar to [SB 2476](#) by Deutch)
Requires reimbursement to school districts for reasonable costs for student transportation to certain schools and choice programs. Deletes the requirement that a student earn a passing score on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) for purposes of high school graduation. Deletes mandatory retention for certain grade 3 students. Changes the school grading system to a school performance system, etc.

[HB 1227](#) Inservice Academies by Proctor (Similar to [SB 2272](#) by Wise)
Revises provisions relating to regional inservice professional development academies; requires that one school district be designated to serve as fiscal agent for each regional academy; deletes provisions that require such academies to meet certain criteria in order to receive start-up funds.

[HB 1231](#) Public School Student Progression by Heller (Similar to [SB 2608](#) by Justice)
Requires student proficiency in additional subjects; provides process by which retention of student for reading deficiency may be appealed; provides for exemption from mandatory retention through successful appeal; specifies circumstances recognized as justification for granting appeal.

[SB 1250](#) Corporal Punishment by Sobel
Requires that a district school board review its policy allowing corporal punishment once every 3 years during a district school board meeting. Requires that the district school board take public testimony during such meeting. Provides for the expiration of the district school board's corporal punishment policy if such meeting is not held.

[HB 1263](#) Revenue Limitations by Flores (Similar to [SB 1906](#) by Haridopolos)
Proposes amendment to s. 1, Art. VII and creation of s. 19, Art. VII of State Constitution to replace existing state revenue limit based on Florida personal income growth with new state and local government revenue limits based on inflation and population changes; limit property tax revenues based on changes in local growth and enrollment changes in school districts; require revenues collected in excess of revenue limits to be deposited into budget stabilization funds, used to reduce

future taxes, or refunded to taxpayers; authorize voters to permit collection of revenues in excess of revenue limit; authorize Legislature and governing body of local government to approve taxes by supermajority vote for emergencies; prohibit state or local government, without first obtaining approval by supermajority vote of electors, from imposing new taxes, fees, assessments, or charges for services or incurring multi-year debts or financial obligations without adequate cash reserves; and provide effective date.

HB 1279 Local Government Revenue Collections by Gonzalez *(Similar to SB 2006 by Crist)*

Authorizes local governments and tax collectors to contract with private attorneys or collection agents to collect delinquent revenues; provides for adding contract costs to delinquent accounts; provides limitation; provides for inclusion of specified amounts as part of underlying tax liens; requires tax collectors to notify owners of delinquent accounts of intent to refer accounts to private attorney or collection agent for collection and add collection costs to account; authorizes tax collectors to recover attorney or collection agent collection fees on specified existing proceedings; specifies taxpayer liability for unpaid delinquent property taxes, penalties, costs, fees, and interest.

HB 1293 High School Graduation by Fresen *(Identical to SB 2654 by Altman)*

Provides requirements for graduation with core diploma, college preparatory diploma, or career preparatory diploma beginning with students entering their first year of high school in 2010-2011 school year; authorizes Graduation Exit Option Program; provides for applicability for graduation of major and minor areas of interest or electives as credit requirements, of physical education and performing arts credit options, of policies to assist students to meet GPA requirements, and of accommodations for students with disabilities; requires passing scores on grade 10 FCAT to meet grade-level proficiency standards; provides additional academic requirements for receipt of Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program awards.

HB 1323 School Districts by Garcia *(Identical to SB 2466 by Villalobos)*

Provides for recall of district school board members; provides requirements for petition for recall, signature process, and recall election; requires school board to adopt school superintendent's recommendations for compensation and salary schedules unless percentage of school board members vote to reject recommendations; prohibits superintendent from recommending increase in salary schedules of administrative personnel or managers if salary schedules of instructional personnel and educational support employees have not been increased; requires superintendent to review salary schedules of administrative personnel and managers to ensure that no person is paid in excess of twice district's average salary of classroom teachers.

HB 1325 CITC Scholarship Program by Kriseman *(Similar to SB 2564 by Deutch)*

Requires students participating in Corporate Income Tax Credit Scholarship Program to take FCAT under specified conditions; provides additional requirements for private schools participating in program; revises DOE program obligations; provides additional requirements for teachers employed by or under contract with private schools participating in program.

HB 1353 Go Green Florida by Mayfield *(Similar to SB 2326 by Ring)*

Directs Florida Energy and Climate Commission to develop grants and recognition awards program; establishes advisory panel; requires commission to adopt rules; authorizes commission to seek assistance from Volunteer Florida Foundation; creates Go Green Florida license plate; provides for collection, distribution, and use of annual fees.

HB 1377 Supplemental Education Services by Dorworth *(Similar to SB 2538 by Detert)*

Requires each school district to report to DOE information regarding certain supplemental educational services providers; requires DOE to evaluate each state-approved provider and assign service designation; provides exception; requires rulemaking and reporting relating to service designations; authorizes use of funds.

HB 1381 Charter School Capital Outlay Funding by Troutman

Revises charter school eligibility requirements for receipt of capital outlay funding.

HB 1385 Children With Disabilities by Precourt *(Identical to [SB 2478](#) by Gardiner)*

Requires certain licensing boards to require continuing education on developmental disabilities for certain licensees and certificateholders; provides health insurance coverage and coverage under health maintenance contract for individuals with developmental disabilities; authorizes students who receive certain services under VPK to receive John M. McKay Scholarship for Students with Disabilities; permits students to receive scholarship services at locations other than private school's site under specified conditions; establishes prekindergarten program option for children with disabilities; provides eligibility criteria for early intervention services.

HB 1411 Education Personnel by Stargel *(Identical to [SB 2458](#) by Altman)*

Designates act "Quality Teacher for All Students Act"; provides additional access to records by certain DOE employees or agents in cases of child abuse or neglect; requires reporting on effectiveness of teacher preparation program graduates, educational insufficiency, differentiated pay policies, and assignment of teachers; provides requirements relating to contracts with instructional personnel hired on or after July 1, 2009; revises provisions to require school district personnel appraisal system; requires State Board of Education to adopt by rule Florida Educator Accomplished Practices; revises requirements relating to educator certification & demonstration of education competence; specifies criteria for leadership standards for principals.

HB 1443 Veterans by Fetterman *(Similar to [SB 2462](#) by Deutch)*

Requires school districts to observe Veterans' Day and Veterans' Awareness Week; directs DCFS to establish up to three pilot projects for purpose of reducing suicide among veterans and increasing access to services; provides duties of DCFS; provides requirements for pilot project programs; requires Statewide Office of Suicide Prevention, DVA, and Florida National Guard to enter into partnerships with pilot projects and community providers to implement initiative; establishes suicide prevention direct-support organization answerable to SOSOP to assist with funding veterans' suicide prevention initiatives; provides for board of directors; authorizes DSO to use property, facilities, and personnel services of SOSOP; requires moneys of DSO to be deposited in separate account in name of organization.

HB 1449 Restraint/Students with Disabilities by Sachs *(Identical to [SB 2480](#) by Gardiner)*

Prohibits school personnel from manually physically restraining student with disabilities except in emergency when imminent and significant threat to physical safety of student or others exists; provides further restrictions on use of manual physical restraint and other disciplinary methods; provides for medical evaluation after restraint; provides requirements for training of school personnel; requires preparation of incident report after student is released from restraint; requires development and revision of school district policies and procedures.

HB 1477 Required Ads & Public Notices by Zapata *(Compare to [SB 2292](#) by Storms)*

Authorizes various governmental entities to publish or advertise legally required public notices and advertisements on publicly accessible website; defines "publicly accessible website"; provides conditions for utilization of publicly accessible website for such purposes; provides for optional receipt of legally required public notices and advertisements via first class mail; provides requirements for legally required advertisements and 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 and conforming language; reenacts various provisions of law to incorporate amendments to various statutes in act in references thereto.

SB 1482 Florida Retirement System/Regular Class Members by Lawson

Redefines the terms "normal retirement date" and "normal retirement age" to allow normal retirement of Regular Class members with 25 years of creditable service and attainment of age 50.

SB 1484 Florida Retirement System by Lawson

Redefines the term "average final compensation" with respect to the system. Conforms a provision relating to calculation of the monthly normal retirement benefit.

SB 1486 Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy by Lawson

Increases the minimum and maximum health insurance subsidies. Provides for a cost-of-living adjustment to the subsidy. Increases the contribution paid by employers of members in state-administered retirement plans. Provides legislative findings.

HB 1505 Physical Education by Brandenburg

Revises applicability of physical education requirements for certain students in grade 6; provides that criteria for waiver of physical education requirements apply to students in grades 6 through 8; provides additional criteria for which a waiver shall be given; requires certain documentation.

HB 1527 High School Graduation by Randolph *(Similar to SB 2232 by Siplin)*

Creates general educational development (GED) exit option as alternative route to receipt of standard high school diploma; specifies eligibility requirements for student participation; authorizes participation in extracurricular activities; provides certain exemptions & requirements for successful completion of GED exit option.

HB 1539 Certification of Athletic Coaches by Fresen *(Identical to SB 2066 by Haridopolos)*

Provides that completion of sports safety course shall meet certain certification requirements; requires sports safety course to be approved by FHSAA Board of Directors and meet specified requirements.

SB 1616 Career and Adult Education by Oelrich

Renames the Division of Workforce Education within the DOE as the "Division of Career and Adult Education." Revises the membership of the Seaport Security Officer Qualification, Training, and Standards Coordinating Council by replacing the chancellor of the Community College System with the Commissioner of Education. Provides an exception for adult high school students regarding certain prerequisites for high school graduation, etc.

SB 1824 OGSR/Government-Sponsored Recreation Programs by Community Affairs

Revises an exemption under the public records law for information that would identify a child participating in a government-sponsored recreation program. Defines the terms "government-sponsored recreation program" and "child." Provides that such information is confidential and exempt from the public records law. Provides an exception, etc.

SB 1832 Retirement by Governmental Oversight and Accountability

Revises the payroll contribution rates for the membership classes of the Florida Retirement System for the state fiscal years effective July 1, 2009, and July 1, 2010. Provides a declaration of important state interest.

SB 1838 OGSR/Agency Employees by Governmental Oversight and Accountability

Provides that social security numbers of current and former agency employees held by the employing agency are confidential and exempt. Authorizes said employees to provide written notice to another agency to maintain the confidential and exempt status of such social security number. Requires that an agency identify the laws governing the collection, use, and release of social security numbers and ensure that it complies with such laws, etc.

SB 1920 Educator Certification by Detert

Revises provisions relating to reports and records in cases of child abuse or neglect. Requires that employees or agents of the Department of Education who are responsible for the investigation or prosecution of misconduct by certified educators be granted access to such records. Requires that the State Board of Education adopt rules incorporating the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices, etc.

SB 1988 School Choice Pilot Project/Orange County by Wise

Establishes the Education Empowerment Zone Pilot Project in Orange County. Provides student eligibility requirements for school choice options, including public school, charter school, private school, and virtual school choice. Provides eligibility requirements for receipt of an education empowerment zone grant to attend a private or virtual school. Specifies parent and student responsibilities for participation, etc.

SB 2008 District School Board Duties by Deutch

Cites this act as the "Protect Florida's Youth Act." Requires that, beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, each school district provide access to suicide prevention education for all instructional and administrative staff using resources approved by the Statewide Office of Suicide Prevention.

SB 2148 Growth Management by Bennett

Prohibits the members of the local governing body from serving on the local planning agency. Revises standards for the future land use plan in a local comprehensive plan. Requires certain counties to certify that they have adopted a plan for ensuring affordable workforce housing before obtaining certain funding. Provides that certain projects or high-performance transit systems be considered as committed facilities, etc.

SB 2188 Administrative Procedures by Joyner

Requires each agency to give notice of public meetings, hearings, and workshops on the agency's website. Requires an agency to ensure that persons responsible for preparing a proposed rule be available at a public hearing regarding the proposed rule. Requires that certain materials submitted to the agency on or before the date of the final public hearing be considered by the agency and made a part of the record of the rulemaking proceeding, etc.

SB 2280 Workers' Compensation by Gelber

Deletes provisions prohibiting payments for services in connection with a worker's compensation claim which are not approved by a judge of compensation claims. Deletes provisions prohibiting such judge from approving the payment of attorney's fees in excess of certain amounts. Provides that ch. 440, F.S., does not impair the right of a claimant to contract with an attorney, etc.

SB 2388 Surplus Lands Available for Affordable Housing by Gaetz

Provides that a county or municipality failing to complete and update the inventory of all real property held by the county or municipality which is appropriate for affordable housing is ineligible to receive any state funding for affordable housing. Requires each district school board to certify to the Commissioner of Education its completion of a list of surplus real property, etc.

SB 2394 School Average Class Size by Gaetz

Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the number of students who may be assigned to a public school teacher. However, the average number of students per teacher may not exceed the current class size limits. For prekindergarten through grade 3, a teacher may not have more than 23 students. However, the average number of students per teacher for this grade grouping at a school may not exceed 18 students, etc.

SB 2396 Educational Instruction by Wise

Requires that the instructional staff of a public school teach a thorough presentation and critical analysis of the scientific theory of evolution and certain governmental, legal, and civic principles.

SB 2414 Interscholastic Athletics by Peaden

Provides that the nonprofit organization governing interscholastic athletics is exempt from the Administrative Procedure Act. Requires that a public high school that sponsors an interscholastic athletics program be a member of the organization. Provides that public and private middle schools may also be members of the organization. Divides the state into seven administrative sections and divides such sections into 14 legislative divisions, etc.

SB 2432 Pub. Rec./Schools/Instructors and Administrators by Detert

Creates an exemption from public records requirements for the home addresses, personal e-mail addresses, and telephone numbers of instructional personnel and school administrators, the home addresses, personal e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such personnel or administrators, and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by children of such personnel or administrators, etc.

SB 2482 School Improvement and Accountability by Wise

Repeals a specified provision relating to a requirement that the commissioner of Education create and implement the Secondary School Improvement Award Program. Revises provisions relating to the general requirements for middle grades promotion and high school graduation. Revises provisions relating to accelerated high school graduation. Requires that the DOE categorize public schools annually based on school grade and student performance, etc.

SB 2486 Firesafety by Wise

Requires that the State Fire Marshal adopt rules in consultation with the DOE. Requires that the State Fire Marshal assume specified duties for certain counties. Requires inspection of certain property by an official appointed by a district school board within a specified period after the issuance of a certificate of occupancy and annually thereafter. Requires that the board include a plan of action and schedule for correcting any deficiencies, etc.

SB 2488 Investment Products/Public Employees by Deutch

Requires public employee deferred compensation plans, the state employee Senior Management Service Optional Annuity Program, the State University Optional Retirement Program, the Public Employee Optional Retirement Program, firefighters' pension plans, police officers retirement trust funds, local government investment plans, and the State Community College System Optional Retirement Program to identify and divest of any scrutinized companies, etc.

SB 2532 Public Employment by Bennett

Deletes a provision that exempts district school boards or community college districts from a restriction on the employment of relatives. Prohibits a public officer from receiving dual compensation or being paid more than once for coincident hours of the workday.

SB 2534 Public K-12 Educational Funding by Bennett

Prohibits the use of school district funds for the funding of or contracting with community-based organizations to provide noninstructional programs or services that are not required by law.

SB 2540 Governor's School for Science and Technology by Altman

Establishes the Governor's School for Science and Technology. Provides that the school offer intensive instruction for students in grades 9 through 12 and summer programs for teachers. Provides for the school to be located in Brevard County. Requires that a student enrolled in the school be recorded as enrolled in the student's home school district for purposes of funding, etc.

SB 2554 Physical Education by Constantine

Clarifies provisions requiring that a school district notify a student's parent regarding certain options available to the student as an alternative to participation in physical education.

SB 2628 Virtual Instruction Programs by Wise

Repeals provisions relating to the K-8 Virtual School Program within the DOE. Provides that virtual instruction programs may be provided by the same or different contracted providers. Requires that a virtual instruction program provide virtual instruction to part-time or full-time students enrolled in virtual courses in kindergarten through grade 12. Deletes provisions relating to funding provided through the Florida Education Finance Program, etc.

SB 2672 Children First License Plate by Siplin

Creates said license plate. Establishes an annual use fee for the plate. Provides for the distribution of use fees received from the sale of such plate.

SB 7050 Criminal Background Screenings by Education Pre-K - 12

Revises the terms "child care personnel" and "screening" to specify the personnel who are subject to the screening requirements and conform to changes made by the act. Prohibits the DCFS from adopting different background screening standards for facilities that serve different age groups. Revises the minimum screening standards for child care personnel, etc.