



Bills of Interest

2011 Legislative Session

February 19, 2011

HB 0037

Relating to Transportation Funding Rogers

Transportation Funding: Increases percentage of state revenues deposited into State Transportation Trust Fund to be committed by DOT for public transportation projects; directs portion of those revenues to be used for public transit pursuant to specified provisions. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

12/2/2011 HOUSE Filed

1/10/2011 HOUSE Referred to Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee

1/10/2011 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee

SB 0132

Relating to Contamination Notification Joyner

Contamination Notification; Revises contamination notification provisions. Requires the Department of Environmental Protection to provide notice of site rehabilitation to specified entities and certain property owners. Requires the department to verify compliance with notice requirements. Authorizes the department to pursue enforcement measures for noncompliance with notice requirements, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/14/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Environmental Preservation and Conservation, 01/26/11, 8:30 am, 110 S

1/26/2011 SENATE Favorable by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

1/26/2011 SENATE Now in Education Pre-K - 12

HB 0143**Relating to Tax Credits Workman**

Tax Credits: Revises priority of tax credits that may be taken against corporate income tax or franchise tax; redefines term "adjusted federal income" to include amount of certain tax credits; authorizes aerospace-sector jobs tax credits & tuition reimbursement tax credits; defines terms; authorizes tax credit to aerospace businesses based on salary or tuition reimbursed to certain employees; specifies maximum annual amount of tax credits for aerospace business; limits annual amount of tax credits available; prohibits business from claiming aerospace-sector jobs tax credit & tuition reimbursement tax credit for same employee; provides for Department of Revenue to approve applications for tax credits; prohibits increases in amount of unused tax credits carried over in amended tax returns; provides fines & criminal penalties for certain unlawful claims of tax credits; authorizes DOR to adopt rules; provides for expiration of tax credit program; provides for applicability. Effective Date: January 1, 2012, and applies to tax years beginning on or after that date

1/7/2011 HOUSE Filed

1/25/2011 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Committee; Appropriations Committee; Economic Affairs Committee

1/25/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

HB 0147**Relating to Contamination Notification Ahern**

Contamination Notification: Revises contamination notification provisions; requires individuals responsible for site rehabilitation to provide notice of site rehabilitation to specified entities; revises provisions relating to content of such notice; requires DEP to provide notice to specified entities & certain property owners; authorizes DEP to pursue enforcement measures for noncompliance; revises DEP notification requirements for certain public & private schools, child care facilities, & public & private colleges & universities; requires local governments to provide specified notice; authorizes DEP to recover notification costs from responsible parties. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

1/10/2011 HOUSE Filed

1/25/2011 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; Rulemaking & Regulation Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

1/25/2011 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee

SB 0174**Relating to Growth Management Bennett**

Growth Management; Reenacts provisions relating to the definition of "urban service area" and "dense urban land area" for purposes of the Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development Regulation Act. Reenacts provisions relating to certain required and optional elements of a comprehensive plan, concurrency requirements for transportation facilities, a required notice for a new or increased impact fee, the process for adopting a comprehensive plan or plan amendment, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law

1/27/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Oversight and Accountability, 02/08/11, 11:15 am, 110 S

2/8/2011 SENATE Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 12 Yeas, 1 Nay

2/9/2011 SENATE Now in Budget

SB 0176**Relating to Affordable Housing Bennett**

Affordable Housing; Reenacts a specified provision relating to the state allocation pool used to confirm private activity bonds. Reenacts a specified provision relating to lands that are owned by a community land trust and used to provide affordable housing. Reenacts a specified provision relating to a tax exemption provided to organizations that provide low-income housing. Reenacts a specified provision relating to a property exemption for affordable housing owned by a nonprofit entity, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law

1/27/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Oversight and Accountability, 02/08/11, 11:15 am, 110 S

2/8/2011 SENATE Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 12 Yeas, 1 Nay

2/9/2011 SENATE Now in Budget

SB 0232**Relating to Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida Bennett**

Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida; Revises provisions relating to the Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida. Revises the findings and intent to include the necessity for a specific strategic plan addressing the state's growth management system. Revises the planning timeframes to include a 10-year horizon. Requires that the Department of Community Affairs provide a specific line item in its annual legislative budget request to fund the commission during a specified period, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/14/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 01/25/11, 8:30 am, 412 K

1/25/2011 SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays
1/25/2011 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and
Accountability

HB 0239

Relating to Numeric Nutrient Water Quality Criteria Williams (T)

Numeric Nutrient Water Quality Criteria: Prohibits implementation of certain federal numeric nutrient water quality criteria rules by DEP, water management districts, & local governmental entities; authorizes DEP to adopt numeric nutrient water quality criteria for surface waters; provides that certain total maximum daily loads & associated numeric interpretations constitute site specific numeric nutrient water quality criteria; provides for effect, governance, & challenge of such criteria.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011

1/18/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/1/2011 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources
Subcommittee; Federal Affairs Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

2/1/2011 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources
Subcommittee

SB 0264

Relating to Economic Development Ring

Economic Development; Provides legislative purpose to promote the commercialization of certain technologies by startup and early stage companies in this state. Provides for the allocation of financial assistance pursuant to the Micro-Targeted Technology Commercialization Tax Credit Transfer Program as income in this state. Creates the Micro-Targeted Technology Commercialization Tax Credit Transfer Program. Requires that the Institute for the Commercialization of Public Research identify examples of micro-targeted technology and compile a list of the technology for OTTED, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$8,000,000 EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law

12/15/2011 SENATE Filed

12/15/2010 SENATE Withdrawn from further consideration

HB 0287

Relating to Economic Development Eisnaugle

Economic Development: Revises definitions of new business & expansion of existing business; authorizes board of county commissioners of charter county to call & hold referendum to determine whether to grant economic development ad valorem tax exemptions; revises language of ballot questions relating to authority to grant economic development tax exemptions; provides for application of provision limiting calling of another referendum within certain time period; specifies additional information that

must be included in written application requesting adoption of ordinance granting economic development ad valorem tax exemption; specifies factors for board of county commissioners or governing authority of municipality to consider when deciding whether to approve or reject applications for economic development tax exemptions; provides legislative intent; limits allowable duration of economic development tax exemption granted by county or municipal ordinance; authorizes written tax exemption agreements consistent with act upon approval of tax exemption application; specifies that written tax agreement must require applicant to report certain information at specific time before expiration of exemption; authorizes board of county commissioners or governing authority of municipality to revoke, in whole or in part, exemption under certain circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/1/2011 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Committee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/1/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

2/16/2011 Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/18/11, 9:00am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0355

Relating to Property Taxation O'Toole

Property Taxation: Tolls statute of limitations relating to proceedings involving tax lien certificates or tax deeds by period of intervening bankruptcy; revises, updates, & consolidates provisions of law relating to tax collections, sales, & liens; revises provisions relating to applications for tax deeds; authorizes tax collector to charge fee to cover costs for electronic tax deed programs or services; authorizes tax collector to charge county fee for tax deed applications; authorizes tax collectors to issue certificates of correction to tax rolls & outstanding delinquent taxes for uncollectable personal property accounts; provides authorization & requirements for purchase of county-held tax certificates; repeals provisions relating to destruction of 20-year-old tax receipts & deferrals of tax payments. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

1/24/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/7/2011 HOUSE Referred to Finance & Tax Committee; Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Finance & Tax Committee

HB 0379

Relating to Small Municipalities Clemens

Small Municipalities: Defines term "municipality of special financial concern"; requires state land planning agency to grant waiver from

requirements relating to updating capital improvements element of comprehensive plan & amendments updating regional water supply plan to certain municipal applicants who meet specified criteria; requires state land planning agency to grant waiver of requirements to certain municipal applicants who meet specified criteria; revises amount of municipal revenues or expenditures & expenses that require municipality to complete financial audit of its accounts & records. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

1/24/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/7/2011 HOUSE Referred to Community & Military Affairs

Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Community & Military Affairs

Subcommittee

HB 0389

Relating to Surface Water Improvement and Management Plans and Programs Glorioso

Surface Water Improvement and Management Plans and Programs: Requires water management districts to establish permitting programs for urban redevelopment projects located in specified redevelopment areas; provides for development of stormwater adaptive management plans to address water quantity discharge for such redevelopment areas; provides for certain discharge rates in such redevelopment areas; requires stormwater discharges in such redevelopment areas to meet state water quality standards; provides water quality criteria for such discharges.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011

1/25/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/7/2011 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources

Subcommittee; Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

2/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources

Subcommittee

SB 0390

Relating to Homestead Property Assessed Value Flores

Homestead Property Assessed Value; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to prohibit increases in the assessed value of homestead property if the just value of the property decreases and provide an effective date.

2/9/2011 Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/11/11, 9:30 am, 301 C(No Votes Will Be Taken)

2/9/2011 SENATE Now in Budget

2/16/2011 Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/18/11, 9:00am, 117 K

HB 0397**Relating to Economic Development Ray**

Economic Development: Creates Commercialization Credit Transfer Program; provides legislative findings; authorizes DOR to share certain confidential information with OTTED; adds certified credits to list of credits available against state corporate income tax; redefines term "adjusted federal income" in relation to net operating losses transferred & payments received for certified credit; provides for allocation of financial assistance as income in this state; provides purpose, intent, goals, & objectives; provides definitions; requires OTTED to certify eligible companies for transfer of corporate income tax net operating loss amounts as certified credits; provides qualifications & application process & requirements; requires application fee; provides for application deadline; requires OTTED to grant or deny application within specified time after receiving completed application; provides for calculating certified credit amount; provides maximum amount that may be transferred; provides penalty; requires certified company to file annual report with OTTED; requires OTTED to create annual report; requires OTTED to adopt rules; authorizes DOR to adopt rules; provides appropriations; provides future repeal of program. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

1/25/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/7/2011 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Rulemaking & Regulation Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Committee; Appropriations Committee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

SB 0410**Relating to Impact Fees Bennett**

Impact Fees; Reenacts a provision relating to the burden of proof required by the government in an action challenging an impact fee. Provides for retroactive operation of the act. Provides for an exception under specified circumstances. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law, and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2009

1/27/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 02/08/11, 2:00 pm, 412 K

2/8/2011 SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

2/9/2011 SENATE Now in Judiciary

HB 0421**Relating to Agricultural-related Exemptions to Water Management Requirements Bembry**

Agricultural-related Exemptions to Water Management Requirements: Revises exemption for agricultural-related activities to

include certain impacts to surface waters & wetlands & provides retroactive application; provides exclusive authority to DACS to determine whether certain activities qualify for agricultural-related exemption under specified conditions; requires memorandum of agreement between DACS & water management districts; provides exemption from mitigation requirements for converted agricultural lands under certain conditions; revises definition of term "agricultural activities" to include cultivating, fallowing, & leveling & to provide for certain impacts to surface waters & wetlands. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/7/2011 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; Rulemaking & Regulation Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

2/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee

2/15/2011 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee, 02/22/11, 1:00 pm, 102 H

HB 0447

Relating to Green Job Creation Williams (A)

Green Job Creation: Provides definitions & definitional criteria that qualify jobs for green job corporate tax credits; provides tax credits against corporate income tax for creation of qualifying green jobs; specifies amount of tax credit allowed for each green job created & maximum number of jobs for which taxpayer may claim credit; limits availability of green job tax credits to specified period of tax years; provides for carryover of tax credit; restricts taxpayer from taking more than one tax credit for same job under certain circumstances; disqualifies jobs transferred from one location to another from tax credit eligibility; requires AWI to establish Green Collar Job Council; provides membership & duties & responsibilities of council; provides for annual reports of council. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

1/25/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/7/2011 HOUSE Referred to Energy & Utilities Subcommittee; Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Committee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

2/7/2011 HOUSE Now in Energy & Utilities Subcommittee

SB 0468

Relating to Community Redevelopment Bullard (L)

Community Redevelopment; Expands the definition of the term "blighted area" to include land previously used as a military facility.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/19/2011 SENATE Filed

1/25/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Budget

SB 0478

Relating to Property Taxation Thrasher

Property Taxation; Tolls the statute of limitations relating to proceedings involving tax lien certificates or tax deeds during the period of an intervening bankruptcy. Revises, updates, and consolidates provisions of ch. 197, F.S., relating to definitions, tax collectors, lien of taxes, returns and assessments, unpaid or omitted taxes, discounts, interest rates, Department of Revenue responsibilities, tax bills, judicial sales, prepayment of taxes, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/19/2011 SENATE Filed

1/25/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Budget

2/10/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 02/21/11, 1:45 pm, 412 K

SB 0506

Relating to Economic Development Bogdanoff

Economic Development; Authorizes the board of county commissioners of a charter county to call and hold a referendum to determine whether to grant economic development ad valorem tax exemptions. Revises the language of ballot questions relating to the authority to grant economic development tax exemptions. Provides for application of a provision limiting the calling of another referendum within a certain time period, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/25/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Commerce and Tourism; Budget

2/10/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 02/21/11, 1:45 pm, 412 K

2/16/2011 Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/18/11, 9:00am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

SB 0552

Relating to Transportation Corporations Hays

Transportation Corporations; Removes provisions that provide for nonprofit corporations to act on behalf of the Department of Transportation to secure and obtain rights-of-way for transportation systems and to assist in the planning and design of such systems. Removes a provision for audits of transportation corporations by the Auditor General, to conform; providing an effective date, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/25/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Budget

2/14/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Transportation,
02/22/11, 1:00 pm, 37 S

HB 0613

Relating to Domestic Wastewater Discharged through Ocean Outfalls Trujillo

Domestic Wastewater Discharged through Ocean Outfalls: Postpones dates by which domestic wastewater facilities must meet more stringent treatment & management requirements; provides exceptions & alternatives. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/4/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/16/2011 HOUSE Referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

2/16/2011 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee

SB 0616

Relating to Ad Valorem Taxes/Maximum Amount Evers

Ad Valorem Taxes/Maximum Amount; Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to limit the maximum amount of ad valorem taxes that may be collected on a parcel of real property.

1/26/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Budget; Rules

SB 0620

Relating to Enterprise Program Development Zones Garcia (R)

Enterprise Program Development Zones; Cites this act as the "Urban Job Creation Investment Act." Creates the Urban Investment Job Creation Authority. Specifies the duties of the authority to include specifying enterprise program zone boundaries, reviewing applications from businesses to become eligible for certain tax benefits, reviewing proposed projects for eligibility to receive funding from a local enterprise program zone development corporation, and conducting studies and filing reports, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/26/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Budget

2/16/2011 Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/18/11, 9:00am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0637**Relating to Local Option Fuel Taxes Clemens**

Local Option Fuel Taxes: Revises definition of "transportation expenditures" for purposes of specified provisions that restrict use of local option fuel tax funds by counties & municipalities. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/7/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0639**Relating to Affordable Housing Aubuchon**

Affordable Housing: Provides housing finance authority with additional purpose for which it may exercise power to borrow; revises provisions relating to local comprehensive plans to authorize inclusion of element for affordable housing for certain seniors; provides for disposition of real property by local government for certain purposes; revises allocation of certain proceeds distributed from excise tax on documents that are paid into State Treasury to credit of State Housing Trust Fund; includes needs of persons with special needs in state housing strategy's periodic review & report; authorizes DCA Secretary to designate senior-level agency employee to serve on board of directors of FHFC; provides for appointment of inspector general of FHFC; requires certain rates of interest to be made available to sponsors of projects for persons with special needs; provides & revises powers of FHFC; limits reservation of funds within each notice of fund availability to persons with special needs tenant group; includes persons with special needs as tenant group for specified purposes of State Apartment Incentive Loan Program; revises & provides criteria to be used by specified review committee for competitive ranking of applications for such program; prohibits funds from State Housing Trust Fund or Local Government Housing Trust Fund that are appropriated for specified programs from being used for certain purposes. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/7/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0641**Relating to Contaminated Site Rehabilitation Tax Credit Mayfield**

Contaminated Site Rehabilitation Tax Credit: Increases annual cap amount for contaminated site rehabilitation tax credit. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/7/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0649**Relating to Water Management Districts Pilon**

Water Management Districts: Revises provisions relating to membership of basin boards; provides that basin board members

designated by district governing board chairs are voting members, counted for quorum purposes, & basin board chairs & co-chairs; authorizes basin boards to transact official business if vacancy occurs; exempts cooperative funding programs from certain rulemaking requirements; authorizes local governments to adopt & implement ordinances relating to landscape irrigation restrictions; revises requirements for expenditure of funds provided pursuant to Water Protection & Sustainability Program & authorizes Suwannee River Water Management District to use such funds for additional purposes. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/8/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0651

Relating to Reuse of Reclaimed Water Pilon

Reuse of Reclaimed Water: Provides requirements for water management districts in evaluating applications for the consumptive use of water in mandatory reuse zones. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/8/2011 HOUSE Filed

2/16/2011 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

SB 0658

Relating to Homestead/Nonhomestead Property Fasano

Homestead/Nonhomestead Property; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to prohibit increases in the assessed value of homestead property if the fair market value of the property decreases, reduce the limitation on annual assessment increases applicable to nonhomestead real property, provide an additional homestead exemption for owners of homestead property who have not owned homestead property for a specified time before purchase of the current homestead property, etc.

1/27/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Budget; Rules

2/16/2011 Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/18/11, 9:00am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0669

Relating to Enterprise Zones Workman

Enterprise Zones: Authorizes City of Palm Bay to apply to OTTED for designation of enterprise zone; provides application deadline; provides requirements for area of enterprise zone; requires OTTED to establish effective date of enterprise zone. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/8/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0671**Relating to Research and Development Tax Credits Workman**

Research and Development Tax Credits: Revises legislative intent to include research & development tax credit in ordered list according to which credits against corporate income tax or franchise tax are applied; provides research & development tax credit of specified amount for application by business enterprise against corporate income tax or franchise tax; provides limitation on amount of research & development tax credit that may be applied by business enterprise against tax liability in taxable year; authorizes carryforward of tax credit for specified period; authorizes sale or assignment of credit to another business enterprise; limits total amount of research & development tax credit available annually to all business enterprises; provides for filing of applications for granting & approval of tax credit by DOR; provides for priority in granting tax credit; authorizes department to adopt rules. Effective Date: July 1, 2011, and is effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2012

2/8/2011 HOUSE Filed

SB 0672**Relating to Uniform Traffic Control Garcia (R)**

Uniform Traffic Control; Repeals a provision relating to the regulation of the use of cameras to enforce traffic laws being expressly preempted to the state. Repeals a provision relating to the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Program, a program to install and operate a system of traffic infraction detectors at red light intersections. Removes the provisions relating to the training and duties of traffic infraction enforcement officers, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/27/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Budget

HB 0701**Relating to Property Rights Eisnaugle**

Property Rights: Shortens notice period for certain actions; provides for state land planning agency to receive notice of claims; revises procedures for determining governmental entity's final decision identifying allowable uses for property; provides that enactment of law or adoption of regulation does not constitute applying law or regulation; provides factor that may be considered in determining whether inordinate burden has been imposed on real property; provides for waiver of sovereign immunity for liability; provides for prospective application. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/10/2011 HOUSE Filed

SB 0724**Relating to Cellular Telephone Use Bullard (L)**

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

1/31/201 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Budget

HB 0725**Relating to Enterprise Zones Perman**

Enterprise Zones: Authorizes certain governing bodies to apply to OTTED to amend boundary of enterprise zone that includes rural area of critical economic concern; provides limitation; authorizes OTTED to approve amendment application subject to certain requirements; requires that OTTED establish effective date of certain enterprise zones; authorizes Martin County to apply to OTTED for designation of enterprise zone; provides application requirements; authorizes OTTED to designate enterprise zone in Martin County; provides responsibilities of OTTED.

Effective Date: January 1, 2012

2/14/201 HOUSE Filed

HB 0757**Relating to Affordable Housing Nehr**

Affordable Housing: Provides legislative intent; provides additional purposes for which state apartment incentive loans may be used; specifies percentage of State Apartment Incentive Loan funding to be awarded as subordinate loan financing for new construction of affordable rental housing developments; provides eligibility & application requirements; provides duties of Florida Housing Development Corporation. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/15/201 HOUSE Filed

SB 0774**Relating to Economic Development Ring**

Economic Development; Creates the Commercialization Credit Transfer Program. Provides legislative findings that it is in the state's interest to promote the commercialization of products and services developed by technology companies. Authorizes the Department of Revenue to share certain confidential information with the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development (OTTED). Requires the OTTED to certify eligible companies for the transfer of corporate income tax net operating loss amounts as certified credits, etc. APPROPRIATION:

Indeterminate EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/3/2011 SENATE Filed
2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Banking
and Insurance; Budget

HB 0775

Relating to Economic Development Bernard

Economic Development: Establishes Economic Gardening Business Loan Program & Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Program as permanent programs; revises conditions under which loan agreements may provide borrowers with flexibility in meeting projected number of jobs; revises method for calculating servicing fee payable to loan administrator; deletes requirement that certain funds be deposited in General Revenue Fund; provides for use of funds; deletes obsolete provision authorizing adoption of initial emergency rules; deletes provision prohibiting award of new loans after specified date; deletes provision for reversion of certain unexpended appropriations; deletes provisions for future repeal of loan program; revises date upon which Office of Tourism, Trade, & Economic Development must begin to submit annual reports to Governor & Legislature on loan program & technical assistance program; provides for retroactive application of provisions revising loan program. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/16/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0781

Relating to Neighborhood Improvement Districts Soto

Neighborhood Improvement Districts: Provides & revises provisions relating to neighborhood improvement districts, including creation & funding of safe districts, powers & duties of municipalities & counties, requirements, bonds & assessments, governing bodies, board of directors; property owners' associations, state grants, special neighborhood improvement districts, community redevelopment neighborhood improvement districts, powers of local governing bodies, & ad valorem tax on real or personal property; repeals provisions relating to crime prevention through community policing innovations, safe neighborhoods program, duties of Department of Legal Affairs, neighborhood improvement district inside enterprise zone, effect & construction of existing laws, state redevelopment programs, safe neighborhood districts, Neighborhood Preservation & Enhancement Program, & Neighborhood Councils & local government designated agency. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/16/2011 HOUSE Filed

SB 0790

Relating to Tax Credits Altman

Tax Credits; Revises the priority of tax credits that may be taken

against the corporate income tax or the franchise tax. Authorizes aerospace-sector jobs tax credits and tuition reimbursement tax credits. Authorizes a tax credit to aerospace businesses based on the salary or tuition reimbursed to certain employees. Specifies the maximum annual amount of tax credits for an aerospace business. Provides fines and criminal penalties for certain unlawful claims of tax credits, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2012

2/3/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Budget

SB 0808

Relating to Homestead Exemption/Senior Citizens Diaz de la Portilla
Homestead Exemption/Senior Citizens; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to authorize counties to exempt the homesteads of eligible senior citizens from increases in ad valorem taxation.

2/3/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Budget

SB 0816

Relating to Enterprise Program Development Zones Flores

Enterprise Program Development Zones; Designates the act as the "Urban Job Creation Investment Act." Creates the Urban Investment Job Creation Authority. Specifies the duties of the authority to include specifying enterprise program zone boundaries, reviewing applications from businesses to become eligible for certain tax benefits, reviewing proposed projects for eligibility to receive funding from a local enterprise program zone development corporation, and conducting studies and filing reports, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/4/2011 SENATE Filed

2/9/2011 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Budget

2/16/2011 Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 02/18/11, 9:00am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0817

Relating to Taxi Operators Harrison

Taxi Operators: Authorizes governmental units that regulate operation of taxis to create private property right in license to operate taxi; provides for transfer of such property right. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/17/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0827**Relating to Use of Public Moneys and Property Costello**

Use of Public Moneys and Property: Prohibits use of public funds for certain purposes benefiting professional sports team; provides exceptions; provides for ad valorem taxation of property owned by governmental entity if property is used by private entity for nonexempt purpose. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/17/2011 HOUSE Filed

HB 0833**Relating to Traffic Safety Slosberg**

Traffic Safety: Creates Minor Traffic Safety Act; prohibits use of handheld cellular telephones & other electronic communications devices by drivers under 18 years of age & persons driving school buses; provides for voluntary checkoff on driver's license applications to permit contributions to AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety; requires DHSMV to issue distinctive placard when issuing or reissuing driver's license to person under certain age; requires such person to display placard at all times while operating motor vehicle; restricts number of certain passengers permitted in vehicle operated by person under certain age. Effective Date: October 1, 2011

2/18/2011 HOUSE Filed

SB 0842**Relating to Tax Credits/Rehabilitation of Contaminated Sites****Latvala**

Tax Credits/Rehabilitation of Contaminated Sites; Increases the annual amount of tax credits available for the rehabilitation of contaminated sites. Increases the annual amount of tax credits available for the cleanup of sites contaminated with drycleaning solvents and the cleanup of certain brownfield sites. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/7/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Budget

SB 0872**Relating to Enterprise Zones Negron**

Enterprise Zones; Authorizes certain governing bodies to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundary of an enterprise zone that includes a rural area of critical economic concern. Authorizes the office to approve the amendment application subject to certain requirements. Requires that the office establish the effective date of certain enterprise zones. Authorizes Martin County to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of an enterprise zone, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE:

January 1, 2012

2/8/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Budget

SB 0882

Relating to Water Management Districts Detert

Water Management Districts; Revises provisions relating to the membership of basin boards. Specifies the terms of service for basin board members designated by district governing board chairs. Provides that basin board members designated by district governing board chairs are voting members and counted for quorum purposes. Provides for designated district governing board members to serve as basin board chairs and co-chairs. Provides that a quorum of remaining members may conduct business if there is a vacancy on the board, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/8/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Budget

SB 0884

Relating to Taxi Operators Latvala

Taxi Operators; Authorizes governmental units that regulate the operation of taxis to create a private property right in the license to operate a taxi. Provides for the transfer of such property right. Provides definitions. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/8/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability

SB 0912

Relating to Affordable Housing Bennett

Affordable Housing; Requires the inspector general to prepare an annual report. Provides a housing finance authority with an additional purpose for which it may exercise its power to borrow. Revises provisions relating to the elements of local comprehensive plans to authorize the inclusion of an element for affordable housing for certain seniors. Revises the allocation of certain proceeds distributed from the excise tax on documents that are paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Housing Trust Fund, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/9/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Budget

SB 0934**Relating to Surface Water Improvement and Management Storms**

Surface Water Improvement and Management; Requires water management districts to establish permitting programs for urban redevelopment projects located in specified redevelopment areas. Provides for the development of stormwater adaptive management plans to address water quantity discharge for such redevelopment areas. Provides for certain discharge rates in such redevelopment areas. Requires stormwater discharges in such redevelopment areas to meet state water quality standards. Provides water quality criteria for such discharges. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/9/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; Budget

SB 0942**Relating to Tax Credits For Research And Development Bogdanoff**

Tax Credits For Research and Development; Provides a tax credit for certain research and development expenses. Provides eligibility requirements for research and development tax credits. Provides limitations regarding eligibility. Provides an amount for such credit. Provides a maximum amount of credit that may be taken during a single tax year by a business enterprise. Prohibits the Department of Revenue from unreasonably withholding approval to sell or transfer an unused tax credit amount, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/9/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Budget

SB 0950**Relating to Water And Wastewater Utilities Bennett**

Water and Wastewater Utilities; Provides for recovery through a quarterly surcharge of certain costs relating to water and wastewater system improvement projects. Defines a "non-revenue producing project." Requires utilities to submit surcharge tariffs reflecting the surcharge calculation for recovery of such costs to the Florida Public Service Commission for approval and to provide specified notice of such surcharge tariff filings, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/10/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Budget

SB 0958**Relating to State Revenue Limitation Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax**

State Revenue Limitation; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to replace the existing state revenue limitation with a new state revenue limitation based on inflation and population changes.

2/17/2011 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Now in Budget

2/17/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Budget, 02/23/11, 9:00 am, 412 K

SB 0976

Relating to Capital Formation for Infrastructure Projects

Bogdanoff

Capital Formation for Infrastructure Projects; Provides for creation of the Florida Infrastructure Fund Partnership. Provides the partnership's purpose and duties. Provides for management of the partnership by the Florida Opportunity Fund. Authorizes the fund to lend moneys to the partnership. Authorizes the partnership to invest in certain infrastructure projects. Creates the Florida Infrastructure Investment Trust. Provides for the trust's issuance of certificates to investment partners who invest in the partnership, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/10/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Budget

SB 0998

Relating to Property Rights Simmons

Property Rights; Shortens a notice period for certain actions. Provides for the state land planning agency to receive notice of claims. Revises procedures for determining a governmental entity's final decision identifying the allowable uses for a property. Provides that enactment of a law or adoption of a regulation does not constitute applying the law or regulation. Provides for a waiver of sovereign immunity for liability. Provides for prospective application, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/10/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Budget

SB 1010

Relating to Neighborhood Improvement Districts Simmons

Neighborhood Improvement Districts; Revises the short title to become the "Neighborhoods Improvement Act." Authorizes the governing body of any municipality or county to form a neighborhood improvement district through the adoption of an ordinance rather than by a planning ordinance. Removes provisions pertaining to the creation and funding of safe neighborhood districts. Revises provisions authorizing a local

governing body to create a local government neighborhood improvement district, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/11/2011 SENATE Filed

2/17/2011 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary;
Budget

SB 1084

Relating to Enterprise Zones Altman

Enterprise Zones; Authorizes the City of Palm Bay to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of an enterprise zone. Provides an application deadline. Provides requirements for the area of the enterprise zone. Requires the office to establish the effective date of the enterprise zone. EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2012

2/15/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1090

Relating to Numeric Nutrient Water Quality Criteria Dean

Numeric Nutrient Water Quality Criteria; Prohibits the Department of Environmental Protection, the water management districts, and other governmental entities from implementing federal rules relating to numeric nutrient water quality criteria. Provides that the prohibition does not limit a water management district or a state, regional, or local governmental entity from applying for a pollution discharge permit or complying with the permit or from implementing certain practices or measures, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/15/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1122

Relating to Growth Management Bennett

Growth Management; Extends the deadline for a local government to comply with the financial feasibility requirement for the capital improvements element of its comprehensive plan. Expands future land use categories to require the consideration of compatibility with adjacent lands, the preservation of recreational and commercial working waterfronts, public schools, and future municipal incorporation. Deletes consideration of future planned industrial use, based on certain criteria. Eliminates certain criteria specific to coastal counties, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/15/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1174

Relating to Exemptions to Water Management Requirements

Siplin

Exemptions to Water Management Requirements; Revises an

exemption for agricultural-related activities to include certain impacts to surface waters and wetlands. Provides for retroactive application of the exemption. Provides exclusive authority to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to determine whether certain activities qualify for an agricultural-related exemption under specified conditions. Requires a specified memorandum of agreement between the department and each water management district. Authorizes the department to adopt rules, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/16/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1180

Relating to Transportation Latvala

Transportation; Provides that the Florida Statewide Passenger Rail Commission has the primary and exclusive authority to monitor certain designated functions related to passenger rail systems. Removes from the Florida Transportation Commission the responsibility and duty to monitor the efficiency, productivity, and management of all publicly funded passenger rail systems in the state, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/17/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1182

Relating to State Board of Administration Ring

State Board of Administration; Authorizes the board to invest the assets of a governmental entity in the Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund without a trust agreement with that governmental entity. Provides that certain investments made by the board under a trust agreement are subject only to the restrictions and limitations contained in the trust agreement. Corrects cross-references. Clarifies provisions prohibiting certain conflicts of interest by investment advisers and managers retained by the board. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/17/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1184

Relating to Economic Development Siplin

Economic Development; Establishes the Economic Gardening Business Loan Program and the Economic Gardening Technical Assistance Program as permanent programs. Revises conditions under which loan agreements may provide borrowers with flexibility in meeting the projected number of jobs. Deletes a requirement that certain funds be deposited in the General Revenue Fund. Revises the date upon which the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development must begin to submit annual reports to the Governor and Legislature on the loan program and technical assistance program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/17/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1198

Relating to Communications Services Tax Bogdanoff

Communications Services Tax; Provides for a rounding algorithm. Allows dealers to compute the tax using the rounding algorithm for certain aggregated state and local taxes. Provides for retroactive application. Clarifies that the act does not provide for an assessment of any tax not paid or create a right to a refund of any tax paid before a date certain. Conforms a cross-reference. EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2011

2/17/2011 SENATE Filed

SB 1224

Relating to Corporate Tax Credits for Spaceflight Projects Altman

Corporate Tax Credits for Spaceflight Projects; Authorizes the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to administer corporate income tax credits for spaceflight projects. Authorizes the Department of Revenue to share information relating to corporate income tax credits for spaceflight projects with the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. Authorizes a certified spaceflight business to take or transfer corporate income tax credits related to spaceflight projects carried out in this state, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon becoming a law

2/18/2011 SENATE Filed

HB 4001

Relating to Growth Policy Diaz

Growth Policy: Repeals Urban Infill & Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/2/2011 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Community & Military Affairs, 02/09/11, 1:00 pm, 17 H

2/9/2011 HOUSE Favorable by Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 1 Nay

2/10/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

HB 4029

Relating to Transportation Corporations Horner

Transportation Corporations: Repeals Florida Transportation Corporation Act to remove provisions that provide for nonprofit corporations to act on behalf of DOT to secure & obtain rights-of-way for transportation systems & to assist in planning & design of such systems; removes provision for audits of such corporations by Auditor General to conform. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/1/2011 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee, 02/08/11, 1:15 pm, 306 H

2/8/2011 HOUSE Favorable by Transportation & Highway Safety;
14 Yeas, 0 Nays
2/8/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

HB 4077

Relating to Transportation Corridors Dorworth

Transportation Corridors: Removes provisions that specify certain transportation facilities as statewide transportation corridors. Effective Date: July 1, 2011

2/1/2011 HOUSE Referred to Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee

2/1/2011 HOUSE Now in Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee

2/15/2011 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee, 02/22/11, 1:30 PM, 306 H

HB 7001

Relating to Growth Management Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee

Growth Management: Reenacts provisions of law relating to growth management, portions of which were amended, created, or repealed by ch. 2009-96, Laws of Florida; provides for retroactive operation with respect to such portions. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

1/27/2011 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB CMA1)

1/31/2011 HOUSE Referred to Economic Affairs Committee

1/31/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

HB 7003

Relating to Affordable Housing Community & Military Affairs Subcommittee

Affordable Housing: Reenacts provisions of law relating to affordable housing, portions of which were amended, created, or repealed by ch. 2009-96, Laws of Florida; provides for retroactive operation with respect to such portions. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

1/27/2011 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB CMA2)

1/31/2011 HOUSE Referred to Economic Affairs Committee

1/31/2011 HOUSE Now in Economic Affairs Committee

SB 7050

Relating to State Government Revenue Limitation Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax

State Government Revenue Limitation; Proposes amendments to the State Constitution to replace the existing state revenue limitation with a new state revenue limitation based on inflation and population changes.

1/31/2011 SENATE On Committee agenda - Budget Subcommittee
on Finance and Tax, 02/10/11, 8:30 am, 301 S

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