The Legislative Process

To provide some background on the Legislative process, bills are placed in numerical order. "Companion" bills are bills from the other chamber that contain the same issue(s) and these will be listed and explained in the same entry. The lowest bill number of the companions will be listed first. With each weekly report, the title line of a bill that has had activity will be highlighted in green for the reader's convenience. *It should be noted that during Session, committees are on a two-day notice requirement. This means at the time that this weekly report is written, committee agendas for the following Wednesday through Friday may not be known.*

<u>Explanation of abbreviations, terms, and actions in this report:</u>

- "HB" means House Bill.
- "SB" means Senate Bill.
- "HM" means House Memorial.
- "CS" means Committee Substitute. When a CS is filed, it indicates that the bill has been approved with amendments during a committee meeting. CS/CS means that the bill has been approved and amended in two committees; CS/CS/CS means it was approved and amended in three committees, etc. When looking for the most current version of a bill, always defer to the version with the most "CS"s, if any. It is important to note that a bill can go through all of its committees without any amendments or "CS"s.

Before a bill is considered passed it has to be "read" three times and approved with a majority vote by the full chamber: the First Reading is done when it is introduced to the respective chamber; the Second Reading is done after the bill has passed all committees of reference and is placed on the Special Order Calendar to be discussed and amended (if necessary) by the full chamber; and the Third Reading is when the bill is debated and voted upon by the full chamber. It also must be passed in both the Senate and House before it can be sent to the Governor for his action. Because of the limited time during a Session, a bill (except as noted below) is filed in both chambers so that it can get through its three readings in both chambers concurrently; these bills are called "companions". Either the House bill or the Senate bill will pass its respective chamber first, then it will be sent to the other chamber, who will substitute its companion version by the one just received. This (second) chamber will have to pass the substituted bill, in order for the bill to be sent to the Governor.

Note: Bills that only apply to a limited geographical area (typically a city or county) are referred to as "local" bills; local bills are generally non-controversial, are initiated in one chamber (typically the House), and do not have companions; local bills have few committee references, are scheduled before committees in groups, and are considered in each chamber in a separate "Local Bill Calendar".

Bill	Description	Action Summary
HB 53 by Representative Jacobs **SB 232** by Senator Book	**Coral Reefs** These identical bills establish the Southeast Florida Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Area. The conservation area includes the sovereign submerged lands and state waters offshore of Broward, Martin, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach Counties from the St. Lucie Inlet in the north to the northern boundary of the Biscayne National Park in the south.	Both bills have been through all three committee references. HB 53 passed the full House unanimously (Vote: 107 Yeas/0 Nays) on January 25th and was sent over to the Senate. SB 232 was placed on the special order calendar for February 1st; it was substituted for HB 53 and read a 2nd time. HB 53 was read a 3rd time and passed the full Senate unanimously on February 7th (Vote: 35 Yeas / 0 Nays). It was ordered enrolled on February 8th and next goes to the Governor for his action.
SB 168 by Senator Steube **HB 145** by Representative Beshears	**Nonnative animals** These similar bills require FWC to establish a pilot program to mitigate the impact of priority invasive species on public lands or waters of the state. FWC is required to submit a report of its recommendations and findings regarding the pilot program by January 1, 2021. Additionally, FWC is required to identify nonnative animals that threaten the state's wildlife habitats. If a nonnative animal is identified by FWC, the Senate bill requires a pet dealer to implant the animal with a passive integrated transponder (PIT) tag before it is sold, resold, or offered for sale. SB 168 also provides for an appropriation from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund of $300,000 annually during both the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year and the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year, for a total appropriation of $600,000.	These bills have three committee references in both the House and the Senate. SB 168 passed its final committee of reference on January 31st. It was placed on the calendar on February 1st and is on 2nd reading (will have to be voted on by the full Senate). HB 145 passed its second committee of reference as a committee substitute (CS2) on February 6th (an amendment was adopted in the Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee that removes the entire appropriation from HB 145). *The bill was scheduled to be heard in its final committee of reference, Government Accountability, on February 13th; however, it was temporarily postponed.*
SB 1132 by Senator Hutson **HB 915** by Representative Henry	**Vessel Safety Inspection Decals** These similar bills authorize FWC to designate by rule the timeframe for the expiration of, and the specific design for, the safety inspection decal for vessels. The bill specifies that the decal may not be valid for more than five years, and, at a minimum, meet the standards specified in s. 327.70(2)(a), F.S., which requires the decal to be displayed: within six inches of the vessel's properly displayed vessel registration decal; or for a non-motorized vessel which is not required to be registered, on the forward half of the port side of the vessel above the waterline. The only difference is the House bill currently does not state that all decals issued on or before December 31, 2018 will be invalid and the effective date of the new decals will be January 1, 2019.	The Senate bill has three committee references and the House bill has two committee references. SB 1132 has one more committee stop, Appropriations, before going to the Senate floor. HB 915 passed both committees of reference and is on 2nd reading (will have to be voted on by the full House).
HB 1211 by Representative Abruzzo	**Airboat Regulation**	

SB 1612 by Senator Rader	These similar bills create "Ellie's Law," which, beginning December 31, 2018, prohibits a person from operating an airboat to carry passengers for hire on waters of the state unless he or she has all of the following onboard an airboat: a photographic identification card; proof of compliance with the boating safety education course requirements, as provided in s. 327.395, F.S.; proof of successful completion of a commission-approved airboat operator course that meets the minimum standards established by FWC rule; and a certificate of successful course completion in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid. A person issued a captain's license by the United States Coast Guard is not required to complete the boating safety education course; however, proof of such captain's license is required to be onboard the airboat when carrying passengers for hire on waters of the state. The House bill provides that a person who violates the airboat operating provisions commits a 2nd degree misdemeanor, punishable by up to 60 days imprisonment or a $500 fine. The Senate bill provides that a person who violates the airboat operating provisions commits a noncriminal infraction, for which the civil penalty is up to a maximum of $500.	These bills have three committee references in both the House and the Senate. HB 1211 passed its first committee of reference, Careers & Competitions, as a committee substitute (CS) on January 30th. An amendment (technical changes) was adopted by the committee to make it a CS. The reference to the Natural Resources & Public Lands Subcommittee was removed and a reference to the Government Accountability Committee was added; the two remaining committee references are the Government Accountability Committee and the Commerce Committee. It is not scheduled to be heard at this time. *SB 1612 passed its second committee of reference, the Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources, as a CS on February 14th (Vote: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays). Its final committee stop is Appropriations; it is not scheduled to be heard at this time.*

2018 Legislative Session - Bills - Week 6

2/15/2018

Sorted by Bill Number

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Summary	Actions (Blank = No Action)	Related Bills
SB 156	Florida Black Bears	Stewart	Florida Black Bears; Creating the Florida Black Bear Protection Act; prohibiting the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission from allowing the recreational hunting of Florida black bears mothering cubs that weigh less than 100		Identical HB 559 Florida Black Bears (Olszewski)
HB 559	Florida Black Bears	Olszewski	Florida Black Bears: Prohibits FWCC from allowing recreational hunting of certain Florida black bears; provides penalty for certain harvesting of saw palmetto berries; authorizes FWCC to designate certain		Identical SB 156 Florida Black Bears (Stewart)
HB 247	Vessel Registration	Ausley	Vessel Registration: Authorizes DHSMV to issue electronic certificate of registration for vessel & use electronic mail for certain purposes; authorizes vessel operator to present such electronic certificate for		Similar SB 632 Vessel Registration (Montford)

SB 632	Vessel Registration	Montford	Vessel Registration; Authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue an electronic certificate of registration for a vessel, to collect electronic mail addresses, and to use electronic mail for certain purposes; authorizing a vessel operator to present such electronic certificate for inspection under certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Similar HB 247 Vessel Registration (Ausley)
SB 1920	Public Records/Vessel Registrants	Montford	Public Records/Vessel Registrants; Providing an exemption for electronic mail addresses of vessel registrants collected by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: On the same date that SB 632 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law		Compare HB 247 Vessel Registration (Ausley) SB 632 Vessel Registration (Montford)
SB 388	Anchoring Limitation Areas	Farmer	Anchoring Limitation Areas; Revising the anchoring limitation areas within the state to include additional specified areas, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Similar HB 1001 City of Hollywood, Broward County (Geller)

HB 1001	City of Hollywood, Broward County	Geller	City of Hollywood, Broward County: Provides exception to general law; provides specified areas are narrow state waterways & anchoring limitation areas. Effective Date: July 1		Similar SB 388 Anchoring Limitation Areas (Farmer)
HB 469	Salvage of Pleasure Vessels	Harrison	Salvage of Pleasure Vessels: Requires salvors of pleasure vessels to provide customers with specified written disclosure statements, work estimates, & notifications & to post specified signage on salvage vessels; specifies violations; provides remedies. Effective Date: July 1	2/9/2018 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Government Accountability Committee, 02/13/18, 3:00 pm, 17 H 2/13/2018 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Government Accountability Committee; 21 Yeas, 2 Nays 2/15/2018 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C3) Filed	Similar SB 664 Salvage of Pleasure Vessels (Young)
SB 664	Salvage of Pleasure Vessels	Young	Salvage of Pleasure Vessels; Designating the Florida Salvage of Pleasure Vessels Act"; requiring salvors of pleasure vessels to provide a specified written disclosure statement and salvage work estimate; requiring such salvors to obtain customer permission before exceeding the		Similar HB 469 Salvage of Pleasure Vessels (Harrison)
HB 471	Unmanned Aircraft	Yarborough	Unmanned Aircraft: Prohibits operating drone over or using drone to introduce contraband into certain facilities; provides criminal penalties; authorizes use of drone in certain circumstances to facilitate collection of evidence at scene of crime or traffic crash.		Identical SB 624 Drones (Young)
SB 624	Drones	Young	Drones; Prohibiting a person from knowingly or willingly operating a drone over, allowing a drone to make contact with, allowing a drone to come within a certain distance of, or using a drone to introduce contraband		Identical HB 471 Unmanned Aircraft (Yarborough)

SB 1132	Vessel Safety Inspection Decals	Hutson	Vessel Safety Inspection Decals; Providing rulemaking authority to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission regarding expiration and design of safety inspection decals, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Identical HB 915 Vessel Safety Inspection Decals (Henry)
HB 915	Vessel Safety Inspection Decals	Henry	Vessel Safety Inspection Decals: Authorizes FWCC to adopt specified rules for vessel safety inspection decals. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Identical SB 1132 Vessel Safety Inspection Decals (Hutson)

SB 1296	Division of Historical Resources	Steube	Division of Historical Resources; Removing superfluous language regarding the divisions responsibilities in issuing permits for survey, excavation, exploration, and salvage activities on state-owned lands or on state-owned sovereignty submerged lands; revising for minors the applicability of penalties relating to prohibited practices regarding archaeological sites and specimens, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law	2/9/2018 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Government Accountability Committee, 02/13/18, 3:00 pm, 17 H 2/13/2018 HOUSE Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; 15 Yeas, 7 Nays 2/13/2018 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading	Compare HB 6041 Division of Historical Resources (Stevenson)
HB 6041	Division of Historical Resources	Stevenson	Division of Historical Resources: Revises provisions governing Division of Historical Resources responsibilities in issuing permits for survey, excavation, & salvage activities on certain state-owned lands; repeals provisions relating to abrogation of offensive & derogatory geographic place names & division's authority to implement program for certain artifacts. Effective Date: upon becoming a law		Compare SB 1296 Division of Historical Resources (Steube)

Agency Administration, Contracting, Rulemaking, and Public Meetings/Records
Sorted by Bill Number

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Summary	Actions	Related Bills

HB 83	Agency Rulemaking	Spano	Agency Rulemaking: Requires certain notices to include agency website address for specified purpose; requires agency to prepare statement of estimated regulatory costs before adopting or amending rule other than emergency rule; requires agency		Similar SB 912 Agency Rulemaking (Broxson)
SB 912	Agency Rulemaking	Broxson	Agency Rulemaking; Requiring certain notices to include an agency website address for a specified purpose; requiring the Department of State to include on the Florida Administrative Register website the agency website addresses where		Similar HB 83 Agency Rulemaking (Spano)
SB 110	Language Requirements for State Agency Websites and Advertisements	Campbell	Language Requirements for State Agency Websites and Advertisements; Requiring specified information to be published on state agency websites in certain languages; requiring state agencies to disseminate certain		
HB 79	Public Meetings	Roth	Public Meetings: Specifies conditions under which members of board or commission of state agency or authority or of agency or authority of county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision may participate in fact-finding exercises or excursions.		Similar SB 192 Public Meetings (Baxley)

SB 192	Public Meetings	Baxley	Public Meetings; Specifying conditions under which members of any board or commission of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of any county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision may participate in fact-finding exercises or excursions, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a		Similar HB 79 Public Meetings (Roth)
HB 439	Public Meetings and Records	Donalds	Public Meetings and Records: Expands exemption from public meetings requirements to allow specified entities to meet in private with attorney to discuss imminent litigation if certain conditions are met; specifies when litigation is considered imminent; provides for future legislative review & repeal of exemption; provides statement of public necessity. Effective Date:		Similar SB 560 Public Meetings and Records/ Imminent Litigation (Steube)
SB 560	Public Meetings and Records/ Imminent Litigation	Steube	Public Meetings and Records/ Imminent Litigation ; Expanding an exemption from public meetings requirements to allow specified entities to meet in private with an attorney to discuss imminent litigation if certain conditions are met; requiring the transcript of a		Similar HB 439 Public Meetings and Records (Donalds)

HB 459	Public Records	Massullo, Jr.	Public Records: Provides that certain information related to agency contracts is not confidential or exempt from public records requirements; removes or revises numerous provisions relating to exemptions from public records requirements	2/12/2018 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed 2/13/2018 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading	Compare SB 958 Public Records (Mayfield) Similar SB 956 Public Records (Mayfield) Linked HB 461 Pub. Rec./Trade
HB 461	Pub. Rec./Trade Secrets Held by an Agency	Massullo, Jr.	Pub. Rec./Trade Secrets Held by an Agency: Provides exemption from public record requirements for trade secret held by agency; provides notice requirements; provides process for responding to public record requests; provides exception to exemption;	2/12/2018 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed 2/13/2018 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading	Compare SB 956 Public Records (Mayfield) Similar SB 958 Public Records (Mayfield) Linked HB 459 Public Records
SB 956	Public Records	Mayfield	Public Records; Providing that certain information related to agency contracts is not confidential or exempt from public records requirements; deleting provisions exempting certain information from public		Compare HB 461 Pub. Rec./Trade Secrets Held by an Agency (Massullo, Jr.) Similar HB 459 Public Records (Massullo, Jr.)
SB 958	Public Records	Mayfield	Public Records/Trade Secrets; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for a trade secret held by an agency; providing that an agency employee is not liable for the release of records in compliance		Compare HB 459 Public Records (Massullo, Jr.) Similar HB 461 Pub. Rec./Trade Secrets Held by an Agency (Massullo, Jr.)
HB 589	Public Meetings	Newton	Public Meetings: Specifies that certain boards and commissions are subject to public meetings requirements; revises public meeting notice requirements; provides that member of public has right to speak at public		Similar SB 1092 Public Meetings (Rader)

SB 1092	Public Meetings	Rader	Public Meetings; Specifying that a board or commission of any entity created by general or special law is subject to public meetings requirements; providing that a member of the public has the right to speak at a public meeting of a board or commission; requiring a board or commission to prescribe a form on which members of the public wishing to exercise their right to speak must provide certain information; repealing provisions relating to the reasonable opportunity to be heard at public meetings, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Similar HB 589 Public Meetings (Newton)

HB 791	Regulatory Reform	Diaz	Regulatory Reform: Establishes Red Tape Reduction Advisory Council within EOG; requires Administrative Procedures Committee to establish regulatory baseline of agency rules; provides that new rule may not cause the total number of rules to exceed regulatory baseline; requires agency proposing new rule to submit rule replacement request to committee; provides that rule replacement request or exemption request may not be approved until initial regulatory baseline has been reduced by specified amount. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Similar SB 1268 Regulatory Reform (Perry)
SB 1268	Regulatory Reform	Perry	Regulatory Reform; Establishing the Red Tape Reduction Advisory Council within the Executive Office of the Governor; requiring the Administrative Procedures Committee to establish a regulatory baseline of agency rules; providing that a proposed		Similar HB 791 Regulatory Reform (Diaz)

HB 941	Administrative Procedures	Moraitis	Administrative Procedures: Applies certain provisions applicable to rules other than emergency rules to repromulgated rules; requires agency provide notice of regulatory alternative by certain date; requires agency review of rules & repromulgation of certain rules; provides repromulgated rule is adopted upon filing with DOAH & becomes effective after specified time period; provides that DOAH shall require material incorporated by reference to be filed in specified manner. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	2/12/2018 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed 2/13/2018 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading	Similar SB 1410 Administrative Procedures (Rader)
SB 1410	Administrative Procedures	Rader	Administrative Procedures; Removing the authority of the Administrative Procedures Committee to petition an agency regarding a rule or a portion thereof exceeding the agency rulemaking authority; applying certain provisions applicable to all rules other than emergency rules to repromulgated rules; requiring		Similar HB 941 Administrative Procedures (Moraitis)
RPC2	Florida Statutes/General	Rules & Policy Committee	PCB RPC 18-02 -- Florida Statutes/General		

HB 111	Department of Management Services	Albritton	Department of Management Services: Creates task force to evaluate procurement laws & policies & make specified recommendations; specifies membership of task force; provides meeting requirements; provides for administrative &		Similar SB 368 Department of Management Services (Brandes) - 12/11/2017 SENATE Now in Appropriations
SB 368	Department of Management Services	Brandes	Department of Management Services; Creating the Statewide Procurement Efficiency Task Force within the department; specifying the purpose and membership of the task force; providing that task force members shall serve without		Similar HB 111 Department of Management Services (Albritton)
HB 411	Public Records and Public Meetings/Fire safety Systems	Clemons	Public Records and Public Meetings/Firesafety Systems: Provides exemption from public records requirements for firesafety system plans held by agency, exemption from public records & public meetings requirements for information	2/14/2018 HOUSE Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 111 Yeas / 0 Nays)	Similar SB 738 Public Records and Public Meetings/Firesafety System Plans (Perry)
SB 738	Public Records and Public Meetings/Fire safety System Plans	Perry	Public Records and Public Meetings/Firesafety System Plans; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for firesafety system plans held by an agency; providing an exemption from public records and public meetings	2/12/2018 SENATE On Committee agenda - Rules, 02/15/18, 10:00 am, 110 S	Similar HB 411 Public Records and Public Meetings/Firesafety Systems (Clemons)

HB 545	Prohibition Against Contracting with Scrutinized Companies	Fine	Prohibition Against Contracting with Scrutinized Companies: Prohibits company that is on Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or that is engaged in boycott of Israel from bidding on, submitting proposal for, or entering into or renewing		Identical SB 780 Prohibition Against Contracting with Scrutinized Companies (Brandes)
SB 780	Prohibition Against Contracting with Scrutinized Companies	Brandes	Prohibition Against Contracting with Scrutinized Companies; Prohibiting a company that is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or that is engaged in a boycott of Israel from bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or	2/9/2018 SENATE Now in Appropriations 2/12/2018 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations, 02/15/18, 1:00 pm, 412 K	Identical HB 545 Prohibition Against Contracting with Scrutinized Companies (Fine)
HB 1019	Financial Reporting	La Rosa	Financial Reporting: Requires counties, municipalities, special districts, water management districts, & district school boards to submit certain budget & financial information to specified entities; requires certain budget information to remain posted on		Compare HB 11 Government Accountability (Metz)
HB 1087	Disaster Recovery Services Contracts	Watson (B)	Disaster Recovery Services Contracts: Authorizes political subdivision to add additional contractors to specified contracts for disaster recovery services for declared state of emergency; provides requirements for advertising & announcing of new		Identical SB 1456 Disaster Recovery Services Contracts (Thurston, Jr.) - 01/12/2018 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; Rules

SB 1456	Disaster Recovery Services Contracts	Thurston, Jr.	Disaster Recovery Services Contracts; Authorizing a political subdivision, under specified circumstances, to add vendors to a contract or enter into a second contract for debris removal services after a declared state of emergency; providing an exception to competitive bidding and procurement requirements for debris removal service contracts, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Identical HB 1087 Disaster Recovery Services Contracts (Watson (B)
GOT2	Statewide Travel Management System	Government Operations & Technology Appropriations	PCB GOT 18-02 -- Statewide Travel Management System		
Other					
Bill	**Title**	**Sponsor**	**Summary**	**Actions**	**Related Bills**
HB 1305	Florida Orca Protection Act	Moskowitz	Florida Orca Protection Act: Prohibits specified activities relating to orcas; provides exceptions & penalties. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		

SB 170	Rural Economic Development Initiative	Grimsley	Rural Economic Development Initiative; Revising the duties, responsibilities, and membership of the Rural Economic Development Initiative; deleting a provision limiting the number of rural areas of opportunity that		Similar HB 1403 Rural Economic Development Initiative (Avila)
GAC2	Natural Resources	GAC	PCB GAC 18-02 -- Natural Resources		
HB 7063	Natural Resources	Government Accountability Committee	Natural Resources; Revises, creates, & repeals various provisions relating to acquisition, management, & disposition of conservation lands; water supply facilities, public water systems, & domestic wastewater systems; water resource development & capital improvement projects; distribution & use of funds from Florida Forever Trust Fund & Land Acquisition Trust Fund; rural-lands-protection easement programs; reservoir projects; &	2/12/2018 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed 2/13/2018 HOUSE Now in Appropriations Committee	Compare HB 131 Coastal Management (Peters) SB 174 Coastal Management (Hukill) SB 370 Land Acquisition Trust Fund (Bradley) SB 992 C-51 Reservoir Project (Book) HB 1353 Land Acquisition Trust Fund (Beshears)

HB 813	Licensure of Unarmed Security Guards	Willhite	Licensure of Unarmed Security Guards: Authorizes security officer training classes to be offered online; requires DACS to establish reporting requirements for verification of training submission. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Similar SB 1574 Licensure of Unarmed Security Guards (Taddeo) - 01/30/2018 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
SB 1574	Licensure of Unarmed Security Guards	Taddeo	Licensure of Unarmed Security Guards; Authorizing security officer training classes to be offered online under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to establish reporting requirements for verification of training submission, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Similar HB 813 Licensure of Unarmed Security Guards (Willhite) - 01/26/2018 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

HB 5005	Collective Bargaining	Appropriations Committee	Collective Bargaining: 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, 2018		Compare SB 2500 Appropriations (Appropriations) - 02/08/2018 SENATE Read Third Time; Substituted for HB 5001; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 5001 HB 5001 General Appropriations Act (Appropriations Committee) - 02/08/2018 HOUSE In returning messages Similar SB 2504 State Employees (Appropriations) - 02/08/2018 SENATE Read Third Time; Substituted for HB 5005; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 5005
HB 5007	State-Administered Retirement Systems	Appropriations Committee	State-Administered Retirement Systems: Revises required employer retirement contribution rates for members of certain membership classes & subclasses of FRS; provides finding of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	2/9/2018 HOUSE Enrolled Text (ER) Filed	Compare SB 2500 Appropriations (Appropriations) HB 5001 General Appropriations Act (Appropriations Committee) Similar SB 7014 State-administered Retirement Systems (Governmental Oversight and Accountability)

SB 7014	State-administered Retirement Systems	Governmental Oversight and Accountability	State-administered Retirement Systems; Revising required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class and subclass of the Florida Retirement System, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Compare SB 2500 Appropriations (Appropriations) HB 5001 General Appropriations Act (Appropriations Committee) Similar HB 5007 State-Administered Retirement Systems (Appropriations Committee)
HB 5201	Information Technology	Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee	Information Technology: Transfers certain powers & duties of specified sections within AST to DMS by type two transfer; requires DMS to provide AST with financial management oversight; requires DEP to act as lead agency for certain geospatial data responsibilities; revises powers, duties, & functions of AST; requires AST to develop enterprise data inventory; revises provisions relating to state data center; requires state data center & state agencies to show preference for cloud computing solutions & assist customer entities in transitioning to cloud computing services. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	2/15/2018 SENATE Received; Referred to Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations	Compare SB 390 Agency for State Technology (Brandes) SB 2500 Appropriations (Appropriations) HB 5001 General Appropriations Act (Appropriations Committee)

HB 5203	Statewide Travel	Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee	Statewide Travel: Revises certain lodging rates for the purpose of reimbursement to specified employees; authorizes employee to expend his or her own funds for certain lodging expenses; provides DMS rulemaking authority; creates the statewide travel management system; provides system reporting requirements; requires specified entities to use statewide travel management system for certain purposes; requires DMS to make travel information available to public by specified date; provides appropriation & positions; provides statement of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	2/15/2018 SENATE Received; Referred to Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations; Rules	Compare HB 11 Government Accountability (Metz) SB 354 Government Accountability (Stargel) SB 2500 Appropriations (Appropriations) HB 5001 General Appropriations Act (Appropriations Committee)

2018 Legislative Session - State Employee Bills - Week 6
2/15/2018

Sorted by Bill Number

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Summary	Actions (Blank = No Action)	Related Bills
HB 177	State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs	Magar	State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs: Expands eligibility for participation in state group health insurance program & prescription drug coverage program to include water management districts; requires DMS to conduct actuarial analysis to establish premiums. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Compare HB 257 State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs (Porter) Identical SB 364 State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs (Grimsley)
HB 225	Employment Discrimination	Davis	Employment Discrimination: Prohibits employer from taking retaliatory personnel action against employee for evacuating under emergency evacuation order; provides exceptions; provides for remedies, relief, & attorney fees & costs. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Similar SB 1828 Employment Discrimination (Rodriguez (J))
HB 227	Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders	Willhite	Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders: Deletes certain limitations relating to workers' compensation benefits for first responders; provides first responders are entitled to workers' compensation benefits for mental or nervous injuries regardless of whether such injuries are accompanied by physical injuries. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	2/9/2018 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee, 02/13/18, 9:30 am, 17 H 2/13/2018 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays	Compare SB 126 Workers' Compensation for First Responders (Torres, Jr.) SB 376 Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders (Book) HB 629 Workers' Compensation for First Responders (Asencio)
HB 251	Reemployment After Retirement	Clemons (C)	Reemployment After Retirement: Authorizes retiree of FRS to be reemployed under certain circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Identical SB 406 Retirement (Steube)
HB 257	State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs	Porter	State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs: Expands eligibility for participation in state group health insurance program & prescription drug coverage program to include Florida College System institutions; requires DMS to conduct actuarial analysis to establish premiums. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Compare HB 177 State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs (Magar) SB 364 State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs (Grimsley)
SB 280	Telehealth	Bean	Telehealth; Establishing the standard of care for telehealth providers; providing that telehealth providers, under certain circumstances, are not required to research a patients history or conduct physical examinations before providing services through telehealth; providing recordkeeping requirements for telehealth providers, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018	2/9/2018 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, 02/14/18, 4:00 pm, 401 S 2/14/2018 SENATE Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays 2/15/2018 SENATE Now in Appropriations	Similar HB 793 Telehealth (Massullo, Jr.)
SB 364	State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs	Grimsley	State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs; Authorizing a water management district to participate in the state group health insurance program and the prescription drug coverage program upon the affirmative vote of a districts governing board; providing that monthly premium amounts be based on an actuarial analysis conducted by the Department of Management Services; requiring small counties, small municipalities, district school boards, and water management districts participating in the programs to bear the costs of the actuarial analysis, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Compare HB 257 State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs (Porter) Identical HB 177 State Group Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Programs (Magar)

SB 376	Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders	Book	Workers Compensation Benefits for First Responders; Revising the evidentiary standard for demonstrating mental and nervous injuries of first responders; deleting certain limitations relating to workers compensation benefits for first responders; providing that law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics are entitled to benefits under the Workers Compensation Law for mental or nervous injuries, regardless of whether such injuries are accompanied by physical injuries requiring medical treatment, under specified circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2018		Compare SB 126 Workers' Compensation for First Responders (Torres, Jr.) HB 227 Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders (Willhite) HB 629 Workers' Compensation for First Responders (Asencio)
HB 379	Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System	Willhite	Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System: Adds 911 public safety telecommunicators to class; requires such members to have retirement benefits calculated in accordance with provisions for Regular Class members; specifies required employer retirement contribution rates for new membership subclass of 911 public safety telecommunicators; declares that act fulfills important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Similar SB 606 Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System (Steube)
SB 380	Criminal History Records in Applications for Public Employment and Admission to Public Postsecondary Educational Institutions	Clemens (J)	Criminal History Records in Applications for Public Employment and Admission to Public Postsecondary Educational Institutions; Prohibiting a public employer from inquiring into or considering an applicants criminal history on an initial employment application unless required to do so by law; prohibiting public postsecondary educational institutions from inquiring into or considering the criminal history of an applicant seeking admission, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Compare SB 102 Discrimination in Employment Screening (Bracy) HB 433 Discrimination in Employment Screening (Henry) Identical SB 702 Criminal History Records in Applications for Public Employment and Admission to Public Postsecondary Educational Institutions (Farmer, Jr.)
HB 393	Discrimination in Labor and Employment	Berman	Discrimination in Labor and Employment: Creates "Senator Helen Gordon Davis Fair Pay Protection Act"; prohibits employer from providing less favorable employment opportunities to employees based on sex, with exceptions; provides civil penalties & exemption; prohibits employer from taking certain employment actions against employees, engaging in certain activities relating to employee wages & benefits, & requiring employees to sign certain waivers & documents; authorizes employer to confirm wage or salary history under certain conditions. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Similar SB 594 Discrimination in Labor and Employment (Stewart)
SB 406	Retirement	Steube	Retirement; Providing an exception to the reemployment after retirement limitations to authorize a retiree of the Florida Retirement System to be reemployed by an employer under certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Identical HB 251 Reemployment After Retirement (Clemons (C))
HB 517	State Employees' Prescription Drug Program	Magar	State Employees' Prescription Drug Program: Requires DMS to implement formulary management cost-saving measures; provides requirements for such measures; removes provision that prohibits department from implementing restricted prescription drug formulary or prior authorization program in state employees' prescription drug program. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	2/15/2018 SENATE Received; Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations	Compare SB 2500 Appropriations (Appropriations) HB 5001 General Appropriations Act (Appropriations Committee) Similar SB 954 State Employees' Prescription Drug Program (Passidomo)

SB 606	Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System	Steube	Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System; Adding 911 public safety telecommunicators to the class; requiring such members to have their retirement benefits calculated in accordance with provisions applicable to Regular Class members; specifying the required employer retirement contribution rates for the new membership subclass of 911 public safety telecommunicators, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018	Similar HB 379 Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System (Willhite)
HB 615	Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System	Raschein	Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System: Adds certain pilots & registered nurses to Special Risk Class beginning on specified date. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	Similar SB 1778 Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System (Flores)
HB 651	State Employment	Yarborough	State Employment: Repeals provisions relating to Florida State Employees' Charitable Campaign; prohibits organization, entity, or person from intentionally soliciting state employees for fundraising or business purposes within specified areas during specified times; provides exceptions. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	Similar SB 950 State Employment (Mayfield)
HB 665	Retirement	Clemons	Retirement: Specifies minimum amount of the factor used to calculate the cost-of-living adjustment of benefits for certain retirees & beneficiaries of the Florida Retirement System; provides declaration of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	Identical SB 722 Retirement (Garcia)
SB 722	Retirement	Garcia	Retirement; Specifying the minimum amount of the factor used to calculate the cost-of-living adjustment of benefits for certain retirees and beneficiaries of the Florida Retirement System, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018	Identical HB 665 Retirement (Clemons)
HB 793	Telehealth	Massullo, Jr.	Telehealth: Encourages state group health insurance program to offer health insurance plans that include telehealth coverage; authorizes AHCA to pay for certain telehealth services as optional Medicaid services; defines terms; establishes standard of care for telehealth providers; authorizing use of telehealth to perform patient evaluations; provides that telehealth providers, under certain circumstances, are not required to research patient's history or conduct physical exam before providing services; provides situations when use of telehealth is not deemed to be practicing medicine without a license; authorizes certain providers to use telehealth to prescribe specified controlled substances; provides construction; requires DOH to develop & disseminate educational materials to specified licenses; provides recordkeeping requirements; provides patient consent requirements; encourages certain insurers to include services provided through telehealth under certain conditions. Effective Date: July 1, 2018	Similar SB 280 Telehealth (Bean)
SB 950	State Employment	Mayfield	State Employment; Repealing provisions relating to the Florida State Employees Charitable Campaign; prohibiting an organization, an entity, or a person from intentionally soliciting state employees for fundraising or business purposes within specified areas during specified times, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018	Similar HB 651 State Employment (Yarborough)

SB 954	State Employees' Prescription Drug Program	Passidomo	State Employees Prescription Drug Program; Requiring the Department of Management Services to implement formulary management cost-saving measures; removing a provision that prohibits the department from implementing a restricted prescription drug formulary or prior authorization program in the state employees prescription drug program, etc. Effective Date: 1/1/2019	2/9/2018 SENATE Now in Appropriations	Similar HB 517 State Employees' Prescription Drug Program (Magar)
SB 980	Publicly Funded Retirement Programs	Brandes	Publicly Funded Retirement Programs; Revising minimum requirements for actuarial reports for retirement systems or plans subject to part VII of ch. 112, F.S.; requiring the governing body responsible for the retirement system or plan to review the enrolled actuarys statement within a specified timeframe; requiring the unfunded liability of retirement systems or plans established on or after a certain date to be amortized within a specified timeframe, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2018		Identical HB 1363 Publicly Funded Retirement Programs (McClure)
HB 1209	The Florida Retirement System	Asencio	The Florida Retirement System: Revises definition of "normal retirement date"; revises provisions related to early retirement benefit calculation, deferred retirement option program, benefit commencement age, & years of service to conform to changes made by act; provides declaration of important state interest. Effective Date: July 1, 2018		Identical SB 1692 Florida Retirement System (Torres, Jr.)
SB 2504	State Employees	Appropriations	State Employees; Providing for the resolution of collective bargaining issues at impasse between the state and certified bargaining units of state employees, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2018		Compare SB 2500 Appropriations (Appropriations) HB 5001 General Appropriations Act (Appropriations Committee) Similar HB 5005 Collective Bargaining (Appropriations Committee)