

MEMORANDUM

TO: NAIOP

FROM: GrayRobinson

DATE: November 22, 2021

SUBJECT: 2022 Legislative Session – Committee Week 5/Special Session Summary
(November 15-19)

After a break week last week, the Legislature was back in the Capitol for what was originally scheduled as Committee Week 5, but after Governor DeSantis called for a Special Session, this week was rescheduled for the sole purpose of taking up four bills related to COVID-19 and associated mandates. The Senate Select Subcommittees on Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment also met for brief workshops. It was a rather short week, with the House passing the bills and adjourning by noon on Wednesday, the Senate went a bit longer but passed the bills by 6:30pm on Wednesday. Governor DeSantis had a press conference Thursday morning with Attorney General Ashley Moody, Surgeon General Dr. Joseph Ladapo, House Speaker Chris Sprowls, and Senate President Wilton Simpson, where he signed the four bills into law. The Legislature is scheduled to convene for Committee Week 6 on November 29. These and other topics are covered below in our summary of the week that was in Tallahassee.

NAIOP Activities

While the Legislature stayed focused on the Special Session last week, your GR team made the rounds with the Commerce and Regulatory Affairs Chairs in the House and Senate to inform and advocate on issues of importance, with specific emphasis on the fire code.

Summary of Special Session (November 15-19)

Bills Heard

The following bills were heard in the Senate:

- Senate Judiciary Committee (Monday)
 - SB 2B – COVID-19 Mandates (Burgess)

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- SB 4B – Public Records/Employer COVID-10 Vaccination Policies (Burgess)
 - SB 6B – Florida Occupational Safety and Health State Plan (Hutson)
 - SB 8B – Vaccinations During Public Health Emergencies (Bean)
- Senate Appropriations Committee (Tuesday)
 - SB 2B – COVID-19 Mandates (Burgess)
 - SB 4B – Public Records/Employer COVID-10 Vaccination Policies (Burgess)
 - SB 6B – Florida Occupational Safety and Health State Plan (Hutson)
 - SB 8B – Vaccinations During Public Health Emergencies (Bean)
- Senate Floor Session (Wednesday)
 - HB 5B – Florida Occupational Safety and Health State Plan (Zika)
 - HB 7B – Vaccinations During Public Health Emergencies (Andrade)
 - HB 1B – COVID-19 Mandates (Grall)
 - HB 3B – Public Records/Employer COVID-10 Vaccination Policies (Massullo)

The following bills were heard in the House:

- House Commerce Committee (Monday)
 - HB 1B – COVID-19 Mandates (Grall)
 - HB 3B – Public Records/Employer COVID-10 Vaccination Policies (Massullo)
- House Health & Human Services Committee (Monday)
 - HB 7B – Vaccinations During Public Health Emergencies (Andrade)
- House Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee (Monday)
 - HB 5B – Florida Occupational Safety and Health State Plan (Zika)
- House Floor Session (Tuesday)
 - HB 5B – Florida Occupational Safety and Health State Plan (Zika)
 - HB 7B – Vaccinations During Public Health Emergencies (Andrade)
 - HB 1B – COVID-19 Mandates (Grall)
 - HB 3B – Public Records/Employer COVID-10 Vaccination Policies (Massullo)
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 - HB 7B – Vaccinations During Public Health Emergencies (Andrade)
 - HB 1B – COVID-19 Mandates (Grall)
 - HB 3B – Public Records/Employer COVID-10 Vaccination Policies (Massullo)

Bill Implementation and Workshop Presentations

The following presentations were heard by the Senate:

- Senate Select Subcommittee on Congressional Reapportionment
 - Workshop on Congressional Maps
- Senate Select Subcommittee on Legislative Reapportionment
 - Workshop on State Senate Maps

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Notable Topics

Special Session COVID Bills

All four of the COVID bills were passed in the Legislature this week on Wednesday. Governor DeSantis signed the four bills into law on Thursday. The bills don't go as far as DeSantis initially proposed, although they still offer protections to Floridians. A breakdown of each passed bill is below.

HB 1B – COVID-19 Mandates

The bill bans vaccine mandates for local governments and public schools. The bill also bans mandates for private businesses, unless the companies offer five opt-out options: (1) exempt employees for medical (including anticipated pregnancy), (2) religious reasons, (3) prior COVID-19 infection/immunity proved through testing, (4) if an employee agrees to regular COVID-19 testing, or (5) the wearing of protective equipment, such as a mask. Companies with more than 100 employees that impose a vaccine mandate without proper exemptions, or deny a valid exemption will face fines of up to \$50,000 per violation. For businesses with fewer than 100 employees, the fine will be up to \$10,000 per violation. A worker will be able to file a complaint with Attorney General Ashley Moody's office if they're denied an exemption. If a business under investigation reinstates an employee with full back pay they can avoid a fine. Anyone fired for refusing to take the vaccine is eligible for unemployment benefits under the bill, and anyone already receiving benefits can't be denied benefits if they receive a work offer from an employer who has a vaccine mandate. Other provisions in the bill will explicitly state parents have the right to decide whether their children wear masks to school.

HB 3B – Public Records/Employer COVID-10 Vaccination Policies

The bill shields from public view any complaint filed by an employee to the Attorney General's office against a business accused of violating the proposed new law on vaccine mandates. Any records regarding an investigation would be exempt from the state's public record laws while the investigation is underway. This also blocks medical and religious exemption information filed by workers that appears in any investigation of a business from public disclosure.

HB 7B – Vaccinations During Public Health Emergencies

Although never used in Florida, the Surgeon General previously had the authority to require mandatory vaccinations and quarantines. This bill repeals that authority.

HB 5B – Florida Occupational Safety and Health State Plan

This bill takes a step forward removing Florida from OSHA's jurisdiction. The bill orders the Governor's office to develop a plan and sets aside \$1 million for the project. Florida will set up its own workplace safety enforcement agency, which application would have to be approved by OSHA. This legislation was a reaction to President Biden's vaccine mandate, which was to be

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enforced by OSHA, but a federal court recently struck down the mandate. OSHA stated they were backing down and would respect the court's ruling.

DeSantis launches 2022 campaign

Last week, Governor Ron DeSantis officially filed for reelection. The Florida gubernatorial race is expected to be one of the country's most closely watched and expensive races. The move most likely wasn't a coincidence, filing right before the Special Session was about to start, as it allowed for campaign spending during the Special Session which focuses on COVID vaccine mandates, a major talking point of DeSantis' campaign. People are already talking about a potential 2024 Presidential run for DeSantis, although he has consistently batted down the idea saying he's focused on Florida and 2022. Recently, former President Trump was asked about DeSantis serving as a running mate in 2024, and Trump responded that DeSantis is a "good man," and that Trump will wait until after the 2022 midterm elections before announcing any potential plans.

First redistricting maps released

Last week the Florida Senate released the first drafts of redistricting maps. To the pleasant surprise of critics, experts have been quoted that the proposals are "surprising," "a good start," and not "the bloodbath we're seeing in other states." The Princeton Gerrymandering Project found that the maps treat both parties fairly and gave the drafts a "B" grade.

The Senate's Congressional and Senate maps can be viewed here (search Senate in the "From" tab): <https://www.floridaredistricting.gov/pages/submitted-plans>

Anti-riot law being challenged

Last session, the Florida Legislature passed the highly controversial HB 1, known as the "anti-riot" law. Governor DeSantis quickly signed it into law, as it was one of his legislative priorities after the 2020 summer of protests in the wake of George Floyd's shooting. The cities of Gainesville, Lake Worth Beach, Lauderhill, North Bay Village, North Miami, North Miami Beach, Miramar, Tallahassee, and Wilton Manors filed a lawsuit this week challenging the law. The cities are represented by the Public Rights Project, Southern Poverty Law Center, Community Justice Project, and the law firm of Jenner & Block. The legislation included a new provision in state law that gives the Governor and Cabinet veto power over city and county budgets that reduce the law enforcement budget from the previous year. The lawsuit challenges the change as a breach of the separation of powers of the Florida Constitution.

Florida announces bonuses for correctional officers

A few weeks ago, Governor DeSantis announced bonuses for police officers relocating to Florida. The program has already reported success, with multiple officers taking advantage of the program and leaving states, such as New York with vaccine mandates, to relocate to Florida. This week DeSantis announced a similar program to hire correctional officers, in a crucial time when Florida's prisons are seeing massive staffing shortages, so bad that some prisoners may have to be

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released. Beginning next year, Florida will raise the starting correctional officer salary to \$38,750, marking a 16% increase. The state will also offer a slew of new hire bonuses: \$3,000 per correctional officer, plus an extra \$1,000 for officers who join a high vacancy institution. Applicants who are already certified, meanwhile, can also earn a \$1,000 hiring bonus.

COVID Update

Florida reported 2,053 new COVID-19 cases and zero deaths on Wednesday. The seven-day average for deaths was 61, and 1,397 for new cases. 59% of the state have been completely vaccinated. As of Thursday, there have been 3,676,634 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state and 60,846 Floridians have died since the start of the pandemic, with 1,388 people hospitalized with COVID-19 in Florida.

Redistricting

The two Senate redistricting subcommittees met this week for workshops on the Congressional and Legislative maps, while none of the House Redistricting Committees met. The Senate released the first drafts of redistricting maps (addressed above) and critics are so far pleased with the maps.

- Senate Committee on Reapportionment (Did not meet)
 - Senate Select Subcommittee on Congressional Reapportionment (Met November 16)
 - Senate Select Subcommittee on Legislative Reapportionment (Met November 17)
- House Redistricting Committee (Did not meet)
 - House Congressional Redistricting Subcommittee (Did not meet)
 - House State Legislative Redistricting Subcommittee (Did not meet)

Current Bill Statistics

Total Bills Filed: 1764 (1313 House; 451 Senate)

Appropriations Bills Filed: 931

Schedule for Committee Week 6 (November 29-December 3)

The Senate's schedule can be viewed [here](#).

The House's schedule can be viewed [here](#).

Preview of 2022 Legislative Session

Key Dates

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

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Committee Week Schedule

- 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 Tracking Report

Number	Title	Sponsor	Last Action	Date Foldered
HB 0119	Appeals by Property Appraisers	Borrero	10/19/21	10/29/21 12:24PM
(C: 417 572)	Appeals by Property Appraisers: Revises upward percent variance that must exist for property appraiser to appeal value adjustment board assessment of property value. Effective Date: July 1, 2022 09/16/21 HOUSE Filed 09/29/21 HOUSE Referred to Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Ways & Means Committee; State Affairs Committee 09/29/21 HOUSE Now in Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee 10/19/21 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction			
SB 0286	Vacation Rentals	Garcia	10/18/21	09/26/21 09:17PM
(C: 325 512)	Vacation Rentals; Providing that local laws, ordinances, or regulations requiring vacation rental owners or operators to provide the local government with certain contact information are not prohibited or preempted to the state, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022			

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09/22/21
SENATE Filed

10/13/21
SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; Rules

10/18/21
SENATE Withdrawn from Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; Rules

10/18/21
SENATE Withdrawn prior to introduction

<u>HB 0325</u>	<u>Vacation Rentals</u>	<u>Fischer</u>	11/05/21	10/18/21 09:52AM
(I: <u>512</u>) (C: <u>286</u>)	Vacation Rentals: Requires advertising platforms to collect & remit taxes for certain transactions; revises regulated activities of public lodging establishments & public food service establishments preempted to state; expands authority of local laws, ordinances, or regulations to include requiring vacation rentals to register with local vacation rental registration programs; preempting regulation of advertising platforms to state; authorizes division to issue & deliver notice to cease & desist for certain violations; provides that such notice does not constitute agency action for which hearings may be sought; authorizes division to collect attorney fees & costs; authorizes division to impose fine on advertising platforms for violations. Effective Date: upon becoming a law			
	10/18/21 HOUSE Filed			
	11/03/21 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 11/05/21, 1:30 pm, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)			
	11/05/21 HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform Subcommittee; Ways & Means Committee; Commerce Committee			
	11/05/21 HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform Subcommittee			
<u>SB 0382</u>	<u>Minimum Training Wage</u>	<u>Brandes</u>	10/13/21	10/21/21 05:10PM

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.

09/29/21
SENATE Filed

10/13/21
SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations; Rules

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<u>HB 0417</u>	<u>Property Appraisers</u>	<u>Fernandez-Barquin</u>	11/05/21	10/29/21 12:24PM
(I: <u>572</u>) (C: <u>119</u>)	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 10/27/21 HOUSE Filed 11/05/21 HOUSE Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee 11/05/21 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee			
<u>SB 0434</u>	<u>Florida Tourism Marketing</u>	<u>Hooper</u>	11/03/21	10/12/21 10:17AM
(S: <u>489</u>)	Florida Tourism Marketing; Delaying the scheduled repeal of provisions governing the Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation and the Division of Tourism Marketing of Enterprise Florida, Inc., respectively, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law 10/12/21 SENATE Filed 10/21/21 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations 10/25/21 SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 11/02/21, 9:00 am, 110 S 11/02/21 SENATE Favorable by Commerce and Tourism; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays 11/03/21 SENATE Now in Appropriations			
<u>HB 0489</u>	<u>Tourism Marketing</u>	<u>Chaney</u>	11/10/21	11/03/21 10:15PM
(S: <u>434</u>)	Tourism Marketing: Revises scheduled repeal date of Florida Tourism Industry Marketing Corporation; revises scheduled repeal date of Division of Tourism Marketing within Enterprise Florida, Inc. Effective Date: upon becoming a law 11/03/21 HOUSE Filed 11/10/21			

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HOUSE Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Commerce Committee

11/10/21

HOUSE Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee

<u>SB 0512</u>	<u>Vacation Rentals</u>	<u>Burgess</u>	11/03/21	10/16/21 10:09PM
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(I: [325](#))
(C: [286](#))

Vacation Rentals; Requiring advertising platforms to collect and remit taxes for certain transactions; revising the regulated activities of public lodging establishments and public food service establishments preempted to the state to include licensing; expanding the authority of local laws, ordinances, or regulations to include requiring vacation rentals to register with local vacation rental registration programs; authorizing local governments to adopt vacation rental registration programs and impose fines for failure to register; requiring advertising platforms to require that persons placing advertisements for vacation rentals include certain information in the advertisements and attest to certain information, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law

10/15/21

SENATE Filed

11/03/21

Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 11/05/21, 1:30 pm, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

11/03/21

SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; Rules

<u>HB 0521</u>	<u>Human Trafficking and Prostitution</u>	<u>Skidmore</u>	11/19/21	11/17/21 08:35AM
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(I: [760](#))

Human Trafficking and Prostitution: Revises definition of term "coercion"; provides criminal penalties for engaging in human trafficking or benefiting financially by receiving value from human trafficking using labor or services or commercial sexual activity of an adult; prohibits facilitating or enabling receiving of persons for purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation, or facilitating or enabling any person to remain there for such purposes; provides increased criminal penalties for specified prohibited acts relating to prostitution, lewdness, or assignation. Effective Date: October 1, 2022

11/05/21

HOUSE Filed

11/19/21

HOUSE Referred to Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee; Justice Appropriations Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee

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11/19/21
HOUSE Now in Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee

<u>SB 0572</u>	<u>Property Appraisers</u>	<u>Garcia</u>	11/03/21	10/25/21 12:51PM
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(I: [417](#))
(C: [119](#))

Property Appraisers; 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

10/20/21
SENATE Filed

11/03/21
SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

<u>HB 0575</u>	<u>Vacation and Timeshare Plans</u>	<u>McClain</u>	11/10/21	11/10/21 10:30PM
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Vacation and Timeshare Plans: Revises provisions relating to vacation & timeshare plans, including creation of timeshare estates; public offering statements; delivery methods, including electronically; incidental benefits; cancellation rights of purchaser; termination of timeshare plans, termination trustees, & disputes relating to distribution of funds after termination; electronic meetings; emergency powers of managing entity or board of administration for owners' association; multisite timeshare plans; & trustee foreclosures of assessment & mortgage liens. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

11/10/21
HOUSE Filed

<u>HB 0615</u>	<u>Human Trafficking</u>	<u>Overdorf</u>	11/16/21	11/18/21 07:22AM
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(L: [617](#))

Human Trafficking: Requires direct support organization of Statewide Council on Human Trafficking to develop certain training for firesafety inspectors; provides that such training is eligible for continuing education credits. Effective Date: July 1, 2022

11/16/21
HOUSE Filed

<u>SB 0652</u>	<u>Human Trafficking Public Awareness Signs</u>	<u>Cruz</u>	11/16/21	10/28/21 09:09AM
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Human Trafficking Public Awareness Signs; Requiring the employer of each athletic venue, entertainment venue, and convention center with a certain

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capacity to display a human trafficking public awareness sign in a conspicuous location that is clearly visible to the public and employees; providing a noncriminal violation, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022

10/27/21

SENATE Filed

11/16/21

SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

<u>SB 0744</u>	<u>Medical Use of Marijuana by Out-of-state Visitors</u>	<u>Brandes</u>	11/16/21	11/03/21 07:17AM
Medical Use of Marijuana by Out-of-state Visitors; Requiring the Department of Health to create a separate section in the medical marijuana use registry for short-term visitors; establishing criteria for short-term visitors from states that have legalized medical marijuana to receive authorization to possess medical marijuana and marijuana delivery devices in this state; authorizing short-term visitors registered in the medical marijuana use registry to purchase and receive a specified supply of marijuana for medical use from a medical marijuana treatment center in this state; requiring the department to immediately make available in the medical marijuana use registry the registration certificate of a short-term visitor; providing that a short-term visitor's registration certificate serves as verification that he or she is authorized to possess, purchase, and use marijuana for medical use and possess and use marijuana delivery devices in this state, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022				
11/02/21 SENATE Filed				
11/16/21 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations				
<u>SB 0760</u>	<u>Human Trafficking</u>	<u>Berman</u>	11/16/21	11/17/21 08:20AM
(I: <u>521</u>)	Human Trafficking; Revising the definition of the term "coercion"; providing criminal penalties for engaging in human trafficking or benefiting financially by receiving value from human trafficking using the labor or services or commercial sexual activity of an adult; prohibiting facilitating or enabling the receiving of persons in any place, structure, building, or conveyance for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness, or assignation, or facilitating or enabling any person to remain there for such purposes; providing increased criminal penalties for specified prohibited acts relating to prostitution, lewdness, or assignation, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2022			

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11/02/21
SENATE Filed

11/16/21
SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Appropriations

<u>SB 0918</u>	<u>Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure</u>	<u>Brandes</u>	11/15/21	11/18/21 07:21AM
(L: <u>908</u>)	Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure; Revising a requirement for the Department of Transportation's goals relating to mobility; requiring that certain funds be used for specified purposes relating to the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program, beginning in a specified fiscal year; requiring the department to establish the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program; providing the purpose of the program; requiring the Department of Transportation to seek programmatic federal approval for the issuance of permits and for the accommodation as a utility of the installation of electric vehicle charging stations in highway rights-of-way, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2022			
	11/15/21 SENATE Filed			
<u>SB 0920</u>	<u>Electric Vehicle Transportation Electrification Plan</u>	<u>Perry</u>	11/16/21	11/18/21 07:26AM
	Electric Vehicle Transportation Electrification Plan; Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt rules for an electric vehicle transportation electrification plan that meet certain requirements; providing timeframes for the commission to propose the plan's rules and for final rule adoption; authorizing entities that provide electric vehicle charging stations to the public to intervene and participate in certain commission proceedings involving rates, terms, or conditions for offering electric vehicle charging to the public, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022			
	11/16/21 SENATE Filed			
<u>HB 6033</u>	<u>Preemption of the Regulation of Vacation Rentals</u>	<u>Grieco</u>	09/29/21	09/23/21 10:22AM
	Preemption of the Regulation of Vacation Rentals: Repeals provisions preempting regulation of vacation rentals to state. Effective Date: July 1, 2022			

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09/22/21
HOUSE Filed

09/29/21
HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform Subcommittee; Ways & Means
Committee; Commerce Committee

09/29/21
HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform Subcommittee

<u>HB 6075</u>	<u>Tourist Development Taxes</u>	<u>Eskamani</u>	11/10/21	11/02/21 06:07PM
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Tourist Development Taxes: Removes provision requiring specified percentage of all tourist development tax revenues to be used to promote & advertise tourism. Effective Date: July 1, 2022

11/02/21
HOUSE Filed

11/10/21
HOUSE Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Ways &
Means Committee; Commerce Committee

11/10/21
HOUSE Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Date Filed	Related Bills	Summary	Category	Action Needed	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	House Floor	Senate Floor	Governor's Actions
Economic Development													
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.	Economic Development	None at this time.	Commerce and Tourism	Appropriations	Rules			
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	Economic Development	None at this time.						
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	Economic Development	None at this time.	Commerce and Tourism	Regulated Industries	Rules			
Infrastructure													

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Date Filed	Related Bills	Summary	Category	Action Needed	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	House Floor	Senate Floor	Governor's Actions
SB 918	Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure	Brandes	11/15/2021		Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure; Revising a requirement for the Department of Transportation's goals relating to mobility; requiring that certain funds be used for specified purposes relating to the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program, beginning in a specified fiscal year; requiring the department to establish the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program; providing the purpose of the program; requiring the Department of Transportation to seek programmatic federal approval for the issuance of permits and for the accommodation as a utility of the installation of electric vehicle charging stations in highway rights-of-way, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2022	Infrastructure	None at this time.						
SB 920	Electric Vehicle Transportation Electrification Plan	Perry	11/16/2021		Requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt rules for an electric vehicle transportation electrification plan that meet certain requirements; providing timeframes for the commission to propose the plan's rules and for final rule adoption; authorizing entities that provide electric vehicle charging stations to the public to intervene and participate in certain commission proceedings involving rates, terms, or conditions for offering electric vehicle charging to the public, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	Infrastructure	None at this time.						
Land Use/Permitting													
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	Land Use/Permitting	None at this time.	Environmental and Natural Resources	Community Affairs	Appropriations			

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Date Filed	Related Bills	Summary	Category	Action Needed	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	House Floor	Senate Floor	Governor's Actions
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	Land Use/Permitting	None at this time.	Civil Justice & Property Rights Sub	Regulatory Reform Subcommittee	Judiciary Committee			
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	Land Use/Permitting	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	Land Use/Permitting	None at this time.	Regulatory Reform Subcommittee	Local Administration & Veterans Affairs	Commerce			

Bill	Title	Sponsor	Date Filed	Related Bills	Summary	Category	Action Needed	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	Committee of Reference	House Floor	Senate Floor	Governor's Actions
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	Land Use/Permitting	Done at this time	Regulated Industries	Commerce & Tourism	Rules			
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	Land Use/Permitting	Done at this time	Environment, Agriculture & Flood Subcommittee	Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations	State Affairs			
SB 882	Inventories of Critical Wetlands	Brodeur	11/8/2021		Inventories of Critical Wetlands; Requiring each water management district governing board, in cooperation with local governments, to develop a list of critical wetlands for acquisition using funds from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund; requiring the boards to consider certain criteria when including wetlands on the list, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	Land Use/Permitting	Done at this time.						

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HB 635	Building Plan Changes	Maggard	11/17/2021	SB 1020	Prohibits local building code administrators or inspectors & firesafety marshals or inspectors from making changes to certain building plans under specified circumstances. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	Land Use/Permitting	None at this time.						
SB 1020	Building Plans	Perry	11/22/2021	HB 635	Specifying that local building code administrators and certain marshals and inspectors do not have discretionary authority to change certain building plans under specified circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	Land Use/Permitting							
Legal													
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	Legal	None at this time.	Community Affairs	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	Legal	None at this time.	Civil Justice & Property Rights Sub	Pandemic & Public Emergencies Committee	Judiciary Committee			
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	Legal	None at this time.	Civil Justice & Property Rights Sub	Regulatory Reform Subcommittee	Judiciary Committee			

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SB 468	Insurance	Perry	10/13/2021		General Omnibus Insurance Bill; monitoring for any issues affecting commercial development	Regulatory	None at this time.	Banking & Insurance	Judiciary	Appropriations			
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	Regulatory	None at this time.						

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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	Regulatory	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	Regulatory	None at this time	Community Affairs	Commerce & Tourism	Rules			

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HB 659	Florida Building Code and Florida Fire Prevention Code Rules	Harding	11/18/2021	SB 626	Florida Building Code and Florida Fire Prevention Code Rules: Provides that updates to the Florida Building Code & Florida Fire Prevention Code take effect by specified period upon approval by certain entities. Effective Date: July 1, 2022	Regulatory	None at this time.						
SB 626	Standards for Buildings and Firesafety	Wright	10/25/2021	HB 659	Standards for Buildings and Firesafety; Providing for a contingent effective date of updates to the Florida Building Code; providing for a contingent effective date of updates to the Florida Fire Prevention Code, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022	Regulatory	None at this time.	Community Affairs	Banking and Insurance	Rules			
Taxation													
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	Taxation	None at this time.	Local Administration & Veterans Affairs	Ways & Means	State Affairs			
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	Taxation	None at this time.	Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee	Ways & Means	Commerce			

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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	Taxation	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	Taxation	None at this time.						
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	Taxation	None at this time.	Ways & Means Committee	Local Administration & Veterans Affairs	State Affairs			
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	Taxation	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	Taxation	None at this time.	Community Affairs	Finance & Tax	Appropriations			