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UNITED WAY OF FLORIDA 2009 BILL BRIEFS

Below are the United Way of Florida's *Bill Briefs*. They are descriptions of bills that the United Way of Florida is monitoring, supporting or opposing, working on, or playing a lead advocacy role on. They are bills of interest to United Ways, United Way agencies, and to people interested in the spectrum of human services.

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2009 BILL BRIEFS

[HB 0001](#)

Relating to Safety Belt Law Enforcement

Glorioso

Safety Belt Law Enforcement: Creates Dori Slosberg & Katie Marchetti Safety Belt Law; deletes provision exempting certain passengers from using safety belt; provides safety belt exemption for motor vehicles not required to be equipped with safety belts under federal law; deletes requirement for enforcement of Florida Safety Belt Law as secondary action. Effective Date: June 30, 2009

3/13/2009 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council

[HB 0025](#)

Relating to Distribution of Proceeds from Excise Taxes on Documents

Saunders

Distribution of Proceeds from Excise Taxes on Documents: Removes a limitation on amount of proceeds which may be deposited into State Housing Trust Fund on or after specified date. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

12/30/2008 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development Policy Committee; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Finance & Tax Council; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development

[HB 0033](#)

Relating to Childhood Vaccinations

Ambler

Childhood Vaccinations: Requires health care providers disclose information about childhood vaccinations to minor's parent or legal guardian before minor's vaccination; requires DOH to develop standardized form; prohibits health care provider from administering vaccination until minor's parent or guardian signs form; requires parent or legal guardian to sign form within certain time; requires certain health care providers to provide information about childhood vaccines to pregnant patients; requires DOH to create & maintain website. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/23/2009 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Health Care Regulation Policy Committee, 03/25/09, 2:30 pm, 212 K

[HB 0065](#)

Relating to Department of Elder Affairs

Pafford

Department of Elder Affairs: Proposes amendment to s. 12, Art. IV of State Constitution to redesignate Department of Elderly Affairs as Department of Elder Affairs. Effective Date: Not Specified

3/18/2009 HOUSE Favorable by Elder & Family Services Policy Committee; 6 Yeas, 1 Nay

[SB 0076](#)

Relating to Juvenile Records

Wilson

Juvenile Records [SPSC]; Requires each clerk of court to submit information concerning juvenile arrest records to the Department of Law Enforcement. Revises the criteria for disseminating criminal justice information. Provides for agents of the Department of Juvenile Justice to administer oaths and affirmations. Requires that fingerprints and photographs be taken from certain juveniles for use in investigating other violations of law, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

- SB 0082** **Relating to Compulsory School Attendance/Age Requirement** Wilson
 Compulsory School Attendance/Age Requirement [SPSC]; Changes the ending age for mandatory school attendance from 16 to 18 years of age. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations
- SB 0084** **Relating to Juveniles/Sentencing** Wilson
 Juveniles/Sentencing [SPSC]; Authorizes the court to sentence a juvenile using juvenile sanctions, adult sanctions, or a blend of juvenile and adult sanctions. Requires the Department of Juvenile Justice to file a written report with the court if the department believes that the child's sanction is inappropriate. Authorizes the court to place the child on probation. Authorizes the court to order that the child attain appropriate educational goals, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2009.
 12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations
- HB 0089** **Relating to Autism** Precourt
 Autism: Requires physician to refer minor to appropriate specialist for screening for autism spectrum disorder under certain circumstances; defines terms "appropriate specialist" & "neurophysiologist." Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 3/20/2009 HOUSE Committee Substitute (C1) Text Filed; Now in Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee
- HB 0095** **Relating to Breast Cancer Treatment** Clarke-Reed
 Breast Cancer Treatment: Designates act as "Mary B. Hooks Act"; includes lymph node dissections under provisions prescribing length of hospital stay relating to mastectomies & outpatient postsurgical follow up care that specified health insurers & health maintenance organizations must cover. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 12/30/2008 HOUSE Referred to Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; General Government Policy Council; Government Operations Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care
- SB 0096** **Relating to Minority Cancer Awareness Week** Wilson
 Minority Cancer Awareness Week; Recognizes the week of April 12-18, 2009, as "Minority Cancer Awareness Week" in the State of Florida.
 12/2/2008 SENATE Filed
- SB 0100** **Relating to Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program** Wilson
 Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program [SPSC]; Revises the number of instructional hours that are required for a school-year prekindergarten program delivered by a private kindergarten provider and by a public school. Revises the number of instructional hours that are required in order for a student in a school-year prekindergarten program delivered by a public school or a private prekindergarten provider to be considered a full-time equivalent student in the Voluntary Pre-K Education Program. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 0108** **Relating to Restraints/Use During Juvenile Proceedings** Wilson
 Restraints/Use During Juvenile Proceedings [SPSC]; Prohibits the use of instruments of restraint on a child during court proceedings or elsewhere in a courthouse. Provides specified exceptions. Requires the Department of Juvenile Justice to comply with the Protective Action Response policy whenever mechanical restraints are used, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations
- HB 0117** **Relating to Emergency Management** Schwartz
 Emergency Management: Creates pt. V, ch. 252, F.S., the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act; provides applicability; provides for regulation of specified health services by Division of Emergency Management of DCA, in cooperation with DOH, AHCA, & Board of Veterinary Medicine, while emergency declaration is in effect; provides requirements with respect to volunteer health practitioner registration systems & provides procedures therefore; authorizes specified volunteer health practitioners who are licensed outside the state to practice in this state; provides limitations with respect to protections afforded under the act; defines terms; provides that the act does not affect specified credentialing or privileging standards of a health facility; provides for regulation, modification, & restriction of volunteer health & veterinary services under the act; provides for imposition of administrative sanctions; provides for relation of the act to other laws; authorizes DOEM, DOH, AHCA, & Board of Veterinary Medicine to adopt rules; provides limitations on civil liability; provides for vicarious liability; provides for workers' compensation coverage under the act & provides duties & responsibilities of DOEM, DOH, AHCA, & Board of Veterinary Medicine with respect thereto. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 12/30/2008 HOUSE Referred to Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee; Civil Justice & Courts Policy Committee; Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development

- SB 0122** **Relating to Exceptional Students with a Disability** Constantine
 Exceptional Students with a Disability [SPSC]; Requires the Department of Children and Family Services, the Agency for Health Care Administration, and residential facilities licensed by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to notify certain school districts following the placement of an exceptional student in a private residential care facility. Requires review of the student's individual educational plan. Provides for determining responsibility for educational instruction, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations
- SB 0126** **Relating to Children and Vulnerable Adults/Records** Dockery
 Children and Vulnerable Adults/Records [SPSC]; Requires that the case file of a child under the supervision or in the custody of the DCFS be maintained in a complete and accurate manner. Specifies who has access to the case file and records in the file. Limits the public records exemption provided for reports relating to adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation to personally identifying information in the reports, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 3/20/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, 03/25/09, 10:15 am, 401 S
- SB 0128** **Relating to Major Disasters/Cash, Food and Shelter Assistance** Bullard (L)
 Major Disasters/Cash, Food and Shelter Assistance [SPSC]; Requires the DCFS, to the extent permitted by federal law, to expedite application procedures for persons who reside in an area damaged by a major disaster and who apply for temporary cash assistance. Authorizes the Governor to employ such measures and give such directions to certain specified agencies as are necessary for the purpose of addressing the needs for immediate cash, shelter, or food assistance, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Military Affairs and Domestic Security; Health and Human Services Appropriations
- HB 0131** **Relating to Federal Funding for Home Health Services for Elders** Pafford
 Federal Funding for Home Health Services for Elders: Urges Congress to support federally funded and state-funded home & community-based services for individuals with disabilities of any age, especially elders. Effective Date: Not Specified
 3/23/2009 HOUSE On Council agenda - Health & Family Services Policy Council, 03/25/09, 1:00 pm, 212 K
- SB 0134** **Relating to Bicycle Safety** Bullard (L)
 Bicycle Safety [CPSC]; Revises safety standard requirements for bicycle helmets that must be worn by certain riders and passengers. Provides for enforcement of requirements for bicycle lighting equipment. Provides penalties for violations. Provides for dismissal of the charge following a first offense. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2009.
 12/31/2008 SENATE Withdrawn from Transportation; Criminal Justice; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Withdrawn prior to introduction
- SB 0146** **Relating to School Entry Requirements/Swimming Life Skills** Bullard (L)
 School Entry Requirements/Swimming Life Skills [SPSC]; Requires children who enter public or private schools in the state to present evidence of having completed a class in swimming life skills conducted by a certified instructor. Provides for certain exemptions from the requirement, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations
- HB 0147** **Relating to Coverage for Mental and Nervous Disorders** Homan
 Coverage for Mental and Nervous Disorders: Revises requirements & limitations for optional coverage for mental & nervous disorders; repeals provisions relating to optional coverage required for substance abuse impaired persons. Effective Date: January 1, 2010, and shall apply to policies and contracts issued or renewed on or after that date
 1/22/2009 HOUSE Referred to Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; General Government Policy Council; Government Operations Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care
- HB 0157** **Relating to Service Learning in the Public School System** Kriseman
 Service Learning in the Public School System: Requires DOE to encourage school districts to initiate, adopt, expand, & institutionalize service-learning programs, activities, & policies in K-12; provides for department assistance to school districts that elect to implement service-learning activities; requires development & adoption of service-learning courses; authorizes service-learning activities to count toward graduation & academic awards. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 3/23/2009 HOUSE On Council agenda - Education Policy Council, 03/25/09, 3:00 pm, 17 H
- HB 0161** **Relating to Affordable Housing** Aubuchon

Affordable Housing: Revises & provides provisions relating to affordable housing; provides Florida Housing Finance Corporation with certain powers & limitations; requires corporation to adopt rules; revises provisions relating to comprehensive plan amendments; requires certain governmental entities to develop & implement strategies & procedures designed to increase affordable housing opportunities for certain young adults; provides requirements for local housing assistance plans; reenacts & amends provisions relating to qualification for awards from local housing assistance trust funds; provides for retroactive operation; revises criteria that applies to awards made for purpose of providing eligible housing; authorizes & limits percentage of funds from local housing distribution that may be used for manufactured housing; authorizes counties & certain municipalities to award grant funds under certain conditions; provides for repayment of funds by local housing assistance trust fund; revises appointments to local affordable housing advisory committee; repeals provisions relating to state administration of funds remaining in Local Government Housing Trust Fund; revises district school board powers & duties in relation to use of land for affordable housing in certain areas for certain personnel. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/24/2009 HOUSE Committee Substitute (C1) Text Filed; Now in Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council

HB 0173 **Relating to Juvenile Justice**

Adams

Juvenile Justice: Permits retention of jurisdiction over child & parent or guardian ordered to pay court costs & fees; authorizes conditions of preadjudicatory release for certain children; permits child to be taken into custody for violations of preadjudicatory release conditions; provides that detention care under specified provision does not require risk assessment; provides for certain kinds of care prior to hearing in certain circumstances; requires compliance with preadjudicatory release conditions; revises provisions relating to detention care; permits parent or guardian of child to be held in contempt if he or she fails to bring or otherwise prevents child from appearing; revises provisions relating to recommendations by probation officers concerning placement & treatment; specifies that court has power to determine appropriate dispositions; requires that reasons for disposition be stated; permits child to be detained in facility other than consequence unit for certain violations if one is unavailable; permits each county to create juvenile crime prevention fund & provides for additional court cost. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/19/2009 HOUSE Favorable by Criminal & Civil Justice Appropriations Committee; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

SB 0174 **Relating to Infectious Disease Testing/Juvenile Centers**

Wilson

Infectious Disease Testing/Juvenile Centers [SPSC]; Requires each juvenile assessment center or juvenile detention facility to have a written procedure regarding the testing of juveniles for infectious diseases. Requires the DJJ to designate certain counties, if approved by the county's governing body, to participate in a program to test each juvenile for HIV who is referred to or who is under the supervision of the department, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Health Regulation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

SB 0182 **Relating to Internet Sexual Solicitation of Youth**

Wilson

Internet Sexual Solicitation of Youth; Encourages the education of parents and children regarding the dangers of sexual solicitation and the abuse of youth.

3/23/2009 SENATE Adopted by Publication

HB 0185 **Relating to Access to Health Care**

Hudson

Access to Health Care: Expands membership of board of directors of Florida Healthy Kids Corporation; specifies provider arrangement contract prohibitions or restrictions; prohibits prepaid limited health service organizations from requiring specified contract continuation or renewal conditions; provides for voiding of certain contracts; provides for absence of liability for specified criminal penalties; provides for application to health maintenance organizations of prohibition against requiring specified contract continuation or renewal conditions; revises time requirements for health care practitioner's waiver of license renewal fees & continuing education requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/24/2009 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar for 03/26/09

SB 0190 **Relating to School-based Health Centers**

Wilson

School-based Health Centers [SPSC]; Defines the term "school-based health center" for purposes of the School Health Services Act. Provides that such a center is a health care entity acting as an instrumentality of the state for purposes of certain limitations on liability. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Education Pre-K - 12; Judiciary; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

SB 0192 **Relating to Infant Eye Care/Mandatory Examinations**

Wilson

Infant Eye Care/Mandatory Examinations [SPSC]; Requires certain eye examinations for all infants born in hospitals in the state. Revises an exception to the applicability of certain requirements concerning infant eye care. Clarifies the application of a penalty. Provides that coverage for children under health insurance policies and health maintenance organization contracts must include certain eye examinations for infants and children. Provides for application, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Banking and Insurance; Community Affairs; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

SB 0194 **Relating to School-entry Requirements/Vision Examinations** Wilson
School-entry Requirements/Vision Examinations [SPSC]; Requires children who enter public or private schools in the state to present evidence of having received a comprehensive vision examination. Requires the imposition of a fee on the retail sale of nonprescription eyeglasses. Provides for the fee to be used by the DOH to assist parents in paying for school-entry comprehensive vision examinations. Requires rules for eligibility for and the distribution of funds, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009 except as otherwise provided.

12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Health Regulation; Finance and Tax; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

HB 0195 **Relating to Public Employees' Charitable Campaigns** Rouson
Public Employees' Charitable Campaigns: Creates Florida Public Employees' Charitable Campaign for public employers residing within identified geographic areas, excluding state & federal employees; requires certain public employers to conduct charitable campaign as sole fundraising drive conducted during work hours; provides for public employee payroll deductions & workplace campaign activities; requires all campaign contributions to be voluntary; provides criteria for application & withdrawal from campaign; provides that participation must be limited to certain not-for-profit charitable federations & member agencies; excludes certain charitable organizations from participation; provides for selection of fiscal agent; authorizes specified percentage of gross receipts to be withheld to pay costs of public employer & fiscal agent; provides for distribution of contributions. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

1/22/2009 HOUSE Referred to Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee; Governmental Affairs Policy Committee; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Government Operations Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

SB 0196 **Relating to School Wellness and Physical Education Policies** Wilson
School Wellness and Physical Education Policies [SPSC]; Revises each school district's requirement for reviewing its wellness and physical education policies. Provides specific guidelines for a school district's wellness and physical education policies with regard to nutrition education, physical activity, school-based activities, and nutritional guidelines for food and beverages sold or served on campus, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Health Regulation; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

HB 0203 **Relating to Basic Rights** Brisé
Basic Rights: Proposes amendment to s. 2, Art. I of State Constitution to eliminate authority granted to Legislature by constitutional amendment that at time of adoption in 1926 allowed Legislature to regulate or eliminate real property rights of individuals based on race or national origin, so that, as amended, Florida Constitution will state that all natural persons are equal before law & have an inalienable right to acquire, possess, & protect property, without exception. Effective Date: Not Specified

2/25/2009 HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice & Courts Policy Committee; Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council; Policy Council; Rules & Calendar Council

HB 0205 **Relating to Mortgage Foreclosure Diversion Pilot Programs** Kreegel
Mortgage Foreclosure Diversion Pilot Programs: Authorizes each judicial circuit to establish mortgage foreclosure diversion pilot program; provides for applicable rules of practice & procedure; requires that when such program exists, conciliation conference must be held before foreclosure order may issue in proceeding concerning owner-occupied residential property; prescribes time period for such conference; specifies items included in order for such conference; provides for person to preside; specifies issues that must be addressed; specifies consequences if defendant fails to attend; provides for termination of pilot programs; provides intent concerning construction of provisions with regard to constitutional prerogatives of judiciary. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

1/22/2009 HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice & Courts Policy Committee; Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council; Criminal & Civil Justice Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

HB 0211 **Relating to Child Abduction Prevention** Schwartz
Child Abduction Prevention: Creates Uniform Child Abduction Prevention Act; authorizes court to order abduction prevention measures; authorizes state attorney to take custody of child under certain circumstances; provides for jurisdiction & temporary emergency jurisdiction for filing petition seeking child abduction prevention measures; authorizes court to impose conditions on exercise of custody & visitation; provides for cooperation between courts & preservation of records; provides for applicability of federal Electronic Signatures in Global & National Commerce Act. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

2/16/2009 HOUSE Removed from Civil Justice & Courts Policy Committee meeting agenda; 02/17/09, 8:30 am; Withdrawn prior to introduction

SB 0212 **Relating to Electronic Wireless Communications Use/Driving** Baker
Electronic Wireless Communications/Driving [CPSC]; Prohibits certain persons from using an electronic wireless

communications device while operating a motor vehicle. Provides for enforcement and penalties. Provides for a point assessment against the driver's license. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

SB 0214 **Relating to Hurricane Preparedness/Sales Tax Exemption** Baker
Hurricane Preparedness/Sales Tax Exemption [GPSC]; Provides an exemption from the sales and use tax for sales of certain tangible personal property for a certain period. Provides an exception for sales within a public lodging establishment, theme park, entertainment complex, or airport. Authorizes the Department of Revenue to adopt rules. APPROPRIATION: \$311,183. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
3/11/2009 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 03/14/09, 9:00 a.m., 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

SB 0218 **Relating to Homeless/Employment/Corporate Income Tax Credit** Ring
Homeless/Employment/Corporate Income Tax Credit [CPSC]; Specifies the order for applying the tax credit for employment of the homeless. Provides a tax credit for a corporation that hires a homeless person residing in a transitional housing facility. Specifies the information that must be provided to the DOR when applying for the credit. Provides penalties for fraudulently claiming the tax credit. Limits the total amount of tax credits that may be granted per taxable year, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/19/2009 ----- Removed from the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference meeting agenda; 03/20/09, 10:00 a.m.; Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 03/21/09, 10:00 a.m., 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

SB 0220 **Relating to Public Schools/Human Sexuality Education** Deutch
Public Schools/Human Sexuality Education [SPSC]; Creates the "Florida Healthy Teens Act." Requires public schools that provide certain information or programs to students concerning human sexuality to provide information that meets specified criteria. Provides a process to review compliance with such requirement. Authorizes parents and guardians to seek review of a school's compliance, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Regulation; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

HB 0229 **Relating to Low-Income & Moderate-Income Homeowners** Braynon
Low-Income & Moderate-Income Homeowners: Authorizes counties to establish fund for providing no-interest loans to assist low-income & moderate-income homeowners in paying homeowners' insurance premiums; authorizes governing authority of county to levy surtaxes on building-related permits to finance assistance fund; limits amount families may receive from fund in any year; requires loans to be repaid if homestead is sold or refinanced; requires proceeds from refinancing or selling homestead to be deposited back into fund; provides ordinance requirements; specifies amount of surtaxes; limits uses of fund; provides for program to be adopted initially by governing authority of specified constitutional charter counties & for later adoption in remaining counties of state. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
2/6/2009 HOUSE Referred to Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee; Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Finance & Tax Council

HB 0239 **Relating to Programs For Autism and Related Disabilities** Glorioso
Programs For Autism and Related Disabilities: Creates Autism license plate; establishes annual use fee for plate; provides for distribution of use fees received from sale of such plates; requires retention of specified contribution proceeds to offset implementation costs; requires application form for motor vehicle registration & renewal of registration to include language permitting voluntary contribution to Autism License Plate Fund; requires application form for driver's license or duplicate thereof to include language permitting voluntary contribution to Autism License Plate Fund. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/17/2009 HOUSE Referenced to Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Committee added; Remaining references: Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council, Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Committee, Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; Now in Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council

SB 0242 **Relating to Autism Spectrum Disorder Screening/Minors** Ring
Autism Spectrum Disorder Screening/Minors [SPSC]; Requires that a physician refer a minor to an appropriate specialist for screening for autism spectrum disorder under certain circumstances. Defines the terms "appropriate specialist" and "neuropsychologist." EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE Now in Health Regulation

SB 0254 **Relating to School Food Service Programs** Siplin
School Food Service Programs [SPSC]; Creates the Florida Farm Fresh Schools Program within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Requires the department to work with the Department of Education to recommend policies and rules to the State Board of Education relating to school food services which encourage schools and school districts in this state to buy fresh and local food, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

- SB 0260** **Relating to Alzheimer's Disease** Wise
Alzheimer's Disease [SPSC]; Directs the Department of Elderly Affairs to develop and implement a public education program relating to screening for Alzheimer's disease. Requires grant recipients to submit an evaluation of certain activities to the department. Authorizes the department to provide technical support. Requires an annual report to the Legislature. Requires the department to conduct or support a study on memory-impairment screening, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/17/2009 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations
- HB 0267** **Relating to Affordable Housing** Fitzgerald
Affordable Housing: Provides for assessing property receiving low-income housing tax credit; defines term "community land trust"; provides for assessment of structural improvements, condominium parcels, & cooperative parcels on land owned by community land trust & used to provide affordable housing; provides for conveyance of structural improvements, condominium parcels, & cooperative parcels subject to specified conditions; specifies criteria to be used in arriving at just valuation of structural improvement, condominium parcel, or cooperative parcel. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/23/2009 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Economic Development Policy Committee, 03/25/09, 8:30 am, 17 H
- SB 0268** **Relating to Public K-12 Health Education/Human Sexuality** Ring
Public K-12 Health Education/Human Sexuality [SPSC]; Amends a provision relating to health education. Deletes provisions that require schools to teach abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage as the expected standard for all school-age students as part of instruction in human sexuality. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Health Regulation
- SB 0278** **Relating to Charter Schools** Gaetz
Charter Schools [SPSC]; Provides that a charter technical career center is subject to certain requirements in a financial emergency. Provides for the development of a financial recovery plan, which may be approved by the Commissioner of Education. Provides for duties of a charter school sponsor and governing board if a charter school or charter technical career center experiences a deteriorating financial condition or is in a financial emergency, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
2/5/2009 SENATE Committee Substitute (C1) Text Filed; Now in Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations
- SB 0280** **Relating to Electric Utilities/Farms** Bullard (L)
Electric Utilities/Farms [EPSC]; Requires that an electric utility provide on-demand rates to a single-entity farm that has multiple meters and produces food, fiber, or timber. Requires that the electric utility provide for conjunctive billing. Prohibits the electric utility from imposing a customer service charge for each of the farm's meters. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
12/31/2008 SENATE Withdrawn from Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Agriculture; Finance and Tax; Withdrawn prior to introduction
- HB 0305** **Relating to Adult Guardianship** Schwartz
Adult Guardianship: Creates "Uniform Adult Guardianship & Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act"; provides for applicability; provides for interstate communication & cooperation; provides duties of courts regarding appointing guardians or issuing protective orders; authorizes court to assess specified fees, costs, & expenses; provides requirements for proceedings conducted in more than one state; provides conditions for transfer of or acceptance of guardianship or conservatorship to or from another state; provides time limit on modification of guardianship or conservatorship; requires court to recognize guardianship & conservatorship orders from other states; provides for applicability of federal Electronic Signatures in Global & National Commerce Act. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
2/24/2009 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction
- SB 0308** **Relating to Childhood Vaccinations** Ring
Childhood Vaccinations [SPSC]; Requires that health care providers disclose information about childhood vaccinations to a minor's parent or legal guardian before vaccinating the minor. Requires the DOH to develop a standardized form. Prohibits a provider from administering a vaccination to a minor until after the minor's parent or guardian signs the form. Requires certain health care providers to provide information about childhood vaccines to patients who are pregnant, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health and Human Services Appropriations
- SB 0314** **Relating to Basic Rights** Sobel
Basic Rights [SPSC]; Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to eliminate authority granted to the Legislature by a constitutional amendment that at the time of its adoption in 1926 allowed the Legislature to regulate or eliminate the real property rights of individuals based on race or national origin, etc.

3/11/2009 SENATE Favorable by Military Affairs and Domestic Security Committee; 7 Yeas, 1 Nay; Now in Rules

- SB 0318** **Relating to Criminal Usury Laws/Discriminatory Language** Sobel
Criminal Usury Laws/Discriminatory Language [CPSC]; Removes the term "shylocking" from certain provisions of state law relating to loan sharking. Deletes the terms "shylock" and "shylocking" from the definitions of "loan shark" and "loan sharking," respectively, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/24/2009 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays)
- SB 0330** **Relating to School Nurse Services** Wilson
School Health Services [SPSC]; Cites this act as the "One School, One Nurse Act." Provides legislative intent and purpose relating to public-private partnerships for the provision of school nurse services. Provides duties of the DOH and the DOE. Provides a process for a community to submit a proposal to receive matching funds. Provides for the scope of services to be provided. Provides review and selection criteria. Provides legislative intent relating to funding the act. APPROPRIATION: \$75,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Education Pre-K - 12; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 0334** **Relating to State Housing Trust Fund** Wilson
State Housing Trust Fund [EPSC]; Revises provisions governing the distribution of a portion of the proceeds of the excise tax on documents to the State Housing Trust Fund. Provides for the annual appropriation of a portion of the taxes distributed to the State Housing Trust Fund for specified uses conforming to the purposes for which the fund was created. APPROPRIATION: Indeterminate. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 0338** **Relating to Kidcare Outreach Program Study/Uninsured Children** Wilson
Kidcare Outreach Program Study/Uninsured Children [SPSC]; Requires the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to perform a study of the outreach efforts of the Kidcare program. Provides requirements for the study. Requires a report to the Legislature by a specified date. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
12/17/2008 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 0344** **Relating to Dori Slosberg and Katie Marchetti Safety Belt Law** Rich
Dori Slosberg and Katie Marchetti Safety Belt Law [CPSC]; Creates the Dori Slosberg and Katie Marchetti Safety Belt Law. Deletes a provision exempting passengers in a pickup truck from the requirement to use a safety belt. Provides an exemption for certain vehicles from provisions of state law relating to the use of safety belts. Deletes a requirement for enforcement of the Florida Safety Belt Law as a secondary action. EFFECTIVE DATE: 06/30/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE Now in Judiciary
- SB 0348** **Relating to Medicaid Buy-in Program/Persons with Disabilities** Crist
Medicaid Buy-in Program/Persons with Disabilities [SPSC]; Requires the Secretary of Health Care Administration, the Secretary of Children and Family Services, the Executive Director of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, and the Director of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to convene a workgroup to plan for a Medicaid Buy-in Program for Persons with Disabilities. Requires a report to the Legislature. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/23/2009 SENATE Reference to Health and Human Services Appropriations removed; Remaining reference: Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means; Now in Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 0354** **Relating to Mental and Nervous Disorders/Health Insurance** Crist
Mental and Nervous Disorders/Health Insurance [CPSC]; Revises requirements and limitations for optional coverage for mental and nervous disorders. Specifies nonapplication under certain circumstances. Conforms a cross-reference. Repeals a specified provision relating to optional coverage required for substance abuse impaired persons. Provides for application. EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/2010.
3/19/2009 SENATE Committee Substitute (C1) Text Filed; Now in Health Regulation
- HB 0357** **Relating to Child Safety Devices** Steinberg
Child Safety Devices: Provides child-restraint requirements for children 4 through 7 years of age; revises equipment requirements for vessel safety. Effective Date: October 1, 2009
2/6/2009 HOUSE Referred to Roads, Bridges & Ports Policy Committee; Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Policy Council
- HB 0373** **Relating to Hurricane Preparedness** Workman
Hurricane Preparedness: Provides exemption from sales & use tax for sales of specified tangible personal property for specified period; provides exception for sales within public lodging establishments, theme parks, entertainment complexes, or airports; provides appropriation. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

3/11/2009 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference;
03/14/09, 9:00 a.m., 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

SB 0374 **Relating to Affordable Housing** Bennett
Affordable Housing [EPSC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to affordable housing. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/15/2009 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Commerce; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules

HB 0377 **Relating to Use of an Electronic Wireless Communications Device While Driving** Holder
Use of an Electronic Wireless Communications Device While Driving: Prohibits operation of moving motor vehicle while reading, manually writing or typing, or sending message on electronic wireless communications device. Effective Date: October 1, 2009
2/6/2009 HOUSE Referred to Roads, Bridges & Ports Policy Committee; Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council

SB 0378 **Relating to Affordable Housing** Bennett
Affordable Housing [EPSC]; Expresses the legislative intent to revise laws relating to affordable housing. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
1/15/2009 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Commerce; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules

HB 0381 **Relating to Care of Children** Thompson (N)
Care of Children: Creates "Zahid Jones, Jr., Give Grandparents & Other Relatives a Voice Act"; provides for DCFS to analyze certain unaccepted reports to central abuse hotline; requires information to be provided to reporter; expands access to certain confidential reports of child abuse or neglect to include physicians, psychologists, & mental health professionals; provides conditions for relative to be collateral contact in certain child protective investigations; provides for relative to request notice of proceedings & hearings & to speak to court relating to certain children; provides for preservation in department records of certain photographs & medical information; designates first Sunday after Labor Day as Grandparents' & Family Caregivers' Day; authorizes Governor to issue proclamations commemorating occasion. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/19/2009 HOUSE Now in Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

SB 0390 **Relating to Public School Dress Requirements** Siplin
Public School Dress Requirements [SPSC]; Prohibits a student from exposing below-waist underwear in a specified manner while on the grounds of a public school. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
1/15/2009 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Judiciary

HB 0397 **Relating to Prohibited Discrimination** Skidmore
Prohibited Discrimination: Prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, pregnancy, familial status, & marital status; defines terms; conforms terminology. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
1/15/2009 HOUSE Filed

SB 0406 **Relating to School Safety/Zero Tolerance** Sobel
School Safety/Zero Tolerance [SPSC]; Revises a provision relating to a policy of zero tolerance to include the victimization of teachers and other school personnel. Clarifies a provision that requires students who have committed certain felony offenses to be expelled. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
1/15/2009 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

HB 0431 **Relating to Medicaid Coverage for Myotubular Myopathy** Renuart
Medicaid Coverage for Myotubular Myopathy: Requires AHCA to develop model home & community-based services waiver to provide services to persons diagnosed as having myotubular myopathy; requires agency to seek approval for federal waiver & to implement waiver under certain conditions; authorizes agency to adopt rules. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
2/6/2009 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; Health & Family Services Policy Council; Health Care Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

SB 0434 **Relating to Domestic Violence/Injunction for Protection** Fasano
Domestic Violence/Injunction for Protection [SPSC]; Adds circumstances that violate an injunction for protection

against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/20/2009 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Criminal Justice Estimating Impact Conference; 03/23/09, 9:00 a.m., 301 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

SB 0450

Relating to Service-learning Programs/Grades K-12

Fasano

Service-learning Programs/Grades K-12 [SPSC]; Requires that the DOE encourage school districts to initiate, adopt, expand, and institutionalize service-learning programs, activities, and policies in kindergarten through grade 12. Requires that the DOE assist a school district that elects to implement service-learning activities. Provides that course-based, service-learning activities may be counted toward high school graduation or academic award requirements, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

1/15/2009 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

HB 0453

Relating to Tax Credits for Contributions to Nonprofit Scholarship-funding Organizations

Weatherford

Tax Credits for Contributions to Nonprofit Scholarship-funding Organizations: Provides that credit authorized under Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program does not apply to credit for Florida alternative minimum tax; expands & renames Corporate Income Tax Credit Scholarship Program to include insurance premium tax credits; revises credits for contributions to nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations; provides that taxpayer eligible to receive credit against insurance premium tax is not eligible to receive credit against corporate income tax; imposes additional requirement upon DOE; specifies school district tax credit scholarship notification requirements & limitations; provides for credits against insurance premium tax for contributions to specified eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/19/2009 ----- Removed from the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference meeting agenda; 03/20/09, 10:00 a.m.; Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 03/21/09, 10:00 a.m., 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0487

Relating to Prekindergarten Education

Long

Prekindergarten Education: Requires that Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program instructors meet certain educational goals by specified period of time. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

2/25/2009 HOUSE Referred to PreK-12 Policy Committee; Education Policy Council; PreK-12 Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development

HB 0501

Relating to Early Learning

Evers

Early Learning: Transfers powers, duties, & functions of early learning coalitions to AWI; requires AWI to adopt schedule for transfers, subject to legislative notice & review; abolishes early learning coalitions upon transfer; requires AWI to reclaim state records, property, & funds from early learning coalitions; directs AWI to administer school readiness program & Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; authorizes AWI to enter into contracts for administering programs; deletes or updates obsolete references to repealed early learning programs; provides conforming changes to transfers; abolishes Florida Early Learning Advisory Council; repeals subsidized child care program case management program & subsidized child care transportation program. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

2/13/2009 HOUSE Referred to PreK-12 Policy Committee; Education Policy Council; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development

SB 0506

Relating to Employee Free Choice Act

Hill

Employee Free Choice Act [CPSC]; Urges the Congress of the United States to enact the Employee Free Choice Act, which contains provisions allowing employees to form unions by signing cards authorizing union representation. Establishes stronger penalties for violation of employee rights when workers seek to form a union and during first-contract negotiations. Provides for mediation and arbitration of first-contract disputes, etc.

1/15/2009 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules

SB 0512

Relating to Child Abuse/False Reports

Hill

Child Abuse/False Reports [SPSC]; Requires a child to be returned to a parent or guardian within 3 days following a determination that an order for shelter care was based on a false report of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/15/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Health and Human Services Appropriations

HB 0547

Relating to Tax Refund Loans or Checks

Randolph

Tax Refund Loans or Checks: Creates "Tax Refund Anticipation Loan Act"; requires persons engaged in providing refund anticipation loans or checks to comply with specified requirements; requires facilitators of refund anticipation loans or checks to disclose specified information; prescribes how that information must be displayed; requires facilitators to disclose specified information in applications for refund anticipation loans or checks; prescribes how that information must be displayed; requires facilitators to provide specified information orally to applicants for refund anticipation loans or checks; provides activities that are prohibited when transacting refund anticipation loans or

checks; provides cap on amount of interest that can be charged on refund anticipation loans; requires refund anticipation loan & check marketing & advertising efforts to include specified disclosures; provides remedies. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/3/2009 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

- SB 0548** **Relating to Department of Elder Affairs** Sobel
Department of Elder Affairs [SPSC]; Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to redesignate the Department of Elderly Affairs as the Department of Elder Affairs.
1/23/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Rules
- HB 0589** **Relating to Alzheimer's Disease** Schwartz
Alzheimer's Disease: Directs Department of Elderly Affairs to develop & implement public education program relating to screening for Alzheimer's disease; requires grant recipients to submit evaluation of certain activities to department; authorizes department to provide technical support; requires reports to Legislature; provides that grant program is not contingent on appropriation; requires department to conduct or support study on memory impairment screening.
Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/23/2009 HOUSE Now in Health & Family Services Policy Council; On Council agenda - Health & Family Services Policy Council, 03/25/09, 1:00 pm, 212 K
- SB 0596** **Relating to Residential Tenancies/Violence** Rich
Residential Tenancies/Violence [SPSC]; Prohibits landlords from discriminating against or retaliating against victims of domestic violence, dating violence, repeat violence, or sexual violence. Authorizes certain victims to terminate a rental agreement before the end of the rental period. Requires a landlord to change a lock or authorize the tenant to change a lock under certain circumstances. Provides a landlord with immunity for certain actions, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
1/23/2009 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary
- HB 0597** **Relating to Homelessness** Reed
Homelessness: Establishes homelessness prevention grant program; requires grant applicants to be ranked competitively & provides preference for certain applicants; provides eligibility requirements & grant limitations & restrictions; requires lead agencies for local homeless assistance continuum of care to track, monitor, & report on assisted families for specified period of time; provides that voluntary contributions for homeless are not income of revenue nature for purpose of applying certain service charges; increases & revises membership on Council on Homelessness; removes member from obsolete organization; corrects name of member organization on council; revises date of annual report; creates Housing First program; provides legislative findings & intent; provides methodology; provides program components; provides school attendance exemption & school certification of school-entry health examination exemption for certain children in foster care; repeals provision relating to emergency assistance program for families with children that have lost shelter or face loss of shelter due to emergency. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/23/2009 HOUSE On Council agenda - Health & Family Services Policy Council, 03/25/09, 1:00 pm, 212 K
- SB 0602** **Relating to Prekindergarten Instructors/Credentials** Fasano
Prekindergarten Instructors/Credentials [SPSC]; Provides legislative findings. Requires that prekindergarten instructors meet certain educational goals by a specified period. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
1/23/2009 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 0642** **Relating to Autism Programs and Related Disabilities** Altman
Autism Programs and Related Disabilities [CPSC]; Creates an Autism license plate. Establishes an annual use fee for the plate. Provides for the distribution of use fees received from the sale of such plates. Requires the application form for motor vehicle registration, renewal of registration, and driver's license or duplicate to include language permitting a voluntary contribution to the Autism License Plate Fund. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/20/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Transportation Committee, 03/25/09, 8:00 am, 37 S
- SB 0654** **Relating to Juvenile Justice** Dean
Juvenile Justice [SPSC]; Authorizes a court to retain jurisdiction over a child and the child's parent or guardian until the costs, fees, and costs associated with court-appointed counsel are satisfied. Authorizes the court to set reasonable conditions of preadjudicatory release for children charged with specified acts or who have previously been charged with or committed delinquent acts. Provides additional rounds for placement of a child in secure detention care, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
1/23/2009 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations
- SB 0666** **Relating to Senior Services/Independent Special District** Rich
Senior Services/Independent Special District [EPSC]; Authorizes a county to create an independent special district by

ordinance to provide funding for services for seniors. Requires approval by a majority vote of electors to annually levy ad valorem taxes. Creates a governing council for the district. Requires the council to prepare a tentative annual budget and to compute a millage rate to fund the tentative budget. Provides legislative intent with respect to the use of funds collected, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/20/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, 03/25/09, 10:15 am, 401 S

SB 0702 Relating to Health Care Access

Gaetz

Health Care Access [SPSC]; Expands the membership of the board of directors of the Florida Healthy Kids Corporation. Specifies certain provider arrangement contract prohibitions or restrictions. Prohibits prepaid limited health service organizations from specifying certain contract continuation or renewal conditions. Provides for application to HMOs of the prohibition against specifying certain contract continuation or renewal conditions, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/12/2009 SENATE Favorable by Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays; Placed on Calendar, on second reading

SB 0726 Relating to Homeless Housing Assistance Grants

Smith

Homeless Housing Assistance Grants [SPSC]; Authorizes the agencies that provide a local homeless assistance continuum of care to use homeless housing assistance grants, provided by the State Office on Homelessness within the Department of Children and Family Services, to acquire transitional or permanent housing units for homeless persons. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

1/23/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

SB 0738 Relating to Limitation on Amount of Combined Ad Valorem Taxes

Bennett

Limitation on Amount of Combined Ad Valorem Taxes [WPSC]; Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to limit the total aggregate ad valorem taxes levied by counties, municipalities, school districts, and special districts on any parcel of real property to 1.35 percent of the highest taxable value of the property. Requires the Legislature to provide by general law for distribution of revenues collected on parcels that exceed the 1.35-percent limitation, etc.

3/19/2009 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax

HB 0745 Relating to Prepaid Services for Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities

Ford

Prepaid Services for Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities: Creates Prepaid Services for Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities Study Group to evaluate creation of prepaid service plan for children with disabilities; provides for membership; provides for organizational support; provides for duties of study group; provides for per diem & travel expenses for members; requires study group to present final report to Legislature. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/19/2009 HOUSE Now in Human Services Appropriations Committee

SB 0746 Relating to DOEA/Direct Support Organization

Fasano

DOEA/Direct Support Organization [SPSC]; Authorizes the DOEA to create a direct-support organization. Requires the organization to operate under a contract. Provides contract requirements. Requires the Secretary of Elderly Affairs to approve of any transaction or agreement between the department's direct-support organization and any other direct-support organization. Requires the direct-support organization to submit certain forms from the Internal Revenue Service to the DOEA, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

2/18/2009 SENATE Favorable by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability

HB 0747 Relating to Direct-Support Organizations

Anderson

Direct-Support Organizations: Authorizes DOEA to create direct-support organization; requires organization to operate under contract; provides contract requirements; requires Secretary of Elderly Affairs to approve any transaction or agreement between DOEA's direct-support organization & any other direct-support organization; requires direct-support organization to submit certain forms from IRS to DOEA; requires annual audit. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/17/2009 HOUSE Now in Governmental Affairs Policy Committee

SB 0748 Relating to OGSR/Children's Services Council or Related Entity

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Committee

OGSR/Children's Services Council or Related Entity [SPSC]; Repeals a specified provision relating to a public records exemption for personal identifying information held by a children's services council or related entity. Saves the exemption from repeal under the OGSR Act. Deletes provisions providing for repeal of the exemption. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2009.

3/23/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee, 03/26/09, 8:30 am, 110 S

HB 0761 Relating to Senior Services

Skidmore

Senior Services: Authorizes counties to create by ordinance independent special district to provide funding for services for seniors; requires approval of electors to annually levy ad valorem taxes; requires district to comply with statutory requirements related to filing of financial or compliance reports; provides for dissolution of district; creates district governing council; specifies criteria for council membership; provides for terms; requires council to serve without compensation; specifies council powers & functions; specifies council duties & responsibilities; authorizes two or more councils to enter into cooperative agreements; requires council to prepare tentative annual budget & compute millage rate to fund tentative budget; requires all tax moneys collected to be paid directly to council by county tax collector & deposited into qualified public depositories; specifies expenditures of funds; requires council to prepare & file quarterly financial reports to county governing body; authorizes county governing body to fund council budget from its own funds after or during council's first year of operation; prohibits council from requiring specified matching funds; provides legislative intent with respect to use of funds collected by council. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/4/2009 HOUSE Referred to Military & Local Affairs Policy; Elder & Family Services Policy; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Finance & Tax Council

HB 0767 **Relating to Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services** Fitzgerald

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services: Authorizes AHCA to license facilities that provide services as integrated adult mental health crisis stabilization units & addictions receiving facilities; provides eligibility criteria for treatment services; requires DCFS to adopt rules. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/23/2009 HOUSE On Council agenda - Health & Family Services Policy Council, 03/25/09, 1:00 pm, 212 K

SB 0770 **Relating to Area Agencies on Aging** Fasano

Area Agencies on Aging [SPSC]; Revises provisions relating to the Department of Elderly Affairs. Deletes references to the boards of area agencies on aging. Extends the period of designation as a lead agency. Requires that each area agency on aging, rather than the department, develop request for proposals for a community care for the elderly lead agency, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/23/2009 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability

HB 0779 **Relating to Domestic Violence** Jones (M)

Domestic Violence: Provides that respondent may be ordered, as part of domestic violence injunction, to surrender any weapon or weapons; provides requirements for such order; provides for consequences of failure to comply with such order. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

2/9/2009 HOUSE Filed

HB 0783 **Relating to Education for Children in Shelter Care or Foster Care** Kelly

Education for Children in Shelter Care or Foster Care: Provides conditions & requirements for district school superintendent or court appointment of surrogate parent for educational decision making for child who has or is suspected of having disability; provides requirements for educational placement; provides for access to certain records; provides access to free public education for children known to DCFS; authorizes certain temporary exemptions from requirements for school attendance & school-entry health examinations. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/23/2009 HOUSE On Committee agenda - PreK-12 Policy Committee, 03/25/09, 1:00 pm, 404 H

SB 0786 **Relating to Juvenile Proceedings** Siplin

Juvenile Proceedings [SPSC]; Requires the Department of Juvenile Justice to adopt rules governing the procedures that may be used to restrain a child upon his or her arrival at the courthouse. Prohibits the use of instruments of restraint on a child after the child arrives at the courthouse except in specified circumstances. Prohibits subjecting a child to extended periods of isolation. Conforms a cross-reference. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

1/23/2009 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

SB 0804 **Relating to School Food Service Programs** Wise

School Food Service Programs [WPSC]; Revises provisions relating to school food service programs. Requires that the Department of Education calculate and distribute a school district breakfast supplement for each school year by multiplying the state breakfast rate by the number of free and reduced-price breakfast meals served. Requires that the Legislature provide sufficient funds in the General Appropriations Act to reimburse participating school districts, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

1/30/2009 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

HB 0807 **Relating to Florida Kidcare Program** Clarke-Reed

Florida Kidcare Program: Requires OPPAGA to study outreach efforts of Florida Kidcare program; provides requirements for study; requires report to Legislature by specified date. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

3/23/2009 HOUSE On Council agenda - Health Care Services Policy Committee, 03/25/09, 2:30 pm, 306 H

HB 0841 **Relating to Elders and Disabled Adults** Pafford

Elders and Disabled Adults: Establishes pilot program in Palm Beach County to provide services to persons with Alzheimer's disease or other dementia-related disorders who are wandering & disoriented; provides purposes of pilot program; requires development of interagency memoranda of understanding; provides sovereign immunity for certain facilities providing specified services; requires report to Legislature; provides for expiration. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/4/2009 HOUSE Referred to Elder & Family Services Policy; Civil Justice & Courts Policy; Health & Family Services Policy Council; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

SB 0870 Relating to Public Employees' Charitable Campaigns

Sobel

Public Employees' Charitable Campaigns [WPSC]; Creates the Florida Public Employees' Charitable Campaign for public employers residing within identified geographic areas, excluding state and federal employees. Requires certain public employers to conduct a charitable campaign as the sole fundraising drive conducted during work hours. Requires all campaign contributions to be voluntary, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

1/30/2009 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

HB 0887 Relating to Health Care

Zapata

Health Care: Increases cigarette tax rate; requires Division of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco of DBPR to certify monthly to CFO amount of net collections derived from cigarette tax; requires division to credit specific percentages of total base allocation to specified trust funds & entities; requires H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute to use funds to secure bonds or financial products for cancer research, treatment, & related facilities; directs moneys to be deposited into Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund from specified sources; requires James & Esther King Biomedical Research Program to appropriate specified percent of program's annual funding to expand research conducted on tobacco-related illnesses; increases amount of funds allocated to Florida Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease; expands purpose of Bankhead-Coley Cancer Research Program; requires APD to apply specified revenues to fund caseload growth; designates rural hospitals for cigarette tax revenues for capital improvement projects; provides Primary Care Access Network & health centers & clinics program requirements for AHCA; subjects inventory on effective date of act to increase in taxes; repeals provisions relating to Florida Cancer Council. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/9/2009 HOUSE Referred to Finance & Tax Council; Health & Family Services Policy Council; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

SB 0892 Relating to Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Bennett

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services [SPSC]; Authorizes the Agency for Health Care Administration to license facilities that provide services as an integrated adult mental health crisis stabilization unit and addictions receiving facility. Provides eligibility criteria for treatment services. Requires the department of Children and Family Services to adopt rules. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/23/2009 SENATE Now in Health Regulation

SB 0900 Relating to Procurement of Contractual Services

Bennett

Procurement of Contractual Services [SPSC]; Provides requirements with respect to the provision of outsourced human services related to mental health, substance abuse, child welfare, or juvenile justice. Provides that failure by a governmental entity to negotiate a contract amendment or remedy a material adverse impact of a new governmental mandate constitutes an agency action or purposes of the Administrative Procedure Act, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law

1/30/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

HB 0905 Relating to State and Local Government Revenue Limitations

Flores

State and Local Government Revenue Limitations: Proposes amendment to s. 1, Art. VII of State Constitution to revise state revenue limitation by providing that state revenue growth shall be limited to changes in population & inflation, plus one percentage point, & by changing types of revenues subject to limitation; & to provide a revenue limitation for counties, municipalities, school districts, & special districts to be implemented by Legislature & requiring Legislature to provide for increase in revenue limitation to account for revenues expended to comply with state & federal mandates. Effective Date: Not Specified

2/26/2009 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

HB 0909 Relating to Homeless Persons

Taylor (P)

Homeless Persons: Reclassifies offenses evidencing prejudice based on homeless status of victim; provides definition; provides minimum sentence & other penalties for person convicted of aggravated assault or aggravated battery upon homeless person; requires inclusion of housing status in certain crime reports; requires reporting of such data; requires FDLE to develop telecourse concerning hate crimes against homeless persons; requires FDLE to develop protocol for law enforcement personnel concerning such offenses; requires that crime prevention activities incorporate protection of homeless population; requires public school instruction in homelessness; requires OPPAGA to study

nature & scope of hate crimes or violent crimes against homeless persons; requires report & recommendations.
Effective Date: October 1, 2009

3/24/2009 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Public Safety & Domestic Security Policy Committee; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 0918

Relating to Florida Kidcare Program

Rich

Florida Kidcare Program [SPSC]; Clarifies the application of the Florida Kidcare program to include all eligible uninsured, low-income children. Removes a restriction on participation in the Florida Healthy Kids program. Authorizes certain enrollees to opt out of the Children's Medical Services network. Deletes provisions that place a limit on enrollment in Medikids and the Florida Healthy Kids full-pay program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

1/30/2009 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Banking and Insurance; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

HB 0925

Relating to Employment for the Homeless

Braynon

Employment for the Homeless: Specifies order for applying tax credit for employment of homeless; provides tax credit for corporation that hires homeless person residing in transitional housing facility; specifies information that must be provided to DOR when applying for credit; provides for carryover of unused credits; provides penalties for fraudulently claiming tax credit; limits total of amount of tax credits that may be granted per calendar year; provides for expiration of tax credit; requires DOR to collect specified data. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/19/2009 ----- Removed from the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference meeting agenda; 03/20/09, 10:00 a.m.; Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 03/21/09, 10:00 a.m., 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0935

Relating to Area Agencies on Aging

Bogdanoff

Area Agencies on Aging: Requires DEA to contract with area agencies on aging to fulfill programmatic & funding requirements; revises responsibilities of governing body of area agency on aging & executive director of agency; revises definition of "lead agency"; revises requirements with respect to request for proposal process for designation of lead agency for community care for elderly; provides that Division of Administrative Hearings does not have jurisdiction to consider disputes relating to such request for proposal or awarding of such request for proposal; eliminates provisions that require area agency on aging to exempt specified providers from competitive bid process. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/23/2009 HOUSE Now in Health & Family Services Policy Council

HB 0939

Relating to Maternal and Child Health

Thompson (N)

Maternal and Child Health: Creates "Florida Nurse Home Visitation Act"; establishes nurse home visitation pilot program in specified areas; provides purpose; requires local Healthy Start coalitions to administer program; provides duties of DOH; provides for administration of program; provides eligibility requirements; requires DOH to adopt rules & submit annual report to Governor & Legislature. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/5/2009 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Services Policy Committee; Health & Family Services Policy Council; Human Services Appropriations Committee; Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care

HB 1009

Relating to Affordable Housing

Roberson (Y)

Affordable Housing: Provides criteria relating to distribution of proceeds from excise tax on documents to increase housing accessibility for persons with special needs; provides additional policy guidelines under state housing strategy for development of programs for housing production or rehabilitation; includes needs of persons with special needs in strategy's periodic review & report; defines terms "disabling condition" & "person with special needs"; includes persons with special needs as tenant group for specified purposes of State Apartment Incentive Loan Program. Effective Date: July 1, 2009

3/24/2009 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee, 03/26/09, 2:30 pm, 102 H - PCS

SB 1034

Relating to Florida 211 Network

Fasano

Florida 211 Network [SPSC]; Removes the Agency for Health Care Administration from the process of certifying providers of information and referral of health and human services for participation in the Florida 211 Network. Requires each 211 provider to be accredited by the Florida Alliance of Information and Referral Services and to notify the Public Service Commission of the accreditation, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

2/5/2009 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Health and Human Services Appropriations

SB 1040

Relating to Affordable Housing

Bennett

Affordable Housing [WPSC]; Provides limitations on the Florida Housing Finance Corporation's access to the state allocation pool. Provides for the assessment of property receiving the low-income housing tax credit. Provides additional criteria for determining whether certain affordable housing property owned by certain exempt organizations is entitled to an exemption from ad valorem taxation. Revises appointments to a local affordable housing advisory committee, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

- [**SB 1056**](#) **Relating to Tax Refund Loans or Checks** Fasano
Tax Refund Loans or Checks [CPSC]; Requires a person engaged in providing refund anticipation loans or checks to comply with certain requirements. Requires facilitators of said loans or checks to disclose certain information. Prescribes how that information must be displayed. Requires a facilitator to provide certain information orally to an applicant for a refund anticipation loan or check. Provides activities that are prohibited when transacting such loan or check, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
2/5/2009 SENATE Referred to Banking and Insurance; Commerce; Judiciary; General Government Appropriations
- [**SB 1128**](#) **Relating to Education/Children in Shelter Care or Foster Care** Rich
Education/Children in Shelter Care or Foster Care [SPSC]; Provides conditions for the district superintendent or court to appoint a surrogate parent for purposes of educational decision making for a child who has or is suspected of having a disability. Requires the DCFS, the AHCA, and residential facilities licensed by the APD to notify certain school districts following the placement of an exceptional student in a private residential care facility, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/23/2009 SENATE Now in Children, Families, and Elder Affairs
- [**SB 1132**](#) **Relating to Credit Counseling Services** Fasano
Credit Counseling Services [CPSC]; Prohibits a credit counseling organization from engaging in certain additional specified acts. Deletes a provision that allows the organization to collect a fee for insufficient fund transactions. Requires said organization to obtain a surety bond. Provides for service contracts. Requires said organization to provide the consumer with copies of all signed documents, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE References to Finance and Tax, General Government Appropriations removed; Remaining references: Commerce; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Now in Commerce
- [**HB 1141**](#) **Relating to Adult Protective Services** Wood
Adult Protective Services: Provides for protective services to apply to vulnerable adults; provides for certain suspected abuse cases to be transferred to local county sheriff's office; provides for DCFS to file petition to determine incapacity & guardianship; authorizes DCFS to be provided copies of drivers' license files maintained by DHSMV for purpose of conducting protective investigations. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/23/2009 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Elder & Family Services Policy Committee, 03/25/09, 3:00 pm, 116 K
- [**HB 1143**](#) **Relating to Department of Children and Family Services** Aubuchon
Department of Children and Family Services: Authorizes DCFS to establish circuits & regions headed by circuit administrators & regional directors; revises provisions relating to establishment of department; provides for operating units called circuits or regions, based on judicial circuits; deletes provisions relating to program directors for mental health & substance abuse, service districts, child protection workers, membership of community alliances, & prototype region. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
3/23/2009 HOUSE On Council agenda - Health & Family Services Policy Council, 03/25/09, 1:00 pm, 212 K
- [**SB 1176**](#) **Relating to Juvenile Justice** Wise
Juvenile Justice [SPSC]; Requires the Department of Juvenile Justice to adopt rules governing the procedures that may be used to restrain a child upon his or her arrival at the courthouse and the length of time a child may be placed in isolation. Requires the department to comply with the Protective Action Response policy whenever mechanical restraints are used, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
2/12/2009 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- [**HB 1211**](#) **Relating to Juvenile Justice** Garcia
Juvenile Justice: Provides eligibility for certain services for children 9 years of age or younger at time of referral for delinquency; directs DJJ to focus on principles of restorative justice; requires DJJ to direct services toward at-risk minority children to divert them from juvenile justice system; encourages establishment of prearrest or postarrest diversion programs for first-time misdemeanor offenders who are 9 years of age or younger; modifies risk assessment committee; requires that risk assessment instrument be independently validated; provides legislative declaration concerning determination whether to commit juvenile to DJJ & most appropriate placement level if committed; revises provisions relating to recommendations by probation officers to court concerning placement & any proposed treatment plan of juveniles; requiring that reasons for disposition be stated. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
3/20/2009 HOUSE Committee Substitute (C1) Text Filed
- [**HB 1237**](#) **Relating to Florida 211 Network** McBurney
Florida 211 Network: Requires participants in Florida 211 Network to be accredited by Florida Alliance of Information & Referral Services & notify Public Service Commission of such accreditation; provides for revocation of 211 numbers. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
2/27/2009 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

- HB 1263** **Relating to State and Local Government Revenue Limitations; Voter Approval of New Taxes and Fees** Flores
 State and Local Government Revenue Limitations; Voter Approval of New Taxes and Fees: Proposes amendment to s. 1, Art. VII & creation of s. 19, Art. VII of State Constitution to replace existing state revenue limit based on Florida personal income growth with new state & local government revenue limits based on inflation & population changes; limit property tax revenues based on changes in local growth & enrollment changes in school districts; require revenues collected in excess of revenue limits to be deposited into budget stabilization funds, used to reduce future taxes, or refunded to taxpayers; authorize voters to permit collection of revenues in excess of revenue limit; authorize Legislature & governing body of local government to approve taxes by supermajority vote for emergencies; prohibit state or local government, without first obtaining approval by supermajority vote of electors, from imposing new taxes, fees, assessments, or charges for services or incurring multi-year debts or financial obligations without adequate cash reserves; & provide effective date.
 3/24/2009 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee, 03/26/09, 2:30 pm, 102 H
- SB 1278** **Relating to Children with Disabilities/Prepaid Service Plan** Altman
 Children with Disabilities/Prepaid Service Plan [SPSC]; Creates the Prepaid Services for Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities Study Group to evaluate the creation of a prepaid service plan for children with disabilities. Provides for membership. Provides for organizational support. Provides for the duties of the study group. Provides for per diem and travel expenses for members. Requires the study group to present a final report to the Legislature.
 EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 3/17/2009 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability
- HB 1329** **Relating to Florida Kidcare Program** Patronis
 Florida Kidcare Program: Clarifies application of Florida Kidcare program to include all eligible uninsured, low-income children; removes restriction on participation in Florida Healthy Kids program; authorizes certain enrollees to opt out of Children's Medical Services Network or Florida Kidcare Plus; revises coverage limitations, restrictions on enrollment, & limitations on age & income for certain coverage under Florida Kidcare program; requires electronic verification of applicants' income; provides circumstances under which written documentation is required; revises timeframe for enrollee to resolve disputes regarding withholding of benefits; authorizes AHCA to increase premium assistance payments for benefits provided through Florida Kidcare Plus rather than Children's Medical Services Network; revises information to be included in annual program evaluation submitted to Governor & Legislature; revises redetermination process for coverage under Florida Kidcare program; clarifies that DOH is chair of Florida Kidcare coordinating council; revises requirements for disclosure of certain confidential & exempt information relating to enrollee's application; revises provisions relating to determination of eligibility of certain children for Medicaid program; revises duties of Florida Healthy Kids Corporation; revises date upon which corporation must provide study to Legislature & Governor. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 3/10/2009 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Services Policy Committee; Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Health & Family Services Policy Council; Human Services Appropriations Committee
- SB 1404** **Relating to Child-restraint Requirements** Altman
 Child-restraint Requirements [CPSC]; Provides child-restraint requirements for children ages 4 through 7. Redefines the term "motor vehicle" to exclude certain vehicles from such requirements. Provides a grace period and exceptions.
 EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009 except as otherwise provided.
 3/19/2009 SENATE Now in Criminal Justice
- HB 1419** **Relating to Children's Promise Zones** Brisé
 Children's Promise Zones: Renames "children's zones" as "children's promise zones"; revises legislative findings & intent & policy & purpose; requires governing body to establish children's promise zone planning team; provides powers & responsibilities of planning team; revises provisions relating to strategic community plan; provides for additional focus areas; renames & extends duration of pilot project; provides for corporation to be administered by DCFS; revises composition of board of directors; provides for department to enter into contract with not-for-profit corporation to implement children's promise zone program; authorizes Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida to retain certain interest earnings to finance project activities; requires annual documentation of interest earnings & expenditures. Effective Date: upon becoming a law
 3/10/2009 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Services Policy Committee; Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee; Health & Family Services Policy Council; Human Services Appropriations Committee
- HB 1455** **Relating to Childhood Immunizations** Reagan
 Childhood Immunizations: Revises list of required childhood immunizations; provides set of recommended vaccination requirements that address manner & frequency of administration of immunizations for children who are entitled to admittance into kindergarten or any other initial entrance into public or private school in this state. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 3/12/2009 HOUSE Referred to PreK-12 Policy Committee; Health Care Services Policy Committee; Civil Justice & Courts Policy Committee; Education Policy Council

- HB 1457** **Relating to Childhood Vaccinations** Reagan
 Childhood Vaccinations: Authorizes parent or guardian to object to immunizing minor on philosophical grounds; requires that parent or guardian sign form in order to refuse to vaccinate minor; requires that parent or guardian periodically sign new form in order to continue exemption. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 3/10/2009 HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice & Courts Policy Committee; Health Care Services Policy Committee; Criminal & Civil Justice Policy Council; Policy Council
- HB 1475** **Relating to Juvenile Justice** Rouson
 Juvenile Justice: Provides eligibility for certain services for children 9 years of age or younger at time of referral for delinquency; provides that it is state policy to divert children 9 years of age or younger from juvenile justice system; revises reference relating to domestic violence for purposes of background screenings; requires that child 9 years of age or younger taken into custody for delinquent act or violation be delivered to juvenile probation officer; encourages establishment of prearrest or postarrest diversion programs for first-time misdemeanor offenders & offenders who are 9 years of age or younger; provides for commitments to mother-infant programs; requires DJJ to adopt rules to ensure effective provision of specified services; eliminates references to DCFS in certain contracting & screening provisions; deletes language relating to Juvenile Justice Standards & Training Commission; provides legislative declaration concerning determination whether to commit juvenile to DJJ & most appropriate placement level if committed; revises provisions relating to recommendations by probation officers concerning placement & any proposed treatment plan of juveniles; requires reasons for disposition to be stated for the record. Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 3/23/2009 HOUSE Committee Substitute (C1) Text Filed
- HB 1493** **Relating to Substance Abuse Services** Rogers
 Substance Abuse Services: Establishes priority populations of persons who are eligible for services funded by DCFS; deletes provision that authorizes department to establish pilot project to serve certain persons who qualify to receive substance abuse or mental health services in specified district; provides that it is unlawful for unlicensed agency to act as substance abuse service provider; revises requirements for license application; provides that crisis stabilization unit is exempt from licensure; provides that ch. 397, F.S., does not limit practice of ARNP who provides substance abuse treatment; provides that substance abuse programs operated directly or under contract by DJJ are subject to licensure & regulation; revises licensure process; authorizes DCFS to issue probationary, regular, & interim licenses; requires DCFS to notify certain applicable agencies of any licensure inspections of service providers; requires that fines collected as administrative penalties be deposited in Operations & Maintenance Trust Fund of department rather than Substance Abuse Impairment Provider Licensing Trust Fund; revises requirements for suspending or revoking license; revises minimum guidelines for service provider's quality improvement program;... Effective Date: July 1, 2009
 3/18/2009 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Health Care Services Policy Committee; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays
- SB 1540** **Relating to Zero-tolerance Policies/Schools** Wise
 Zero-tolerance Policies/Schools [SPSC]; Revises the requirements for zero-tolerance policies. Deletes provisions relating to agreements with the county sheriff's office and local police departments. Requires that such agreements specify guidelines for addressing acts that pose a serious threat to school safety. Prohibits said policies from requiring the reporting of petty acts of misconduct and misdemeanors to a law enforcement agency, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 3/20/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Criminal Justice, 03/25/09, 10:15 am, 37 S
- SB 1564** **Relating to Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services** Wise
 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services [SPSC]; Redefines the term "residential treatment center for children and adolescents." Establishes priority populations of persons who are eligible for services funded by the DCFS. Redefines the term "medical review committee" to include a committee to review mental health and substance abuse treatment services provided by the DCFS. Repeals a provision relating to target groups for substance abuse and mental health services. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 2/26/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Health and Human Services Appropriations
- SB 1620** **Relating to Maternal and Child Health/Nurse Home Visitation** Aronberg
 Maternal and Child Health/Nurse Home Visitation [SPSC]; Creates the "Florida Nurse Home Visitation Act." Establishes a nurse home visitation pilot program in specified areas. Provides purpose. Provides definitions. Requires local Healthy Start coalitions to administer the program. Provides duties of the DOH. Provides for administration of the program. Provides eligibility requirements. Requires the DOH to adopt rules. Requires the DOH to submit an annual report to the Governor and Legislature. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
 2/26/2009 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health and Human Services Appropriations
- SB 1638** **Relating to Foster Care/Community-based** Gelber
 Foster Care/Community-based [WPSC]; Requires that the DCFS ensure that contracts with community-based agencies are funded by general revenue and federal funding sources. Requires the agencies to document federal earnings and to return undocumented earnings to the DCFS. Permits contracts with the agencies to be increased by excess earnings. Authorizes the DCFS to outsource certain functions relating to the agencies, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE:

07/01/2009.

2/26/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

SB 1840

Relating to Health Care

Deutch

Health Care [WPSC]; Requires that the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco certify to the Chief Financial Officer monthly the amount of net collections derived from the cigarette tax. Provides that moneys derived from such tax be allocated to the Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund during a specified fiscal year. Creates the Graduate Medical Education Workforce Act. Revises provisions relating to the Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/11/2009 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference; 03/14/09, 9:00 a.m., 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

SB 1906

Relating to Gov't. Revenues/Voter Approval/New Taxes & Fees

Haridopolos

Gov't. Revenues/Voter Approval/New Taxes & Fees [WPSC]; Proposes an amendment to Section 1 and the creation of a new section in Article VII of the State Constitution to limit state and local government revenues and require voter approval of new taxes and fees.

3/23/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee, 03/26/09, 8:30 am, 110 S

SB 1980

Relating to Department of Children and Family Services

Storms

Department of Children and Family Services [SPSC]; Authorizes the DCFS to establish circuits and regions headed by circuit administrators and regional directors. Provides for operating units called circuits and regions based on judicial circuits. Deletes provisions relating to the program directors for mental health and substance abuse, the service districts, child protection workers, the membership of community alliances, and the prototype region, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/17/2009 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability

SB 2018

Relating to Mental Health

Fasano

Mental Health [WPSC]; Creates the community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment and Crime Reduction Act. Provides goals for the community mental health and substance abuse forensic treatment system. Requires the DCFS, in consultation with the AHCA, to develop and implement such forensic treatment system. Authorizes the department and the agency to identify geographic areas of the state where said system will be implemented, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/5/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; Health Regulation; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

SB 2078

Relating to My Safe Florida Home Program

Justice

My Safe Florida Home Program [CPSC]; Revises legislative intent. Revises criteria for eligibility for a mitigation grant. Requires that the DFS assign contractors to homeowners. Expands the list of improvements for which grants may be used. Authorizes an insurer to accept as valid a uniform mitigation verification form signed by specified parties. Provides penalties for knowingly submitting a false or fraudulent mitigation form with the intent to receive an undeserved discount, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$25,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/5/2009 SENATE Referred to Banking and Insurance; Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; General Government Appropriations

SB 2094

Relating to Juvenile Justice

Crist

Juvenile Justice [SPSC]; Includes children 9 years of age or younger at the time of referral for a delinquent act within the definition of those children who are eligible to receive comprehensive mental health services. Encourages law enforcement agencies, school districts, counties, municipalities, and the DJJ to establish prearrest or postarrest diversion programs for first-time misdemeanor offenders who are 9 years of age or younger, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/20/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Criminal Justice, 03/25/09, 10:15 am, 37 S

SB 2098

Relating to Farm to Fork Food Safety Act

Baker

Farm to Fork Food Safety Act [EPSC]; Transfers and reassigns duties and functions, records, personnel property, and unexpended balances of appropriations and other resources relating to food service protection from the DOH to the DOACS. Transfers and reassigns duties and functions, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations and other resources relating to food service establishments from the Div. of Hotels and Restaurants of the DBPR to the DOACS, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.

3/5/2009 SENATE Referred to Agriculture; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Health Regulation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

- SB 2382** **Relating to Homelessness/Contributions** Wilson
Homelessness/Contributions [CPSC]; Requires the motor vehicle registration form and registration renewal form to include an option to make a voluntary contribution to aid the homeless. Requires the driver's license application form for renewal issuance or renewal extension to include an option to make a voluntary contribution to aid the homeless. Provides for such contributions to be deposited into the Grants and Donation TF of the DCFS, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/10/2009 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Finance and Tax; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 2470** **Relating to Children's Promise Zones** Bullard (L)
Children's Promise Zones [SPSC]; Renames "children's zones" as "children's promise zones." Requires the governing body to establish a children's promise zone planning team. Revises provisions relating to the strategic community plan. Provides for additional focus areas. Renames and extends duration of the Magic City Children's Zone, Inc., pilot project. Provides for the corporation to be administered by the DCFS, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.
3/12/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Health and Human Services Appropriations
- SB 2480** **Relating to Schools/Students with Disabilities/Restraint** Gardiner
Schools/Students with Disabilities/Restraint [SPSC]; Prohibits school personnel from manually physically restraining a student with disabilities. Provides an exception in emergency cases when there is an imminent and significant threat to the physical safety of the student or others. Prohibits mechanical restraint, prone restraint, and other specified methods of restraint. Requires the school to medically evaluate a student as soon as possible after the student is manually physically restrained, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations
- SB 2570** **Relating to Early Learning** Wise
Early Learning [CPSC]; Deletes an obsolete reference to the repealed subsidized child care program. Authorizes county agencies responsible for licensure or approval of child care providers to be granted access to certain confidential reports and records in cases of child abuse or neglect. Clarifies that a licensed foster home may be dually licensed as a child care facility and receive certain payments for the same child, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Education Pre-K - 12; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means
- SB 2596** **Relating to Persons with Disabilities/Services** Wise
Persons with Disabilities/Services [SPSC]; Revises elements required to be included in the plan developed and implemented by the APD to redesign the home and community-based services delivery system. Authorizes the APD and the AHCA to implement pilot programs and to seek federal approval therefore. Requires certain residential facility and developmental disabilities center personnel to be screened for certain criminal offenses, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Regulation; Health and Human Services Appropriations
- SB 2612** **Relating to Substance Abuse Services** Wise
Substance Abuse Services [SPSC]; Establishes priority populations of persons who are eligible for services funded by the DCFS. Deletes a provision that authorizes the DCFS to establish a pilot project to serve certain persons who qualify to receive substance abuse or mental health services in a specified district. Provides that a crisis stabilization unit is exempt from licensure. Provides that inmate substance abuse programs are exempt from level 2 background screenings, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/20/2009 SENATE On Committee agenda - Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, 03/25/09, 10:15 am, 401 S
- SB 2664** **Relating to Childhood Vaccinations** Bennett
Childhood Vaccinations [SPSC]; Authorizes a parent or guardian to object to immunizing a minor on philosophical grounds. Requires that the parent or guardian sign a form in order to refuse to vaccinate the minor. Provides requirements for the form. Requires that the parent or guardian periodically sign a new form in order to continue the exemption. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Education Pre-K - 12
- SB 2690** **Relating to Medicaid Reform** Baker
Medicaid Reform [WPSC]; Requires the AHCA to establish a legislative workgroup on Medicaid reform. Eliminates the opt-out provision for Medicaid reform participants in the Florida Health Choices Program. Eliminates the choice counseling option for applicants for the Medikids program component. Amends provisions relating to the Medicaid managed care pilot program to authorize the agency to seek changes to the current Medicaid reform waiver, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2009.
3/12/2009 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

SB 7004

Relating to OGSR/Children's Services Council or Related Entity

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs
Committee

OGSR/Children's Services Council or Related Entity; Repeals a provision relating to a public-records exemption for personal identifying information held by a children's services council or related entity. Saves the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act. Deletes provisions providing for repeal of the exemption.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2009.

1/15/2009 SENATE Committee Bill filed as S 0748

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