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# IT'S NOT OVER.....

It is anticipated that the 2007 Regular Session will end this evening.

This week, like all final session weeks, has been frantic, at best. Because your Legislative Link authors have been submersed in the fray, we have not been able to pen a "typical" Legislative Link. Your final 2007 Legislative Session Wrap-Up will be provided to you within 30 days or so, after the dust has cleared from this final, hectic week.



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## UNITED WAY OF FLORIDA 2007 Bill Briefs

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## 2007 BILL BRIEFS

#### SB 0002 Relating to Unattended Child in Motor Vehicle

Dawson

Unattended Child in Motor Vehicle; provides that offense of leaving child unattended or unsupervised in motor vehicle constitutes second-degree misdemeanor uncer certain conditions; provides that such offense is third-degree felony if child suffers great bodily harm, disability, or disfigurement; provides penalties. Amends 316.6135. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 HOUSE Substituted for HB 667; Read Second time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 67 Yeas / 46 Navs)

## HB 0007 Relating to Juvenile Defendants/Indigent Child

Simmons

Juvenile Defendants/Indigent Child; requires that public defender represent indigent child taken into custody under specified delinquency provisions; requires that child be represented at specified point in delinquency court proceedings unless right to counsel is waived after receiving advice of counsel; provides that counsel be permitted to advise child after specified point in delinquency court proceedings, etc. Amends 27.51, 985.033. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/15/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Juvenile Justice by Safety & Security Council

## **HB 0011** Relating to Assault or Battery on Homeless Persons

Taylor

Assault or Battery on Homeless Persons; reclassifies offenses evidencing prejudice based on homeless status of victim; provides definition. Amends 775.085. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007.

4/27/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 116 Yeas / 0 Nays); In Senate messages

#### SB 0014 Relating to Purchase of Dogs & Cats

Bullard (L)

Purchase of Dogs & Cats; requires that any cat or dog offered for sale be accompanied by animal-purchase disclosure; prohibits pet dealer who is not breeder of animal from possessing dog or cat younger than certain age; provides that proper veterinary care of animal returned due to illness or disease may include euthanasia; provides for refund to purchaser if pedigree documents are not received within specified period, etc. Amends 828.29 EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

1/9/2007 SENATE Referred to Agriculture; Regulated Industries; General Government Appropriations

#### HB 0019 Relating to Restraint of Juveniles

Meadows

Restraint of Juveniles; prohibits use of certain restraints on children in adjudicatory hearings; provides exceptions; conforms cross-reference; prohibits use of certain restraints on children in court proceedings; provides exceptions. Amends 985.35,.483; creates 985.602. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007. 2/15/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Juvenile Justice by Safety & Security Council

#### **HB 0021** Relating to Elderly Person/Disabled Adult/Abuse

Anderson

Elderly Person/Disabled Adult/Abuse; reclassifies offense of aggravated abuse of elderly person or disabled adult as first degree felony; amends provision re offense severity ranking chart of Criminal Punishment Code, to conform; creates provision re training on identifying & investigating elder abuse for certified law enforcement

officers; requires that training be completed by time certain, etc. Amends 825.102, 921.0022; creates 943.17296. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/13/2007 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Criminal Justice Impact Conference; 02/16/07, 10:30 am, 2103 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

#### **HB 0027** Relating to Slosberg/Marchetti Safety Belt Law

Glorioso

Slosberg/Marchetti Safety Belt Law; creates Dori Slosberg & Katie Marchetti Safety Belt Law; deletes requirement for enforcement of Florida Safety Belt Law as secondary action. Amends 316.614. EFFECTIVE DATF: 06/30/2007.

1/29/2007 HOUSE Now in Safety & Security Council

## **HB 0031** Relating to Bicycle Safety

Jordan

Bicycle Safety; revises safety standard requirements for bicycle helmets that must be worn by certain riders & passengers; provides for enforcement of certain bicycle equipment requirements; provides penalties for violations; provides for dismissal of first offense. Amends 316.2065. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007. 4/24/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time: Passed (Vote: 111 Yeas / 0 Navs); In Senate Messages

#### HB 0051 Relating to Health & Transition Services Program

Davis (D)

Health & Transition Services Program; creates said program; assigns program for administrative purposes to Children's Medical Services in DOH; authorizes DOH to enter into certain contracts, contingent upon appropriation; provides purposes of program; delineates target population; describes participating service providers & services that they are to provide; creates operational site in designated locality in state; provides for expansion of program sites, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 115 Yeas / 0 Nays); In Senate Messages

#### HB 0055 Relating to Domestic Violence/Employee Leave

Porth

Domestic Violence/Employee Leave; defines terms "domestic violence," "family or household member," & "victim"; requires that certain employers permit employee to take leave from work to undertake activities resulting from act of said violence; specifies activities for which employee may take leave; prohibits employer from taking certain actions against employee for exercising rights specified in act; provides recourse for violation of act, etc. Creates 741.313. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered enrolled

#### **HB 0071** Relating to Offenses Against Unborn Children

**Poppell** 

Offenses Against Unborn Children; cites act as "Florida Unborn Victims of Violence Act"; defines term "unborn child" for purposes of vehicular homicide; revises terminology to refer to "unborn child" rather than "viable fetus"; provides legislative intent; revises terminology; provides that certain offenses re killing of unborn child by injury to mother do not require specified knowledge or intent; conforms terminology. Amends 316.193, 435.03,.04, 782.071,.09, 921.0022. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007.

4/27/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 76 Yeas / 39 Nays); In Senate messages

## **HB 0099** Relating to Nonprofit Org./Solicitation/Streets

Hooper

Nonprofit Org./Solicitation/Streets; cites act as "Iris Roberts Act"; exempts certain nonprofit organizations from permit requirements re obstructing streets or roads for solicitation purposes; establishes conditions certain nonprofit organizations must meet in order to solicit charitable donations on certain streets, roads, & rights-of-way; authorizes local governments to halt solicitation activities if such conditions are not met. Amends 316.2045. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/19/2007 HOUSE Ordered enrolled

#### SB 0106 Relating to Child Care Personnel/Fingerprinting

Hill

Child Care Personnel/Fingerprinting; requires electronic submission of fingerprints of child care personnel & retention of fingerprints by FDLE; requires that records identified with retained fingerprints be reported to DCFS; provides for fees; requires invoice for fees; provides rulemaking authority; requires certain persons to be refingerprinted; requires level 2 screening of each person who is employed in child care facility every 5 years, etc. Amends 402.305. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/18/2007 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

#### SB 0110 Relating to Health Ins./Prostate Cancer Coverage

Hill

Health Ins./Prostate Cancer Coverage; creates "Senator Les Miller Act"; requires that health insurance policies, group health insurance policies, & health maintenance contracts provide coverage for annual screening for prostate cancer for men of specified age or older; provides that coverage for prostate cancer screening does not limit diagnostic benefits otherwise allowed under policy; provides finding that act fulfills important state

interest, etc. Amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/2008.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House Messages

#### **SB 0112** Relating to ECT/Psychosurgical Procedures/Data

Hill

ECT/Psychosurgical Procedures/Data; requires DOH to compile data on frequency & usage of electroconvulsive therapy & psychosurgery procedures on children; provides criteria for data; requires department to report data to Legislature. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 35 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House Messages

#### SB 0114 Relating to to Bullying/Harassment/Schools

Baker

Bullying/Harassment/Schools; cites act as "Jeffrey Johnston Stand Up for All Students Act"; prohibits bullying or harassment during education programs or activities, on school buses, or through use of data or computer software accessed through computer systems of certain educational institutions; requires DOE approval of school district's policy & its compliance with reporting procedures as prerequisites to receipt of safe schools funds, etc. Creates 1006.147. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/21/2007 SENATE Now in Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

## **HB 0127** Relating to Developmental Disabilities Institutions

Nehr

Developmental Disabilities Institutions; provides legislative intent; requires APD to submit plan to Governor & Legislature if agency or Legislature proposes to close or reduce by certain percentage resident population of developmental disabilities institution; provides for content of plan; authorizes Governor to approve plan to close or reduce population of institution; provides that Governor's decision is not binding on Legislature, etc. Creates 393.35. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/17/2007 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Healthcare Council; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

#### HB 0139 Relating to Suicide Prevention

Gibson, III (H)

Suicide Prevention; creates Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention as unit of Drug Control Office in Executive Office of Governor; creates position of statewide coordinator for statewide office, contingent upon specific appropriation; creates Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council within Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention; authorizes coordinating council to assemble ad hoc committee to advise coordinating council, etc. Creates 14.2019, 20195. APPROPRIATION: \$150,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/27/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 38 Yeas / 0 Nays); Immediately certified; House Ordered enrolled

## **SB 0144** Relating to State Housing Trust Fund/Cap

King, Jr.

State Housing Trust Fund/Cap; removes cap on certain funds distributed to State Housing Trust Fund. Amends 201.15. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/15/2007 ---- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Impact Conference; 03/17/07, 11:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

#### HB 0149 Relating to Criminal Offenses Against Elderly

Hooper

Criminal Offenses Against Elderly; cites act as "The Seniors' Safety Act"; provides for reclassification of felonies committed against the elderly or disabled; provides for reclassification of misdemeanors committed against persons 65 years of age or older; provides for mandatory term of imprisonment for certain acts of exploitation against elderly person or disabled adult, etc. Creates 775.0847; amends 784.08, 812.0145, 825.103, 775.0877, 921.0022. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/21/2007 HOUSE Favorable by Homeland Security & Public Safety; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Safety & Security Council

#### SB 0162 Relating to Schools/Human Sexuality

Geller

Schools/Human Sexuality; requires school districts to communicate with parents & others concerning school curriculum re teaching of human sexuality to secondary school students; requires that information describe available procedures that parents may use to review curriculum & methods by which parents may provide comments & offer input to school district. Amends 1003.42. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/25/2007 SENATE Withdrawn from Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations; Placed on Calendar, on second reading

#### **HB 0171** Relating to Infant Eye Care

Saunders (R)

Infant Eye Care; requires certain eye examinations for infants born in hospitals in state; revises applicability; specifies application of certain penalty provisions; provides that coverage for children under health insurance policies & HMO contracts must include certain eye examinations for infants & children. Amends 383.04,.07, 627.6416, 641.31. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/22/2007 HOUSE Withdrawn from Health Quality; Healthcare Council; Policy & Budget Council; Withdrawn prior to introduction

## **HB 0173** Relating to Elderly/Disabled Adult Protection

Thompson (N)

Elderly/Disabled Adult Protection; cites act as "Elderly Person & Disabled Adult Protection Act of 2007"; provides for designation of certain offenders as "elder predators" or "disabled adult predators" for specified purposes; provides for creation of publicly accessible Internet database of said predators; provides immunity from civil damages for certain good faith actions re database, etc. Amends 784.08, 812.0145, 825.102, 1025, 103; creates 943.0425. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007.

2/15/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety by Safety & Security Council

#### SB 0180 Relating to State Housing TF/Excise Tax Proceeds

Geller

State Housing TF/Excise Tax Proceeds; removes limitation on amount of such proceeds which may be deposited into State Housing Trust Fund on or after specified date. Amends 201.15. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/15/2007 ---- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Revenue Impact Conference; 03/17/07, 11:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

## **SB 0188** Relating to Domestic Violence/Employee Leave

Aronberg

Domestic Violence/Employee Leave; defines terms "domestic violence," "employee," "employer," "family or household member," & "victim"; requires that certain employers permit employee to take leave from work to undertake activities resulting from act of domestic violence; requires private employer to keep info. re employee's leave confidential; requires governmental agency to keep such info. confidential & exempt to extent authorized by statute, etc. Creates 741.313. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/27/2007 SENATE Read Second Time: Substituted for HB 0055; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0055

## HB 0203 Relating to Corporate Income Tax Credits

Grimslev

Corporate Income Tax Credits; revises list of application of said credits; provides for said credit for contributions for medical care for indigent persons; provides for contributions to Health Care Clinic Indigent Care Trust Fund for certain purposes; provides for disbursements from fund to certain health care clinics; requires DOR to adopt rules; requires board of directors to report annually to Governor, etc. Amends 220.02; creates 220.1875. EFFECTIVE DATE: Contingent.

3/22/2007 HOUSE Now in Healthcare Council

## HB 0211 Relating to Hurricane Preparedness/Sales Tax

Nehr

Hurricane Preparedness/Sales Tax; provides exemption from sales & use tax for sales of certain tangible personal property for certain periods; provides exception for sales within public lodging establishment, theme park, entertainment complex, or airport; authorizes DOR to adopt rules. Creates 212.0807. APPROPRIATION: \$277,540. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/30/2007 ---- Approved by Governor; Chapter No. 2007-25

## SB 0212 Relating to Florida 211 Network

Lynn

Florida 211 Network; requires said network to provide services in each county & to coordinate services with county emergency management agencies during disasters; provides requirements for distribution of state funds appropriated for such purposes; requires local matching funds; requires expenditure reports to Fla. Alliance of Information & Referral Services, AHCA, & Legislature; defines term "211 provider"; authorizes additional positions. Amends 408.918. APPROPRIATION: \$5,201,346. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law..

4/13/2007 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

## SB 0224 Relating to Suicide Prevention

Lynn

Suicide Prevention; creates Statewide Office for Suicide Prevention as unit of Drug Control Office in Executive Office of Governor; authorizes said office to seek & accept grants or funds from any source to support its operation; creates Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council within said office; authorizes coordinating council to assemble ad hoc committee to advise said council, etc. Creates 14.2019,.20195. APPROPRIATION: \$100,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/26/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Substituted for HB 0139; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0139

## SB 0226 Relating to Religious-Exempt Child Care Programs

Lvnn

Religious-Exempt Child Care Programs; cites act as "Zaniyah Hinson Act"; provides that child care program

affiliated with religious congregation or religious school is exempt from regulation by DCFS as religious-exempt child care program; requires recognized accrediting agency to conduct initial onsite review; prohibits recognized accrediting agency for religious exemption from owning, operating, or administering certain programs, etc. Amends 402.316. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

1/9/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Commerce; Health and Human Services Appropriations

## HB 0229 Relating to Direct-support Org. for Guardian Ad Litem Program Mahon

Direct-support Org. for Guardian Ad Litem Program; creates said organization for Guardian Ad Litem program; provides for organization & operation of organization for Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Office; provides for contract; provides for board of directors; provides for use of property, facilities, & personal services of said office by said organization; provides restrictions; provides for deposit of moneys; provides for annual audit; provides limits on said organization. Creates 39.8298. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 36 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered enrolled

#### SB 0232 Relating to Domestic Violence/Injunction

Wise

Domestic Violence/Injunction; provides that if person willfully violates injunction for protection against domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence, or willfully violates foreign protection order accorded full faith & credit, by committing act of said violence, offense for which that person is charged is reclassified. Amends 741.31, 784.047. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/1/2007 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Criminal Justice Impact Conference; 03/06/07, 9:00 am, 2103 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

#### SB 0234 Relating to Offenses Against Unborn Children

Posev

Offenses Against Unborn Children; provides short title; provides that certain offenses re killing of unborn child by injury to mother do not require specified knowledge or intent. Amends 782.09. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Withdrawn from Judiciary; Now in Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

### SB 0236 Relating to Motor Vehicle Insurance/Foster Child

Bennett

Motor Vehicle Insurance/Foster Child; creates pilot program for purpose of reimbursing foster parents, residential facilities, or foster children who live independently for portion of increased costs of motor vehicle insurance for foster child who has driver's license; directs DCFS to establish pilot program in Sarasota, DeSoto, Manatee, Pinellas, Pasco, & Hillsborough Counties; requires that person who incurs increased cost submit to DCFS documentation of that increase, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$150,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/20/2007 HOUSE In Messages

## **HB 0259** Relating to Mobile Home Relocation Corporation

Attkisson

Mobile Home Relocation Corporation; provides notice requirements for certain mobile home lot tenants regarding entitlement to compensation from Fla. Mobile Home Relocation Trust Fund; provides for late fees if mobile home park owner does not make payments to Fla. Mobile Home Relocation Corporation within required time period; authorizes corporation to file & maintain certain actions to collect payments in Leon County, etc. Amends 723.061,.06116,.0612. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered enrolled

## SB 0272 Relating to Equal Rights for Men & Women

Margolis

Equal Rights for Men & Women; ratifies proposed amendment to Constitution of United States re equal rights for men & women.

1/24/2007 SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Rules

#### SB 0274 Relating to Cystic Fibrosis Treatment

Margolis

Cystic Fibrosis Treatment; requires group health insurance policy to cover services needed to treat cystic fibrosis authorized by physician; requires contract by health maintenance organization to cover services needed to treat cystic fibrosis as authorized by physician; amends provision re out-of-state groups to conform cross-reference to changes made by act; provides that act fulfills important state interest. Creates 627.6614; amends 641.31, 627.6515. EFFECTIVE DATE: 1/01/2008.

5/1/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House Messages

## SB 0276 Relating to Elderly Persons/Disabled Adult/Abuse

Margolis

Elderly Persons/Disabled Adult/Abuse; reclassifies offense of aggravated abuse of elderly person or disabled adult from second-degree felony to first-degree felony; amends provision re offense severity ranking chart of

Criminal Punishment Code, to conform; creates provisions re training on identifying & investigating elder abuse for certified law enforcement officers to require that training be completed by time certain, etc. Amends 825.102, 921.0022; creates 943.17296. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/17/2007 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Criminal Justice

#### **HB 0283** Relating to Florida 211 Network

Chestnut

Florida 211 Network; designates AHCA as lead entity for purposes of receiving & distributing federal funds; requires Florida 211 Network to provide services in each county & to coordinate services with county emergency management agencies during disasters; requires expenditure reports to Fla. Alliance of Information & Referral Services, AHCA, Governor, & Legislature; defines term "Florida 211 Network provider", etc. Amends 408.918. EFFECTIVE DATE: Contingent.

4/27/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 115 Yeas / 0 Nays); In Senate messages

#### HB 0291 Relating to Mental & Nervous Disorders/Coverage

Homan

Mental & Nervous Disorders/Coverage; revises requirements for optional coverage for mental & nervous disorders; revises certain benefits limitations; provides options application requirement; provides for contingent application to certain persons. Amends 627.668. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007. 4/24/2007 HOUSE Now in Policy & Budget Council

#### SB 0292 Relating to Criminal Offenses Against Elderly

Fasano

Criminal Offenses Against Elderly; provides for reclassification of felonies committed against elderly or disabled; provides for reclassification of misdemeanors committed against persons 65 years of age or older; provides for mandatory term of imprisonment for certain thefts against persons 65 years of age or older; provides for mandatory term of imprisonment for certain acts of exploitation against elderly person or disabled adult, etc. Creates 775.0847; amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/17/2007 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Criminal Justice

## HB 0309 Relating to Healthy Dining Act/Trans Fats

Gibbons

Healthy Dining Act/Trans Fats; requires public food service establishments serving foods containing trans fats to post disclosure; requires Hotels & Restaurants Div. of DBPR to enforce disclosure requirements; provides for penalties. Creates 509.293. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/22/2007 HOUSE Workshopped by Business Regulation

#### **SB 0344** Relating to Voluntary Prekindergarten Education

Wilson

Voluntary Prekindergarten Education; revises number of instructional hours that are required for school-year prekindergarten program delivered by private kindergarten provider; revises number of instructional hours that are required in order for student in said program delivered by public school or private prekindergarten provider to be considered full-time equivalent student in Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program, etc. Amends 1002.55,.63,.71. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

1/24/2007 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

## **SB 0346** Relating to Disability History & Awareness Weeks

Fasano

Disability History & Awareness Weeks; recognizes October 1-15, 2007, as "Disability History & Awareness Weeks" & encourages public schools & universities to provide instruction on disability history, people with disabilities, & disability rights movement.

4/20/2007 SENATE Read second time; Adopted

### **SB 0358** Relating to Optional Foster Care Pilot Program

Wilson

Optional Foster Care Pilot Program; requires DCFS to create pilot program in Miami-Dade Co. to provide continued foster care until participants reach age of 21 years; requires that circuit court select participants; requires periodic administration to participants of independent living assessment tool; requires DCFS to submit report to court; requires selection of cohort group for purpose of comparing results; requires reports to Legislature; provides for expiration of program, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$500,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

1/24/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Health and Human Services Appropriations

#### HB 0359 Relating to Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility

Kriseman

Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility; requires proof of increased financial responsibility for bodily injury or death caused by owners or operators found guilty of, or who entered plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, regardless of adjudication of guilt, DUI offense or who had license or driving privilege revoked or suspended under specified provision; provides additional cross-references concerning motor vehicle security, etc. Amends

FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

5/3/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered enrolled

#### **SB 0362** Relating to Qualifying Adoptive Parents/Benefits

Wilson

Qualifying Adoptive Parents/Benefits; expands monetary benefit paid to employees who adopt special needs children & children in custody of state to include employees of state universities, community colleges, & school districts; authorizes DCFS to administer program; provides for parental leave; provides for application & eligibility procedures; provides for transfer of funding from dept. to nonstate public entities, etc. Creates 409.1663; repeals certain FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/27/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Substituted for HB 0803; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0803

## **SB 0366** Relating to Infant Eye Care

Wilson

Infant Eye Care; requires certain eye examinations for all infants born in hospitals in state; exempts this requirement from provision re penalty; revises exception to certain applicability requirements concerning said care; provides that coverage for children under health insurance policies & HMO contracts must include certain eye exams for infants & children; provides that act fulfills important state interest, etc. Amends 383.04, 627.6416, 641.31. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/12/2007 SENATE Now in General Government Appropriations

#### SB 0394 Relating to Disabled Young Adult/Health & Transition Services Wise

Disabled Young Adult/Health & Transition Services; creates Health & Transition Services Program; assigns program for administrative purposes to Children's Medical Services in DOH; provides purposes of program; delineates target population; describes participating service providers & services that they are to provide; creates operational site in designated locality in state; provides for expansion of program sites & evaluation of program. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/4/2007 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

## **HB 0397** Relating to Caregivers for Adults

Anderson

Caregivers for Adults; authorizes DOEA to create pilot program in specified counties to train persons to act as companions & provide certain services to frail adults in community; specifies additional purposes of pilot program; requires evaluation & report to Legislature. APPROPRIATION: \$75,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 38 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House returning messages

## **SB 0402** Relating to Developmental Disabilities Institutions

Fasano

Developmental Disabilities Institutions; requires APD to give written notice to certain specified persons if agency proposes to close or reduce by more than 10 percent resident population of developmental disabilities institution; requires Governor & Cabinet to hold public hearing & that notice of public hearing be given in specified manner; requires agency to conduct study & prepare report on feasibility of alternate facility, etc. Creates 393.35. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Withdrawn from Governmental Operations; Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

## **SB 0406** Relating to Schools/Nutrition/Health Services

Dawson

Schools/Nutrition/Health Services; requires nutritional standards for food that is available to school children on school campuses; requires State Board of Education to adopt rules; requires school districts to provide medical screening for type II diabetes for certain students. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

1/24/2007 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Health Policy; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

## **SB 0418** Relating to One School, One Nurse Act

Wilson

One School, One Nurse Act; creates provision re public-private partnerships for provision of school nurse services; provides legislative intent & purpose; provides departmental duties; provides process for proposal submission & review; provides for scope of services to be provided; provides for review & selection criteria; provides legislative intent re funding of act. Creates 381.0058. APPROPRIATION: \$75,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/27/2007 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Education Pre-K - 12

## SB 0434 Relating to Caregivers for Adults

Jones

Caregivers for Adults; authorizes DOEA to create pilot program in certain counties to train economically disadvantaged workers who are specified age or older to act as companions & provide certain services to frail & vulnerable adults in community; specifies additional purposes of pilot program; requires evaluation & report

to Legislature. APPROPRIATION: \$100,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/2/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Substituted for HB 0397; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0397

## **HB 0443** Relating to Child Restraint Requirements

Altman

Child Restraint Requirements; revises requirements for children 5 years of age or younger; provides requirements for children 6 & 7 years of age; provides grace period; provides exceptions to such requirements. Amends 316.613. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007 except as otherwise provided.

5/2/2007 HOUSE Withdrawn from Policy & Budget Council; Placed on Calendar, on second reading

## **HB 0507** Relating to Rights of Dependent Children & Youth

Kendrick

Rights of Dependent Children & Youth; provides process for recommending change of placement of child in shelter or foster home who is perceived to be at risk; establishes standards for delivery of child welfare services for dependent children & youth; requires that child or youth be placed in home determined to be safe; requires criminal history records checks & Fla. Abuse Hotline Info. System history checks of persons with whom child or youth may be placed, etc. Amends Ch. 39. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/19/2007 SENATE In Messages

## **HB 0509** Relating to Children & Youth Cabinet Act

Ausley

Children & Youth Cabinet Act; creates Children & Youth Cabinet; provides legislative intent; provides organization, membership, & duties & responsibilities of cabinet; provides for advisory board; requires cabinet to prepare annual report. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 HOUSE Concurred with Amendment(s); Passed (Vote: 119 Yeas / 0 Nays); Ordered engrossed, then enrolled

## SB 0516 Relating to Autism Spectrum Disorder/Health Ins.

Geller

Autism Spectrum Disorder/Health Ins.; requires health insurer or HMO that offers major medical coverage to include coverage for treating minor for said disorder; defines term "autism spectrum disorder"; authorizes insurer or HMO to confirm diagnosis or review appropriateness of treatment plan; limits amount of annual coverage; provides that act does not affect licensure of health care professional or impair right to reimbursement of health care provider, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

1/31/2007 SENATE Referred to Banking and Insurance; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health Policy; General Government Appropriations

## **HB 0561** Relating to Human Papillomavirus (HPV)/Schools

Homan

Human Papillomavirus (HPV)/Schools; requires DOH to adopt rule adding human papillomavirus to list of communicable diseases for which immunizations are recommended; requires that certain parents or guardians must be provided information concerning HPV; requires DOH to prescribe information. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/10/2007 HOUSE Now in Policy & Budget Council

## SB 0564 Relating to Children & Youth Cabinet Act

Rich

Children & Youth Cabinet Act; creates Children & Youth Cabinet; provides legislative intent; provides organization, membership, & duties & responsibilities of cabinet; provides for advisory board; requires cabinet to prepare annual report. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/26/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Withdrawn; Amendment(s) Adopted; Substituted for HB 0509; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0509

## SB 0570 Relating to Keeping Children Safe Act

Rich

Keeping Children Safe Act; creates said act; prohibits certain persons from visiting or contacting child without hearing & court order; requires that any order of visitation with child who is in temporary custody or permanent custody of DCFS be issued in conformity with specified provision; requires Fla. Family Visitation Network to develop standards for supervised visitation programs in order to ensure safety of children in each program, etc. Amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

1/31/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Health and Human Services Appropriations

#### HB 0575 Relating to Bullying/Harassment/Public K-12 Schools

Thompson (N)

Bullying/Harassment/Public K-12 Schools; cites act as "Jeffrey Johnston Stand Up for All Students Act"; prohibits bullying & harassment of any student or employee of public K-12 educational institution; requires DOE approval of school district's policy & school district compliance with reporting procedures as prerequisites to receipt of safe schools funds; provides for construction, etc. Creates 1006.147. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon

becoming law.

4/24/2007 HOUSE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Withdrawn; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 110 Yeas / 1 Nays); In Senate Messages

## **HB 0587** Relating to Mental Health Facilities

Grimsley

Mental Health Facilities; requires mental health receiving & treatment facilities designated by DCFS to report certain financial & health service data to department; provides definition; provides reporting deadlines; requires department to submit report to Governor & Legislature. Amends 394.461. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007. 4/30/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Substituted for SB 0430; Laid on Table, Refer to SB 0430;

## **SB 0596** Relating to Feeding Alligators or Crocodiles

Saunders (B)

Feeding Alligators or Crocodiles; prohibits feeding or enticement of alligators or crocodiles. Amends 372.667. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

1/31/2007 SENATE Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; General Government Appropriations; Rules

## **HB 0625** Relating to Affordable Housing/Elderly

Machek

Affordable Housing/Elderly; authorizes Fla. Housing Finance Corporation to provide forgivable loans to nonprofit organizations that serve very-low-income elderly tenants; provides criteria. Amends 420.5087. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/15/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Infrastructure by Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council

#### HB 0661 Relating to Stalking/Person 65 Years or Older

Scionti

Stalking/Person 65 Years or Older; redefines certain terms & defines new terms re stalking; provides that person who willfully, maliciously, & repeatedly follows, harasses, or cyberstalks person 65 years of age or older commits offense of aggravated stalking, a felony of second degree; provides criminal penalties; provides for reclassification of criminal penalties for certain offenses; provides for civil cause of action & remedies, etc. Amends 784.048. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/1/2007 ----- Bill to Be Discussed During the Office of the EDR's Criminal Justice Impact Conference; 03/06/07, 9:00 am, 2103 C (No Votes Will Be Taken)

## **HB 0663** Relating to Schools/Abstinence-only Instruction

Randolph

Schools/Abstinence-only Instruction; provides parental right to know re abstinence-only instruction; requires certain school principals to mail notice to parents re provision of abstinence-only instruction & right to review abstinence-only curriculum; authorizes excuse from such instruction under certain conditions; provides process for parental comment on curriculum; provides for filing of complaints & appeals & for investigation & corrective action, etc. Creates 1003.465. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/9/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on K-12 by Schools & Learning Council

## HB 0667 Relating to Unattended Child in Motor Vehicle

Gibbons

Unattended Child in Motor Vehicle; provides that offense of leaving child unattended or unsupervised in motor vehicle constitutes second-degree misdemeanor rather than noncriminal traffic infraction; provides that such offense is third-degree felony if child suffers great bodily harm, disability, or disfigurement; provides penalties. Amends 316.6135. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 HOUSE Read Second Time; Substituted for SB 0002; Laid on Table, Refer to SB 0002;

## **HB 0669** Relating to Breast Cancer Treatment

Meadows

Breast Cancer Treatment; cites act as "Mary B. Hooks Act"; includes lymph node dissections under provisions prescribing length of hospital stay re mastectomy & outpatient postsurgical followup care which specified health insurers & HMOs must cover; limits application. Amends 627.64171,.66121, 641.31. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/8/2007 HOUSE Referred to Healthcare Council; Policy & Budget Council; Referred to Committee on Health Innovation by Healthcare Council

#### HB 0725 Relating to Foster Care Pilot Program/Duval Co.

Davis (D)

Foster Care Pilot Program/Duval Co.; provides for creation of Community Advisory Panel on Foster Care Pilot Program in Duval Co.; provides for cooperative participation by specified entities & individuals; creates Community Advisory Panel on Foster Care; provides duties of specified judges & panel members; provides for administration by community-based care lead agency; requires development of assessment tool to determine effectiveness of program, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/14/2007 HOUSE Now in Healthcare Council

## SB 0780 Relating to Affordable Housing

Garcia

Affordable Housing; requires certain counties to adopt plan for ensuring affordable workforce housing; authorizes local government to adopt amendments to local comprehensive plan in order to integrate port master plan with such plan; provides that all phase, buildout, & expiration dates for projects that are developments of regional impact & under active construction on specified date are extended for 3 years, etc. Amends Chs. 163, 197, 420, 380.06. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/1/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Substituted for HB 1375; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 1375

#### SB 0782 Relating to Affordable Housing

Garcia

Affordable Housing; expresses legislative intent to enact laws re affordable housing. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/8/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules

## SB 0784 Relating to Affordable Housing

Garcia

Affordable Housing; expresses legislative intent to enact laws re affordable housing. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/8/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules

#### **SB 0846** Relating to Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility

Jones

Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility; requires proof of increased financial responsibility for bodily injury or death caused by owners or operators found guilty of DUI offense or who had license or driving privilege revoked or suspended under specified provision; conforms provisions; prohibits insurer from taking certain actions solely because insured or specified person serves as volunteer driver for nonprofit agency or charitable organization, etc. Amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

5/2/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Substituted for HB 0359; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0359

#### **SB 0874** Relating to Early Learning

Diaz de la Portilla

Early Learning; expresses legislative intent to revise laws re early learning. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/8/2007 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Education Pre-K - 12; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Rules

#### **HB 0875** Relating to Public Employee Charitable Campaigns

Skidmore

Public Employee Charitable Campaigns; creates Fla. Public Employees' Charitable Campaign; authorizes salary or wage deductions for purposes of campaign; provides that campaign contributions must be voluntary; provides criteria for application & withdrawal from campaign; provides that participation must be limited to certain nonprofit charitable federations & member agencies; excludes certain organizations from participation; provides for selection of fiscal agent, etc. Creates 110.182. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/23/2007 HOUSE Now in Policy & Budget Council

## **SB 0910** Relating to Health Access Plan for Children

Siplin

Health Access Plan for Children; creates Universal Health Access Plan for Children; establishes single, publicly funded statewide program to provide medically necessary health services for each child in state without cost to child or his or her family; requires DOH to administer plan; directs DOH to perform specified activities & responsibilities; requires DOH to report annually to Governor & Legislature; directs DOH to adopt rules to administer plan, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/8/2007 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Health and Human Services Appropriations

## **SB 0926** Relating to Deaf & Hard of Hearing Interpreters

Wise

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Interpreters; includes Board of Interpreters for Deaf & Hard of Hearing to list of boards under DBPR; requires certain persons to be licensed or hold permit to practice; provides restrictions on & qualifications for licensure & permit holding; provides requirements for submitting certain complaints; provides for voluntary disclosure of certain privileged conversations, etc. Amends 20.165; creates 468.90-.914. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/23/2007 SENATE Favorable by Regulated Industries; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Governmental Operations

## SB 0930 Relating to Children's Health Care/Medical Assistance

Dawson

Children's Health Care/Medical Assistance; creates Fla. Council on Children's Health within Executive Office of Governor; creates Children's Health Insurance Div. & Child Health Coordination Office within DOH; requires DOH to establish clinical eligibility requirements for Fla. Kidcare Plus benefits; revises purpose of Fla. Kidcare program; revises funding sources for health benefits coverage provided to children under program, etc. Amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007 except as otherwise provided.

4/17/2007 SENATE Favorable with CS by Health and Human Services Appropriations; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

#### SB 0932 Relating to Medicaid Reform

Dawson

Medicaid Reform; expresses legislative intent to revise laws re Medicaid reform. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/8/2007 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Rules

#### SB 0952 Relating to 311 Governmental Svc. Telephone Sys.

Diaz de la Portilla

311 Governmental Svc. Telephone Sys.; defines term "coordinated 311 nonemergency & other governmental services telephone system"; authorizes DCA to accept & administer funds to provide grants for certain governmental services telephone systems; authorizes counties & municipalities to apply for grants; requires report to Governor & Legislature detailing expenditures; provides application evaluation criteria, etc. Creates 365.180. APPROPRIATION: \$10,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Communications and Public Utilities; Military Affairs and Domestic Security; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

#### SB 0956 Relating to Child Passenger Safety Act of Fla.

Wise

Child Passenger Safety Act of Fla.; revises requirements for safety restraints to be used by motor vehicle passengers under certain age; requires motor vehicle leasing companies to provide notice of restraint device requirements; authorizes HSMV to expend funds for certain educational purposes; prohibits driver from transporting child who has not attained certain age unless child is properly restrained; provides driver responsibility, etc. Amends 316.613. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/13/2007 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Criminal Justice; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

## **HB 0967** Relating to Physical Education

Weatherford

Physical Education; requires Education Commissioner to dedicate resources to provide professional development to physical education teachers & curricula developers; defines term "physical education"; requires district school boards to provide specified physical education for certain students; requires State Board of Education to review & revise Sunshine State Standards re physical education, etc. Amends 1001.11, 1003.01,.455. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

5/3/2007 SENATE Received, referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Health Policy; Withdrawn from Education Pre-K - 12; Health Policy; Substituted for SB 2746; Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House returning messages

## SB 0998 Relating to Cable TV/Video Service Franchises

Bennett

Cable TV/Video Service Franchises; cites act as "Consumer Choice Act of 2007"; prohibits counties & municipalities from negotiating terms & conditions re cable & video services; deletes authorization for counties & municipalities to award cable service franchises & restriction that cable service companies not operate without such franchise; designates Dept. of State as authorizing authority; requires DOACS to receive customer service complaints, etc. Amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/26/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Amendment(s) Failed; Amendment(s) Withdrawn; Substituted for HB 0529; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0529

#### SB 1020 Relating to Ad Valorem Taxation

Haridopolos

Ad Valorem Taxation; requires that property appraiser provide instructions to taxing authorities for computing rolled-back rate; provides that certain tax increment finance payments, taxes levied for payment of bonds, & voted tax levies are exempt from limitations on millage rates; amends specified provisions re taxpayer rights, approval of assessment rolls, disclosure of tax impact, & school district taxes, etc. Amends Chs. 192, 193, 194, 200, 218, 1011. APPROPRIATION: \$500,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/2/2007 SENATE Temporarily Postponed on Third Reading

#### SB 1022 Relating to Affordable Housing

Haridopolos

Affordable Housing; requires appraisers to use income approach when assessing affordable housing property that has low-income tax credit; provides for just valuation of affordable housing property; requires property appraisers to use income approach when assessing such property; specifies kinds of property subject to assessment. Amends 193.017; creates 193.018. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

#### SB 1032 Relating to Bicycle Safety

Bullard (L)

Bicycle Safety; revises safety standard requirements for bicycle helmets that must be worn by certain riders & passengers; provides for enforcement of certain bicycle equipment requirements; provides penalties for violations; provides for dismissal of first offense. Amends 316.2065. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007. 4/10/2007 SENATE Now in Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

## **HB 1041** Relating to Magic City Children's Zone Project

Bendross-Mindingall

Magic City Children's Zone Project; provides process for nominating & selecting children's zone; requires governing body to establish children's zone planning team; requires governing body to create corp. not for profit for specified purposes; establishes Magic City Children's Zone, Inc., pilot project; requires DCFS to contract with certain private nonprofit corporations for specified purposes; requires corp. to implement said pilot project, etc. Creates 409.147. APPROPRIATION: \$3,628,362. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/20/2007 SENATE In Messages

## **SB 1050** Relating to Early Learning

Wise

Early Learning; expresses legislative intent to revise laws re early learning. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/22/2007 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

## **HB 1083** Relating to Homelessness

Culp

Homelessness; conforms cross references; revises, provides & deletes definitions; increases & revises membership on Council on Homelessness; removes member from obsolete organization; corrects name of member organization on council; creates Housing First program; provides methodology; creates 3-year Youth Housing First Continuum Pilot Program; requires Connected by 25 in Hillsborough Co. to provide administrative support, etc. Amends FS. APPROPRIATION: \$250,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007 except as otherwise provided.

4/19/2007 SENATE In Messages

#### SB 1084 Relating to Juvenile Justice

Crist

Juvenile Justice; expresses legislative intent to revise laws re juvenile justice. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/22/2007 SENATE Referred to Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

#### HB 1103 Relating to Office of Early Learning

Ausley

Office of Early Learning; creates Early Learning Office in Executive Office of Governor; provides for type two transfer of Early Learning Office in AWI, Early Learning Office in DOE, child care facility licensing responsibilities of DCFS to Early Learning Office in Executive of Governor; provides requirements for credentials of prekindergarten instructors; revises provisions re minimum kindergarten readiness rate, etc. Creates 14.2017; amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/7/2007 HOUSE Referred to K-12 by Schools & Learning Council

#### **HB 1107** Relating to Child Care/Quality Rating System

Ausley

Child Care/Quality Rating System; provides for Office of Early Learning within AWI to establish Florida's Sunshine State Stars Quality Rating System, subject to specific appropriation; provides quality rating requirements for early learning programs, child care facilities, & facilities participating in Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; establishes voluntary pilot program in specified counties, etc. Creates 402.3012. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/16/2007 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on second reading

## SB 1156 Relating to Prevention First Act

Rich

Prevention First Act; creates said act; requires Secretary of Health to develop & maintain certain information concerning family planning & resources on website of DOH; requires that website contain certain information concerning family planning & health services; requires DOE to develop comprehensive family life & sexuality education plan; provides definitions; provides duties of licensed health care facilities & practitioners re treatment of rape survivors. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/19/2007 SENATE Withdrawn from Education Pre-K - 12; Now in Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

#### SB 1172 Relating to Breast Cancer Treatment

Jovner

Breast Cancer Treatment; cites act as "Mary B. Hooks Act"; includes lymph node dissections under provisions

prescribing length of hospital stay re mastectomy & outpatient postsurgical followup care which specified health insurers & HMOs must cover; limits application. Amends 627.64171,.66121, 641.31. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/1/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House Messages

## **HB 1179** Relating to Social Worker Identification

Richardson

Social Worker Identification; provides definitions for "social worker"; provides requirements for using title "social worker"; provides penalty & exemptions; requires DOH to adopt certain implementing & enforcing rules. Amends 39.01, 491.003; creates 491.016. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/20/2007 HOUSE Reference to Policy & Budget Council removed; Placed on Calendar, on second reading

#### HB 1181 Relating to Foster Care & Related Services

Hooper

Foster Care & Related Services; provides for general liability insurance coverage for community-based provider staff under certain circumstances; requires DCFS to enter into multiyear, fixed-price contracts with lead agencies; requires DCFS to contract with third-party entities for fiscal, administrative, & programmatic monitoring to replace DCFS monitoring, except as required by federal law; provides for DCFS approval of certain health standards, etc. Amends Ch. 409. APPROPRIATION: \$299,389. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007. 4/24/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Temporarily Postponed on Third Reading; Indefinitely postponed

## **HB 1191** Relating to Prevention First Act

Roberson

Prevention First Act; creates said act; requires Secretary of Health to develop & maintain certain information concerning family planning & resources on website of DOH; requires that website contain certain information concerning family planning & health services; requires DOE to develop comprehensive family life & sexuality education plan; provides definitions; provides duties of licensed health care facilities & practitioners re treatment of rape survivors. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/9/2007 HOUSE Referred to Health Quality by Healthcare Council

## SB 1210 Relating to Children/Brain Injury/Rehabilitation

Wise

Children/Brain Injury/Rehabilitation; requires development of program to make available financial support for rehabilitation of children who have moderate or severe brain injury; specifies minimum criteria for inpatient care; authorizes provision of financial support pending institution of program; specifies manner by which DOH must ensure that certain rehabilitation services & outcomes are recorded in trauma registry, etc. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/14/2007 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Health Policy

#### SB 1212 Relating to Corporate Income Tax Credit Scholarship Program Wise

Corporate Income Tax Credit Scholarship Program; provides legislative findings; revises program purposes; provides definition; provides that specified students who have been in DJJ education programs or who are placed in foster care are eligible for participation in scholarship program; revises income criteria for continuation of scholarship for students placed in foster care. Amends 220.187. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/20/2007 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax

#### **HB 1215** Relating to Independent Living Transition Services

Glorioso

Independent Living Transition Services; limits liability of caseworker who signs application for driver's license for minor who is in foster care; revises eligibility criteria for independent living transition services & for Road-to-Independence Program; increases age limit for eligibility for certain persons to qualify for medical assistance payments; provides for removal of disabilities of certain minors for purposes of securing depository financial services, etc. Amends Chs. 322, 409, 743. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/1/2007 HOUSE Read Second Time; Substituted for SB 2114; Laid on Table, Refer to SB 2114;

## SB 1216 Relating to Homestead Exemptions/Disabled Person

Wise

Homestead Exemptions/Disabled Person; provides homestead exemption for real estate used by person who is totally & permanently disabled due to paraplegia or hemiplegia; removes requirement that totally & permanently disabled person must be in wheelchair. Amends 196.101. EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/2008.

4/20/2007 ----- Bill removed from the Office of the EDR's Revenue Impact Conference agenda for 04/21/07

## **HB 1235** Relating to Migrant Labor Housing

Grimsley

Migrant Labor Housing; adds required information to be provided in written notice of intent to construct, enlarge, remodel, use, or occupy migrant labor camp or residential migrant housing or convert property for use as migrant labor camp or residential migrant housing; provides that local government may deny initial siting of

migrant labor camp or residential migrant housing under specified conditions. Amends 381.0083. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007.

3/14/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Health Quality by Healthcare Council

#### **HB 1237** Relating to Health Care for All Children

Gelber

Health Care for All Children; constitutional amendment to require that adequate provision be made by general law to guarantee that every child in state has available, accessible, & affordable comprehensive, quality health care, including basic dental & vision care, effective no later than July 1, 2010. Creates s. 27, Art. I. 3/14/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Healthy Families by Healthcare Council

### **HB 1239** Relating to Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention Act

Homar

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention Act; creates said act; directs DOH to develop public education program, including telephone information hotline, to provide information re Fetal Alcohol Syndrome; directs DOH in conjunction with DCFS to develop & maintain Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention Network consisting of service providers & Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Diagnostic & Intervention Centers, etc. Creates 397.602; amends Ch. 397, 562.063. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007 except as otherwise provided.

3/20/2007 HOUSE Workshopped by Health Quality

#### **HB 1241** Relating to Florida Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force

Richter

Florida Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force; establishes said task force within DOEA; provides for membership; requires DOEA to provide administrative support; requires task force to assess & make recommendations on specified issues; requires task force to gather feedback from general public; requires task force to submit report to Governor, President of Senate, & Speaker of House of Representatives; provides for termination of task force. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/14/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Healthy Seniors by Healthcare Council

#### HB 1251 Relating to Alzheimer's Disease/Screening

Schwartz

Alzheimer's Disease/Screening; directs DOEA to develop & implement public education program re screening for Alzheimer's disease; provides criteria for awarding grants; provides definition; requires grant recipients to submit evaluation of certain activities to DOEA; authorizes DOEA to provide technical support; requires DOEA to conduct or support study on memory impairment screening; requires report. Creates 430.5025,.5026. APPROPRIATION: \$500,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/14/2007 HOUSE Referred to Committee on Healthy Seniors by Healthcare Council

## **HB 1269** Relating to Infant Mortality

Reed

Infant Mortality; provides legislative intent re black infant health practice initiative; requires local community to develop team to serve as part of statewide practice collaborative; requires healthy start coalitions to conduct case reviews; requires certain public universities or colleges to provide technical assistance, to assist in determining certain criteria, & to present findings & make recommendations, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$1,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered enrolled

#### HB 1289 Relating to Immunizations/Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine

Holder

Immunizations/Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine; adds said vaccine to list of required vaccines for enrollment in child care facility, family day care home, or large family child care home; requires DOH to establish rules & protocols; requires facilities & homes to furnish proof of compliance to DOH. Amends 402.305, .313,.3131. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/21/2007 HOUSE Now in Healthcare Council

#### HB 1309 Relating to Adoption & Child Protection

Galvano

Adoption & Child Protection; redesignates Office of Child Abuse Prevention as Office of Adoption & Child Protection; revises purpose of office; provides for Chief Child Advocate & provides duties therefor; provides for promotion of adoption & support of adoptive families in state plan of office; establishes Child Abuse Prevention & Permanency Advisory Council; provides adoption assistance program for children within child welfare system, etc. Amends Ch. 39, 409.166. APPROPRIATION: \$5,673,522. EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/1/2007.

5/1/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered enrolled

#### HB 1343 Relating to Department of Health/State Surgeon General

Planas

Department of Health/State Surgeon General; designates State Surgeon General as head of DOH; provides requirements of position; provides duties for State Surgeon General; conforms references; directs Statutory Revision Div. to make conforming changes to Florida Statutes. Amends 20.43, 381.0605. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/1/2007 HOUSE Read Second Time; Substituted for SB 2260; Laid on Table, Refer to SB 2260;

#### SB 1344 Relating to Community Residential Homes

Margolis

Community Residential Homes; requires 24-hour security at such homes housing residents from criminal justice system. Amends 419.001. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/13/2007 SENATE Withdrawn from Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Community Affairs; Criminal Justice; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Withdrawn from further consideration

## **HB 1375** Relating to Affordable Housing

Davis (M)

Affordable Housing; requires certain counties to adopt plan for ensuring workforce housing by specified date; authorizes local governments to elect not to apply transportation concurrency & impact fee requirements on accessory units on certain accessory dwelling units; requires local government's land development regulations to maintain density for certain types of parcels zoned for residential use, etc. Amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 HOUSE Concurred with Amendment(s); Passed (Vote: 119 Yeas / 0 Nays); Ordered engrossed, then enrolled

## SB 1388 Relating to Adoption & Child Protection

Storms

Adoption & Child Protection; redesignates Office of Child Abuse Prevention as Office of Adoption & Child Protection; revises purpose of office; provides for promotion of adoption & support of adoptive families in state plan of office; establishes Child Abuse Prevention & Permanency Advisory Council & provides for its composition; establishes subsidized adoption program; provides for waiver of certain adoption fees, etc. Amends Ch. 39; creates 409.1661. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Substituted for HB 1309; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 1309

#### SB 1394 Relating to Children & Families

Storms

Children & Families; authorizes DCFS to begin process of reorganization; requires dept. to integrate substance abuse & mental health programs into its structure & priorities; authorizes dept. to use name Department of Children & Families; clarifies provisions that prohibit falsifying, altering, or in any manner destroying records if such act may be detrimental to health, safety, or welfare of individual in care & custody of state agency, etc. Amends 839.13. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law except as otherwise provided.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House Messages

## **HB 1477** Relating to Forensic Mental Health

Ausley

Forensic Mental Health; creates Criminal Justice, Mental Health, & Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant Program within DCFS; authorizes counties to apply for planning grant or implementation or expansion grant; requires that all records & meetings be open to public; prohibits county from using grant funds to supplant existing funding; creates Criminal Justice, Mental Health, & Substance Abuse Technical Assistance Center, etc. Amends 394.655. EFFECTIVE DATE: Contingent.

5/2/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 40 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered enrolled

#### SB 1480 Relating to Alzheimer's Disease

Wise

Alzheimer's Disease; requires DOEA to establish program to educate public about screening for memory impairment; authorizes DOEA to make grants to certain entities in support of program; provides that preference for awarding grant be given to entities that meet certain requirements; authorizes DOEA to set aside funds for technical assistance; requires DOEA to conduct evidence report re memory impairment, etc. Creates 430.505. APPROPRIATION: \$500,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/11/2007 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

#### HB 1497 Relating to Abortion

Traviesa

Abortion; clarifies requirement that third trimester abortions be performed in hospital; provides that woman must certify in writing that she declined to review ultrasound & did so of her own free will & without undue influence; requires 24-hour waiting period before physician may perform or induce abortion on adult or on certain minor patients; provides for women's reproductive bill of rights, etc. Amends Ch. 390. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/27/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Passed (Vote: 71 Yeas / 42 Nays); In Senate Messages; Received, referred to Health Regulation; Judiciary

#### SB 1506 Relating to State Children's Health Insurance Program

Peaden, Jr.

State Children's Health Insurance Program; urges Congress to timely reauthorize State Children's Health Insurance Program to assure federal funding for Florida KidCare Program.

5/3/2007 SENATE In returning messages; Received from Messages; Concurred with Amendment(s); Passed (Vote: 38 Yeas / 0 Nays); Ordered engrossed, then enrolled

## HB 1543 Relating to Public Child Care/Gold Seal Quality Care Program Cusack

Public Child Care/Gold Seal Quality Care Program; provides legislative intent that children meeting certain requirements be given first priority for placement in Gold Seal Quality Care Program. Amends 402.301. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/20/2007 HOUSE Reference to Policy & Budget Council removed; Placed on Calendar, on second reading

#### SB 1612 Relating to Direct-support Org. for Guardian Ad Litem Program Rich

Direct-support Org. for Guardian Ad Litem Program; creates said organization for Guardian Ad Litem program; provides for organization & operation of organization for Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Office; provides for contract; provides for board of directors; provides for use of property, facilities, & personal services of said office by said organization; provides restrictions; provides for deposit of moneys; provides for annual audit; provides limits on said organization. Creates 39.8298. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/27/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Substituted for HB 0229; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0229

## SB 1626 Relating to Affordable Housing/Elderly

Margolis

Affordable Housing/Elderly; authorizes Fla. Housing Finance Corporation to provide partially forgivable loans to nonprofit organizations that serve extremely-low-income elderly tenants; provides criteria. Amends 420.5087. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/27/2007 SENATE Now in Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

#### **SB 1650** Relating to Freedom of Speech & Press/Actions

Gaetz

Freedom of Speech & Press/Actions; provides that false light invasion of privacy cause of action is not recognized in Florida. Creates 770.09. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/7/2007 SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Rules

## SB 1732 Relating to Primary Care Access Network

Webster

Primary Care Access Network; creates pilot program to provide extended operating hours for purpose of offering health care services at overcrowded clinics in said network in Orange & Pasco Counties; directs AHCA to establish pilot program in said counties; requires agency to develop procedures for operating pilot program; requires agency to submit report with recommendations to Governor & Legislature by specified date. APPROPRIATION: \$2,300,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/27/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 38 Yeas / 0 Nays); Immediately certified; In House Messages

#### **SB 1740** Relating to Florida Kidcare Program

Fasano

Florida Kidcare Program; defines term "maximum income threshold"; revises income eligibility requirements for enrollment in Medikids program; provides for year-round enrollment only when funding is available to finance increased enrollment; revises income eligibility requirements for enrollment in Florida Kidcare program & Florida Healthy Kids program; provides requirements for maximum income threshold, etc. Amends 409.811,.8132,.8134,.814,.818, 624.91. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/4/2007 SENATE Now in Banking and Insurance

## **SB 1744** Relating to Legal Blindness/Homestead Exemption

Justice

Legal Blindness/Homestead Exemption; authorizes licensed optometrist to certify that person is totally & permanently disabled solely as result of legal blindness & therefore entitled to exemption; specifies certification form. Amends 196.101. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Substituted for HB 1051; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 1051

## SB 1808 Relating to Dependent Children

Posey

Dependent Children; redefines term "harm" to provide that mother harms her child's health or welfare by using controlled substance during pregnancy without regard to whether using said substance adversely affected child; reenacts provisions re child abuse prevention training in district school system & grounds for appointment of guardian advocate, respectively, to incorporate amendments made in references thereto. Amends 39.01; reenacts 39.0015(3)(b),.828(1)(a). EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/7/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary

#### SB 1814 Relating to Dependent Minors

Posev

Dependent Minors; provides that child who has been previously adjudicated as delinquent for posing threat to

safety of others & who is no longer welcome in his or her home is considered dependent; prohibits court from imposing sanctions against parent or guardian of child who is found to be dependent & is no longer welcome in his or her home. Amends 39.01,.507. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/7/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

## **SB 1826** Relating to Community-Based Pilot Projects

Gaetz

Community-Based Pilot Projects; requires APD & AHCA to establish pilot projects for certain clients who are currently served through federal Medicaid home & community-based services waivers; provides project requirements; requires report; requires legislative approval for further expansion; requires annual review. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/13/2007 SENATE Now in Health Policy

#### SB 1828 Relating to Medicaid Managed Care Pilot Program

Fasano

Medicaid Managed Care Pilot Program; requires AHCA to develop methodology for calculating risk-adjusted capitation rates based on information in encounter database; requires that specified criteria be met prior to implementation of methodology; provides for use of interim risk-adjusted methodology; provides phase-in schedule for encounter-based methodology for participating managed care plans, etc. Amends 409.91211. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/24/2007 SENATE Favorable with CS by Health and Human Services Appropriations; 3 Yeas; 2 Nays

#### SB 1834 Relating to Optional Coverage for Health-related Disorders Jones

Optional Coverage for Health-related Disorders; includes certain amino-acid-based formulas within requirements concerning optional coverage for formulas; revises requirements for optional coverage for mental & nervous disorders; revises certain benefits limitations; provides options application requirement. Amends 627.42395,.668. EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/2008.

4/30/2007 SENATE Withdrawn from Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Now in Health Policy

## SB 1906 Relating to Children & Families/Need of Services

Dawson

Children & Families/Need of Services; requires DJJ to ensure equitable percentage of funding for programs that serve certain children & families in need of services; requires recipient of such funding to demonstrate inclusion of certain service providers in contracting & delivery of programs. Amends 984.01. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/7/2007 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

#### SB 1908 Relating to Tobacco Prevention & Education Act

Saunders (B)

Tobacco Prevention & Education Act; requires Secretary of Health to concurrently serve as state's Surgeon General; establishes Fla. Comprehensive Tobacco Prevention & Education Program within DOH; authorizes inclusion of smoking cessation programs administered by county health departments; authorizes inclusion of programs to address certain disparities among groups of persons; creates Statewide Tobacco Policy Oversight Board, etc. Amends 20.05; creates 386.301-.306. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/13/2007 SENATE Withdrawn from Health Policy; Regulated Industries; Governmental Operations; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Withdrawn from further consideration

#### SB 1946 Relating to Iris Roberts Act/Traffic Control

Gaetz

Iris Roberts Act/Traffic Control; exempts certain nonprofit organizations from permit requirements re obstructing streets or roads for solicitation purposes; establishes conditions such organizations must meet in order to solicit charitable donations on certain streets, roads, & rights-of-way; authorizes local governments to halt solicitation activities if such conditions are not met. Amends 316.2045. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007. 4/18/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Substituted for H 0099; Laid on Table, Refer to H 0099

## SB 2022 Relating to Pharmacist Kevin Coit Memorial Act

Bennett

Pharmacist Kevin Coit Memorial Act; authorizes pharmacists to administer influenza virus immunizations to adults; requires that pharmacists authorized to administer influenza virus immunizations provide evidence of current certification by Centers for Disease Control of U.S. Department of Health to supervising physician; creates Task Force for Study of Biotech Competitiveness; provides for expiration of task force, etc. Amends 465.003; creates 465.189. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Substituted for HB 0543; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0543

#### SB 2048 Relating to Child Restraint Requirements

Posev

Child Restraint Requirements; provides child-restraint requirements for children ages 4 through 7; provides

grace period; provides exceptions to such requirements. Amends 316.613. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007. 4/17/2007 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Criminal Justice

## **SB 2064** Relating to Legislative Session Dates

Posey

Legislative Session Dates; constitutional amendment to change date on which regular sessions of Legislature will convene (unless otherwise specified by law for even-numbered year) from first Tuesday after first Monday in March to first Tuesday after first Monday in June. Amends s. 3, Art. III; creates s. 27, Art. XII. 3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Judiciary; General Government Appropriations; Rules

#### **SB 2114** Relating to Independent Living Transition Services

Rich

Independent Living Transition Services; limits liability of caseworker who signs application for driver's license for minor who is in foster care; revises eligibility criteria for independent living transition services & for Road-to-Independence Program; increases age limit for eligibility for certain persons to qualify for medical assistance payments; provides for removal of disabilities of certain minors for purposes of securing depository financial services, etc. Amends Chs. 322, 409, 743. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/2/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 118 Yeas / 0 Nays); Senate Ordered enrolled

## SB 2116 Relating to Corporations not for Profit

Aronberg

Corporations not for Profit; requires document that is electronically transmitted to be in format that can be retrieved in typewritten or printed form; requires Department of State to collect fee for filing agent's statement of resignation from inactive corporation; provides that certain stock certificates constitute certificates of membership; provides that repeal or amendment of statute does not affect certain operations & proceedings, etc. Amends Ch. 617. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Judiciary; Finance and Tax; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

#### SB 2120 Relating to Infant Mortality

Joyner

Infant Mortality; provides legislative intent re black infant health practice initiative; requires local community to develop team to serve as part of statewide practice collaborative; requires healthy start coalitions to conduct case reviews; requires certain public universities or colleges to provide technical assistance & to assist in determining certain criteria & to present findings & make recommendations, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$1,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/2/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Failed; Amendment(s) Adopted; Substituted for HB 1269; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 1269

## **SB 2130** Relating to Exceptional Students/OPPAGA Study

Constantine

Exceptional Students/OPPAGA Study; requires study by OPPAGA of provision of educational services to certain exceptional students referred to or placed in private residential care facilities; defines terms; requires report with recommendations. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 36 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House Messages

## **SB 2192** Relating to Healthy Workers, Healthy Families Act

Wilson

Healthy Workers, Healthy Families Act [EPCC]; creates said act; requires minimum level of sick leave accrual for employee & provides direction to employer on methodology for such accrual determination; delineates guaranteed uses of sick leave & reasonable determination of such leave; prohibits retaliatory personnel action or discrimination against employee re paid sick leave requests, guaranteed use, or filing of action or complaint, etc. Amends Ch. 448. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Commerce; Health Policy; Judiciary; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

## SB 2226 Relating to Child Care/Quality Rating System

Rich

Child Care/Quality Rating System; establishes Florida's Sunshine State Stars Quality Rating System, a voluntary rating system, in AWI; provides quality rating requirements for early learning programs, child care facilities, & facilities participating in Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program; establishes voluntary pilot program in specified counties; provides financial incentives for advancement in quality rating, etc. Creates 402.3012. APPROPRIATION: \$25,000,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/19/2007 SENATE Favorable with 1 Amendment by Education Pre-K - 12; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays; Now in Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

## SB 2244 Relating to Stalking/Person 65 Years or Older

Ring

Stalking/Person 65 Years or Older; redefines certain terms & defines new terms re stalking; provides that person who willfully, maliciously, & repeatedly follows, harasses, or cyberstalks person 65 years of age or older

commits offense of aggravated stalking, a felony of second degree; provides criminal penalties; provides for reclassification of criminal penalties for certain offenses; provides for civil cause of action & remedies, etc. Amends 784.048. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations

#### SB 2256 Relating to School-based Health Center

Wilson

School-based Health Center; defines term "school-based health center" for purposes of School Health Services Act; provides that such center is health care entity acting as instrumentality of state for purposes of certain limitations on liability. Amends 381.0056. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Education Pre-K - 12; Judiciary; Health and Human Services Appropriations

#### SB 2258 Relating to Federal Funding/After-School Programs

Wilson

Federal Funding/After-school Programs; requires OPPAGA to perform study of how to maximize federal funding for after-school programs; requires report to legislature by specified date. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

#### SB 2272 Relating to Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention

Bennett

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Prevention; requires Health Dept. to develop public education program to inform public re detrimental effects of fetal alcohol syndrome; provides that pregnant woman who requests evaluation for counseling or treatment services to minimize risk of alcohol exposure to her unborn child may obtain such evaluation at any licensed service provider participating in fetal alcohol syndrome prevention network, etc. Amends Ch. 397; creates 562.063. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007 except as otherwise provided.

4/20/2007 SENATE Now in Judiciary

#### SB 2292 Relating to Affordable Housing

Bennett

Affordable Housing; provides for assessment for tax purposes of certain property subject to 99-year ground leases; clarifies which types of property owned by certain nonprofit entities are exempt from ad valorem taxation; provides for Fla. Housing Finance Corp. to establish review & selection committee for Community Workforce Housing Innovation Pilot Program loan process, etc. Creates 193.018, 196.1982; amends 196.1978, 420.5095. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

## SB 2294 Relating to Rights of Children & Youth

Rich

Rights of Children & Youth; provides applicability of specified provision, to accessing records re child abuse & neglect; provides for access to child's case-file records by specified persons; provides for sanctions & penalties for refusal to provide such access; establishes rights for children in shelter & foster care; prohibits certain causes of action; provides for continuation of certain rights & remedies established in state or federal law, etc. Amends Ch. 39. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Judiciary; Health and Human Services Appropriations

## **SB 2298** Relating to Migrant Labor Housing

Alexander

Migrant Labor Housing; adds required information to be provided in written notice of intent to construct, enlarge, remodel, use, or occupy migrant labor camp or residential migrant housing or convert property for use as migrant labor camp or residential migrant housing; provides that local government may deny initial siting of migrant labor camp or residential migrant housing under specified conditions. Amends 381.0083. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2007.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Community Affairs

## SB 2334 Relating to Kidcare Outreach Program/Uninsured Children

Kidcare Outreach Program/Uninsured Children; requires OPPAGA to perform study of outreach efforts of Kidcare program; provides requirements for study; requires report to Legislature by specified date. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/14/2007 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Health and Human Services Appropriations

## **SB 2348** Relating to Fla. Health Information Network Act

Atwater

Wilson

Fla. Health Information Network Act; (THIS BILL COMBINES S2348 & S2582) creates Fla. Health Information Network Advisory Council within Executive Office of Governor; establishes duties of AHCA re development of electronic health information network; creates direct-support organization to assist AHCA; requires AHCA to

prepare & submit to Efficient Government Council a business case analysis for implementation of statewide health information network, etc. Creates 408.064. APPROPRIATION. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law. 4/20/2007 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

## SB 2400 Relating to Child Care Services/Circuit Court Jurisdiction Wilson

Child Care Services/Circuit Court Jurisdiction; provides legislative intent that children meeting certain requirements be given first priority for placement into Gold Seal Quality Care Program; Amends 402.301. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/25/2007 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

## SB 2506 Relating to Office of Early Learning Rich

Office of Early Learning; creates Early Learning Office in Executive Office of Governor; provides for type two transfer of Early Learning Office in AWI, Early Learning Office in DOE, & child care facility licensing responsibilities of DCFS to Early Learning Office in Executive Office of Governor; provides requirements for credentials of prekindergarten instructors; revises provisions re minimum kindergarten readiness rate, etc. Creates 14.2017; amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/20/2007 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Governmental Operations; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

## SB 2508 Relating to Social Worker Identification Rich

Social Worker Identification; defines term "social worker"; prohibits persons from identifying themselves as social workers unless they hold certain credentials; provides exceptions; requires DOH to adopt rules. Amends 39.01, 491.003; creates 491.016. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/1/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 27 Yeas / 12 Nays); In House Messages

#### SB 2520 Relating to Behavioral Health Community Solutions Program Dockery

Behavioral Health Community Solutions Program; creates Behavioral Health Community Solutions Pilot Program in Polk County; provides purposes for program; provides for cooperative efforts; creates Behavioral Health Forensic Project for Tenth Judicial Circuit; provides goals; expands current crisis response team; creates three forensic teams; expands mental health court; provides for step-down residential facility; provides for central receiving facility. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/25/2007 SENATE Now in Judiciary

## SB 2654 Relating to Child Care Facilities/Domestic Violence Training Wilson

Child Care Facilities/Domestic Violence Training; requires each child care facility to establish standards for instructing child care personnel on matters pertaining to domestic violence; requires that instruction include specified training period for new & experienced child care personnel. Amends 402.305. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/20/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health and Human Services Appropriations

## SB 2676 Relating to Public Employee Charitable Campaigns Lawson Jr.

Public Employee Charitable Campaigns; deletes provision limiting charitable fundraising directed toward state employees within work areas during work hours, & for which state will provide payroll deduction, to Fla. State Employees' Charitable Campaign; creates Fla. Public Employees' Charitable Campaign; provides organization of campaign; provides that participation must be limited to certain nonprofit charitable federations & member agencies, etc. Amends 110.181; creates 110.182. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/24/2007 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Governmental Operations

## SB 2732 Relating to Immunizations/Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine Joyner

Immunizations/Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine; adds said vaccine to list of required vaccines for enrollment in child care facility, family day care home, or large family child care home; requires DOH to establish rules & protocols; requires facilities & homes to furnish proof of compliance to DOH. Amends 402.305,.313,.3131. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/20/2007 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health and Human Services Appropriations

#### SB 2746 Relating to Physical Education/Students/External Defibrillator Constantine

Physical Education/Students/External Defibrillator; requires Commissioner of Education to provide professional development in physical education; requires specified periods of said education for certain students; authorizes principals to designate instructional personnel to teach such education; requires State Board of Education to review & revise Sunshine State Standards re such education; requires public schools to have automated

external defibrillator on school grounds, etc. Amends 1001.11, 1003.01,.455. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

5/3/2007 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Amendment(s) Withdrawn; Substituted for HB 0967; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0967

#### SB 2762 Relating to Healthier Child Care & School Food Programs Act Rich

Healthier Child Care & School Food Programs Act; creates said act; provides definitions; provides for regulation of foods served in Child Care Food Program; provides for regulation of foods served in school food service programs; requires that certain foods be served; specifies availability & serving size of certain food products; provides exemptions. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/20/2007 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12: Health Policy: Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

#### SB 2868 Relating to Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services; authorizes DCFS to establish facilities that provide services as integrated adult mental health crisis stabilization unit & addictions receiving facility; requires licensure; provides eligibility criteria for treatment services; requires department to adopt rules; eliminates requirement that providers of mental health or substance abuse services must be under contract with department. Creates 394.4996; amends 409.906. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/30/2007 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); In House Messages

#### SB 2876 Relating to Adoption/Special Needs Children

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

Adoption/Special Needs Children; redefines term "special needs child"; revises provisions re adoption of children with special needs; revises & adds definitions; distinguishes between subsidies & adoption assistance; provides for adoption-assistance agreement. Amends 110.152, 409.166. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

4/12/2007 HOUSE In Messages

## SB 2916 Relating to Foster Care & Related Services

Diaz de la Portilla

Foster Care & Related Services; provides for general liability insurance coverage for community-based provider staff under certain circumstances; removes requirements that community-based provider staff obtain certain liability insurance coverage; establishes long-term contracting & third-party oversight program; requires that fiscal, administrative, & programmatic monitoring be conducted by third-party entities, etc. Amends 409.1671, 175. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

3/20/2007 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Operations; Health and Human Services Appropriations

#### SB 2952 Relating to Affordable & Workforce Housing Valuation/Rentals Aronberg

Affordable & Workforce Housing Valuation/Rentals; constitutional amendment to allow counties & municipalities, by ordinance & applicable to their own tax levies, to authorize multifamily rental property used for either affordable housing or workforce housing to be assessed solely on basis of actual income from such property. Amends s. 4, Art. VII.

4/12/2007 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; General Government Appropriations; Rules

## **SB 7008** Relating to Florida Kidcare Program

Health Policy

Florida Kidcare Program; revises various provisions of said program; revises certain requirements for screening applicants to program; provides duties of AHCA & DOH; establishes Florida Kidcare Consolidation Pilot Program within specified counties; provides for AHCA to administer said pilot program in coordination with DCFS; requires AHCA to enter into contract for evaluation of said program, etc. Amends ch. 409, 624.91. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

2/7/2007 SENATE Workshopped by Health Policy

## HB 7045 Relating to Tobacco Education & Prevention

Healthcare Council

Tobacco Education & Prevention; requires DOH to conduct statewide tobacco education & prevention program; establishes components of program; creates Tobacco Education & Prevention Advisory Council; requires Health Secretary to award grants in consultation with council; provides for appointment of peer review panel to review proposals for funding; specifies use of funds appropriated under program, etc. Creates 381.84. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/12/2007 HOUSE Substituted for SB 1126; Laid on Table, Refer to SB 1126;

#### HB 7065 Relating to Medicaid

Healthcare Council

Medicaid; requires AHCA to implement federal waivers to administer integrated, fixed-payment delivery

program for Medicaid recipients 60 years of age or older; requires payment of certain nursing home claims within time certain; requires counties to participate in Medicaid payments for certain nursing home or intermediate facilities care for both health maintenance members & fee-for-service beneficiaries, etc. Amends 409.912,.915, 408.040. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

5/3/2007

HOUSE Conference Committee Report received; Conference Committee Report adopted; Passed (Vote: 100 Yeas / 18 Nays); In Senate returning messages; Conference Committee Report received; Conference Committee Report adopted; Passed (Vote: 39 Yeas / 0 Nays); House Ordered engrossed, then enrolled

## SB 7070 Relating to Homelessness

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

Homelessness; deletes, revises, & adds definitions; establishes Housing Retention Program in State Office on Homelessness in DCFS for purpose of awarding competitive grants to local agencies to be used for homelessness-prevention assistance; provides grant application procedure; requires grant applicants to develop housing-retention assistance plan & to provide match of cash & in-kind services, etc. Amends 420.621; creates 420.628. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

2/21/2007 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

## SB 7084 Relating to Mental Health/Substance Abuse Svcs.

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

Mental Health/Substance Abuse Svcs.; authorizes DCFS to establish facilities that provide services as integrated adult mental health crisis stabilization unit & substance abuse addiction receiving facility; eliminates requirement that providers of said services must be under contract with DCFS; adds DCFS as medical review committee to evaluate provision of mental health services provided in certain facilities, etc. Creates 394.4996; amends 409.906, 766.101. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

3/5/2007 SENATE Committee Bill Filed as S 2868

#### **HB 7151** Relating to Education

**Pickens** 

Education; requires State Board of Education to review Sunshine State Standards & replace them with World Class Education Standards; requires certain high-performing school districts to submit plans to State Board of Education & give certain authority to specified school principals; requires school districts to include certain notations on diplomas & academic transcripts under specified conditions, etc. Amends FS. APPROPRIATION: \$2,525,000. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007 except as otherwise provided.

4/30/2007 HOUSE Read Third Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Amendment(s) Withdrawn; Passed (Vote: 117 Yeas / 0 Nays); In Senate messages

#### HB 7189 Relating to Florida Kidcare

Healthcare Council

Florida Kidcare; conforms provisions to changes made by Florida Kidcare act; provides that no cause of action shall arise against Florida Healthy Kids Corp. for failure to make certain services available; authorizes program to provide premium assistance to certain children under certain circumstances; requires corp. to establish penalties or waiting periods for reinstatement of coverage under certain circumstances & subject to appropriation, etc. Amends FS. APPROPRIATION: \$14,402,776. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2007.

4/25/2007 HOUSE Read Second Time; Amendment(s) Adopted; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 98 Yeas / 14 Nays); In Senate Messages

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