

MEMORANDUM

TO: NAIOP
FROM: GrayRobinson
DATE: November 6, 2021
SUBJECT: 2022 Legislative Session – Committee Week 4 Summary (November 1-5)

After a week off (filled with special session rumors and intrigue), the Legislature returned to Tallahassee for Committee Week 4. While we still saw workshops and topic presentations, there were no budget presentations this week. The Senate hit the ground running, hearing 33 bills (all of which were passed) in 7 committees and one confirmation hearing; the House did not hear any bills this week. The legislators have next week off, before convening back in Tallahassee on November 15 for a Special Session, which should make for an eventful week. These and other topics are covered below in our summary of the week that was in Tallahassee.

NAIOP Activities

The GR team held its monthly zoom meeting with NAIOP representatives, as well as continued to work with legislative leaders on fire code and EV charging station issues related to commercial development. As the white papers are finalized, our team will refine its efforts.

Summary of Committee Week Four (November 1-5)

Bills Heard

The following bills were heard in the Senate:

- **Senate Commerce and Tourism Committee**
 - SB 336 – Uniform Commercial Code (Berman)
 - SB 174 – Trade (Pizzo)
 - SB 288 – Electronic Dissemination of Commercial Recordings and Audiovisual Works (Garcia)
 - SB 434 – Florida Tourism Marketing (Hooper)
- **Senate Criminal Justice Committee**

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- SB 0226 – Care for Retired Law Enforcement Dogs (Powell)
- SB 0260 – Renaming the Criminal Punishment Code (Pizzo)
- SB 0276 – Sentencing (Rouson)
- SB 0342 – Juvenile Diversion Program Expunction (Perry)
- SB 0344 – Public Records/Nonjudicial Record of the Arrest of a Minor (Perry)
- SB 0360 – Traveling Across County Lines to Commit a Burglary (Harrell)
- SB 0370 – Offenses Against Firefighters (Hooper)
- **Senate Education Committee**
 - SB 0236 – Children with Developmental Delays (Jones)
 - SB 0268 – Proclamation of “Victims of Communism Day” (Diaz)
 - SB 0270 – Funds for Student Transportation (Hutson)
 - SB 0318 – Florida Seal of Fine Arts Program (Rouson)
 - SB 7004 – A Review Under The Open Government Sunset Review Act (Education)
 - SB 7006 – A Review Under The Open Government Sunset Review Act (Education)
- **Senate Regulated Industries Committee**
 - SB 0170 – Public Records/Lottery Winners (Polsky)
 - SB 0222 – Swimming Pool Specialty Contracting Services (Gruters)
 - SB 0350 – Procedures for Petitions for Utility Rate Relief (Bean)
 - Confirmation hearing of Gabriella Passidomo, Public Service Commission
- **Senate Banking and Insurance Committee**
 - SB 0156 – Loss Run Statements (Broxson)
 - SB 0252 – Health Care Cost Savings (Brodeur)
- **Senate Community Affairs Committee**
 - SB 0196 – Florida Housing Finance Corporation (Rodriguez (A))
 - SB 0224 – Regulation of Smoking in Public Places (Gruters)
 - SB 0228 – Resiliency Energy Environment Florida Programs (Rodriguez (A))
 - SB 0352 – Construction Liens (Hooper)
 - SB 0406 – Secured Transactions (Berman)
- **Senate Health Policy Committee**
 - SB 0292 – Newborn Screenings (Polsky)
 - SB 0358 – Professional Counselors Licensure Compact (Rodriguez (A))
 - SB 0296 – Health Care Expenses (Garcia)
 - SB 0330 – Medicaid Modernization (Brodeur)
 - SB 0312 – Telehealth (Diaz)
 - SB 7000 – OGSR/Nonviable Birth Certificates (Health Policy)
 - SB 7002 – OGSR/Information Relating to Medical Marijuana Held by the Department of Health (Health Policy)

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Bill Implementation and Workshop Presentations

The following presentations were heard by the House:

- **House Public Integrity & Elections Committee**
 - Workshop on draft definitions to implement constitutional lobbying prohibitions
- **House Education & Employment Committee**
 - Presentation on the Implementation of New Worlds Reading Initiative (HB 3).
- **House Judiciary Committee**
 - Presentation on the calculation of and admissibility of damages in tort cases
- **House Health & Human Services Committee**
 - Presentation on Medicaid Dental Care Outcomes by the Agency for Health Care Administration
- **House Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee**
 - Department of State Presentation on Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Grants
 - Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Presentation on Mobile Driver License or Smart ID
- **House Secondary Education & Career Development Subcommittee**
 - Presentation by the Department of Education on truancy
 - Presentation by OPPAGA on transparency requirements relating to curriculum and instruction and school district budgeting and accountability
- **House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee**
 - Presentations by the Department of Environmental Protection:
 - Update on the Florida Forever Program
 - Wastewater Grant Program
- **House Early Learning & Elementary Education Subcommittee**
 - Presentation by OPPAGA on transparency requirements relating to curriculum and instruction and school district budgeting and accountability
- **House Professions & Public Health Subcommittee**
 - Department of Health implementation update on:
 - Office Surgery, HB 933 (2019)
 - Prescription Donation Program, HB 177 (2020)
 - Presentation on Medical Marijuana Research:
 - Implementation update on SB 8A (2017) medical marijuana research provisions by Dr. Almut Winterstein, Director, Consortium for Medical Marijuana Clinical Outcomes Research
- **House Finance & Facilities Subcommittee**
 - Briefing on Medicaid Quality Measures and Outcomes by Tom Wallace, Deputy Secretary for Medicaid, Agency for Health Care Administration
- **House Government Operations Subcommittee**
 - Presentations by the Chief Inspector General:
 - Role of the Chief Inspector General and agency inspectors general

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- Final Report 2021-01-25-0017, regarding Data Compilation and Statutory Compensation Limit Review
 - Implementation of CS/CS/HB 1079 (2021), regarding agency contracts for commodities and contractual services
 - Implementation of CS/CS/HB 1297 (2021), regarding cybersecurity
- **House PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee**
 - Overview of School/Education Choice for K-12 Students
 - Update and Discussion on Fiscal Year 2021-2022 School Choice Enrollments and Funding for:
 - McKay Scholarship Program
 - Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program
 - Hope Scholarship Program
 - Florida Empowerment Scholarship Program
- **House Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee**
 - Overview of Florida's Pretrial Release System
- **House Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee**
 - Presentations on the Livable Communities initiative by AARP and the Department of Elder Affairs
- **House Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee**
 - Presentation on the implementation of HB 847 (2021), relating to Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network
 - Panel Discussion on low-cost, no-cost, and open-access electronic textbooks with Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, Florida International University, Santa Fe College, Seminole State College, University of Central Florida, and Valencia College

The following presentations were heard by the Senate:

- **Senate Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Committee**
 - Presentation by the Department of Children and Families providing an:
 - Overview of Florida's behavioral health system
 - Overview of the Statewide Office of Suicide Prevention
 - Update on the implementation of SB 7012 (2020 Regular Session)
 - Update on the Commission on Mental Health and Substance Abuse established in SB 96 (2021 Regular Session)
 - Panel discussion on issues relating to Florida's Behavioral Health System, the Baker Act and Marchman Act, and First Responder Suicide Prevention, with representatives from Department of Children and Families, Centerstone of Florida, SMA Healthcare, Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute at the University of South Florida, City of Fort Walton Beach Police, and Aware Recovery Care
- **Senate Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security Committee**
 - Presentation by Sheriff Bob Gualtieri, Sheriff of Pinellas County, on security issues

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- Presentation by Chief Richard M. Clements, Chief of Police, Miami Beach Police Department, on security issues
- Presentation by Major General James S. Hartsell and Lauren Stentz, Florida Department of Veterans Affairs, on available mental health and suicide prevention services
- **Senate Transportation Committee**
 - Presentation on 2022 Legislative Priorities by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
- **Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee**
 - Presentation on fleet management and fuel card administration by:
 - Enterprise Fleet Management
 - Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
 - Florida Department of Corrections
 - Florida Department of Transportation
 - Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
 - Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- **Senate Health Policy Committee**
 - Agency for Health Care Administration Implementation Update on HB 19 (2019)
- **Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services**
 - Update on the Directed Payment Program and the Indirect Graduate Medical Education Program by the Agency for Health Care Administration
 - Presentation on the American Rescue Plan's Enhanced Federal Share to Supplement Home and Community Based Services by the Agency for Health Care Administration
 - Report on Recent Increases in Mental Health and Substance Abuse Funding by the Department of Children and Families
- **Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development**
 - Update on the Status of the 5-Year Work Program, Including Expected Short and Long Term Revenue Impacts and Implementation of Recent Legislation, by the Department of Transportation

Notable Topics

COVID liability protection extension

SB 72 (2021), sponsored by Sen. Brandes, was the first piece of legislation to be signed by the Governor last session. The bill provided Florida businesses with protections from COVID-related lawsuits, which contained provisions applying to general liability claims filed against businesses, as well as extending protections to health care providers from COVID-19-related claims alleging medical malpractice or violations of nursing home residents' rights. SB 72 was signed into law on March 29, 2021 and was set to expire one year later on March 29, 2022. Sen. Brandes recently

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filed SB 610, which would extend the legislation to all claims before December 31, 2023. This bill does not change the underlying law or exclude businesses with vaccine mandates from the protections, as Governor DeSantis has recently called for. There is currently no House companion.

Florida welcomes Police

During an interview on Sunday, Governor DeSantis announced plans to offer law enforcement officers \$5,000 bonuses to relocate and join a Florida police force. This move comes after first responders continue to clash with city leaders, all over the nation, over vaccine mandates; many officers have been forced to resign or be fired over non-compliance with mandates in other states. "If you're not being treated well, we'll treat you better here," DeSantis said, "you can fill important needs for us, and we'll compensate you as a result." Any law enforcement officer who has not previously worked in Florida would be eligible, and they will not be asked to verify their vaccination status as a condition of employment. This would come in the form of legislation this session, although no bills have been filed yet.

Plane sales tax departure

Rep. Overdorf has sponsored HB 6051, which would exempt all aircraft sales and leases from sales and use tax. This is a continued years long effort that Republicans have pushed, that has not been able to make it to the finish line in past sessions. Currently, plane sales for use by common carriers (Delta, Southwest, etc.) are exempt from Florida's 6% sales tax. The bill, which does not yet have a Senate companion, would apply that exemption to sales of charter or private planes of any size. The bill will be a job booster, said Rep. Overdorf, currently many purchasers buy aircraft out-of-state, then wait six to eight months to relocate the plane to Florida.

Gambling prevention expansion

HB 405 (Reps. Plakon and Davis) would expand the promotion of Florida's (888)-ADMIT-IT Helpline to all 67 counties; currently, the helpline advertising is limited to Broward and Miami-Dade counties. The bill would take .3% of annual gross revenue from Florida online and instant lottery tickets to fund the program. This measure comes after state leaders struck a new gaming compact with the Seminole Tribe of Florida in April. The deal, among other provisions, expanded online sports betting in Florida. Demand has grown since the program first started in 2005. "It has been over 20 years since we first acknowledged our obligation to mitigate the effects and adverse impacts upon our state resulting from the various regulated forms of gambling we allow in our state," Plakon said. "We are long overdue in making sure our state prevention program meets the needs of our state in 2021 and beyond." Sen. Baxley is sponsoring the Senate companion.

DeSantis sues Biden

Last week the state of Florida filed suit against the federal government over the Biden Administration's mandate that federal contractors require their employees to be vaccinated against COVID-19. "They're transforming normal contracting into basically public health policy," DeSantis said at an event in Lakeland. DeSantis said that the mandate, stemming from President

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Biden's executive order earlier this year, exceeds federal authority. Biden's actions were based on federal law, the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act, giving him the power over federal government property. The lawsuit argues Biden overstepped his authority under that law.

Special Session

Last week at a press conference, Governor DeSantis stated his intent to call the Legislature into a Special Session. DeSantis sent an official memo to President Simpson and Speaker Sprowls, calling the Legislature into session from November 15-19, a week when legislators were already scheduled to be in Tallahassee for Committee Week 5.

The Governor has asked the Legislature to consider legislation that will:

- Protect employees against discrimination on the basis of vaccination status, including educational institutions and government entities against employees, students, and residents;
- Ensure that employees improperly denied employment due to vaccination status can be eligible for reemployment benefits;
- Appropriate funds to investigate complaints and take legal action regarding vaccination mandates;
- Clarify that the Parents' Bill of Rights vests the decision on masking with parents and that schools must comply;
- Limit mandates by school districts regarding COVID-19 and related mitigation measures;
- Provide adequate enforcement mechanisms to ensure that Florida law is followed and the rights of parents are honored;
- Direct the State to evaluate whether it should assert jurisdiction over occupational safety and health issues for government and private employees;
- Repeal the authority for the State Health Officer to order forced injections or vaccinations under Section 381.00315, Florida Statutes, originally enacted in 2002; and
- Create as necessary public records exemptions related to complaints and investigations described herein.

Sports betting is live

Months after the Compact was signed by Governor DeSantis, approved by the Legislature, and accepted by the Department of Interior, the Hard Rock Sportsbook App is live and Floridians can now place bets. There was little fanfare or advertisement leading up to the app launch on Monday, hinting that this was more of a soft-launch, but nonetheless sports betting is now live to the general public. The platform is only available via mobile application, there is no computer web based platform.

VISIT FLORIDA

Sen. Hooper's bill (SB 434) to postpone the sunset date of VISIT FLORIDA passed its first committee this week. VISIT FLORIDA is the state's tourism marketing agency, which was

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originally created by the Legislature in 1996, is currently set to dissolve at the end of 2023. SB 434 would extend that dissolution date to 2031. A similar House bill (HB 489) was filed that would extend the program until 2028. The Senate bill has one more committee stop, Appropriations. In past years, the Senate has tried to get rid of VISIT FLORIDA's sunset clause in state law, which would allow it to run in perpetuity, but the House has not agreed to the measure. Under former House Speakers Corcoran and Oliva, the House tried to eliminate the program under the idea taxpayer dollars should not be used for marketing campaigns. The Legislature has recently kept VISIT FLORIDA on a rolling, two-year lifespan, moving the sunset clause forward every year. In recent years, the House has been less of an ally to VISIT FLORIDA than the Senate, but has dropped its previous ambitions to abolish the program. Last year, the House agreed to \$50 million in the state's regular budget, then boosted the program's budget by \$25 million using federal funding passed as part of President Joe Biden's coronavirus relief package. However, these funds were nonrecurring general revenue dollars, which means each year the agency must be affirmatively funded by the Legislature. "VISIT FLORIDA is as important to the economy and economic wealth of our state as any other endeavor that I can possibly think of," said Sen. Hooper. "The hard part for that agency, with only a two-year sunset, attracting and retaining qualified, the best-of-the-best people at the agency is really difficult," Hooper said.

Free books from the Speaker

Last session, the Legislature passed Speaker Sprowls' New Worlds Reading Initiative, and Governor DeSantis signed it into law this summer. The program provides free book home delivery to elementary students who read below grade level, and recipients will get one free book every month for nine months of the year, throughout the school year. The Lastinger Center at the University of Florida, which the state selected in July to get the program running, announced that the free books are getting shipped on time next month to 30,000 students. Over 500,000 students are eligible for the program, however, students must opt-in. Parents currently enroll their students online, but the Lastinger Center is developing a paper application that will be available next year to make it easier for homeless students and students without internet access to enter the program. The Legislature set aside \$200 million in state and federal funds to get the New Worlds Reading Initiative started over the next four years.

Retroactive sentencing passes first committee

In the last decade, the Legislature has lowered sentences and removed some minimum mandatory sentences. Sen. Rouson's SB 276, which would allow those serving the previous mandatory time for some charges to be resentenced under the new standards, passed the Senate Criminal Justice Committee unanimously this week. "In sum, this bill is about hindsight. It's about equity and fairness in sentencing," Rouson told the panel. Sen. Rouson sponsored similar legislation last session that ultimately died in its last committee stop.

Firefighter protection

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A bill that would stiffen criminal penalties for those who murder an on-duty firefighter unanimously passed its first committee stop this week. Sen. Hooper's SB 370 would charge a convicted murderer of a firefighter with the same punishment as a person who killed a police officer, life in prison without the possibility of parole. "Those that serve and protect us need to have the same protection when they are attacked and killed," Hooper said. The bill has a House companion, HB 351 by Rep. Duggan.

COVID Update

Florida reported 1,804 new COVID-19 cases and zero deaths on Tuesday. The seven-day average for deaths was 81, and 1,607 for new cases. This builds on the latest data that 59% of the state have been completely vaccinated. As of Thursday, there have been 3,654,441 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state and 59,499 Floridians have died since the start of the pandemic, with 1,865 people hospitalized with COVID-19 in Florida. The State of Florida has one of the lowest COVID-19 daily average case rates in the last 7 days per 100,000 residents in the United States. "As Florida now ranks lowest in the continental US in terms of COVID-19 rates per capita, we are proud to have stood firm in protecting liberty throughout the pandemic," said Lieutenant Governor Nuñez. "Governor DeSantis' approach was guided by science, data, and pragmatism, not fear and alarmist narratives." Since August, COVID cases in school-aged children have decreased 87% since schools started, and cases in young adults ages 18 to 24 decreased 93%. Over 73% of eligible Floridians have been vaccinated, which is on par with national averages.

Redistricting

The House Redistricting Committee and two subcommittees all met this week for legal presentation on redistricting laws, while none of the Senate Redistricting Committees met. While the Senate Committee of Reapportionment has met three times thus far during Committee Weeks, the two Select Subcommittees have yet to meet. So far no map drafts have been discussed or released yet.

- Senate Committee on Reapportionment (Didn't meet)
 - Senate Select Subcommittee on Congressional Reapportionment (Didn't meet)
 - Senate Select Subcommittee on Legislative Reapportionment (Didn't meet)
- House Redistricting Committee (Met November 2)
 - House Congressional Redistricting Subcommittee (Met November 3)
 - House State Legislative Redistricting Subcommittee (Met November 3)

Current Bill Statistics

Total Bills Filed: 1007 (640 House; 367 Senate)

Appropriations Bills Filed: 339

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Schedule for Committee Week 5 (November 15-19)

The Senate's schedule has not yet been released and will likely be cancelled or significantly reduced due to Special Session.

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Preview of 2022 Legislative Session

Key Dates

The 2022 Legislative Session gavel-in on January 11, 2022.

Committee Week Schedule

- Week 5/Special Session – November 15-19
- Week 6 – November 29 - December 3

Other Key Dates

- November 17, 5:00pm
 - Deadline for submission of appropriation bills in the House
- January 11, 12:00pm
 - Deadline for filing drafts of bills for introduction

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Date Filed	Related Bills	Summary	Action Needed	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	House Floor Action	Senate Floor Action	Governor's Actions
HB 119	Appeals by Property Appraisers	Borrero	9/16/2021	HB 417	Revises upward percent variance that must exist for property appraiser to appeal value adjustment board assessment of property value. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Local Administration & Veterans Affairs	Ways & Means	State Affairs			
SB 198	Seagrass Mitigation Banks	Rodrigues (A)	9/21/2021	HB 349	Authorizing the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund to establish seagrass mitigation banks under certain conditions; providing construction, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.	Environmental and Natural Resources	Community Affairs	Appropriations			
HB 247	Florida Main Street Programs	Salzman	10/11/2021		Florida Main Street Program and Historic Preservation Tax Credits: Specifies eligibility requirements for receiving specified tax credits for taxpayers that rehabilitate certified historic structures; specifies amount of tax credits; authorizes carryforward, sale, & transfer of tax credits; provides DOR audit & examination powers; requires return of forfeited tax credits; requires DOR to provide annual reports to Legislature. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee	Ways & Means	Commerce			
HB 263	Notice of Commencement Requirements	Bell	10/12/2021	SB 352	Notice of Commencement Requirements: Exempts specified direct contracts from certain notice of commencement requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Civil Justice & Property Rights Sub	Regulatory Reform Subcommittee	Judiciary Committee			
SB 352	Construction Liens	Hooper	9/27/2021	HB 263	Construction Liens; Revising the threshold for determining whether certain direct contracts to repair or replace an existing heating or air-conditioning system are exempt from specified notice of commencement and applicability of lien requirements for authorities issuing building permits, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.	Community Affairs	Regulated Industries	Rules			

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SB 382	Minimum Training Wage	Brandes	9/29/2021		Minimum Training Wage; Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature to establish a minimum training wage rate lower than the Florida minimum wage rate which employers may elect to pay employees for the first 6 months of employment, etc.	None at this time.	Commerce and Tourism	Appropriations	Rules			
SB 468	Insurance	Perry	10/13/2021		General Omnibus Insurance Bill; monitoring for any issues affecting commercial development	None at this time.	Banking & Insurance	Judiciary	Appropriations			
SB 800	Economic Development	Albritton	11/3/2021		Economic Development; Authorizing municipalities to exempt by ordinance the public service tax that specified users would pay on electrical energy purchases; providing an exemption from the state tax on sales, use, and other transactions for building materials used in the rehabilitation of real property in an opportunity zone; revising the qualification criteria and tax credit amounts for new and existing businesses under the Rural Job Tax Credit Program; establishing a rural opportunity tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses in rural areas, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.						

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SB 714	Department of Business and Professional Regulation	Hooper	11/1/2021		Department of Business and Professional Regulation; Requiring the department to certify for licensure qualified individuals who practice mold assessment or mold remediation and hold certain licenses issued by other states or territories; requiring the department to certify asbestos consultants and asbestos contractors for licensure who meet certain exam and other state licensure requirements; removing a time limitation for applying for certain contracting licenses under certain provisions; deleting a requirement limiting the types of boxing exhibitions which require a specified maximum difference in participant weights, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.						
SB 712	Small Business Saturday Sales Tax Holiday	Taddeo	11/1/2021	HB 439	Small Business Saturday Sales Tax Holiday; Defining the term “small business”; providing that small businesses are not required to collect the sales and use tax on the retail sale of certain items of tangible personal property during a specified timeframe; authorizing certain dealers to opt out of participating in the tax holiday, subject to certain requirements, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.						
HB 439	Small Business Saturday Sales Tax Holiday	Smith ©	11/1/2021	SB 712	Small Business Saturday Sales Tax Holiday: Provides small businesses are not required to collect sales & use tax on retail sale of certain items during specified timeframe; authorizes certain dealers to opt out of participating in tax holiday. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.						

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SB 644	Building Inspection Services	Brodeur	10/26/2021	HB 423	Building Inspection Services; Revising eligibility requirements for a person applying to become certified as a building code inspector or plans examiner; revising the special conditions or requirements that the Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board may impose on provisional certificates; requiring the board to authorize, by rule, the transfer of a partial completion of an internship program between private entities; requiring the local jurisdiction to provide access to certain documents to a private provider, contractor, and owner; providing that a certificate of occupancy or certificate of completion is automatically granted and issued, and the permit application closed, under certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.						
HB 423	Building Inspection Services	LaMarca	11/5/2021	SB 644	Building Inspection Services: Revises eligibility requirements for building code inspector or plans examiner; revises special conditions that may be imposed on provisional certificates; authorizes partial completion of internship program to be transferred between jurisdictions & private entities; limits administrative fee that local jurisdiction can charge; provides certificate of occupancy or completion is automatically granted & issued; requires local building official to provide written certificate of occupancy or completion within specified time. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Regulatory Reform Subcommittee	Local Administration & Veterans Affairs	Commerce			

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HB 417	Property Appraisers	Fernandez-Barquin	11/5/2021	SB 572	Property Appraisers: Revises factors that property appraiser must consider in deriving just valuation; revises thresholds for variance in assessed value which allow property appraiser to appeal decisions of value adjustment board. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Ways & Means Committee	Local Administration & Veterans Affairs	State Affairs			
SB 612	Apprenticeship Contracts	Hutson	11/3/2021		Apprenticeship Contracts; Authorizing an apprentice to enter into a contract with a business organization for a specified duration; requiring such contracts to be signed by specified individuals, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.	Commerce and Tourism	Regulated Industries	Rules			
HB 411	Evidentiary Standards for Actions Arising During an Emergency	Melo	11/5/2021	SB 542	Evidentiary Standards for Actions Arising During an Emergency: Provides specified actions taken by business during declared emergencies may not be used as evidence in certain civil causes of action. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Civil Justice & Property Rights Sub	Pandemic & Public Emergencies Committee	Judiciary Committee			

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HB 75	Limiting COVID-19 Restrictions	Sabatini	9/17/2021		Limiting COVID-19 Restrictions: Prohibits state or any political subdivision from enacting mask mandate; provides any such mandate is void; prohibits state & local governments from requiring COVID-19 vaccinations, issuing vaccine passports or other standardized documentation to third parties, or otherwise publishing or sharing COVID-19 vaccination records; prohibits businesses from requiring customers to provide documentation certifying COVID-19 vaccination or COVID-19 post-transmission recovery or discriminating against customers on basis of their COVID-19 vaccination status or COVID-19 post-transmission recovery status; declares certain actions based on vaccination status or having immunity passport are unlawful discriminatory practices. Effective Date: upon becoming a law	None at this time.	Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee	Commerce Committee	Health & Human Services Committee			
SB 594	Discrimination on the Basis of COVID-19 Vaccination or Postinfection Recovery Status	Perry	10/21/2021	HB 75	Discrimination on the Basis of COVID-19 Vaccination or Postinfection Recovery Status; Prohibiting governmental entities from requiring proof of COVID-19 vaccination or postinfection recovery status as a condition of licensure or certification in this state; prohibiting employers from requiring COVID-19 vaccination or proof of COVID-19 vaccination or postinfection recovery as a condition of employment, promotion, or continued employment or from discriminating against employees on the basis of such status unless certain conditions are met; providing a right of action for aggrieved persons, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law	None at this time.	Community Affairs	Commerce & Tourism	Rules			

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SB 182	Renewable Energy	Brandes	9/14/2021		Authorizing owners of commercial or industrial businesses, or third parties contracted by such owners, to install, maintain, and operate a renewable energy source device on or about the structure in which the business operates or on a property that the business owns or leases; authorizing owners or contracted third parties to sell electricity generated from the device to certain businesses regardless of whether the device is located in a utility's service territory; exempting the sale of electricity produced by such devices from regulation, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.	Regulated Industries	Commerce & Tourism	Rules			
HB 6057	Repeal of Developer Incentive Requirements	Eskamani	10/20/2021		Repeal of Developer Incentive Requirements: Removes provisions requiring counties & municipalities to provide incentives to fully offset costs of certain affordable housing contributions or linkage fees. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Local Administration & Veterans Affairs	Commerce Committee	State Affairs			
SB 572	Property Appraisers	Garcia	10/20/2021	HB 417	Revising factors that a property appraiser must consider in deriving just valuation; revising the thresholds for variance in assessed value which allow a property appraiser to appeal decisions of the value adjustment board, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	None at this time.	Community Affairs	Finance & Tax	Appropriations			
HB 349	Water Resources Management	Sirois	10/19/2021	SB 198	Authorizes Board of Trustees of Internal Improvement Trust Fund to grant easements for specified mitigation banks; directs DEP to create & modify specified rules; exempts certain docks on recorded easements from certain permit & verification requirements; granting certain docks authorization to use submerged lands upon approval of board. Effective Date: upon becoming a law	None at this time.	Environment, Agriculture & Flood Subcommittee	Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations	State Affairs			

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HB 345	Liens and Bonds	Overdorf	10/19/2021		Revises liens and bonds laws, including provisions relating to when notices must be served; notarizing forms; alternative forms of security; direct contracts; computation of time; priority of liens; requirements for notice of commencement, notice of termination, & notice of contest of lien; transferring lien to security; service of documents; immunity to issuing authority; release of liens; & authorizes attorney fees in certain actions. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	None at this time.	Civil Justice & Property Rights Sub	Regulatory Reform Subcommittee	Judiciary Committee			